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Clerk to Panel
Legislative Council
8 Jackson Road
Central
Hong Kong

(Attn: Mr. Raymond Lam)

Dear Mr. Lam,

**Legislative Council Panel on Manpower
Foreign Domestic Helpers (FDHs) Performing Driving Duties**

At the last Manpower Panel meeting, the Hon CHAN Wing-chan inquired on the investigations carried out by the Administration into unauthorised driving by FDHs and the number of prosecutions made.

Immigration Department is the enforcement authority for the subject. According to the Department, there is an action plan on enforcement actions, which includes

- (a) taking immediate action upon receiving complaint of abuse;
- (b) spot checks on FDHs being refused exceptional permission to perform driving duties; and
- (c) conducting periodic operation on spots where FDH drivers are known to frequent.

Up till now, the Department has not received any complaint of abuse concerning FDHs performing driving duties. An operation was conducted recently in Pedder Street, Central where FDH drivers are known to frequent. Eight drivers were checked and no case of abuse was detected.

So far, no prosecution has been made.

Yours sincerely,

(K. K. Lam)

for Secretary for Education & Manpower

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