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Dear Mr Lam,

Panel on Security

Thank you for your letter dated 15 November 2010. Our response to the requests is set out below.

The Standard III Inspectorate Professional Examination ("Standard III Examination") of the Police Force tests candidates on their competency and professional knowledge in handling criminal offences, miscellaneous offences, court procedures and management at Chief Inspector level. The Standard III Examination is an important component of the Force's quality assurance mechanism and forms the basis for the Force to maintain its professionalism and high efficiency. Inspectors who have completed at least two years of service in that rank and have passed all four papers of the Standard II Inspectorate Professional Examination may attend the Examination.

The Standard III Examination consists of four papers. The Examinations and Assessment Division of the Hong Kong Police College (the Police College) is responsible for drafting examination papers and corresponding marking guides which are tabled before the Force Examination Board for consideration and approval. The Board is chaired by the Director of the Hong Kong Police College and is responsible for

formulating policies on Force's examinations on behalf of the Commissioner of Police. After the examination, the answer scripts are marked by a panel of Superintendents nominated by major formations other than the Police College.

The pass rate of the Standard III Examination has fluctuated over the years. The Police College is analyzing the possible causes for the low pass rate in recent Standard III Examinations, including the one held in October 2010. We will provide relevant information to the Panel after the analysis is completed.

Yours sincerely,

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