



vehicles to use SBP. According to our understanding, the Shenzhen side is actively preparing for the construction of a temporary office building in the Shenzhen port area to allow freight companies to set up offices for providing support on customs declaration and clearance of goods. We also understand that the Shenzhen authorities have also implemented some traffic management measures (e.g. installing additional traffic signs, designating goods vehicles-only lanes at the Yueliangwan Avenue leading to the control point, etc.) to attract cross-boundary vehicles (in particular goods vehicles) to use the new control point. Besides, the Guangdong and Hong Kong governments have extended the arrangement for cross-boundary private cars to use the control point on a trial basis to 31 March this year, and are considering the feasibility of further extending the trial arrangement. We will inform quota holders of the relevant arrangements once consensus is reached by both sides.

The Guangdong and Hong Kong governments will continue to closely monitor the operation and vehicular flow of the new control point, and will consider relevant measures to further encourage users of other land boundary crossings to switch to using SBP as necessary.

I should be grateful if you would convey the above information to Members of the Transport Panel for their information.

Yours sincerely,



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Annex

Control Point	Vehicle Type	Average Daily Two-way Vehicular Flow (Trips)			Change	
		Dec 2006	Jul 2007	Dec 2007	Dec 2007 compared with Dec 2006	Dec 2007 compared with Jul 2007
Shenzhen Bay	Coach	-	292	432	-	+47.9%
	Private Car	-	995	2,466	-	+147.8%
	Goods Vehicle	-	5	1,513	-	+30160%
	<b>Sub-total (a)</b>	-	<b>1,292</b>	<b>4,411</b>	-	<b>+241.4%</b>
Lok Ma Chau	Coach	3,077	2,785	2,531	-17.7%	-9.1%
	Private Car	9,606	9,932	9,836	2.4%	-1.0%
	Goods Vehicle	18,378	19,386	16,713	-9.1%	-13.8%
	<b>Sub-total (b)</b>	<b>31,061</b>	<b>32,103</b>	<b>29,080</b>	<b>-6.4%</b>	<b>-9.4%</b>
Man Kam To	Coach	234	134	202	-13.7%	+50.7%
	Private Car	732	676	572	-21.9%	-15.4%
	Goods Vehicle	6741	6,274	5,515	-18.2%	-12.1%
	<b>Sub-total (c)</b>	<b>7,707</b>	<b>7,084</b>	<b>6,289</b>	<b>-18.4%</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>
Sha Tau Kok	Coach	283	243	259	-8.5%	+6.6%
	Private Car	968	848	871	-10.0%	+2.7%
	Goods Vehicle	1,169	1,241	1,101	-5.8%	-11.3%
	<b>Sub-total (d)</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>2,332</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>-7.8%</b>	<b>-4.3%</b>
All control points	<b>Total (a)+(b)+(c)+(d)</b>	<b>41,188</b>	<b>42,811</b>	<b>42,011</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>