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Mr Lemuel WOO Clerk to Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong

Dear Mr WOO,

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services Follow-up Actions arising from Informal Meeting of 4 January 2021

At the informal meeting of the Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services ("the Panel") held on 4 January 2021, Members requested the Government to provide information relating to legal aid. Our response is set out below.

In 2019, the Legal Aid Department granted 63 legal aid certificates for judicial review cases relating to non-refoulement claims.

In addition, a breakdown by types of civil legal aid applications in 2019 are as follows:

Nature of Application	Number
Matrimonial	5 373
Personal injuries and related applications	4 957
Medical negligence	154
Others*	2 438
Total	12 922

* "Others" includes 797 legal aid applications relating to judicial review, and other types of civil legal aid applications covering contractual disputes, land and tenancy disputes, employment disputes and immigration matters, etc.

Yours sincerely,

(Irene CHEUNG)

for Director of Administration

c.c. Director of Legal Aid (Attn: Mr Chris CHONG)