Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08 CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Programme</u> : (1) Capital Projects

Controlling Officer : Director of Highways

Director of Bureau : Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

<u>Question</u> :

Regarding the target of "works contracts completed in accordance with agreed programmes", please give reasons as to why only 75% of the works contracts were completed in accordance with agreed programmes in 2006.

Asked by : Hon. LAU Sau-shing, Patrick

<u>Reply</u>:

This performance target of the Highways Department covers four works contracts. Among them, the contract for the Design and Build of Fortress Hill Pedestrian Link was delayed. The project was originally intended for completion by October 2006. The lifts and the escalator have been substantially completed and opened to the public in mid February 2007. It is anticipated that the remaining works of the project will be substantially completed in June 2007.

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