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Chairman

Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport
Legislative Council Secretariat

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Dear Mr. Leung,

HAFFA Views on the Third Runway Project in the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA)

Reference is made to your notice regarding the Subcommittee Meeting on 03 May 2016. On behalf of the HongKong Association of Freight Forwarding and Logistics Ltd (HAFFA), I am writing to submit our views on the Third Runway Project in the HKIA for your consideration.

HAFFA would like to reiterate its support to the Third Runway System. This project is both an essential and urgent measure crucial to maintaining the Hong Kong's competitive aviation logistics edge.

In view of the two runways of HKIA is going to reach its maximum capacity between 2016 and 2017 based on the current trend in terms of Air Traffic Movement (ATM), as well as passenger and air cargo throughput, the third runway would be required to accommodate future growth in passenger and cargo demand, ensuring Hong Kong's position as the world's leading air cargo hub or else will limit the development of the airport. By then we foresee that those shipments cannot be transshipped via Hong Kong will be directed to other competitive airports and obviously will no longer return back to Hong Kong. We therefore urge the Government to shorten the construction period and to do whatever possible to accelerate the construction period to avoid further delay of completion date which is now planned in 2024.

Besides, as mentioned in our previous submission, the Government should by all means to also consider implementing a comprehensive reclamation plan to allow construction of a fourth runway when needed.

Should you require further information / clarifications, please feel free to contact the undersigned or Ms. Alice Lui at 2796 3121.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours/sincerely,


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Cc: HAFFA Executive Committee and Logistics Policy Sub-committee

