Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 10 February 2015)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Updates on the development of the Three-Runway System ("3RS") at Hong Kong International Airport

March 2015

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development of the 3RS project, including the outcome of the relevant planning work i.e. the statutory Environmental Impact Assessment, design details and financial arrangement.

2. Port and logistics development

April 2015

(a) The development plan for Hong Kong Port and related port enhancement measures

The two consultancy studies viz "Preliminary Feasibility Study for Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi" and the "Study on the Strategic Development Plan of Hong Kong Port (HKP) 2030" were completed and released on 1 December 2014. The Administration will brief the Panel on the major recommendations of the studies and the development plan for Hong Kong Port ("HKP"), including enhancement measures for existing port facilities, the review of port back-up land and barge berthing provisions at Kwai Tsing Container Port, with a view to enhancing the overall competitiveness of the HKP.

(b) Logistics-related initiatives

Proposed for discussion by the then Hon Miriam LAU at the meeting on 28 March 2011. She also expressed concern about the slow progress in developing the logistics cluster in Kwai Tsing area at the meeting on 13 October 2011.

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon Michael TIEN requested that the Administration should provide information on the comparison of the logistics facilities of Hong Kong and other cities in the Pearl River Delta. The Administration agrees to brief the Panel in due course after the findings of the Study on the Strategic Development Plan for Hong Kong Port

2030 and preliminary feasibility study for the proposed development of Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi are available. A paper will be prepared by the Administration covering both (a) and (b) above.

3. Prices of auto-fuel and domestic liquefied petroleum gas ("LPG")

April 2015

(a) Auto-fuel prices

Proposed by Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming and Hon TANG Ka-piu in their letters to the Chairman (LC Paper Nos. CB(4)381/14-15(01) and (02) respectively), they expressed concern that auto-fuel prices were not adjusted downwards along the declining international oil prices and were "quick to rise and slow to drop" and "more going up, less coming down". The Administration provided a written response on 19 January 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(4)381/14-15(03)).

(b) Price adjustment of domestic LPG

Proposed by Hon TANG Ka-piu in his letter to the Chairman (LC Paper Nos. CB(4)381/14-15(04)), he considered that there was a lack of transparency about the price setting and adjustment mechanism of domestic LPG and relayed the complaints that the price of domestic LPG was "quick to rise and slow to drop" and "more going up, less coming down". The Administration's written response was issued on 30 January 2015 vide LC Paper No. CB(4)435/14-15(03).

4. Implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012

April 2015

The Administration will report on the progress of the implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012 since its commencement on 19 July 2013.

Proposed timing for discussion

5. Update on follow-up actions arising from the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Collision of Vessels near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012

May 2015

The Administration will update Panel members on the Government's latest progress on the implementation of short-, medium- and long-term measures in following up on the recommendations of the independent Commission of Inquiry.

6. Proposed creation of a supernumerary directorate post for supporting the development of the maritime industry

May 2015

The Administration will consult the Panel on a proposal to create an Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) post in the Transport and Housing Bureau (Transport Branch) to support the development of the maritime industry.

7. Future development of the electricity market in Hong Kong

First half of 2015

The current Scheme of Control Agreements signed between the Government and the two power companies will expire in 2018. The Government will consult the public on the future development of the electricity market in Hong Kong.

8. Proposed establishment of a new statutory body to provide dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong

Second quarter / third quarter of 2015

With regard to a consultancy recommendation that Hong Kong should set up a new statutory body with dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong, the Administration will brief Panel members on the latest progress on the formulation of specific functions, structure and financing arrangement for the proposed body.

9. Outcome of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas

July 2015

The Administration will brief Panel members on the progress of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas conducted by the Marine Department, and propose the next steps of work.

10. Purchase of air traffic management system Autotrac 3 by the Civil Aviation Department

To be confirmed

Proposed by Hon Albert CHAN at the meeting on 26 May 2014. The Administration's response (LC Paper No. CB(1)1898/13-14(01) to the submission dated 23 May 2014 from a member of the public (LC Paper No. CB(1)1620/13-14(01)) expressing views on the subject was issued to members on 4 August 2014.

In October 2014, the Director of Audit identified several problems related to the administration of the air traffic control and related services in the Chapter 4 of its Audit Report No. 63, including the delay in implementing the Air Traffic Management System contract and made relevant recommendations to the Director-General of Civil Aviation.

11. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the investigation of accidents

To be confirmed

The Administration will brief Panel members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

12. Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

To be confirmed

The Administration will consult members on the project to enhance the attractiveness of Lei Yue Mun ("LYM") as a popular tourism spot through further improving the facilities along the LYM waterfront area.

13. Overall planning of tourism infrastructures and relevant support measures

To be confirmed

At the meeting of the Panel on Development on 14 October 2010, Hon Paul TSE cited the development of Sentosa into a tourist attraction and commented that the Administration should take the lead in the overall planning of tourism infrastructure in Hong Kong. The Chairman of the Panel on Economic Development in the 2011-2012 session agreed to include the item in this list. The Administration has been requested to report on the progress in developing new tourist attractions.

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