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Secretary General of the Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road, Central Hong Kong (Attn: Miss Becky YU)

Dear Miss Yu,

<u>Legislative Council Panel on Housing Meeting on 4 May 2009</u> <u>Follow-up Action</u>

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Housing held on 4 May 2009, we reported the improvement works for the provision of barrier-free access in the existing public rental housing (PRH) estates. We were requested to provide a progress report on the works by the end of 2009. The information is provided as follows.

Since 2001, the Hong Kong Housing Authority has commenced the improvement works for the provision of barrier-free access in the PRH estates in two phases. The Phase I improvement works for the elderly and people with limited mobility was completed before the Panel meeting on 4 May 2009. As for the Phase II improvement works for the visually-impaired tenants, they were generally completed in the 20 PRH estates except Kai Yip Estate and Grandeur Terrace as at the end of November 2009. The works in these two Estates were slightly delayed because of the need to tie in with local road works and to obtain approval from the District Lands Office respectively. They will be completed in early 2010.

Yours sincerely,

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for Secretary for Transport and Housing