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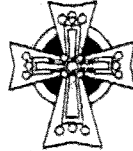
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16 December 2010

Hon Ms LEE Wai-king, JP
The Chairman
Panel on Education, Legislative Council
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road
Central, HONG KONG

Dear Hon Ms LEE, JP

Enquiry on the criteria for attending the meetings for reviewing Pre-primary Education Voucher Scheme

We are writing to express our great disappointment of not having been invited to attend the focus group meetings of the Working Group on Review of Pre-primary Education Voucher and the Special meeting of the Panel on Education to be held on 17 December 2010 in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building.

As a stakeholder of Early Childhood Education sponsoring twelve non-profit making kindergartens and day nurseries, we truly feel that all stakeholders should be invited to share the views on the Pre-primary Education Voucher Scheme. With reference to the Minutes of the Panel on Education meeting held on 8 February 2010 [LC Paper No. CB(2)554/10-11(01)], paragraphs 15, 18 and 19 conclude that the Working Group has had two rounds of focus group meetings with the key stakeholders, including school sponsoring bodies to gauge their views in January and October 2010. Over 70 stakeholders attended these meetings but our Church was not on the invitation list. In the light of this, we would like to enquire whether there is screening of attendees, the criteria for such screening and whether the same principles have been applied in inviting attendees to the Special meeting of the Panel on Education to be held on 17 December 2010.

We sincerely hope that our concern would be addressed and a fairer and more open discussion on education related matters would be available for all stakeholders in the future. Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,

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