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Dear Ms Yue,

**Legislative Council Panel on Commerce and Industry Meeting on 16 June 2009  
Agenda Item III : Mainland-Hong Kong Technology Co-operation  
Supplementary Information**

The Legislative Council Panel on Commerce and Industry discussed the captioned item at its meeting on 16 June 2009. The Commissioner for Innovation and Technology undertook to provide supplementary information on the amount of government funding provided for the co-operation projects in the fields of radio frequency identification (RFID) technology and food safety under the "Shenzhen-Hong Kong Innovation Circle Three Year Action Plan" after the meeting.

The two co-operation projects in the field of RFID technology do not involve government departments in the Hong Kong side and therefore no government funding is required. The projects' Hong Kong co-operation partners have raised no request for funding support with the Innovation and Technology Commission (ITC).

There are three co-operation projects in the field of food safety. One of them is a co-operation project between the Shenzhen Food and Drug Administration and Hong Kong's Department of Health and Government Laboratory on research on the safety of medicine and health food in Shenzhen and Hong Kong. The Shenzhen and Hong Kong sides are now exploring the mode of co-operation in various areas, including product testing and staff training. Therefore the amount of government funding required for the co-operation project cannot be determined at the moment.

The other two co-operation projects do not involve government departments in the Hong Kong side and therefore no government funding is required. These projects' Hong Kong co-operation partners have also raised no request for funding support with ITC.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Nicholas Chan', written over a circular stamp or mark.

(Nicholas Chan)

for Commissioner for Innovation and Technology