Dear Dr. Cheung,

With reference to your letter of Sept.3, 2009, we are pleased to submit our comments regarding the National Quality Assurance Framework.

- 1. A generic National Quality Assurance Framework would help to nurture a quality culture in NSOs.
- 2. As there exist different quality tools proposed by various organizations, it would be beneficial to systematize these frameworks.
- 3. Given the fact that access to resources varies among NSOs, the notion of a NQAF template would be easier for NSOs to get onboard, as against a generic one fitting all NQAF.
- 4. One major concern would be an adequate training programme for NSOs prior to the implementation of the proposed framework.

Yours sincerely,

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