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By email

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Mr Daniel SIN, Clerk to Panel, Legislative Council Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Legislative Council Complex, 1 Legislative Council Road, Central, Hong Kong

Dear Daniel,

Legislative Council Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting Information on the progress of the second round of Cyber Security Campaign launched by the Hong Kong Police Force

At the meeting of the Panel on 18 February 2019, Members requested information on the progress of the second round of Cyber Security Campaign launched by the Hong Kong Police Force ("HKPF"). In consultation with the HKPF, our response is set out below.

(1) Download figures of mobile anti-virus and scanning software

Since launching the second round of the Cyber Security Campaign in August 2018, as of January 2019, over 104 000 downloads of mobile device cleaning tools have been recorded; and over 108 500 downloads of desktop computer cleaning tools have also been recorded.

(2) Public feedback

Feedback from the public on the various publicity events held under the second round of the Cyber Security Campaign was encouraging. Apart from more than 200 000 downloads of the cleaning tools, the relevant website has also recorded over 1.2 million visits.

(3) *Continuing the free provision of software*

The Cyber Security Campaign is a regular activity of the Cyber Security and Technology Crime Bureau of HKPF. The exact dates of the next round of the Cyber Security Campaign are currently unavailable. The relevant website will continue to operate and provide information on the free download of cleaning-tool software.

Yours sincerely,

(Eva YAM)

for Secretary for Innovation and Technology