Speech: Reflection on the "Banana throw" incident

Good morning Dr. Wong, teachers and fellow schoolmates,

I am Chris Chung from form 7B. For one thing, I would like to ask you one question – Do you still remember the legislative councillor – Mr. Raymond Wong Yuk-man, threw bananas to the Chief Executive Mr. Donald Tsang Yam-kuen during Tsang's annual policy address a few weeks ago?

Dear schoolmates, do you agree with what Mr. Wong did?

From my point of view, "He is absolutely wrong!" Throwing bananas is not a suitable behaviour in a formal meeting, like policy address. I do object what he did on the ground of law and order. Everyone in the society must obey the law, and, of course there are regulations governing what the legislative councillors can or cannot do when they attend official meetings. Well, at least, I think Mr. Wong should receive a fine of HKD\$1500 for throwing rubbish in public area.

I understand what Mr. Wong did reflected his concern for the Hong Kong community. He wants the government to listen to his voice representing the lower class. However, why didn't Mr. Wong use another "legal and peaceful" method to achieve his aim? Is that he is performing in front of the camera?

Apart from this, the legislative councillors are supposed to be the elite class of the society and be moral model for the youngsters. I think what Mr. Wong did will greatly affect Hong Kong people, the impact is severe. We should communicate in an effective way. Try to imagine, if someone throws a bananas to you, what do you think and how would you feel? I think, most possibly – you will be angry, of course.

So, we need to express our views in a polite and peaceful way. I do hope that all of you will be able to achieve this. Thank you very much!

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