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Ms Maisie LAM
Clerk to Panel on Health Services
Legislative Council Complex
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Dear Ms LAM,

Panel on Health Services
Motion passed at the special meeting on 2 March 2018

I refer to your letter dated 5 March 2018 requesting the Administration to respond to the motion moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG and passed at the above meeting. Our response is set out at Annex.

Yours sincerely,

(Mr Ronald HO)

for Secretary for Food and Health

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Consultant (Research Office)

Director of Health (Attn.: Miss Regina CHING, Consultant Community Medicine
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Chief Executive/Hospital Authority (Attn.: Dr Tony KO, Director(Cluster Services))

Government's Response

Cancer is a major public health issue worldwide. The Government attaches great importance to cancer prevention and control and has established the Cancer Coordinating Committee (CCC) since 2001. Chaired by the Secretary for Food and Health and comprising members who are cancer experts, academics, medical doctors in public and private sectors as well as public health professionals, the CCC formulates strategies on cancer prevention and control and steers the direction of work covering prevention and screening, surveillance, research and treatment. The Government noted the views of Legislative Council members and stakeholders on the Government's cancer strategies and related work at the special meeting on 2 March 2018. At a recent meeting of the CCC which was held in April 2018, Members agreed that the Government should take forward cancer-related work in a more strategic, coordinated and proactive approach in order to cope with the challenges imposed by the cancer burden on population's health and society. Members also agreed that the Government should consolidate and beef up a comprehensive strategy on cancer prevention and control. We will enhance communication and engagement with all relevant stakeholders including the medical sector and patients groups in the process.