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Dear Mr. Tien

I understand that you will be chairing a meeting soon concerning fines for smoky vehicles in Hong Kong and discussing whether these fines should be postponed.

As a permanent resident of Hong Kong I would like to make clear to you my, and many, many members of the public's point of view towards this subject. Over the past decade the air quality in Hong Kong has become worse and worse, the main reason for this being the increase in vehicles on our roads, the government's short term attitude towards transportation in the SAR, and the poor enforcement of our laws concerning polluting vehicles. Enough is enough - no more pandering to the transportation sector, think about the general public, and do what they expect of you, do what is right and do not postpone this new fine for smoky vehicles anymore. These vehicles are breaking our laws for the sake of a few dollars. I would encourage you to start having roadside spot checks on vehicles and on the spot fines. I'm sure you can see that if roadside checks were carried out throughout the SAR (on a large scale) for a period of 1 year or more, you would reduce emissions dramatically and would let drivers know that poorly maintained vehicles and the use of illicit fuel is not acceptable, and it really isn't acceptable anymore is it?

Yours sincerely

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