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Dear Mrs LI,

Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty

Thank you for your letter dated 1.12.2005. The required information is provided as follows:

2. As at the end of October 2005, there were 17 963 low earnings cases under the CSSA Scheme.
3. The statistics on the sources of income in low earnings cases are provided in the following table.

Sources of Income in CSSA Low Earnings Cases by Number of Eligible Members During November 2004 to October 2005

Number of eligible members	Average monthly assistance payable* (\$) (a)	Average monthly amount of other income (\$) (b)	Average monthly available resources (\$) (c) = (a) + (b)
1	1,806	2,230	4,036
2	3,731	3,611	7,342
3	4,950	4,588	9,538
4	5,985	5,037	11,022
5	7,539	5,432	12,971
6 or above	9,801	6,187	15,988

Note : * It refers to the actual amount of CSSA payment after deducting assessable income.

Yours sincerely,

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for Director of Social Welfare