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Mr Jason Kong  
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Dear Mr Kong,

**Establishment Subcommittee**

**Follow-up to meeting on 18 November 2015**

I refer to your letter dated 19 November 2015 enclosing a list of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the Establishment Subcommittee meeting which was held on 18 November 2015. Please find at **Annex** the response to the list of follow-up actions.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Winkie Chick'.

(Miss Winkie Chick)

for Secretary for Transport and Housing

c.c. Ms Bertille Li, Assistant Secretary for Financial Services & the  
Treasury (Treasury)

**Establishment Subcommittee**

**Follow-up actions from the discussion  
at the meeting on 18 November 2015**

EC(2015-16)8

Given that the Airport Expansion Project Coordination Office would be responsible for coordinating among various government bureaux/departments on different aspects of the Three-Runway System (“3RS”) project, the Administration is requested to provide information on: (a) the major components/works projects of the 3RS project (including the reclamation works); (b) the government bureaux/departments in charge of each component/works project and their respective duties involved; and (c) the total estimated cost of the 3RS project and the estimated cost for each component/works project of the 3RS project.

Transport and Housing Bureau’s reply:

The 3RS project is a mega infrastructure project of scale similar to building a new airport next to the existing Hong Kong International Airport. According to the Airport Authority Hong Kong (“AAHK”), the total estimated construction cost is HK\$141.5 billion in money-of-the-day (“MOD”) prices with breakdown as follows:

<u>Major Components</u>	<u>Cost</u> (HK\$ billion) (MOD prices)
1. Land Formation and Marine Works	56.2
2. Runway and Airfield Facilities	11.5
3. Apron Works	5.0
4. Terminal 2 Modification/Expansion	16.5
5. Third Runway Concourse	26.3

6. Automated People Mover System	10.9
7. Baggage Handling Systems	7.8
8. Airport Support Facilities and Utilities	7.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>141.5</b>

2. While AAHK as the project proponent is responsible for implementation of the 3RS project, a number of government departments are involved in the project delivery process.

3. The role and functions of the Airport Expansion Project Coordination Office have been set out in ESC paper no. EC(2015-16)8. The role of other major departments involved in the delivery of the 3RS project is set out in the ensuing paragraphs.

4. During detailed design and construction for the 3RS project, AAHK is required to obtain relevant statutory approvals from the Buildings Department (“BD”) including the approval of design submissions before commencement of construction works. BD will also conduct site inspections during construction phase, and be responsible for issuing occupation permits for the commissioning of building facilities. In the process, BD will seek the views of relevant departments, such as the Civil Engineering and Development Department, the Fire Services Department, the Electrical & Mechanical Services Department, the Drainage Services Department and the Water Supplies Department regarding reclamation works, fire engineering facilities, building services, and the provision of drainage and water supply systems, etc.

5. The Civil Aviation Department will provide advice on civil aviation matters to AAHK throughout the design, construction and operation phases of the 3RS project, and will ensure that relevant aviation safety and flight operation standards are complied with.

6. On environmental matters, the Environmental Protection Department (“EPD”) is responsible for vetting AAHK’s submissions for compliance with the Environmental Permit conditions during different phases of the 3RS project. In the process, EPD will consult relevant departments with regard to various aspects of the submissions, such as the

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department on nature conservation, ecological assessment and fisheries; the Planning Department on visual and landscaping; and the Marine Department on marine traffic matters, etc.

7. Law enforcement agencies such as the Hong Kong Police Force, the Immigration Department and the Customs and Excise Department will also provide views on their operational requirements so that AAHK can incorporate them in the design and construction of the 3RS project.

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