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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 5789)

Head: (30) Correctional Services Department

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Commissioner of Correctional Services (WOO Ying-ming)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

1) Concerning the requests for information under the Code on Access to Information received by the Correctional Services Department (CSD) for which only some of the required information was provided, please state in table form: (i) the content of the requests for which only some of the required information was provided; (ii) the reasons for providing some of the information only; and (iii) how the requests were eventually handled.

Year

(i) Content of the requests for which only some of the required information was provided	(ii) Reasons for providing some of the information only	(iii) How the requests were eventually handled

2) Concerning the requests for information under the Code on Access to Information received by CSD for which the required information was not provided, please state in table form: (i) the content of the requests refused; (ii) the reasons for refusal; and (iii) how the requests were eventually handled.

Year

(i) Content of the requests refused	(ii) Reasons for refusal	(iii) How the requests were eventually handled

Asked by: Hon CHAN Tanya (LegCo internal reference no.: 174)

Reply:

1) From January to September 2018, amongst the requests for information under the Code on Access to Information (the Code) received by the Correctional Services

Department (CSD), there was only 1 case where some of the required information was provided by the Department. The case was handled in accordance with the requirements of the Code. Information provided by CSD includes showering facilities for persons in custody and counselling services provided by clinical psychologists, etc. Information not provided pertains to the detailed schedules and security of correctional institutions, which falls into the scope of "information which may be refused" as set out in paragraph 2.6(e) of the Code (i.e. information the disclosure of which would harm or prejudice the security of any detention facility or prison).

2) During the above period, amongst the requests for information under the Code received by CSD, there was no case where information was not provided.

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