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1 Legislative Council Road, Central  
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(Attn : Mr Derek LO)

Dear Mr LO,

**Panel on Housing**

**Subcommittee to Follow Up the Issues Related to  
the Wang Chau Development Project**

**Email of 30 November 2018**

Thank you for your email of 30 November 2018, attaching the list of follow-up actions arising from the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of LegCo Subcommittee to Follow Up the Issues Related to the Wang Chau Development Project under Panel on Housing. Our reply to the mentioned issues is as follows:

**Informal Consultation/ Lobbying Sessions**

The Government will work out the public consultation arrangements for collecting public views to formulate development proposals and to better address concerns from the public and locals in the light of the individual situation of the project and taking into account factors such as the planning objectives, study area, land uses, development scale and implementation programme of the projects, when preparing for development/ planning studies and land use reviews. Public consultation including informal consultation can be carried out in different forms, such as public forums, community workshops, briefing sessions, focus group

meetings and collection of written submissions, etc. The Government will also consult local representatives and consultative bodies at appropriate levels, such as the Legislative Council, District Councils, Heung Yee Kuk, rural committees, etc.

For the informal consultation/lobbying issue of Wang Chau Phase 1 development, as the Transport and Housing Bureau mentioned in the press conference on 21 September 2016 and in the Joint meeting of Panel on Housing and Panel on Development on 15 November 2016, it is the Government's long-established consultation practice to conduct lobbying for projects that have impact to the local community with the objective to understand local concerns and gauge feedbacks on the proposals. The collected views are useful for the Government to formulate proposals and to better address concerns from the locals during the public consultation process. However, informal lobbying is not or cannot be intended for substituting formal consultation procedures. We also expounded the aforesaid arrangement in the reply letters to Public Works Subcommittee dated 10 January 2017 and 17 January 2017 respectively.

**Arrangement of Site Visit for Subcommittee to Wang Chau Remaining Phases (Phase 2 & 3)**

The concerned departments are discussing the arrangement and details of the site visit which is anticipated to be carried out in mid/late January 2019. The concerned departments will keep close liaison with LegCo on this site visit issue.

Yours sincerely,



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