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Miss Flora Tai Clerk to LegCo Panel on Education 3/F Citibank Tower 3 Garden Road Central Hong Kong

Dear Miss Tai,

At the Education Panel meeting held on 20 June 2005, the Hon Tommy CHEUNG requested information on the estimated supply and demand of teachers in aided and Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) secondary schools from the 2005/06 to the 2009/10 school years (para. 64 of the minutes of meeting).

The breakdown of the supply and demand from 2005/06 to 2009/2010 for the whole territory is provided below:

Year	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	Total
Surplus of teachers	69	10	118	246	44	487

It is not possible to breakdown supply and demand by sector (aided vs DSS) because of the mobility of teachers across sector. In projecting the above supply and demand, the demand from the DSS sector has been taken into account. However, the estimated number of redundant teachers (840) in the ERS paper refers to those in aided schools only, since DSS schools receive a lump sum cash grant and are not bound by an established teaching posts and salaries.

Yours sincerely,

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