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Miss Mary So Clerk, Public Accounts Committee Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong

Dear Miss So,

### **Public Accounts Committee**

### **Consideration of Chapter 8 of the Director of Audit's Report No. 62**

### **Recruitment of Staff**

Thank you for your letter dated 23 May 2014 to the Commissioner of Correctional Services. I am authorised to respond to the questions raised in your letter as follows:

(a) what is the percentage of applications found not meeting the entry requirement stated in the recruitment advertisements in each of the 18 open recruitment exercises conducted by the Correctional Services Department ("CSD") between 2010-2011 and 2012-2013.

The relevant information is at **Annex**.

(b) whether the CSD has worked with the Civil Service Bureau or otherwise to come up with effective measures to reduce the number of unqualified applicants in open recruitment exercises, if so, what these measures are and when they will be implemented. It has been the practice for all recruiting offices to spell out clearly the entry requirements in the recruitment advertisements. To reduce the number of unqualified applications, we note that the Civil Service Bureau has implemented an improvement measure since 2013 by revising the standard application form for civil service jobs and enhancing the online job application system to add built-in reminders for applicants to confirm that they meet the entry requirements of the jobs selected. We will continue to monitor the situation and work with the Civil Service Bureau on further improvement measures as appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

(Herman CHO) for Commissioner of Correctional Services

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No.	Advertisement Date	Recruiting Rank	% of Applications Not Meeting Entry Requirements
1	25.06.2010	Officer*	77
2	30.07.2010	Dispenser	62
3	06.08.2010	Technical Instructor (Printing)	56
4	06.08.2010	Technical Instructor (Sign Making)	66
5	10.09.2010	Technical Instructor (Construction and Maintenance)	62
6	17.09.2010	Assistant Officer II*	84
7	17.12.2010	Instructor (Carpentry)	63
8	28.01.2011	Workman II	9
9	24.06.2011	Assistant Lecturer (Food and Beverage Services)	89
10	29.07.2011	Assistant Education Officer	69
11	19.08.2011	Assistant Officer II*	78
12	09.09.2011	Technical Instructor (Building Renovation)	82
13	09.09.2011	Technical Instructor (Building Services)	82
14	28.10.2011	Officer*	69
15	15.06.2012	Instructor (Construction and Maintenance)	59
16	15.06.2012	Instructor (Garment)	30
17	03.08.2012	Works Supervisor II	42
18	30.11.2012	Officer*	79

# Percentage of applications found not meeting the entry requirements

## Remark:

\* Applicants for the posts of Officer and Assistant Officer II were required to pass a physical fitness test.