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Clerk to the Panel on Manpower
Legislative Council
3/F, Citibank Tower
Central
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(Attn : Mrs Sharon Tong)
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Dear Mrs Tong,

At the Manpower Panel (the Panel) meeting on 21 October 2003, the Hon Cyd Ho requested the Employees Retraining Board (ERB) to provide to the Panel information on the average working hours of a local domestic helper (LDH) under ERB's Integrated Scheme for LDHs (the Integrated Scheme).

Please be informed that ERB has advised that based on its record the average working hours of a LDH placed through the Integrated Scheme was **about 20.7 hours per week** during April to September 2003. Members may, however, wish to note that the actual working hours may vary for each individual LDH at different time periods.

Yours sincerely


(Anson Lai)

for Permanent Secretary for
Economic Development and Labour (Labour)