LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

EDUCATION ORDINANCE (Cap. 279) EDUCATION ORDINANCE (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE 3) NOTICE 2010

INTRODUCTION

The Secretary for Education (SED) will amend Schedule 3 to the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) (the Ordinance) by the Education Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 3) Notice 2010 (Notice) to be published in the Gazette. This brief explains the Notice at **Annex A**.

JUSTIFICATION

- 2. The Ordinance requires all aided schools to set up an Incorporated Management Committee (IMC) to allow for participation of key stakeholders in school management, and to enhance transparency and accountability of school management. Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) schools and a list of specified schools in Schedule 3 to the Ordinance can however decide whether to apply to the Permanent Secretary for Education for establishing an IMC under the Ordinance.
- 3. Section 40AC of the Ordinance sets out the requirements which a school has to meet before being specified in Schedule 3, and provides that SED may by notice published in the Gazette amend Schedule 3. In essence,

these schools are non-DSS, non-aided primary or secondary schools in receipt of government subsidies such as the Capital Grant and Per Caput Grant. Copies of section 40AC of the Ordinance and Schedule 3 are at **Annex B**.

4. Owing to a change of premises of one school, SED needs to amend Schedule 3 to bring it up-to-date.

THE NOTICE

5. The Notice made under section 40AC of the Ordinance is to amend Schedule 3 by updating the address of one existing specified school.

LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE

6. The Notice will be published in the Gazette on 9 April 2010 and tabled at the Legislative Council for negative vetting on 14 April 2010. Subject to negative vetting, the Notice will come into operation on 4 June 2010.

IMPLICATIONS

7. The amendment to Schedule 3 has no economic, sustainability, financial or civil service implications. The Notice is in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights. It will not affect the current binding effect of the Ordinance.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

8. The amendment is to update the factual information of the list of specified schools in Schedule 3. Public consultation is not necessary.

PUBLICITY

9. As the amendment of Schedule 3 is technical in nature, there is no need of publicity.

ENQUIRIES

10. Enquiries on this brief may be referred to Miss Josephine W Y Ding, Senior Education Officer (School Registration and Compliance) at 2892 6328.

Education Bureau April 2010

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(Made by the Secretary for Education under section 40AC(1) of the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279))

1. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on 4 June 2010.

2. Specified schools

Schedule 3 to the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) is amended, in the item relating to "Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School", by repealing "5 Kwong Lee Road" and substituting "6 Caldecott Road".

Michael M.Y. Suen Secretary for Education

30 March 2010

Explanatory Note

This Notice amends Schedule 3 to the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) to update the address of Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School due to a change of premises.

Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) - Section 40AC

Secretary for Education may amend Schedule 3

- (1) The Secretary for Education may by notice published in the Gazette amend Schedule 3.
- (2) A school shall not be specified in Schedule 3 unless
 - (a) the school is a primary school or secondary school;
 - (b) the school is neither an aided school nor a Direct Subsidy Scheme school;
 - (c) the school is a school without incorporated management committee;
 - (d) the school is not operated for the purpose of making profit;
 - (e) the sponsoring body of the school is not a profit-making organization;
 - (f) the school receives any subsidy from the Government; and
 - (g) the school is, in the opinion of the Permanent Secretary for Education, financially sound.

SCHEDULE 3 SPECIFIED SCHOOLS

School Name School Address Confucius Hall Middle School 77 Caroline Hill Road, Hong Kong Discovery College 38 Siena Avenue, Discovery Bay, Lantau Island, **New Territories** The Independent Schools Foundation 1 Kong Sin Wan Road, Pokfulam, Hong Kong Academy International Christian Quality Music 182 Po Kong Village Road, Diamond Hill, Secondary and Primary School Kowloon International Christian School 1 On Muk Lane, Shatin, New Territories Mu Kuang English School 55 Kung Lok Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School 5 Kwong Lee Road, Shamshuipo, Kowloon No. 5 Hang Ming Street, Ma On Shan, Shatin, Renaissance College **New Territories** S.K.H. All Saints' Middle School 11 Pak Po Street, Kowloon United Christian College 9 & 11 Tong Yam Street, Tai Hang Tung, Shamshuipo, Kowloon Victoria Shanghai Academy 19 Shum Wan Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong Yew Chung International School -3 To Fuk Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon

Secondary