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1) The number of Hong Kong passport holders who have applied for a 5-year temporary graduate visa, after they have completed tertiary studies since 9 July 2020.

Since the date of announcement 9 July 2020 to 1 January 2021, there have been 544 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa applications lodged by Hong Kong nationals.

2) The number of Hong Kong passport holders who have applied for a 5-year extension on their visas since 9 July 2020 who were former students already on a temporary graduate visa. The number of Hong Kong passport holders who have applied for an additional 5 years from 9 July 2020 who are current temporary skilled visa holders.

Hong Kong passport holders did not need to apply for the 5 year extension to their visas, it was applied by operation of law. For Hong Kong passport holders, who held a Temporary Graduate or Skilled visa (subclasses 457, 482 and 485) at the time of the announcement on 9 July 2020, the 5 year extension was automatically applied to their visa.

The number of Hong Kong passport holders who have had a 5 year extension applied to their visas are:

- Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485) = 1,715
- Temporary Skill Shortage visa (subclass 482) = 480
- Temporary Work (Skilled) visa (subclass 457) = 389

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