



Your Reference: CB(3)/PAC/R52

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Ms Serena CHU  
Public Accounts Committee  
Legislative Council  
Legislative Council Building  
8 Jackson Road, Central  
Hong Kong

Dear Ms CHU

**The Director of Audit's Report on the  
results of value for money audits (Report No. 52)**

**Hong Kong Arts Development Council (Chapter 5)**

I refer to your letter dated 19 May 2009 for the captioned matter and enclosed herewith the requested documents for information. An index list is attached for easy reference.

Reference made to your letter item (a), the performance of HKADC is reviewed on a Council term basis, i.e. a 3-year term basis. All relevant papers and minutes of Council meetings relating to the discussion on performance measurements for 2001 to 2007 are enclosed in Document 1.1 to 1.4.

Reference made to your letter item (b), papers and minutes of Council meeting regarding the establishment and approval of Examiner System is enclosed in Document 2.1 to 2.2.

Reference made to your letter item (c), copies of assessment forms used for reporting various art-form projects are enclosed in Document 3 to 11.

Reference made to your letter item (d), the criteria adopted for the assessment of grant/proactive projects will vary depending on the nature of the project.

In general, the criteria include:

- ◆ artistic merit of the project
- ◆ technical standard
- ◆ creativity and originality
- ◆ value of the project to the arts development in Hong Kong

These set of criteria will enable HKADC to have an independent artistic review assessing the outcome and merits of these projects. The report will also be made available to the examiners of the same applicant in his/her new applications. This will facilitate HKADC to further arts development through supporting applicants and projects with good track record and merits.

Reference made to your letter item (e), the grant/ proactive projects approved in 2007/2008, the number and percentage of these grant/ proactive projects for which examiners were assigned to attend and observe the project activities for making assessment are depicted as below. As the completion date of grant/ proactive projects approved in 2007-08 usually may not fall within the same financial year, the expected completion dates falling in 2007/08 would be used for calculation.

Number of project/proactive projects due to complete in 2007/08: 236


Number of assessment arranged: 231

Percentage of projects that have arranged an assessment: 97.9%

Reference made to your letter item (f), the relevant papers and minutes of Council meeting regarding to the discussion on the appointment of HKADC Chairman to the Board of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority and the transfer of funding and monitoring responsibility over the HKIFF to the CEDB are enclosed in Document 12.1 to 12.4.

Please note that the Council's paper and minutes are our confidential documents (refer to Document 1.1 to 1.4; 2.1 to 2.2 & 12.1 to 12.4). We consider it being included in the Committee's Report as an appendix may not be appropriate.

Yours sincerely



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**\*Note by Clerk, PAC: Index list and documents not attached.**