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Dear Ms Sit,

Finance Committee Follow-up to the meeting on 22 November 2019

At its meeting on 22 November 2019, the Legislative Council Finance Committee discussed four hospital projects under the First Ten-year Hospital Development Plan (HDP). Members requested the Government to provide supplementary information on the "Redevelopment of Kwai Chung Hospital, phases 2 and 3" and the "Expansion of Lai King Building in Princess Margaret Hospital – preparatory works", and to confirm that a clause will be added into the agreement with the project consultants, requesting the consultants to explore seeking permission from the Town Planning Board (TPB) for relaxation of the plot ratios and building height restrictions of the hospital sites. Having consulted the Architectural Services Department and the Hospital Authority (HA), our reply is as follows.

2. Regarding the "Redevelopment of Kwai Chung Hospital, phases 2 and 3", the Government has engaged consultant to carry out technical studies and seek permission from the TPB for relaxing building height restriction of the site from 110 metres above Principal Datum (mPD) to 120 mPD. Approval was granted by the TPB in March 2018. The current design of the project has fully utilised the relaxed building height restriction.

3. As for the "Expansion of Lai King Building in Princess Margaret Hospital – preparatory works", the HA has included a clause in the agreement with the consultant which requires the consultant to study the development potential of increasing the number of storeys and the plot ratio of the site, and if suitable for development, to submit an application to the TPB for relaxing the building height restriction and the plot ratio of the site to maximise the site potential.

Yours sincerely,

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