

## 中華人民共和國香港特別行政區政府總部食物及衞生局

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## [English Translation]

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Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn.: Miss Josephine SO)

Dear Miss SO,

## Letters from Hon SHIU Ka-chun

I refer to your letter dated 12 April 2019 on the captioned subject. With regards to Hon SHIU Ka-chun's suggestions for the Panel to discuss the issues of new public markets and bazaars, our response is as follows.

On public markets, the Panel's Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets just completed its work in March this year, which included the arrangement of building public markets. We are following up its proposals. For new markets under planning, the Government is now pressing ahead with technical studies. Project details are expected to be finalized this autumn. We will then brief the Panel on the latest development.

As for bazaars, the Panel may consider discussing it this July, given that "Public consultation on the proposals to enhance animal welfare" and "Creation of directorate posts in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department for better managing and upgrading municipal infrastructure" are on the agenda of the Panel meeting in May and there are other discussion topics in June.

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

(Irene CHEUNG) for Secretary for Food and Health

cc: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene