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Ms Amy Yu Clerk to Education Panel 3/F, Citibank Tower 3 Garden Road Hong Kong

Dear Ms YU,

Panel on Education Follow-up to Meeting on 14 March 2011

At the Panel meeting held on 14 March 2011, the Administration, under the agenda item of the "Progress of support measures for non-Chinese speaking (NCS) students", was requested to provide written information on the employment statistics of NCS graduates of the Vocational Training Council (VTC).

To further support NCS students, the VTC has been offering dedicated vocational education and training programmes for NCS students since 2006. In the 2010/11 academic year, as at end March 2011, about 400 places out of the total of 600 planned places provided by the VTC have been taken up by NCS students. In the 2009/10 academic year, about 75% of those who had completed dedicated courses for NCS students pitched at post-secondary 3 and 5 level of one year or more pursued further studies in the VTC or other local institutions. Some 95% of the rest of these graduates secured employment.

NCS students are also enrolled on other programmes which are open to all students who meet the entry requirements. The VTC does not keep separate employment statistics of NCS students admitted to these programmes, but as a general reference, the average employment rate of

VTC's graduates from pre-employment programmes excluding those who pursued further studies in the VTC or other local institutions was about 87% in 2009/10.

Yours sincerely,

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