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Legislative Council Secretariat
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(Attn: Mr Raymond Szeto)

Dear Mr Szeto,

Finance Committee
Follow-up Actions for Meeting on 18 May 2018

The supplementary information regarding FCR(2018-19)12 (PWSC(2017-18)34: “748CL Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop – land decontamination and advance engineering works” and “760CL – Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop – Main Works Package 1) as requested by Members at the captioned meeting is provided at the **Annex**.

Yours sincerely,

(David LAM)

for Secretary for Development

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Administration's responses to Finance Committee Members' requests for supplementary information on FCR(2018-19)12 at the meeting on 18 May 2018

(English translation of Administration's responses)

(a) Area of the existing reed marsh and the area of which to preserved (by Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan at 17:55:40)

According to the Planning and Engineering Study on Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop (the Loop), currently there is 10.96 ha of reed marsh within the Loop. While we will make our best endeavours to retain as much reed marsh as practicable, some reed marsh will inevitably be affected by the development project. The exact extent will only be known after the master plan for the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Innovation and Technology Park (the Park) has been formulated and the detailed design of the proposed "Open Space" under the Main Works Package 1 has been completed. To compensate for the loss of reed marsh, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report approved and Environmental Permit issued under the EIA Ordinance (Cap. 499) have required an Ecological Area (EA) with an area of about 12.8 ha to be created in the southeastern part of the Loop prior to the complete clearance of the affected reed marsh within the Loop. The EA will be implemented as part of the Advance Works.

(b) The Administration's response to Dr. Chow Sung-ming's Article published in Ming Post on 27 March 2018 (by Hon CHU Hoi-dick at 17:57:30)

According to the "Memorandum of Understanding on Jointly Developing the Lok Ma Chau Loop by Hong Kong and Shenzhen" signed by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Government and the Shenzhen Municipal People's Government on 3 January 2017, the Lok Ma Chau Loop would be developed and operated on a non-profit-making principle.

The HKSAR Government will be responsible for the construction of infrastructure, provide financial support for the development, and oversee the operation of the Park, so as to ensure that the Park will fulfil its public mission to promote the development of innovation and technology ("I&T") as well as the industries in Hong Kong. The Hong Kong-Shenzhen Innovation and Technology Park Limited ("HSITPL"), a wholly-owned subsidiary company of

the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation responsible for the Park's building, operation, maintenance and management, is owned by the Government and is not a profit-making private organisation. HSITPL will make use of resources to be allocated by the Government to support research institutions, technology enterprises and start-ups in the Park to conduct research and development ("R&D") activities and business expansion. Although the ownership model of the Park differs from the one proposed in the article, by driving the development of I&T and different industries, the R&D activities and research outcomes of the Park will be conducive to promoting social and economic development in Hong Kong, as well as improving citizens' quality of life. The community will be able to share the benefits to be brought about by scientific research and economic development.

- (c) According to the Administration's responses in LC Paper No. PWSC166/17-18(01), the Planning Authority has successfully prosecuted five unauthorized pond filling cases near Tai Law Hau and Lo Ma Chau Control Point in the vicinity of the Loop in the past three years and the concerned ponds have been reinstated to their original state. Please provide the lot numbers of these cases. (by Hon CHU Hoi-dick at 18:03:10)**

Lot Nos. of the 5 Prosecuted Cases that Involved Unauthorized Filling of Pond:

<u>Lot Nos.</u>	<u>Numbers of Cases</u>
Various Locations at Lot 750RP(part) in D.D.99	3
Lots 2030s.BRP(part), 2042RP(part) and 2043RP(part) in D.D.96, and adjoining Government Land	1
Lots 733RP(part) and 750RP(part) in D.D. 99, and adjoining Government Land	1