

**The Administration's response to the follow-up action
arising from the meeting of
the Legislative Council Panel on Development
on 29 May 2007**

Purpose

The Administration was requested to provide the following information :

- (a) the number of "Other Specified Uses" ("OU") sites that had been rezoned for commercial use over the past 5 to 10 years; and
- (b) the amount of consultancy fees paid to Maunsell Consultants Asia Limited (MCAL) for undertaking various Government consultancy projects over the past 10 years and the consultancy fees it would receive in future if the projects in relation to Wan Chai Development Phase II were approved.

Rezoning "OU" Sites

2. From December 2004 to November 2009, there were a total of five amendment items relating to rezoning from "Other Specified Uses" to "Commercial" on Outline Zoning Plans. The amendments are all consequential to the re-planning of the Kai Tak area.

Consultancy fees paid to MCAL

3. Consultancy fee for Wan Chai Development Phase II to be received by MCAL with the approval of funding for the project on 3 July 2009 is about \$53 million.

4. Consultancy fee for Central-Wan Chai Bypass to be received by MCAL with the approval of funding for project on 3 July 2009 is about \$182 million.

5. The amount of consultancy fees paid to MCAL¹ for Government consultancy projects over the past 10 years between mid-November 1999 to mid-November 2009 is about \$1,393.7 million. In addition, an amount of about \$240 million has been paid for Government consultancy projects undertaken by joint ventures involving MCAL during the same period.

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¹ MCAL has been renamed “AECOM Asia Company Ltd.” (AECOM) in May 2009. As AECOM comprises not only MCAL, payments from May 2009 to AECOM are only included as appropriate.