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Monitor the Implementation of
the West Kowloon Cultural District Project
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Dear Jeffrey,

**Full and final investigation report of the flooding incident on 25 July 2019
at the construction site of L1 Works Contract
for LTC and the Extended Basement**

I am following up on the request from the Hon Helena Wong during the meeting of the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project (LegCo JSC) on 25 November 2019. She requested the provision of the full and final investigation report (the full and final report) of the flooding incident on 25 July 2019 (the L1 incident) at the construction site of L1 Works Contract for the Lyric Theatre Complex (LTC) and the Extended Basement. You will recall that an interim report on the L1 incident was provided to members of the LegCo JSC by the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCD or the Authority) in the same LegCo JSC meeting on 25 November 2019.

The full and final report of the L1 incident, including proposals regarding enhancement works and precautionary measures was submitted to the Buildings Department (BD) by the Consultant Authorised Person (AP), Registered Structural Engineer (RSE), Registered Geotechnical Engineer (RGE) and Registered General Building Contractor (RGBC) of the L1 Works Contract in the last quarter of 2019.

The Authority noted the full and final report, and as the Consultant AP / RSE / RGE and RGBC received no further comments from BD on the proposed way forward in the full and final report, accordingly the works at L1 construction site fully resumed on 17 January 2020.

Safety is the top priority of WKCDA and the Authority reiterates that all WKCDA projects are in compliance with the required statutory procedures in terms of design, statutory approval, construction methodology and supervision of the works.

The Authority continues to be fully transparent, and with the consent of the authors of the full and final report, this report is now provided for LegCo JSC Members' information. However, the full and final report carries information which is very technical. There are also aspects that may carry commercial implications, I am afraid that the full and final report cannot be released in the public domain. I am writing to provide a copy of the full and final report for Members' information. This will be placed in the the LegCo Secretariat at the LegCo Library. If Members' have any questions on this report, please let me know.

Yours sincerely



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