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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

**APPROVAL FOR TUNG WAH COLLEGE
TO AWARD DEGREE**

INTRODUCTION

At the meeting of the Executive Council on 6 November 2012, the Council ADVISED and the Chief Executive ORDERED that approval be granted to Tung Wah College (TWC) to award degree for the proposed Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) programme.

JUSTIFICATION

Tung Wah College

2. TWC is a post-secondary college established by the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals and registered under the Post Secondary Colleges Ordinance in 2011. In September 2012, TWC obtained accreditation of the proposed Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) programme from the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications.

Award of Degrees

3. Section 10(a) of the Post Secondary Colleges Ordinance provides that a College may, with the prior approval of the Chief Executive in Council, award degrees. TWC intends to introduce the Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) programme by January 2013.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL

4. The proposal is in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights. It has no significant economic

implication, and no financial and civil service, productivity, sustainability or environmental implications.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

5. Public consultation is unnecessary as the proposal involves no policy change.

PUBLICITY

6. A spokesman will be available for answering public enquiries.

ENQUIRIES

7. In case of enquiries, please contact Ms Pecvin Yong, Principal Assistant Secretary for Education, at 3509 8502.

Education Bureau
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