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Dear Tin-po,

**Implementation of the Internet Learning Support Programme (ILSP)
by eInclusion Foundation Limited (eInclusion)**

At Panel meeting on 14 January 2013 to discuss the “Implementation of ILSP by eInclusion”, Members requested information on the Administration’s monitoring of eInclusion’s management of ILSP funds.

As discussed at the meeting, we had been seeking clarifications with eInclusion on its financial and internal control arrangements. Our subsequent correspondences with eInclusion revealed that there are inadequacies in eInclusion’s custody and management of ILSP funds and that eInclusion had breached the provisions in the Funding and Operation Agreement (F&OA) between the Government and eInclusion. Having considered the nature of the breaches, we informed eInclusion on 19 February that the Government will terminate its service with effect from 19 May 2013 in accordance with the F&OA.

The Boys' & Girls' Club Association (BGCA) is a guarantor of eInclusion's performance under the F&OA. It has been responsible for providing frontline services to the beneficiaries since Programme launch and hence has full knowledge of the Programme and the needs of various stakeholders. An established non-governmental organisation with more than 70 years of experience in the provision of youth-related social services, it has the network and expertise to provide support to students from low-income families and their parents. It is also familiar with the safeguards and governance necessary for the management of public funds. We have therefore appointed BGCA in accordance with the F&OA to continue to implement the Programme in the eastern part of Hong Kong to minimise impacts on the service beneficiaries.

We are now working closely together with eInclusion and BGCA to ensure smooth transition and service continuity. We will update the Panel in June 2013 on the outcome of the mid-term review.

Yours sincerely,



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for Government Chief Information Officer