Progress Report on The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals

(From 1 October 2012 to 31 March 2013)

I. Employment applications

The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals was implemented on 15 July 2003. Between 1 October 2012 to 31 March 2013, **4,778** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **796**). In the same period, **3,509** applications were approved, **855** refused and **541** withdrawn/no further action taken. As at 31 March 2013, **1,282** applications were under processing.

II. Breakdown of approval cases

| Employer Sector | Number of Approval Cases | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Short-term * employment | Long-term employment | Total |
| Academic research and education | 861 | 300 | 1,161 |
| Architecture/surveying | 2 | 29 | 31 |
| Arts/culture | 820 | 13 | 833 |
| Biotechnology | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Catering industry | 29 | 5 | 34 |
| Commerce and trade | 39 | 362 | 401 |
| Engineering & Construction | 57 | 148 | 205 |
| Financial services | 51 | 307 | 358 |
| Information technology | 25 | 81 | 106 |
| Legal services | 10 | 30 | 40 |
| Manufacturing industries | 11 | 34 | 45 |
| Medical and health services | 10 | 15 | 25 |
| Recreation and sports | 63 | 13 | 76 |
| Telecommunications | 3 | 36 | 39 |
| Tourism | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Traditional Chinese Medicine | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Others | 61 | 82 | 143 |
| Total | 2,046 | 1,463 | 3,509 |

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

III. Employers

A total of 867 employers are involved, of which 6 are local universities and other educational institutions, 22 partnership firms and 30 non-profit-making companies exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining 809 employers are as follows:

| Paid up Capital | Number of Employers | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Below HK\$1 million | 643 | |
| HK\$1 million to below HK\$10 million | 55 | |
| HK\$10 million to HK\$100 million | 50 | |
| Over HK\$100 million | 61 | |
| Total | 809 | |

IV. Education attainment

| Academic Attainment | Number of Approval Cases | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| | Short-term employment | Long-term employment | Total |
| Doctoral degree | 352 | 163 | 515 |
| Master degree | 248 | 466 | 714 |
| Bachelor degree or equivalent | 725 | 742 | 1,467 |
| Other qualifications | 721 | 92 | 813 |
| Total | 2,046 | 1,463 | 3,509 |

V. Monthly remuneration

| Remuneration Range (HK\$) | Number of Approval Cases | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Short-term employment | Long -term employment | Total |
| Below 20,000 | 1,384 | 394 | 1,778 |
| 20,000 to 29,999 | 338 | 361 | 699 |
| 30,000 to 39,999 | 160 | 244 | 404 |
| 40,000 to 49,999 | 60 | 131 | 191 |
| 50,000 to 79,999 | 63 | 182 | 245 |
| 80,000 to 119,999 | 25 | 89 | 114 |
| 120,000 to 179,999 | 5 | 35 | 40 |
| 180,000 to 239,999 | 2 | 18 | 20 |
| 240,000 to 279,999 | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| 280,000 and above | 9 | 3 | 12 |
| Total | 2,046 | 1,463 | 3,509 |

VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of March 2013, a cumulative total of **69,687** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **58,725** applications were approved, **3,287** refused and **6,393** withdrawn/required no further action. The remaining **1,282** were under processing.

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