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Snapshot Template

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Theme:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social Issues	<input type="checkbox"/> Popular Culture	<input type="checkbox"/> Inspiring People & Amazing Deeds
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Caption: A woman try to survive by handing out pamphlets all day while another survives on dollars of sympathy, waiting for a Mother Teresa.
Max.30 words

Commentary: The Hong Kong Basic Law gives each citizen their rights and freedoms. As an international city it is to provide basic assistance and subsidies to those in need—the homeless, the jobless. Yet, why are the wealth and extravagance such a common sight in such a city?
*S.1 – 3:
100 – 200 words*

*S.4 – 7:
200 – 300 words* Is there a problem with the welfare system of Hong Kong, or is it the problem of certain individuals? Would one choose to lie in garbage and debris to beg for money, even if one is hungry and penniless? Perhaps there is a personal defect. Perhaps the person is anti-social, who simply refuses to integrate into society. If so, then this problem should be rooted out immediately.

This is a sad reflection of Hong Kong society’s laissez-faire attitude towards the homeless and the lower working class. ‘Let do and let pass, the world goes on by itself.’ In this prosperous city, people have easily adopted apathy in lieu of concern, even empathy. It astounds me, how blatantly the suffering is, yet all around, people are in the absorption of other pursuits.

This apathy... this indifference... is a foe that we have to fight against until the very end.

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