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Dear Dr. Somkuan,

RE: THE 4th HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL NURSING FORUM ON 4 – 5 JUNE 2010

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation to you for co-organizing the 4^{th} Hong Kong International Nursing Forum, which will be held on 4-5 June 2010. I am delighted to announce the Department is also eelebrating our 15^{th} Anniversary in 2010. The Forum this year will be our major activity of the anniversary celebration, which aims to highlight our commitment to providing quality education, disseminating scientific discovery, and improving the health of the community. As the Dean of the eo-organizing institutions, you are cordially invited to join the Forum and we are pleased to waive your registration fee.

This year, the Forum theme is "Health Care Reform: Nurses' Role in Promoting and Managing the Health of the Community" in support of government's movement on health care reform. This Forum brings in the local and overseas nurse leaders to discuss the significant roles and potential contributions of nurses under the reform, including Dr York Chow, Secretary for Food and Health, Food and Health Bureau of HKSAR,; Professor Alison While of King's College London; Professor Judith Parker of Victoria University and Professor Bonnie Stevens of University of Toronto. Other clinical and academic nursing leaders were also invited to present their research and collaborative efforts in the concurrent sessions.

I would be grateful if you would bring the information of the 4th Hong Kong International Nursing Forum to the attention of your staff and encourage them to participate. A special discount of about 15% will be offered to group registration of 5 or more participants from Co-organizers and a Group Registration Form is attached for your information. Please return the completed group registration form together with a cheque to us (payable to The University of Hong Kong) not later than 31 May 2010. For Individual Registration, please complete the online registration form at the Forum website: hknf.hku.hk. An early bird discount is offered if registration is made on or before 9 April 2010.

We sincerely hope you can join us and we look forward to meeting you and your staff on this very special occasion in Hong Kong. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Nursing Forum Secretariat at (852) 2819 2606 or at hkucc.hku.hk.

Once again, thank you for co-organizing the 4th Hong Kong International Nursing Forum. Your active participation is crucial to the success of this event.

Yours sincerely

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