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Clerk to Panel on Economic Services
Legislative Council
8 Jackson Road
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(Attn: Mr Andy Lau)

Dear Mr Lau,

Legislative Council Panel on Economic Services
Meeting held on 20 October 2005

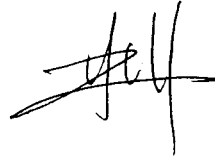
At the Economic Services Panel meeting held on 20 October 2005, Hon Wong Kwok-hing requested the Administration to provide a written response on the extent to which demand of local communities in Lantau South for development of economic activities and infrastructural facilities had been taken into account in the deliberations of the Lantau Development Task Force, and details of the relevant development plans recommended by the Task Force.

The Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau (HPLB) has advised that the aspirations of the local community in Lantau South have been taken into account in the formulation of the Concept Plan for Lantau by the Task Force.

On the development of economic activities, the HPLB has advised that low-density resort facilities have been proposed to enhance the tourism potential of South Lantau. Recreation proposals such as watersports centres, cycle tracks, eco-trail, heritage trails, etc. have been put forward to harness the recreation potential and attraction of south Lantau to visitors. These proposals in turn would help boost the local economy. They were well received by the local community during the public consultation on the Concept Plan ended in February 2005.

Regarding infrastructure facilities, improvements such as widening of Tung Chung Road and other road upgrading works are being undertaken to improve the accessibility of South Lantau. Additional transportation means proposed, including the provision of more public landing facilities for private leisure boats to bring visitors to South Lantau, are being considered.

Yours sincerely,

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(Paul Wong)
for Commissioner for Tourism

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