Progress Report on The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals

(From 1st April 2008 to 30th September 2008)

I. Employment applications

The Scheme was implemented on 15th July 2003. Between 1st April 2008 to 30th September 2008, **4300** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **717**). In the same period, **3820** applications were approved, **93** refused and **295** withdrawn/no further action taken.

II. Breakdown of approval cases

Employer Sector	Number		
	Short-term * employment	Long -term employment	Total
Architecture/surveying	1	36	37
Arts/culture	175	45	220
Biotechnology	2	7	9
Commerce and trade	246	729	975
Catering industry	9	24	33
Academic research and education	1159	486	1645
Engineering & Construction	18	17	35
Financial services	42	415	457
Information technology	16	74	90
Legal services	7	52	59
Manufacturing industries	4	63	67
Medical and health services	5	12	17
Recreation and sports	92	25	117
Traditional Chinese Medicine	4	2	6
Telecommunications	22	24	46
Tourism	1	6	7
Total	1803	2017	3820

^{*} Short-term applications refer to employment for less than 12 months.

III. Employers

A total of **591** employers are involved. **11** employers are local universities and other educational institutions, **12** are partnership firms, and **28** are non-profit-making companies exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining **540** employers are as follows:

Paid up Capital	Number
Below HK\$1 million	383
HK\$1 million to below 10 million	77
HK\$10 million to 100 million	31
Over HK\$100 million	49
Total	540

IV. Education attainment

Academic Attainment	Number		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Doctoral degree	445	141	586
Master degree	243	413	656
Bachelor degree or equivalent	731	1311	2042
Other qualifications	384	152	536
Total	1803	2017	3820

V. Monthly remuneration

Remuneration Range (HK\$)	Number		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Below 20,000	1287	888	2175
20,000 to 29,999	294	510	804
30,000 to 39,999	108	233	341
40,000 to 49,999	37	121	158
50,000 to 79,999	27	171	198
80,000 to 119,999	49	57	106
120,000 to 179,999	1	19	20
180,000 to 239,999	0	13	13
240,000 to 299,999	0	0	0
300,000 and above	0	5	5
Total	1803	2017	3820

VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of September 2008, a cumulative total of **29335** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **25517** applications were approved, **852** refused, **2256** withdrawn/no further action; and the remaining **710** applications were under processing.

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