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Dear Colleague

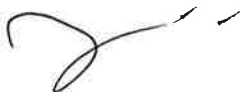
Timings for Edexcel Examinations: to whom it may concern

With effect from the May/June 2012 examination series, Edexcel International GCSEs will be subject to the same rules that currently apply to GCE A level and GCSE examinations in international centres in Hong Kong.

In practice this means that International GCSE candidates must be kept under supervision by centres until 7.00 am GMT for morning examinations and 11.30 am GMT for afternoon examinations, as currently applies for Edexcel GCSE and GCE A level examinations. The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority will make the necessary arrangements to ensure that minimal inconvenience is caused to centres, teachers and students by this change in Edexcel requirements.

Edexcel apologises for any inconvenience that may be caused to centres, teachers and students by this change to our requirements. However, the changes have been made in the interests of maintaining the security of Edexcel examinations as a whole.

Yours sincerely



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