

Our Ref. : HWF/H/43/1 03  
Your Ref : CBI/F/3/6

Tel. No. : 2973 8106  
Fax No. : 2840 0467

24February 2004

**BY FAX : 2869 6794**

Miss Becky Yu  
Clerk to Establishment Subcommittee  
Legislative Council  
Legislative Council Building  
8 Jackson Road  
Central  
Hong Kong

Dear Miss Yu,

**Establishment Subcommittee meeting on 11 February 2004  
List of issues requiring follow-up actions by the Administration**

I refer to your letter of 11 February attaching a list of issues requiring follow-up actions by the Administration. The supplementary information requested in respect of item EC(2003-04)18 is provided below.

To promote family medicine-based practice and enhance the integration of primary and specialist care, a total of 59 general out-patient clinics (GOPC) were transferred from the Department of Health (DH) to the Hospital Authority (HA) in July 2003. This exercise involved a reduction of 1219 posts in DH. A total of 805 civil servants originally working in the GOPCs were transferred to HA. The difference of 414 has been filled by HA employees since the original post-holders were absorbed by DH for its other duties

Yours sincerely,

(Edward Law)  
for Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

cc Hon CHAN Kwok-keung, JP (Fax : 2509 9092)  
Chairman of the Establishment Subcommittee