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Ms Anita Sit
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Dear Ms Sit,

**Legislative Council Finance Committee
Follow-up Matter Arising from Meeting on 3 July 2020**

**Replacement of Traffic Control and Surveillance Systems, Lane Control
Signals and Variable Aspect Signs of Traffic Control and Surveillance
System and Private Automatic Branch Exchange Systems
in Government Tunnels**

In response to the Finance Committee Members' concern about the durability of the replacement for the captioned systems and equipment in a number of tunnels, after consulting the Transport Department and the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department ("EMSD"), our reply is as follows.

Under the current practice, when preparing specifications for systems and equipment to be used in government tunnels, EMSD will conduct market research to obtain information on the latest technologies and applicability of the systems and equipment, as well as engage a consultant for study and assessment, in order to select systems and equipment that are safe, reliable and durable. Generally speaking, with proper maintenance and repair, the economic serviceable life of new systems and equipment procured for government tunnels

is about 12 to 15 years. In view of Members' concern, EMSD will, taking into account the consultant's study and assessment results, examine whether the serviceable life of systems and equipment can be included as one of the assessment criteria in tender evaluation.

Yours sincerely,



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for Secretary for Transport and Housing

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