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Dear Mr Lam,

Privacy Compliance Assessment Report for the Smart Identity Card System – Follow-up actions taken by the Immigration Department

At the meeting of the Panel on Security of the Legislative Council on 7 December 2010, Members requested the Immigration Department (ImmD) to provide an update on the latest position of the follow-up actions taken on the recommendations of the captioned report.

ImmD has fully implemented all 16 recommendations made by the office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data. Apart from the 14 implemented recommendations reported in the above-mentioned meeting, the progress of the remaining two recommendations is as follows —

- (a) for the recommendation that more specific review guidelines be provided to audit trail reviewers (recommendation 4), ImmD has in January provided specific guidelines on all audit trail reports; and
- (b) for the recommendation that the practice of the Confidential Records Unit in providing data be refined (recommendation 9), ImmD has also in January enhanced the relevant computer system.

In response to Members' request that ImmD provide information on training on privacy protection, ImmD has conducted training to all staff responsible for handling data access requests in September and October of 2010, and January 2011. ImmD has also conducted 14 sessions of training to all staff using the Smart Identity Card System from September to November 2010.

On the storage and movement of backup tapes, ImmD has updated the software in December 2009, and issued instructions to the staff concerned that the movement of backup tapes must be accurately recorded, in order to ensure that the procedures for the movement of backup tapes is accurate.

Yours sincerely,

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