LegCo Panel on Security

Progress Report on the Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals

(From 1 November 2003 to 31 March 2004)

Employment applications

The Scheme was implemented on 15th July 2003. Between 1 November 2003 and 31 March 2004, we received **1749** entry applications for employment (monthly average: **350**). In the same period, **1569** applications were approved, **74** refused and **103** withdrawn/no further action taken. As at 31 March 2004, **260** applications were under processing.

Breakdown of approved cases

Employer Sector	Number		
	Short-term * employment	Long -term employment	Total
Architecture/surveying	0	1	1
Arts/culture	70	22	92
Biotechnology	1	7	8
Commerce and trade	3	67	70
Catering industry	11	30	41
Academic research and education	887	254	1141
Engineering & Construction	5	14	19
Financial services	2	51	53
Information technology	1	21	22
Legal services	0	19	19
Manufacturing industries	4	20	24
Medical and health services	2	4	6
Recreation and sports	4	16	20
Traditional Chinese Medicine	18	10	28
Telecommunications	0	11	11
Tourism	0	3	3
Others	10	1	11
Total	1018	551	1569

^{*} Short-term applications refer to employment for less than 12 months.

Employers

Of the 236 employers involved, 15 are local universities and other educational institutions, 5 are government departments, 1 is a foreign consulate in Hong Kong, 16 are partnership firms and 18 are non-profit-making companies exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining 181 employers are as follows:

Paid up Capital	Number
Below HK\$1 million	72
HK\$1 million to below 10 million	25
HK\$10 million to 100 million	37
Over HK\$100 million	47
Total	181

Education attainment

Academic Attainment	Number of approved cases		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Doctoral degree	428	125	553
Master degree	243	150	393
Bachelor degree or equivalent	239	193	432
Other qualifications	108	83	191
Total	1018	551	1569

Monthly remuneration

Remuneration Range (HK\$)	Number of approved cases		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Below 20,000	670	291	961
20,000 to 29,999	239	117	356
30,000 to 39,999	67	77	144
40,000 to 49,999	20	22	42
50,000 to 79,999	15	28	43
80,000 to 119,999	6	12	18
120,000 to 179,999	0	2	2
180,000 to 239,999	0	2	2
240,000 to 299,999	1	0	1
300,000 and above	0	0	0
Total	1018	551	1569

Cumulative total

As at the end of March 2004, a cumulative total of **2825** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **2304** applications were approved, **100** were refused, **161** withdrawn/no further action taken; and the remaining **260** applications were under processing.

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