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Dear Ms Mak,

**Subcommittee on Rights of Ethnic Minorities**  
**Follow-up action arising from the meeting held on 8 May 2017**

Thank you for your letter of 28 August 2017.

As requested by members of the Subcommittee at the meeting on 8 May 2017, the meeting schedule and the issues discussed by the Committee on the Promotion of Racial Harmony and the Ethnic Minorities Forum since April 2011 (the time when the Home Affairs Department started to provide secretariat support to the two bodies) are set out at **Annexes I and II** respectively for reference.

Yours sincerely,

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for Director of Home Affairs

Meetings of Committee on the Promotion of Racial Harmony<sup>1</sup>

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Discussion Item</b>	<b>Responsible Bureau/Department/Organisation</b>
15 Sep 2017 (scheduled)	• Chinese Language Learning Support Centres and Summer Bridging Programme for Non-Chinese Speaking Students	• Education Bureau
	• Health Support Programme for Ethnic Minorities	• United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service
17 Feb 2017	• Training opportunities and support for ethnic minority employees	• Employees Retraining Board
	• Support to ethnic minority families to prevent domestic violence	• Hong Kong Police Force
28 Jun 2016	• Drug situation in Hong Kong	• Narcotics Division, Security Bureau
	• Interpretation services for ethnic minorities	• Hospital Authority • Hong Kong Christian Service (CHEER Centre)
14 Jan 2016	• Poverty situation of ethnic minorities in Hong Kong	• Economic Analysis and Business Facilitation Unit of Financial Secretary's Office
	• Low Income Working Family Allowance Scheme	• Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency
21 Jul 2015	• Report of Committee on Free Kindergarten Education	• Education Bureau
	• Employment services for ethnic minorities	• Labour Department
5 Dec 2014	• Support for ethnic minority public rental housing applicants	• Housing Department
	• Enhanced support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department • Hong Kong Community Network (LINK Centre) • Christian Action (Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minority Youth – Urban) • New Home Association (Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minority Youth – New Territories)
11 Jul 2014	• Enhanced Chinese Learning and Teaching for Non-Chinese Speaking Students	• Education Bureau
	• Survey on Households with School Children of South Asian Ethnicities	• Census and Statistics Department
	• Employment of ethnic minorities in civil service	• Civil Service Bureau

<sup>1</sup> Home Affairs Department has provided secretariat support to the Committee on the Promotion of Racial Harmony since April 2011.

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Discussion Item</b>	<b>Responsible Bureau/Department/Organisation</b>
5 Dec 2013	• Employment services for ethnic minorities	• Labour Department
	• Training for ethnic minorities	• Employees Retraining Board
	• Work on promotion of racial equality	• Equal Opportunities Commission
20 Jun 2013	• 2011 Population Census – Thematic Report on Ethnic Minorities	• Census and Statistics Department
	• Social services for ethnic minorities	• Social Welfare Department
	• New Support Service Centre and Sub-centres for Ethnic Minorities	• New Home Association (HOME Centre and Sub-centre) • Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council (TOUCH Sub-centre)
19 Oct 2012	• Interpretation services at public hospitals/clinics	• Hospital Authority
	• Enhanced liaison services for ethnic minorities by Police	• Hong Kong Police Force
	• Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minorities	• International Social Service Hong Kong Branch
13 Dec 2011	• Third Report on HKSAR in the light of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	• Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau
	• Enhanced support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department
	• Financial Assistance for Ethnic Minorities and New Arrivals from the Mainland for Taking Language Examinations	• Home Affairs Department
26 May 2011	• Support Service Centres for Ethnic Minorities	• Hong Kong Christian Service (CHEER Centre) • International Social Service Hong Kong (HOPE Centre) • Christian Action (Shine Centre) • Yuen Long Town Hall (YLTH Centre)
	• Enhancement of support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department

Meetings of Ethnic Minority Forum<sup>2</sup>

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Discussion Item</b>	<b>Responsible Bureau/Department/Organisation</b>
8 Jun 2017	• An introduction to the Employment Ordinance	• Labour Department
	• Personal Advancement and Career Enhancement Programme	• Correctional Services Department • New Home Association (HOME Centre)
21 Apr 2016	• Low-income Working Family Allowance Scheme	• Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency
	• Telephone interpretation service and translation service of ethnic minority languages	• Hong Kong Christian Service (CHEER Centre)
27 Apr 2015	• Use of banking services by ethnic minorities <sup>3</sup>	• Hong Kong Monetary Authority • Representatives of the banking industry
9 Dec 2014	• Support for ethnic minority public rental housing applicants	• Housing Department
	• Enhanced support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department • Hong Kong Community Network (LINK Centre) • Christian Action (Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minority Youth – Urban) • New Home Association (Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minority Youth – New Territories)
15 Jul 2014	• Enhanced Chinese Learning and Teaching for Non-Chinese Speaking Students	• Education Bureau
	• Survey on Households with School Children of South Asian Ethnicities	• Census and Statistics Department
	• Employment of ethnic minorities in civil service	• Civil Service Bureau
11 Dec 2013	• Employment services for ethnic minorities	• Labour Department
	• Training for ethnic minorities	• Employees Retraining Board
	• Work on promotion of racial equality	• Equal Opportunities Commission

<sup>2</sup> Home Affairs Department has provided secretariat support to the Ethnic Minority Forum since April 2011.

<sup>3</sup> The session was jointly organised by Home Affairs Department and Hong Kong Monetary Authority.

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Discussion Item</b>	<b>Responsible Bureau/Department/Organisation</b>
26 Jun 2013	• 2011 Population Census – Thematic Report on Ethnic Minorities	• Census and Statistics Department
	• Social services for ethnic minorities	• Social Welfare Department
	• New Support Service Centre and Sub-centres for Ethnic Minorities	• New Home Association (HOME Centre and Sub-centre) • Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council (TOUCH Sub-centre)
21 Sep 2012	• Interpretation services at public hospitals/clinics	• Hospital Authority
	• Enhanced liaison services for ethnic minorities by Police	• Hong Kong Police Force
	• Ambassador Scheme for Ethnic Minorities	• International Social Service Hong Kong Branch
20 Dec 2011	• Third Report on HKSAR in the light of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	• Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau
	• Enhanced support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department
	• Financial Assistance for Ethnic Minorities and New Arrivals from the Mainland for Taking Language Examinations	• Home Affairs Department
16 Jun 2011	• Support Service Centres for Ethnic Minorities	• Hong Kong Christian Service (CHEER Centre) • International Social Service Hong Kong (HOPE Centre) • Christian Action (Shine Centre) • Yuen Long Town Hall (YLTH centre)
	• Enhancement of support services for ethnic minorities	• Home Affairs Department