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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (30) Correctional Services Department

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

<u>Programme</u>: (1) Prison Management

Controlling Officer: Commissioner of Correctional Services (YAU Chi-chiu)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Security

Question:

The Correctional Services Department will not make special arrangements due to the status of persons in custody. How many persons in custody are currently given special arrangements?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 37)

Reply:

The Correctional Services Department (CSD) upholds the principle of equality and treats all persons in custody in a fair manner. CSD will consider different factors, including the length of sentence, health condition and security risk of persons in custody, etc., in making appropriate custodial and rehabilitation arrangements for them. The status of individual persons in custody is not a relevant factor of consideration.