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Dear Mandy,

Panel on Transport
Toll Level Proposal for Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge

As requested by the Panel on Transport, the Government's reply to the letter from Hon Michael Tien on the toll level proposal for Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) is as follows.

The HZMB Main Bridge is located within Mainland waters and the toll plaza is also situated in the Mainland. According to the territoriality principle (i.e. handling all issues in accordance with the respective local laws) and the Inter-Governmental Agreement signed by the Three Governments in Respect of the Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Management of HZMB, the HZMB Authority, which is responsible for the operation of the Main Bridge, will collect tolls from vehicles using the HZMB Main Bridge in accordance with the laws of the Mainland. The toll levels should be approved according to the Mainland laws and procedures after the three governments have completed the relevant discussion.

When discussing the toll level proposal, the three governments have proposed a competitive toll level to enhance the usage of HZMB as far as possible having regard to the loan repayment of the HZMB. The Guangdong Development and Reform Commission held a hearing on the toll options for the HZMB Main Bridge on December 21 2017. It is the requirement of the Mainland laws and part of the approval procedure for holding the hearing. The Guangdong government is reviewing the hearing results and approving the toll level proposal for the HZMB Main Bridge. Announcement will be made afterwards.

Yours sincerely,

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