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Clerk to Bills Committee
Bills Committee on Motor Vehicles
　　(First Registration Tax)
　　(Amendment) Bill 2011
Legislative Council
Chater Road, Central
HONG KONG
Attn.　　Ms Anki Ng

Dear Sir,

Bills Committee on Motor Vehicles (First Registration Tax) (Amendment) Bill 2011 (the Bills Committee) Meeting on 12 May 2011

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of 11 May 2011 and would be much obliged to attend the captioned meeting to be held this afternoon.

We wish to submit, in addition to oral presentation, our written submission regarding the aforementioned Bill.

In principle, we support the proposed amendment on First Registration Tax for private vehicles. Hong Kong has confined land space, with a population of over 7 million, transport infrastructure must be based on careful planning.

In recent years, we have witnessed extensive urban renewal, but roads cannot equally expand in the same pace. With the development of enormous new towns in the New Territories, there would be a sizable proportion of Hong Kong's population moved into these new towns and require daily transport for going to work, study and leisure activities.

Government, therefore, must promote the most effective use of major means of transport such as railway and buses. As a result, there should be a need to restrain congestion by containing the escalating number of private cars, which are more of a luxury than a necessity in Hong Kong.

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The ultimate and equitable objective of the above policy would be to control the rising number of private vehicles and their using. To this effect, the Bill could attain the above objective; therefore we support the proposed amendment.

We submit the above for the Bills Committee's consideration.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of
KOWLOON DISTRICT TOURS AND PASSENGERS
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