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Miss Odelia Leung
Clerk to Panel on Education
Legislative Council
8 Jackson Road
Central
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Dear Miss Leung,

Panel on Education

Special meeting on 6 July 2009 at 4:30 pm in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

The following is a written response from the Heads of Universities Committee (HUCOM) in reply to your letter of 16 June 2009.

HUCOM is appreciative of the kind invitation extended by the Panel on Education for representatives of HUCOM to attend the captioned meeting. HUCOM members share the view that in our original response to the Panel's proposal to establish an elected independent inter-institutional complaints committee, which we re-submit herewith, we have explained our common position regarding the proposal and we have nothing further to add.

As regards representation from HUCOM at the captioned meeting, it is unfortunate that I will be out of town on 6 July 2009 and the Acting HUCOM Convenor, Professor Lawrence Lau, will also be away from Hong Kong. On the understanding that HUCOM has no authority over the higher education institutes which are autonomous bodies under law, and that individual institutes may be sending representatives to the meeting separately should they choose to do so, we believe perhaps the most appropriate arrangement is to let the individual representatives speak for their own institutions.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,



Way Kuo
HUCOM Convenor

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c.c. HUCOM Members
Mr Michael Wong, Deputy Secretary for Education, Education Bureau
Mrs Dorothy Ma, Acting Secretary-General, University Grants Committee