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Panel on Economic Development
Legislative Council Secretariat
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Dear Ms LEE.

Re: Submissions for consultation of "Hong Kong International Airport Master Plan 2030"

The Federation of Hong Kong Hotel Owners would like to show its endorsement towards the proposal of the Airport Authority Hong Kong of constructing a third runway.

The Federation strongly believes that the third runway is of crucial importance to the sustainability of Hong Kong's economic development and the long term prosperity. The third runway is the only viable way to ensure the long-term competitiveness of Hong Kong as an important international financial, trading, logistics, tourism and professional services hub. Connectivity to the world, especially to Mainland China is the key for Hong Kong's future success. The airport hub status of Hong Kong can only be secured if a third runway is built to cater the growing air-traffic demand. The economic and social benefits of a third runway will therefore far outweigh the cost.

On this note, we echo our support and look forward to the commencement of the project as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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