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Legislative Council Panel on Security
Legislative Council Complex
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Dear Mrs Tong,

#### Legislative Council Panel on Security Redevelopment of Tai Lam Centre for Women

At the meeting of Panel on Security on 7 June 2011, Members discussed the redevelopment of Tai Lam Centre for Women. We would like to provide supplementary information as requested by Members as follows.

## Correctional institutions having been in operation for 40 years or more

2. As at end 2012, there will be 10 institutions under the Correctional Services Department (CSD) having been in operation for 40 years or more. Information on the location, number of years of operation, capacity, occupancy rate and redevelopment—plans, if any, of the institutions concerned is set out at **Annex**.

Percentage of adult persons in custody who have received vocational training and the waiting time required

3. CSD is committed to providing suitable rehabilitative services for persons in custody, which include the provision of various market-oriented

vocational training courses in institutions to help enhance their employability and facilitate their re-integration into the community after serving their sentence. Currently, eligible adult persons in custody who are serving a sentence of no less than six months and with remaining sentences from three to 24 months can apply for vocational training courses on a voluntary basis.

- 4. Two months before the start of a vocational training course, CSD will inform persons in custody of the course content and admission requirements, and accept applications. The Department will process all applications based on factors such as the rehabilitative needs of the applicants, their remaining sentence and their performance in institutions etc. In general, all eligible adult persons in custody who fulfil the application requirements will be arranged to enrol in suitable vocational training courses. If an eligible inmate cannot enrol in a training course of his/her choice as it is full already, he/she may apply for another course or apply again when the next course is open for enrolment. As regards adult inmates' waiting time for receiving vocational training, CSD does not have relevant record. In 2010-11, CSD provided around 1280 training places (including full-time and part-time courses) while around 1300 persons in custody applied
- 5. Generally speaking, through engagement in productive work in correctional services industries (for example, garment making, laundry services and bookbinding), persons in custody can learn the techniques in relevant industry and some general knowledge and skills, such as production arrangement, quality management and occupational safety etc. They can also join hobby classes in their leisure time, for example basic computer application etc, to enhance their capability in reintegrating into the community after release.

Yours sincerely,

for Secretary for Security

c.c. Commissioner of Correctional Services (Attn: Mr LAM Kwok-leung)

# Correctional institutions having been in operation for 40 years or more (as at end 2012)

	Name of institution	Location	No of years of operation	Capacity	Occupancy rate as at 31 October 2011
*	Stanley Prison	99, Tung Tau Wan Road, Stanley, Hong Kong	76	1511	93.65 %
2	Hei Ling Chau Addiction Treatment Centre	Hei Ling Chau Island	61	688	66.72 %
3	Ma Hang Prison	40, Stanley Village Road, Stanley, Hong Kong	59	220	92.73 %
4	Tai Lam Correctional Institution	108, Tai Lam Chung Road, Tai Lam Chung, New Territories	54	678	79.06 %
5	Cape Collinson Correctional Institution	123, Cape Collinson Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong	54	192	79.17 %
6	Sha Tsui Correctional Institution	35, Shek Pik Reservoir Road, Lantau Island	48	211	75.38 %
7	Tong Fuk Correctional Institution	31, Ma Po Ping Road, Lantau Island	46	925	75.68 %
8	Tai Lam Centre for Women (Note)	110, Tai Lam Chung Road, Tuen Mun, New Territories	43	263	119.39 %
9	Siu Lam Psychiatric Centre	21, Hong Fai Road, Siu Lam, New Territories	40	234	109.40 %
10	Lai Chi Rehabilitation Centre	110, Shek O Road, Hong Kong	40	160	29.38 %

Note: We plan to seek funding approval from the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee in mid-2012 for the redevelopment of Tai Lam Centre for Women.

In the above institutions, improvement works of different scale have all along been conducted in the past years to meet the operational needs of CSD.