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Dear Miss MA,

### **Amendments to the Hong Kong Aviation Security Programme**

We refer to your letter dated 8 August 2018 to this Bureau, requesting a response to the letter dated 2 August 2018 from Hon Alvin YEUNG, Hon Dennis KWOK and Hon Jeremy TAM to the Chairman of the Panel on Security. Our reply is as follows.

The Government attaches the greatest importance to and makes no compromises on aviation security and the safety of passengers. We have strictly followed the requirements of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) in formulating the security requirements at the Hong Kong International Airport, including the requirements on the security screening of passengers' baggage.

The Aviation Security Ordinance (the Ordinance) (Cap. 494) is the main legislation about aviation security. The Ordinance aims primarily to prevent any acts that threaten international civil aviation, and implement international treaties on aviation security. The Hong Kong Aviation Security Programme (HKASP) is a document drawn up under section 27(1) of the Ordinance, and stipulates the

security requirements to safeguard and protect the airport, aircrafts, passengers, cabin crew and members of the public from acts of unlawful interference.

The Government has a mechanism in place to regularly review the HKASP. In April 2018, in accordance with the regular review mechanism, the relevant authority made amendments to the HKASP. In line with the statutory procedure, the Aviation Security Committee, which consists of the representatives of relevant Government departments and the airline industry, was consulted. The amended provisions are in compliance with the security requirements of the ICAO. Due to aviation security considerations, it is not appropriate to disclose the discussion of the Aviation Security Committee.

After the said amendments were made, in line with established practice, the relevant authority wrote to inform the airlines, ground handling agents, the Airport Authority, the Aviation Security Company Limited and other stakeholders.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hansel Wong', written in a cursive style.

( Hansel Wong )

for Secretary for Security

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