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Clerk to Panel on Education Legislative Council Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn: Ms Angel Wong)

Dear Ms Wong,

## Panel on Education Letter from Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen

I refer to your letter in which a letter from Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen to the Chairperson of the Panel on Education is enclosed. This Bureau's response is set out below for the Panel's reference.

The post-secondary education institutions in Hong Kong offer various programmes in disciplines relevant to architecture, surveying, urban planning and landscape, including about around 20 University Grants Committee (UGC)-funded and around 30 non-UGC-funded full-time locally-accredited programmes with a total intake of around 2 500 students per academic year.

The UGC-funded universities conduct overall planning on a triennium basis. In determining the number of places to be allocated to various programmes (including those in the disciplines relevant to architecture, surveying, urban planning and landscape) in the next triennium, the Government and UGC would consider the manpower demand situation of the relevant sector as well as Hong Kong as a whole, academic development suggestions submitted by the universities, as well as the balance in allocation of places among different disciplines.

網址:http://www.edb.gov.hk 電子郵件:edbinfo@edb.gov.hk Web site:http://www.edb.gov.hk E-mail:edbinfo@edb.gov.hk The 2022-25 triennium planning exercise is being conducted to determine the student number and recurrent funding of the UGC-funded universities in the said triennium. To enhance participation of the universities during the planning process, UGC has invited the universities to forecast the manpower demand of the various sectors in Hong Kong in the short to medium term, such that relevant bureaux and departments may make reference to in determining their manpower plans for the upcoming triennium. Before formulating their recommendations, UGC and the universities would also take into consideration general manpower remarks provided by the Development Bureau in relation to the architecture, surveying, urban planning and landscape sectors.

Moreover, the post-secondary education institutions would communicate with their stakeholders on a regular basis with a view to grasping the latest manpower trends and the sectors' manpower demand sectors. The Government, UGC and post-secondary education institutions would continue to review the direction of our talent training and formulate appropriate measures to assist institutions in nurturing the talent that suits Hong Kong's future development needs.

Yours sincerely,

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