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Ms Anita SIT Clerk to Public Works Subcommittee Legislative Council Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road Central Hong Kong (Fax 2121 0420)

Dear Ms SIT,

Public Works Sub-committee Follow-up to meeting on 2 July 2003

With reference to your letter of 4 July to the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, I am writing to provide the supplementary information requested by Hon Emily LAU during the PWSC's discussion of PWSC(2003-04)40 on "A Private Independent School (secondary-cum-primary) in Area 90B, Ma On Shan" on 2 July. A 1.8% reduction of the Government's recurrent subvention to the English Schools Foundation in the 2003/04 school year will be equivalent to a saving of about \$5 million.

Yours sincerely,

(Tony TANG) for Secretary for Education and Manpower

c.c. FSTB (Attn.: Andrew TSANG)