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群策群力為病人·優質醫護滿杏林
Quality Patient-Centred Care Through Teamwork

Your Ref : (21) in UI/SWD/INP/0-2

25 May 2002

Director of Audit
(Attn : Mr Albert Wong)
Audit Commission
26/F Immigration Tower
7 Gloucester Road
Wanchai
Hong Kong

Dear Mr Wong,

**The Director of Audit Report on the
results of value for money Audits (Report No. 38)**

Your letter dated 12th May 2002 refers.

Under the Hospital Authority, infirmed patients are actively treated to facilitate their recovery to a stage requiring less intensive supervision. Therefore existing infirmery beds admit patients for the following purposes:

- (1) long term care for applicants on the Central Infirmery Waiting List
- (2) extended care for infirmed patients transferred from acute hospitals

The average monthly cost of \$30,000 per infirmery bed day occupied as stated in the Audit Report No. 38 is the average subsidy for infirmery beds under these two categories.

The estimated costs for each type of beds mentioned above are:

	<u>Per month</u>
(1)	19,124
(2)	37,826

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The estimated costs include administrative overhead (e.g. administrative and maintenance costs for buildings, utilities and equipment) and other non-transferrable costs (e.g. professional and administrative staff) which amount to approximately 26%.

Forwarded for your action please.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daisy DAI', with a stylized flourish at the end.

(Dr Daisy DAI)
for Chief Executive
Hospital Authority

cc Clerk/Public Accounts Committee (Attn : Miss Sandy CHU)
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