Clarification regarding fabricated news on the internet about the HKEAA

Fabricated news and untrue information about the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority have been found on local discussion forums today. The HKEAA clarifies that:

1. There has not been any fire outbreak at the Wan Chai Office of the HKEAA.
2. No urgent markers meeting has been held to discuss the marking of Use of English (Paper B) of the 2009 Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination.

According to Section 16 of the Hong Kong Examinations Authority Ordinance, any person who falsely pretends that he is an employee, servant, agent or member of the Authority or aids, abets, counsels or procures any person to so pretend, commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of $10,000 and to imprisonment for 6 months.

The Authority has already reported the case to the Hong Kong Police Force.

Candidates are strongly advised to visit the HKEAA website at www.hkeaa.edu.hk for information and announcements of public examinations.

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