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Ms Angel Shek Chief Council Secretary (1)1 Council Business Division 1 Legislative Council Secretariat

Dear Ms Shek,

Enquiry about the Rental Concession offered by the Airport Authority Hong Kong

Thank you for your email of 30 September 2020 conveying the request of the Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho for provision of supplementary information on the captioned item. Our response is as follows -

The aviation industry is facing significant drop in passengers arising from COVID-19 pandemic. To assist the airport industry affected by the epidemic, the Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) has provided rental relief to airport shops and restaurants since February 2020. In view that the business of the majority of the shops and restaurants at the terminal building have been suspended, while providing rental waiver to the shops and restaurants which have suspended business at the airport, AAHK has also waived the base rent of all the shops and restaurants that remain open, until further notice. In addition to the rental relief, the AAHK launched several rounds of relief measures supporting the airport community, targeting different main groups including airlines, aviation support services operators, airport retail tenants and restaurants, and airport staff. Up to end of October 2020, the rental relief provided in response to the COVID-19 totalled at about \$2.6 billion.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Amy Wong) for Secretary for Transport and Housing