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Clerk to Panel
(Attn : Mrs Sharon Tong)
LegCo Building
8 Jackson Road
Central
Hong Kong

Dear Mrs Tong,

LegCo Panel on Manpower

Members have requested the Administration to look into the possibility of ascertaining the number of jobs that have been deleted as well as the number of enterprises that would initiate retrenchment in the coming year.

We have consulted bureaux and departments concerned and have found that such estimates are not available. The private enterprises are generally less willing to divulge retrenchment plans which they regard as sensitive business information.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Erica Ng)
for Secretary for Education and Manpower