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Subcommittee to Study the Development of Textbooks and
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Dear Ms WONG,

Panel on Education

Subcommittee to Study the Development of Textbooks and Teaching Materials for Kindergartens, Primary and Secondary Schools

Follow-up to meeting on 19 March 2021

We refer to your letter dated 19 March 2021. With regard to the enquiry made by a member of the Subcommittee during the discussion of the agenda item "Measures to facilitate schools' effective use of textbooks and teaching materials to enhance teaching and learning" at the meeting on 19 March 2021, the reply of the Education Bureau is as follows:

Teachers have the responsibility to teach accurate facts and concepts to facilitate students in developing positive values and attitude. If it is substantiated that teachers have distorted facts and taught biased concepts or instilled negative values into students, the Education Bureau will, in respect of teacher registration, review the registration of

 the teacher having regard to the nature and severity of the case. If it does not warrant cancellation of registration, we will issue reprimand, warning or advisory letters and clearly state that we will consider cancelling his/her teacher registration if he/she misconducts again so as to safeguard the well-being of students, uphold the professionalism of teachers and maintain public's confidence in education in Hong Kong. Besides, concerning the relevant case, we have been maintaining close contact and following up the case seriously with the school. The registration of the teacher has also been handled according to the above-mentioned principles. Moreover, the school has taken appropriate follow-up actions, including strengthening the monitoring of the quality of school-based teaching materials with a view to ensuring students' acquisition of correct knowledge.

Yours sincerely,

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for Secretary for Education