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(Attn: Ms. Angel Shek)

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Dear Ms. Shek

**Panel on Environmental Affairs**  
**List of follow-up actions**

When discussing "Improving the Water Quality in Hong Kong" at the meeting on 19 December 2017, a member requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the progress of treatment for riverbed sediments in Shing Mun River. Please find responses from the Drainage Services Department and Civil Engineering and Development Department at **Annex**.

If you have any query, please contact the undersigned at 2594 6155.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ron R. Yang', written over a faint circular stamp or watermark.

( Ron R. Yang )

for Director of Environmental Protection

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**Annex****a) Information on the progress of treatment for riverbed sediments in Shing Mun River provided by the Drainage Services Department**

Drainage Services Department (DSD) carries out maintenance dredging works at Shing Mun River, upstream from Man Lai Court, for drainage and flood prevention purposes. DSD conducted routine operation of dredging works on quarterly basis. The last operation of dredging works by DSD had been completed in May 2018. The next operation of dredging works by DSD is scheduled for completion in August 2018.

**b) Information on the progress of treatment for riverbed sediments in Shing Mun River provided by the Civil Engineering and Development Department**

The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) carries out maintenance dredging works at Shing Mun River, downstream from Man Lai Court, for drainage and flood prevention purposes. CEDD carries out survey and monitors the seabed level regularly. If the seabed level is higher than the trigger level established by Drainage Services Department (DSD), CEDD will carry out maintenance dredging at the area of concern. Since 2010, we have conducted three dredging work exercises in Shing Mun River. The next dredging work exercise in Shing Mun River is planned to commence in the second half of 2018.