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Clerk to Panel on Education  
Legislative Council  
Legislative Council Complex  
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Central, Hong Kong  
(Attn.: Miss Polly Yeung)

Dear Miss Yeung,

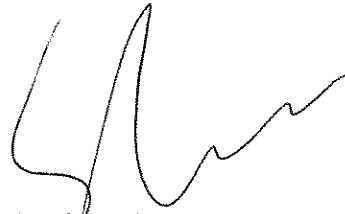
**Follow-up to meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Education  
held on 1 February 2016**

I refer to your letters of 2, 11 and 22 February 2016 to the Secretary for Education, requesting us to provide a copy of the report of a study on university governance commissioned by the University Grants Committee (UGC).

You might wish to note that, on the Education Bureau (EDB)'s invitation in late 2013, the UGC had embarked on a study of the governance of UGC-funded institutions, with the assistance of Sir Howard Newby as the consultant. Sir Howard is the former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Liverpool and has rich experience and expertise in university governance and management. The study aims to identify some international good practices in the governance of higher education institutions, with which pointers and advice are drawn up to help enhance the effectiveness of the governing councils of UGC-funded institutions and also to better equip council members with the necessary knowledge, skills and protocol for the proper discharge of their duties. The study has been

completed and the report has been submitted to the EDB for consideration. We are now carefully studying the content and recommendations of the report. Upon completion of this process, we will invite the UGC to follow up as appropriate, and to send a copy of the report to the Panel on Education. We expect that this process can be completed by April 2016 the latest.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Sharon Ko', written in a cursive style.

( Miss Sharon Ko )  
for Secretary for Education

c.c. Secretary-General, University Grants Committee (Attn.: Ms Eva Yam)