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Dear Mrs LI,

At yesterday's meeting of the LegCo Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing inquired about a recent case of avian influenza outbreak in the Mainland. Our reply is as follows:

The Health, Welfare and Food Bureau received notification from the Ministry of Agriculture about a H5N1 avian influenza outbreak in Lhasa of Tibet Autonomous Region on 11 August 2005. Hong Kong does not import any poultry meat or live bird from the Tibet Autonomous Region.

I would be grateful if you would inform the member of the above accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

(Wallace LAU)
for Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food Bureau