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Dear Ms Sit,

Finance Committee of the Legislative Council Follow-up action arising from the meeting on 29 and 30 June 2018

Thank you for your email of 4 July 2018, requesting information on the removal of tree at Peng Chau raised by Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai during discussion of FCR(2018-19)33 (Proposed creation of permanent posts of Chief Landscape Architect in the Civil Engineering and Development Department and Highways Department). The requisite information is set out below.

The site of tree removal is at Chung Tsai Tsuen, Peng Chau. However, the exact location of the felled tree is unknown. Generally that area are private agricultural lots under Block Government Lease, and if that tree in question is within those private agriculture lots, vegetation clearance including tree felling does not contravene lease conditions. The Government has not received any complaint on tree felling in that location.

Please let me know if you require further information. I can be reached by phone at 3509 8326 or by email at vinawong@devb.gov.hk.

Yours sincerely,

(Vina Wong)

for Secretary for Development