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Dear Mr LO,

Public Works Subcommittee Meeting on 28 May 2013

List of issues requiring follow-up actions by the Administration before the relevant meeting of the Finance Committee

I refer to your letter dated 3 June 2013 to the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury.

2. Regarding item PWSC(2013-14)6 relating to PWP Item No. 76MM "Establishment of the Centre of Excellence in Paediatrics (CEP)", the supplementary information requested by Members is set out in the following paragraphs.

Item 1(a) Provision of Infection Control Facilities

- 3. The CEP project will provide 30 single isolation rooms, which will be designed in compliance with prevailing infection control standards, including the following
 - (a) unidirectional air flow from "clean" zones (e.g. ward corridors) to "dirty" zones (e.g. patient rooms) under a negative pressure gradient; and
 - (b) 100% fresh air supply at no less than 12 air changes per hour for dilution of contaminants.

Item 1(b) Provision of Family Facilities

4. Whilst the paediatric patients to be served in the CEP cover those who are aged below 18, it is mostly the younger children who require parents to stay overnight to take care of them. Having regard to this and the need for re-organising paediatric services in public hospitals under the Hospital Authority (HA) upon commissioning of the CEP, the project will provide 20 overnight rooms equipped with en-suite toilet and shower facilities for parents/relatives. As for the 418 beds in the CEP's in-patient area, apart from single-bed rooms which will have facilities to allow parents/relatives to sleep overnight and store their personal belongings, the project has made additional space provision in multi-bed rooms for parents/relatives to sleep-in beside the patient's bed. There will also be communal facilities within the in-patient area for use by parents/relatives.

Item 2 Policy in relation to Dangerous Goods and Contingency Plan

- 5. Under the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines (HKPSG), the Kerry Dangerous Goods Godown located in Kai Hing Road, Kowloon Bay is not regarded as a Potentially Hazardous Installation and hence development in its surrounding is not subject to specific conditions. Notwithstanding this, the operation of this godown is subject to the statutory licensing requirements and safety standards of the relevant departments including the Fire Services Department and Electrical and Mechanical Services Department.
- 6. Whilst the godown is currently in operation, we understand that a section 16 planning application for residential development at the site was approved with conditions by the Metro Planning Committee of the Town Planning Board on 30 March 2012. Should the proposed private residential development proceed, the existing godown will be demolished and any safety concerns arising therefrom will no longer exist.
- 7. It is the established practice of the HA to formulate specific contingency plan in case of emergency for each of its hospitals, having regard to their respective assessed risks, building design, functional arrangements and organisation structures. After the detailed design and functional arrangement of the CEP are finalised by the contractor and depending on the future development of in the vicinity as explained above, HA will map out timely an appropriate contingency plan for the CEP for its commissioning phase.

Item 3 Construction Cost of the CEP

8. The estimated construction unit cost (represented by the building and the building services costs) of the CEP is \$35,882 per square metre, whereas the corresponding cost estimate for the Tin Shui Wai Hospital (TSWH) project is \$33,873 per square metre, both in September 2012 prices. Due to its special nature, the scope of the CEP project comprises both construction of clinical facilities as well as highly specialised and sophisticated medical research/training facilities. Excluding the latter, the cost estimate for the clinical facilities of the CEP is slightly lower than that of the TSWH mainly due to economy of scale.

Item 4 Manpower Deployment at the CEP

9. As at end-2012, there were 310 doctors and 1 240 nurses (in full-time equivalents) in HA's paediatric departments. HA will brief the Panel on Health Services of the Legislative Council in due course on the operating and service arrangements for the CEP, including the manpower requirements.

Yours sincerely,

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