Subcommittee on Public Revenue Protection (Motor Vehicles First Registration Tax) Order 2011

List of follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 4 April 2011

The Administration is requested to provide -

- (a) justifications to support the Administration's view that traffic congestion in Hong Kong is caused by the growth in private cars;
- (b) explanation of how the average car journey speeds on all strategic roads of Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories are calculated, and information on these average car journey speeds for the past 5 to 10 years and the number of licensed private cars in the same period. The Transport Department is requested to provide information on the car volume relative to capacity of the relevant strategic roads;
- (c) the number of imported second-hand private cars for the past five years, and explanation of the applicability of the First Registration Tax and required emission standard for such vehicles; and
- (d) response to a proposal that the Administration should relaunch the scheme implemented between 1996 and 2002 of granting concessions to private cars owners to encourage them to write off old private cars (aged over 10 years) and as a result, about 29,100 such vehicles had been deregistered.

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