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Ms Shirley Chan Clerk to Panel on Economic Development Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong

Dear Ms Chan,

Panel on Economic Development

Discussion on the "Report of the Transport and Housing Bureau's Investigation into Staff Conduct in the Marine Department in relation to the Vessel Collision Incident near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012" ("the Report")

Thank you for your letter of 1 December 2017 on the captioned.

At the request of Legislative Council ("LegCo") Members, the Transport and Housing Bureau ("THB") first made available the redacted version of the Report for perusal at the designated venue by LegCo Members who have signed the confidentiality undertaking ("the Undertaking") from June to August 2015. In response to further request by Members, THB made available the redacted version of the Report for the second time from April to May 2017 for perusal by LegCo Members who have signed the Undertaking. Among the serving LegCo Members, four have read the redacted version of the Report during the two aforesaid periods. They are Hon James TO Kun-sun, Hon CHAN Chi-chuen, Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho and Hon Claudia MO. If it is the consensus view of the Panel on Economic Development that there are a reasonable number of LegCo Members who wish to, upon signing of the Undertaking, peruse the redacted version of the Report, and that arrangements should be made by the Government again to make available the same redacted version of the Report for Members' perusal, the Government will duly consider the Panel's view and explore the related arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

(Louisa Yan)

for Secretary for Transport and Housing