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Subject Fw: the Ad Hoc Quota Trial Scheme for Cross-boundary Private Cars



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As a member of the general public, i strongly object the idea of introducing this Ad Hoc Quota Trial Scheme for Cross-boundary Private Cars in Hong Kong in the foreseeable future. Reasons behind my view are listed in the followings:

- 1) The traffic jam situation in the streets in Hong Kong is old but yet unsolved. If introducing more cars into Hong Kong, this old problem will just become worse and it is neither desirable or acceptable.
- 2) The driving manners of mainland drivers are different from that of Hong Kong drivers. While their steering wheels are on the right hand side of their cars, ours are on the left side. It will be unconvincing that this scheme will not increase the road accident rates in Hong Kong. The higher the road accident rate there is, the more danger road users in Hong Kong will face. We don't want the roads in Hong Kong to be more dangerous than it already is.
- 3) The road signs in Hong Kong now are written in both English and traditional chinese. If this scheme is introduced, all of the road signs will have to be changed, which will involve a large sum of administrative cost. We don't want to waste any more public money merely for the use of non Hong Kong people.
- 4) The system of obtaining a valid driving license in Hong Kong and that in the mainland is different. We cannot effectively monitor the drivers that are from the mainland meet the expectation of the road users in Hong Kong in terms of driving skills.
- 5) There are sufficient means for mainlanders to come to Hong Kong by public transportation, eg trains and buses. There is no need for such arrangement.

Thank you.