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Mr. Raymond Lam,  
Clerk to Panel on Security,  
Legislative Council Secretariat,  
Legislative Council Building,  
8 Jackson Road, Central,  
Hong Kong.

Dear Mr. Lam,

**Letters from Taxi and PLB Concern Group**

Further to my letter of 4 April 2011, I would like to provide the following details regarding the operation of cross harbour route no. 171

According to the official schedule of service, cross harbour route no. 171 (South Horizons – Lai Chi Kok) has to be operated via the Ocean Park on Sundays and Public Holidays. As 4 February, 2011 (the second day of Lunar New Year) was a public holiday, route no. 171 had to be operated via the Ocean Park. To meet the upsurge in demand for bus service after the special performance at the Ocean Park at night time from 7 February 2011 to 12 February 2011, the concerned bus operator had applied to us on 7 February 2011 for operation of special departures from Ocean Park to Mongkok. The application was supported by this Department and approval for operation of this special service was given on the same day.

The public transport services at Ocean Park Road during the Lunar New Year period had been arranged by the Transport Department according to the stipulated legislation. As regards the complaint lodged by the PLB trade, the Police had noted the concern raised by the Taxi and PLB Concern Group and would reply you separately.

Yours faithfully,

(Simon Cheung)

for Commissioner for Transport