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Hon. Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung
Chairman of Panel on Economic Development
Legislative Council Secretariat
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road, Central
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Dear Hon. Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung,

Re: Hong Kong International Airport Master Plan 2030

Thanks for your invitation to attend the Panel meeting on the captioned subject scheduled on 19 July 2011.

In 2010, Hong Kong International Airport (“HKIA”) overtook Memphis to become the world’s busiest cargo hub, as a result of surging exports from China and the Pearl River Delta. A total volume of 4.17 million tonnes of cargo are processed through HKIA, representing 23.1% growth of cargo volume year on year. According to the Airport Authority Hong Kong, by 2030, the cargo volume will almost double to 8.9 million tonnes. IATA, meanwhile, estimates that the volume of air freight will grow from 3 million tonnes in 2009 to 5.3 million tonnes by 2014. The growth rate is accelerating and outperforms any other countries in the world. It is, therefore, suggested undoubtedly that a third runway is required to meeting the territory’s future need for cargo handling capacity and to maintaining economic competitiveness.

We would like to remark here that in selecting a location for running an express hub, DHL Express considers a few factors, namely geo-commercial value, airport infrastructure and operating environment. We have based and are investing in our Central Asia Hub, one of our three global hubs, at HKIA. We are also awaiting the completion of our €120 million North Asia Hub at Shanghai Pudong International Airport by 2012. Plainly, continuous government investments in infrastructure and innovation, such as superior capacity, connections and service quality, are an integral part of sustaining the success of Hong Kong and DHL Express as well.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call the undersigned at 2798 3057.

Yours faithfully,
DHL Aviation (Hong Kong) Ltd

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cc. Mr. Ken WOO, Clerk to Panel (by email: kskwoo@legco.gov.hk)