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Dear Ms JAN,

**Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services
Follow-up Actions for Meeting on 13 January 2020**

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services held on 13 January 2020, Members requested the Government to provide information on various matters. The requested information is set out below.

Regarding rehabilitation services, , the service targets of the Pilot Scheme on Home Care and Support for Elderly Persons with Mild Impairment (Pilot Scheme) are elderly persons living in the community who are assessed to be of mild impairment. They can maintain living at home with assistance in meal delivery and home-making services. In view of their general health and physical conditions, rehabilitation services are not required.

As regards additional service hours that may be needed for elderly persons to receive services for preventing functional deterioration, the service plan for each individual elderly person is set up in accordance with

the need assessment carried by the Approved Service Provider (ASP), and agreed with the service user. The service user has the flexibility to use services within the ceiling limit of subsidy, set at 12 hours per month. For service users with genuine needs, ASPs would help them to apply for raising the ceiling limit. No such applications have been rejected so far.

On the basis for capping the number of meal service at 50 meals per month under the Pilot Scheme, it is set by making reference to the utilisation of similar services under the Integrated Home Care Services (Ordinary Cases). For service users requiring more service, ASPs would help them to apply for more meals. No such applications have been rejected so far.

Regarding escort service and shopping service, there is no restriction on escort service for different purposes (including shopping) under the Pilot Scheme. The service plan for each elderly person is set up in accordance with the need assessment carried by the ASP, and agreed with the service user.

The Administration noted that the deputations, the service operators of Integrated Home Care Services and the service users were generally positive towards the implementation of the Pilot Scheme, including the application of a standardised assessment tool which provided an objective means for assessing eligibility. The Government will take into consideration the views received when planning the way forward for the Pilot Scheme.

Yours sincerely,



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for Secretary for Labour and Welfare

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