EDUCATION BUREAU CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 54/2021

From: Secretary for Education To: Heads of all Secondary Schools, Primary schools and Special schools

(excluding ESF schools and Ref. : EDB(CDI/CRC)/9/12(1)

international schools)

Date: 15 April 2021

Reference Book for National Security Education

Summary

This circular memorandum aims to inform schools of the details about the distribution of《香港特別行政區維護國家安全法讀本》(Chinese version only).

Details

- 2. The Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the National Security Law) has been implemented in Hong Kong since 30 June 2020. The Education Bureau (EDB) issued EDB Circular No. 2/2021 on 4 February 2021 to launch the curriculum framework of national security education (NSE) in Hong Kong with three subjects as examples with a view to supporting schools to coordinate and plan for NSE in a whole-school approach; systematically and comprehensively implement NSE within and beyond the classroom; develop in students a sense of belonging to the country, an affection for the Chinese people, a sense of national identity, as well as an awareness of and a sense of responsibility for safeguarding national security.
- 3. Today, 15 April 2021, is the National Security Education Day. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government has organised a number of activities to enhance members of the public's understanding of national security. Among them, the opening ceremony of the National Security Education Day 2021 held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre features a book donation ceremony, in which, as a highlight, Mr CHEN Baosheng, Minister of Education of the People's Republic of China specially selects 《香港特別行政區維護國家安全法讀本》(《讀本》), a reference book compiled by legal scholars including Professor WANG Zhenmin, etc. for distribution to schools offering local curriculum as complimentary copies for teachers' reference to enhance their understanding of the National Security Law. The EDB is grateful to Mr CHEN for his kindness and believes that the 《讀本》 would be of great help in supporting teachers to correctly understand and implement NSE.
- 4. The Bureau will arrange the delivery of 《讀本》to schools by batches from 16 April 2021. Depending on the number of classes, each primary school will be allocated 25 copies (12 classes or less) or 55 copies (13 classes or more), while each secondary school and special

school will be allocated 60 copies and 30 copies respectively. If the number of teachers exceeds the number of 《讀本》 allocated to schools, please complete the collection form enclosed with this CM, indicating the number of extra copies needed and fax it back to the Bureau on or before 17 May 2021 for processing. Due to the limited number of printed copies of 《讀本》, the Bureau will determine the number of extra copies to be allocated to the schools on a case-by-case basis.

Contact Person

5. For enquiries, please contact the Curriculum Resources Section, Curriculum Development Institute, Education Bureau, at 3698 4423.

Ms Edith Y C TSE

for Secretary for Education

c.c. Heads of Sections - for information

Education Bureau Collection Form for Extra Copies of

《香港特別行政區維護國家安全法讀本》(Chinese version only)

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