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Miss Betty MA  
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Dear Miss MA,

**Panel on Security  
Follow-up to the Meeting on 5 May 2020**

During the discussion of the item “Crime Situation in 2019” at the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Security on 5 May 2020, Members requested the Police to provide further information. Having collated the relevant information, the information provided by Police is at Annex for Members’ reference.

Yours sincerely,

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**(a) Details of the Command Centre in respect of the Incident of Assaults occurred in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited on 21 July 2019, including the Commander of the Police and its Operation Time**

On the day of 21 July 2019, the Police adopted a three-tier command structure for the territory-wide operations. The Headquarters Command and Control Centre (HQCCC) was directed by the highest level of the Police management and other senior officers from the Operations Wing, while the Regional High Command (HICOM) New Territories North, with the assistance of District Operations Room of the Yuen Long Police District (DOR/YL), took charge in Yuen Long.

The establishment of DOR/YL was led by a Chief Inspector, and assisted by three Inspectors, one Station Sergeants and six police constables. It was responsible for assisting the District Commander of Yuen Long (Temporary) to command the operation. DOR/YL operated from 6 p.m. on 21 July 2019 until 6 a.m. on 22 July 2019.

**(b) Relevant Figures on Dead Body Found Cases in 2019**

In 2019, the number of cases of dead body found (including dead body found in the sea) and suicide handled by the Police are as follows respectively:

Cases of death before or on arrival to hospitals as well as dead body found	8 148
Suicide, cases of person found hanging or fallen from height	713

In accordance with section 10 of the Police Force Ordinance (Cap 232), the duties of the Police include assisting coroners to discharge their duties and exercise their powers under the Coroners Ordinance (CO) (Cap 504). As prescribed under CO, there are 20 types of reportable deaths including deaths caused by suicide, an accident or injury as well as crime or suspected crime. In accordance with section 4(1) of CO, where a death case comes to the knowledge of a person under a duty to report deaths (including a police officer), he shall report it to the coroners as soon as possible.

In general, all death cases handled by the Police are reportable to the Coroner. Therefore, in handling every death case, the Police will report to the Coroner's Court in strict compliance with the law and guidelines. The Police will investigate every reportable death and submit to the coroners an initial investigation report together with an examination report prepared by a clinical pathologist or forensic pathologist. Where the coroners consider that further investigation of the death is required, the Police will investigate further and submit a more detailed death investigation report. The coroner will consider whether to hold a death inquest.

The number of cases requiring further investigations, the number of inquests set down and the total number of cases concluded and classified (including suicides, accidental deaths, etc.) are set out in the annual Coroners' Report. The Coroner's Court has yet to release the relevant figures for 2019.

**(c) Detection Rate regarding Cases of Deception in 2019**

In 2019, there were 8 216 cases of deception, of which 1 082 cases were detected, representing a detection rate of 13.2%.