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Clerk to the Panel on Public Service Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn: Miss Mary SO)

Dear Miss SO,

Legislative Council Panel on Public Service Manpower of Lifeguards and Number of Aquatic Venues under the Management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Public Service held on 20 April 2015, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) was requested to provide information on the manpower of lifeguards and the number of aquatic venues under its management. The information is now provided below:

(I) The numbers of lifeguards and public swimming pools, gazetted beaches and water sports centres managed by the LCSD by year between 2004 and 2015

The LCSD provides lifeguard services at its public swimming pools, beaches and water sports centres. The numbers of LCSD aquatic venues provided with lifeguard services and the numbers of lifeguards by rank between 2004 and 2015 (as at 1 April) are set out in the tables at **Annex**.

(II) The 21 civil service Artisan (Beach/Swimming Pool) posts to be created in 2015-2016

The LCSD created 21 civil service Artisan (Beach/Swimming Pool) posts in June 2015, which are civil service posts providing long-term service, to enhance the manpower situation of swimming pools. As civil service lifeguards are employed on a year-round basis, the numbers of non-civil service

contract seasonal lifeguards to be employed during swimming seasons can be reduced accordingly.

For enquiries, please contact the undersigned or Mr LUK Chi Kwong, Senior Leisure Manager (Aquatic Venues) on 2601 8873.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs Doris FOK)

for Director of Leisure and Cultural Services

## Numbers of Aquatic Venues Managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and Manpower Situation of Lifeguards Between 2004 and 2015

## Numbers of Lifeguards

Comparison Between 2014 and 2004

As at 1 August each year	2015*	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	Change in Number	Change i
(a) Senior Lifeguards	168	161	166	155	129	132	131	132	123	120	121	111	50	45%
(b) Lifeguards Employed on a Long-term	1,039	1,021	1,027	936	860	784	805	717	760	786	808	838	183	229
Civil Service Lifeguards	970	951	955	855	764	660	675	392	414	427	438	459	492	1079
Ex-Councils Contract Lifeguards/ Full-year Contract Lifeguards	69	70	72	81	96	124	130	325	346	359	370	379	-309	-82%
(c) Non-civil Service Contract Seasonal Lifeguards	558	939	955	927	950	856	865	1,033	923	840	805	713	226	320
(d) Number of Lifeguards (b)+(c)	1,597	1,960	1,982	1,863	1,810	1,640	1,670	1,750	1,683	1,626	1,613	1,551	409	269
(e) Total Number of Senior Lifeguards and Lifeguards (a)+(d)	1,765	2,121	2,148	2,018	1,939	1,772	1,801	1,882	1,806	1,746	1,734	1,662	459	289

<sup>\*</sup>As at 1 April 2015 (non-peak season)

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## Numbers of Aquatic Venues Provided with Lifeguard Services

Comparison Between 2014 and 2004

As at 1 August each year	2015*	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	Change in Number	Change %
Swimming Pools	43	43	43	41	39	37	37	37	37	37	36	36	7	19%
Beaches	38	38	36	36	36	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	6	19%
Water Sports Centres	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	1	25%
Total	86	86	84	82	80	74	74	74	74	74	72	72	14	19%