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Dear Mrs Ma.

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Evaluation Study on the Pilot Scheme on Family Mediation

At this meeting, the Judiciary Administrator agreed to find out (a) if there was relevant information on the reasons for the parties refusing to take part in mediation (para. 53 of the minutes) and (b) the total number of qualified mediators in Hong Kong (para. 57 of minutes). The answers are provided in the following paragraphs.

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Research Team has confirmed that they had not collected information on the reasons for the parties not taking part in mediation.

There are qualified 128 mediators on the Family Panel of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre.

Yours sincerely,

(Augustine L.S. Cheng) for Judiciary Administrator