

Dear Legoco Education Section Committee:

(a) Education is very important to the future of Hong Kong, especially to the development of the knowledge-based economy. The budget of universities has been cut more than 30% already. The further cut of the budget of HK universities will certainly make the quality of higher education worse and university teaching difficult.

(b) The salary of teaching staff in universities in HK is about the same as that in USA on overall average. But the cost of housing and transportation in HK is much higher than that in USA. The overall cost of living in HK is among the highest in the world. In addition, the average salary of teaching staff is lower than that of civil servants in HKSARG and large companies for the same education and experiences. For example, the salary of senior engineers and chief engineers is much higher than that of professors and chair professors in Universities.

I am strongly against further education budget cut!

Sincerely,

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