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Attention: Ms. Sophie Lau
Clerk to Select Committee

Dear Ms. Lau,

Select Committee Inquiry - Construction of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link ("XRL")

I refer to your letter of 4 August 2015 inviting our Chairman, Dr. Raymond Ch'ien, to attend a hearing of the Select Committee on 16 November 2015.

I regret to inform you that Dr. Ch'ien is not able to attend the Select Committee hearing on 16 November 2015 due to an important engagement outside of Hong Kong requiring his presence.

As Dr. Ch'ien will be travelling most of the time in the remainder of the year, he would like to offer to provide answers in writing to questions that the Select Committee members may have for him regarding the background of and reasons for the delay of the construction of the XRL.

Dr. Ch'ien would like to apologize for any inconvenience caused.

Yours sincerely,

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