CDC Committee on Mathematics Education (2007-2008)

Gist of the Second Meeting

Date: 26 May 2008 (Monday)

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Room W418, 4/F, West Block, Education Bureau Kowloon Tong Education

Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon

Points discussed and conclusions arrived:

1. Four new members were recruited and joined the meeting for the first time.

2. It was suggested that the scope of the booklet *An English-Chinese Glossary of Terms Commonly Used in the Learning and Teaching of Mathematics* should be kept manageable. Too many terms included into the glossary would render it ineffective.

3. The course materials of the professional development programmes conducted by the Mathematics Education Section (MES) had been uploaded onto the EDB's homepage. The MES would like to delegate the right to the EdCity to link to the resource bank of the MES.

4. The EdCity would set up, in June 2008, a pilot discussion forum for a small group of teachers to exchange views. In the long run, the EdCity would establish a discussion forum on the web for all Mathematics teachers.

5. Professional development programmes had been conducted by the MES to handle the interface problems between the learning and teaching of primary and secondary Mathematics. The MES also planned to organize training courses for teachers on the learning and teaching of the pre-primary and primary Mathematics in coming years.

6. Problems on geometric construction would be included in the Hong Kong Mathematics Olympiad in coming years to promote hands-on activities in Mathematics.