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Clerk to the Panel on Security
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road
Central
Hong Kong
(Attn: Mr. Raymond Lam)

Dear Mr. Lam,

**Follow-up on the Security Panel Meeting on
28 June 2004**

At the special meeting of the LegCo Panel on Security held on 28 June 2004, Members requested the Administration to follow up on two issues.

Statistics on Visits of Overseas Law Enforcement Officers to Hong Kong

In the three years from 2001 to 2003, the statistics on the visits of overseas law enforcement agencies to Hong Kong to conduct investigation with the assistance from the Police of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Visits</u>	<u>Number of Visiting Officers</u>
2001	17	37
2002	18	39
2003	16	38

Identity of the Persons Concerned and the Purpose of their Visit to Hong Kong

The Guangdong Provincial Public Security Department has responded to our enquiries concerning the incident in which seven Mainlanders were arrested in Hong Kong. The department has confirmed that two of the seven arrested persons are serving public security bureau officials. The other five visitors are employees of a car rental company in Shenzhen. The purpose of their visit was sightseeing and shopping. The Police are making further enquiries with the Mainland public security authorities about the incident. In addition, Police investigation into the suspected offences of the seven arrested persons is still ongoing.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Cheung Siu Hing)
for Secretary for Security