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Clerk to the Panel on Security Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road Central Hong Kong (Attn: Mr. Raymond Lam)

Dear Mr. Lam,

# Construction of a Secondary Boundary Fence arising from the reduced coverage of the Frontier Closed Area - Phase 2

At the Panel meeting held on 3 May 2011, Members requested the Administration to provide supplementary information in respect of the "Construction of a Secondary Boundary Fence arising from the reduced coverage of the Frontier Closed Area - Phase 2".

### Breakdown of Capital Cost

The estimated capital cost of about \$254 million for the Project as described under paragraph 11 of the LegCo Paper No. CB(2)1610/10-11(01) mainly covers the following items –

- (a) the security fence (\$113.4 million);
- (b) road works (\$15.9 million);
- (c) site works (\$3.9 million);
- (d) drainage (\$6.2 million);
- (e) demolition works (\$14 million); and
- (f) furniture and equipment (\$6 million), etc.

#### Security of the Frontier Closed Area

As for the figures on illegal immigrants intercepted in the Frontier Closed Area (FCA) from 2006 to 2010, please see the below table:

Year	Ethnic Chinese Illegal Immigrants	Non-ethnic Chinese Illegal Immigrants Note	Total
2006	547	128	675
2007	350	121	471
2008	260	109	369
2009	165	215	380
2010	179	104	283

The Administration will implement the reduced coverage of the FCA in phases from early 2012 to 2015. The Police will continue to adopt measures to prevent illegal immigrants from entering the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and combat cross-boundary criminal activities in the FCA. The relevant measures include the construction along the boundary between the HKSAR and the Mainland of a boundary patrol road and a primary boundary fence, which is installed with electronic detection devices. The electronic detection devices comprise video motion detectors, a sensor alarm system and CCTV cameras, which are connected to a Centralized Monitoring and Control System for monitoring round the clock at the Boundary Command Centre situated at Man Kam To Police Operational Base.

Apart from the above-mentioned boundary fence and electronic detection devices, the Police will patrol the FCA by patrol cars and motorcycles, and set up outposts at vantage points along the boundary patrol road to combat cross-boundary criminal activities. Further, the Police will redeploy manpower and resources to ensure effective management of the areas to be excised from the FCA. For better planning, the Police will also conduct risk assessment of the visitor and traffic flow of the areas concerned, and strengthen the crime prevention knowledge of local residents through the assistance of the rural committees.

Note: No breakdown of Non-ethnic Chinese Illegal Immigrants is available. The above-mentioned of Non-ethnic Chinese Illegal Immigrants mainly include illegal immigrants of Vietnamese, Pakistani, Nepalese, etc nationalities.

#### **Environmental Impact Assessment Report**

As the Environmental Impact Assessment Report of project 12GB exceeds 500 pages, we have not attached a printed copy to this submission. However, the full Report can be downloaded from the following webpage –

<a href="http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/register/report/eiareport/eia\_1612008/index.html">http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/register/report/eiareport/eia\_1612008/index.html</a>.

Yours sincerely,

(David Lau)

for Secretary for Security