

LegCo Panel on Education
Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong

**Specific questions raised by deputations and individuals at the meeting held on 7 May 2002
for the University Grants Committee (UGC)/the Administration to respond**

| Organisations/Individuals | Issues |
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| Academic Staff Association, The University of Hong Kong | <p>Delinking from civil service pay and conditions</p> <p>(1) Whether it was already the Administration's position that the remuneration package of both academic and non-academic staff in UGC-funded institutions should be delinked from the civil service pay and conditions?</p> |
| The Chinese University of Hong Kong Teachers' Association | <p>(2) Why the "delinking" proposal was put forward before the completion of the review on civil service pay and conditions?</p> |
| Mr Ivan CHOY Chi-keung | <p>Associate degree programmes</p> <p>(3) Why UGC/the Administration considered that a majority of associate degrees programmes should be self-financing just because there were private course providers providing these programmes on a self-financing basis in the market?</p> <p>(4) How UGC/the Administration would assess the affordability of students if a majority of associate degree programmes would be provided on a self-financing basis?</p> |
| City University of Hong Kong Staff Association | <p>(5) UGC/the Administration should clarify the rationale and justifications for not providing funding support for associate degree and sub-degree programmes.</p> |
| Dr WONG Hung | <p>(6) UGC/the Administration should give an undertaking to maintain the existing level of funding allocation for provision of associate degree programmes, including funding support to student financial assistance.</p> |

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| | (7) UGC/the Administration should give an undertaking to ensure that no eligible student would be deprived of the opportunity to enrol into associate degree programmes for lack of financial means. |
| All students' associations and Mr Y K CHONG | Consultation Period (8) UGC should extend the consultation period on the Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong*. |
| Academic Staff Association, The University of Hong Kong | Others (9) What would be the decision-making process on the recommendations in the Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong and whether there would be any monitoring mechanism over the process? (10) Whether the UGC/the Administration would provide justifications for accepting or not accepting the recommendations in the Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong? |
| Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Staff Association | (11) The Report should have covered the problems which would be faced by UGC-funded institutions and the resources required if the recommendations were to be implemented. (12) How the UGC could assist UGC-funded institutions in implementing the recommendations? |

* UGC has already undertaken at the meeting on 7 May 2002 to reconsider.