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Clerk to Panel on Home Affairs
(Attn: Ms Joanne MAK)
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Dear Ms Mak,

Panel on Home Affairs
Minutes of Meeting on 8 April 2005

I refer to paragraph 46 of the above minutes (LC Paper No. CB(2) 1489/04-05). In connection with the case raised by the Hon. CHAN Yuen-han, we wish to provide the following information:

The general selection criteria for the International Youth Exchange Programme include the following -

- (a) be aged between 18-19;
- (b) be proficient in English;
- (c) have common sense and good academic background;
- (d) have good knowledge of Chinese culture;
- (e) be knowledgeable about Hong Kong;
- (f) have record of volunteer/community service in the past three years; and
- (g) have a valid travel document.

Candidates would have to go through a selection interview and those who got the highest scores would be selected according to a pre-set quota. Suitability of candidates for the above programme would be assessed against all of the above criteria. Candidates would not be rejected simply based on their HKCEE examination results.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fong Ngai', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

(FONG Ngai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs