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Mrs Sharon TONG
Clerk to Subcommittee on Subsidiary
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LegCo Secretariat
LegCo Building
Central
Hong Kong

Dear Mrs Tong,

Restricted Area at the Airport

I refer to your letters of 10 and 13 July 1998 regarding, among other things, control on access to the restricted area at the airport. We have consulted the Security Bureau and the Airport Authority. The information requested is set out below -

- (a) Statistics on the number and types of permits for regulating access to and the conduct of persons in the restricted areas of the airport

Under the existing arrangements, holders of permits issued under the Aviation Security Regulation (ASR) (Cap.494, sub. leg.) are allowed access to the restricted area under the Airport Authority Bylaw. As at 15 July 1998, a total of 24,488 Permanent Permits, 13,696 Temporary Permits, 8,621 one-day Escorted Permits and 150 Control Authority Permits have been issued by the Airport Authority.

- (b) Sample of permit

A sample of the permit is an Annex A.

- (c) Access of the members of the Garrison to the restricted areas and handling of military identification document.
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As advised by the Security Bureau, members of the Garrison would require a valid permit to enter the restricted area. However, in accordance with section 22 of the ASR, the requirement shall not apply in respect of a member of the Garrison, a police officer and a specified officer of some other disciplined forces who requires access to a restricted area for performance of his duty in circumstances that the performance of his duty might be frustrated or seriously impaired if the permit requirement were to apply to him. On the other hand, exemption is granted for bona fide passengers or air-crews under section 5 of the ASR, which specifies that the permit requirement shall not apply to “any bona-fide passengers and air-crews in the course of passage through any immigration control or aircraft boarding area or an area set aside for the purposes of the Customs and Excise Service which is within a restricted area, having disembarked from an aircraft or for the purpose of embarking upon an aircraft of which he is an air-crew member or air passenger”. In the case of a military air-crew member of a military aircraft, he should be in possession of a valid military identification document. In practice, the Immigration Officer on duty at the Crew Channel at the airport would have to be satisfied that a crew member carries the required document before he enters the restricted area. A sample of military identification document used for the purpose of immigration clearance is at Annex B.

Yours sincerely,

(Howam Lee)
for Secretary for Economic Services

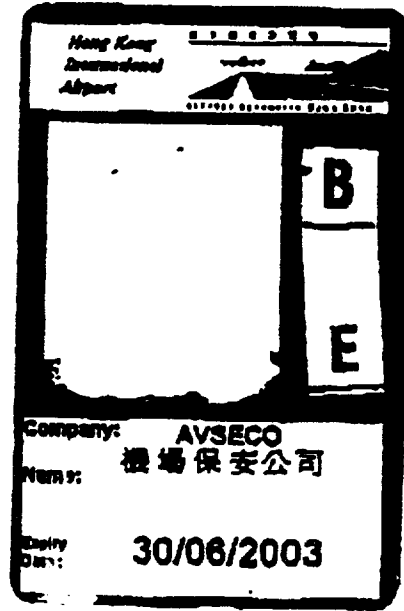
機場禁区通行證

不准行經機場禁區範圍內，及由警務處根據《航空保安條例》第 494 條頒發，並受機場管理局的條件限制。
如屬不潔，應交還機場管理局（香港中環皇后大道中 11301 號）或就近警署。

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Airport Restricted Area Permit

This permit is the property of the Airport Authority issued in accordance with the Aviation Security Ordinance (Cap.494) and is subject to conditions prescribed by the Authority. If found, please return to the Airport Authority, GPO Box 11301, Hong Kong, or the nearest Police Station.





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