Appendix

The numbers of occasions in 2017 to 2019 on which individual government departments requested the operators of social platforms and websites to remove postings and revise the contents of postings (including news reports)

Department	Requests made to social platforms						Requests made to websites					
	Remove postings (a) No. of requests (b) No. of requests complied with			Revise the contents of postings (including news reports) (a) No. of requests (b) No. of requests complied with			Remove postings (a) No. of requests (b) No. of requests complied with			Revise the contents of postings (including news reports) (a) No. of requests (b) No. of requests complied with		
	2017	2018	2019 (Note 1)	2017	2018	2019 (Note 1)	2017	2018	2019 (Note 1)	2017	2018	2019 (Note 1)
Companies Registry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 1 (b) 1	(a) 1 (b) 0	-	-	-
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 115 (b) 115	(a) 147 (b) 147	(a) 40 (b) 40	-	-	-
Department of Justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	Relevant statistics are not available (Note 2)					
Hong Kong Fire Services Department	-	-	(a) 2 (b) 2	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 1 (b) 1	-	-	-
Hong Kong Monetary Authority	-	-	(a) 1 (b) 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong Observatory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 2 (b) 2
Hong Kong Police Force	(a) 81 (b) partially acceded to	(a) 32 (b) partially acceded to	(a) 621 (b) partially acceded to	-	-	-	(a) 5 (b) partially acceded to	(a) 6 (b) partially acceded to	(a) 34 (b) partially acceded to	-	-	-
Housing Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 3 (b) 3	(a) 5 (b) 5	(a) 1 (b) 1	-	-	-
Leisure and Cultural Services Department	-	(a) 1 (b) 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office of the Communications Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-	(a) 2 (b) 1	(a) 1 (b) 1	(a) 1 (b) 1	-	-	-

Note 1: Up to 30 November 2019

Note 2: In the past, the Department of Justice has written to newspapers to request removal from all online media of news articles prejudicial to on-going criminal proceedings or containing information which was subject to restrictions pursuant to court order or applicable laws. The Department of Justice has not kept any statistics on the number of requests issued and acceded to.