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Dear Ms LAU,

**Panel on Transport
Letter from Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT
on parking spaces in Ma On Shan**

Thank you for your letter dated 10 April 2019 to the Transport and Housing Bureau (“THB”), relaying to us Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT’s letter on the captioned subject. Our reply is as follows.

The Government’s policy in the provision of parking spaces is to accord priority to considering the parking demand of commercial vehicles (“CVs”), and to provide an appropriate number of private car parking spaces if the overall development permits, but not to attract passengers to opt for private cars in lieu of public transport, so as to avoid aggravating the road traffic. In this regard, THB and the Transport Department (“TD”) have strived to increase the supply of parking spaces through a series of short and medium to long term measures in recent years.

As indicated in the Chief Executive's 2018 Policy Address, the Government will follow the principle of "single site, multiple uses" to provide public car parking spaces in suitable "Government, Institution or Community" facilities and public open space projects. Insofar as Ma On Shan is concerned, the Government will provide a public car park in the planned Sports Centre in Area 103, Ma On Shan, which is expected to provide around 300 parking spaces for private cars, 65 parking spaces for CVs and 35 parking spaces for motorcycles. Regarding the suggestion of providing a large-scale underground car park at Ma On Shan Sports Ground, in the event that the site is to be redeveloped and subject to technical feasibility, we will actively consider providing an appropriate number of parking spaces there in the context of the redevelopment project.

TD will continue to implement various measures to increase the number of parking spaces, including providing additional on-street metered parking spaces at suitable locations on the condition that road safety and other road users are not affected. Meanwhile, TD will continue to actively liaise with relevant government departments to identify suitable sites for designation as short-term tenancy car parks.

Yours sincerely,



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