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Dear Ms Chan,

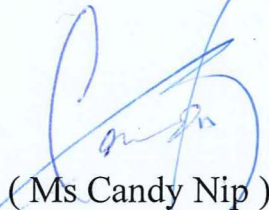
In response to the letter from the Honourable Jeremy Tam of 21 April 2017 concerning the air-bridge collapse incident at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) in 2013, supplementary information is provided by this Bureau as follows –

As regards the air-bridge collapse incident at the HKIA on 7 April 2013 (the Incident), the Magistrates' Court had completed the trial in relation to the summons laid by the Labour Department. Witnesses called by the prosecution and defence had given statements in the Court under oath and the Court gave its verdict on 20 April 2017. As civil proceedings in relation to the Incident are still in progress, this Bureau is not in a position to comment on or supplement any information in relation to the Incident at this stage.

The Airport Authority Hong Kong (AA) always accords top priority to safety, and every effort has been made to maintain the highest standard of safety at the HKIA. After the Incident, the AA took a series

of follow-up actions to review the safety of all air-bridges at the HKIA, including setting up an investigation task force (Task Force) and implementing all of its recommendations relating to strengthening of air-bridge maintenance. The operational and maintenance manuals were also reviewed on the advice on the Task Force. In addition, the AA also completed the replacement works of all 20 air-bridges of the same model in March 2016. Replacement of air-bridges of other models is being conducted in phases and is expected to complete in 2020.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Candy Nip', is written over a horizontal line.

(Ms Candy Nip)
for Secretary for Transport and Housing