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

Dear Mr Lam,

LegCo Manpower Panel Meeting

I refer to the discussion at the meeting of the Panel on Manpower held on 26 April 2005 in which Members requested for the court judgment in the case of a restaurant owner who was sentenced to imprisonment for one month but suspended for two years.

As Members may be aware, the Department of Justice applied to the court for review of the sentence which was conducted on 13 May. As a result, the Magistrate ordered immediate imprisonment of one month. The defendant subsequently filed an application for appeal to the High Court.

As the case is pending an appeal hearing, the Department of Justice has advised that it is better to provide the Panel the judgment of the appeal rather than the reasons of the magistrate. The appeal hearing has been scheduled for 26 August in High Court. The judgment of the court will be available after the appeal is heard.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs Jenny Chan)
for Permanent Secretary for Economic
Development and Labour (Labour)