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Name of constituency visited (please use one form for each constituency) :
Victoria Park Constituency

Field trip details –

Date : 19 November , 2003 Time : 5:00 Venue : Tin Hau

Description of the process (whether alone, accompanied by teammates, friends, campaign workers... etc.)

I went to the constituency alone this evening at around 4 : 30 pm . My status was known by the candidate, Wong Chi - chung 王志鍾 and the assistant of Chow Kit- Bing (周潔冰) . I couldn't see Jennifer Chow's assistants until 5: 10 pm whilst Dominic Wong had already started his pre- election propaganda . Jennifer Chow hadn't show up when I left at around 6:00 pm. . Chow has no party affiliation whilst Wong is a DAB member.

Record the main purpose of your field trip by ticking on one or more of the following objectives:

- 1 To count, record, and analyze the content of campaign posters, banners, leaflets, etc.
- 2 To observe campaign activities, like forums, door-to-door visits, open petitions, on-street broadcast, etc.
- 3 To interview candidates and campaign workers.
- 4 To interview electors and ordinary residents.
- 5 To take pictures, or collect campaign material for scanning.
- 6 Other purposes (please specify) : ___all of the above

Recording basic figures – like how many posters and where, how many people attended the forum during different time period...etc

Posters and banners are stucked in front of the shop and along the barriers of the street . Based on observation , the number of poster by candidate 2 , Jennifer , Chow Kit -bing (周潔冰) is much more than those of candidate1 , Dominic, Wong Chi- chung (王志鍾) . And Jennifer Chow has two different size of posters posted . Some of the shops have Jennifer Chow's poster posted only. The distributed leaflet (8000 copied printed) has the full description of Chow's past record of community services and her education qualifications . As for Dominic Wong , I could only get his name card (with calendar, 12, 000 copies printed) .

Description of findings – could be in the form simple narrations, or in the form of questions and answer...

By asking the shopkeeper/ security guard along the Electric Road (電器道), Lau Lai Street (琉璃街), they said both candidates showed up in the district, usually in the evening, around 5:00 pm. However, most of the informants (shopkeepers / security guard) can only identify the candidate clearly by naming candidate 2- 周潔冰 but not candidates 1 - 王志鍾.

It is observed that the candidates have different areas (地盤) to hold their pre-election broadcast. I got to know the time and area that周潔冰 would show up by asking her assistant. However, I hadn't see her today evening. There is a boost in the Electric Road (電器道), near the Tin Hau MTR station and her helpers are generally younger in age. As for 王志鍾, I get his time schedule for on street broadcast by calling him directly through mobile. Without boost, he started his work from the Causewaybay Market (銅鑼灣街市), close to Fortress Hill. He says "hi", "Wish people good health", "Ask people to vote for him" in Cantonese and Fujian dialect and distributed his name card to the people passing by. He also shook hand with the competitor's helper. His helpers are generally older, middle age women.

When I ask Chow's assistant, he said the chance for Chow to get re-elected is quite high, as Chow has served the constituency concerned for one term. And she has 15 years of community services experiences.

Most of the people passing by were quite lukewarm, and it was happened that a lady emotionally rejected Dominic Wong by directly saying that she won't support him.

Conclusions drawn from your observation

It is not certain about the popularity of the candidates. Still have to observe more while the election day is approaching.

It is likely that Jennifer Chow has more capital (past contributions in the constituency concerned and education qualification).

New questions generated from your observations or findings

May ask the voters whether they know the contributions actually done by Jennifer Chow, whether they are satisfied by her past performance. What are their impressions of the candidates.

Open questions for discussion by all team members
How to get the trust from the informants and tell you the information.
