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Dear Mr. LAU,

Invitation to the 3rd Tuen Mun District Council Meeting on 13 May 2024
“Propose to re-plan the land use in Tuen Mun and
relocate Tuen Mun Public Cargo Working Area to suitable location”

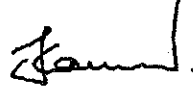
Thank you for your letter to Secretary for Transport and Logistics on 30 April 2024. I am authorised to reply as follows.

2. The Port of Hong Kong plays a vital role in supporting Hong Kong's economic activities and provides enormous job opportunities. We are committed to providing sufficient port facilities to support the economic and trade activities as well as to maintaining Hong Kong's role as a major port. Public Cargo Working Areas (PCWA) are designated government facilities which provide cargo handling services complementary to those of container terminals, mid-stream operations and river trade terminals along seafront by barges and river trade vessels, and facilitate river trade cargo movements along the Pearl River Delta.
3. The Tuen Mun PCWA has been operating since 1996 and is the only PCWA in the Western New Territories among the six PCWAs in Hong Kong under Marine Department (MD)'s management. It covers an area of about 33,000 square meters and provides 15 berths with total berth length of 616 meters. The utilisation rate of the Tuen Mun PCWA has been maintaining at 100% in recent years.

4. Regarding the subject matter, there is currently no suitable coastal land for the relocation of the Tuen Mun PCWA in Hong Kong. Subject to the development plan of relevant bureaux and departments and the availability of suitable coastal land in the northwest of Hong Kong, the Transport and Logistics Bureau (TLB) and MD keep an open mind towards the site relocation in view of achieving a balance among the development of the district, industry and port.

5. MD has been continuing to endeavour to reduce the impact of the cargo operations at PCWAs to the residents nearby by adopting a number of management measures at the Tuen Mun PCWA. These measures, with objectives to minimising noise nuisance caused by cargo operations as well as taking into account the actual operational needs, include restrictions of scrap metal handling; reduction of operating hours from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm to 9:00 am to 9:00 pm on Sundays and public holidays, etc. Mr KF LEE and YL NG, Senior Marine Officers of MD will represent TLB to attend the captioned meeting and answer questions from members about management of PCWAs.

Yours sincerely,



(Carmen CHAN)

for Secretary for Transport and Logistics

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