

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
Academic Staff Association, The University of Hong Kong	<p style="text-align: center;">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 style="text-align: center;">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>

	(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.