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Programme: (1) Capital Projects

Controlling Officer: Director of Highways

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Question:

Regarding Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 1, please inform this Committee of the expected completion date of the detailed design, the progress of consultation work, and the expected time for reporting and submitting funding proposal to this Committee.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Hak-kan

Reply:

After consulting the public on the preliminary design for the Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 1 in 2008 to 2009, and obtaining support of the project from the Sai Kung District Council in March 2009, we gazetted the road scheme for the project under the Roads (Works Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) in March 2010. Taking into account the objections received, in order to address the concerns of the objectors, we gazetted some amendments to the road scheme on 11 February 2011 with a two-month objection period.

We will proceed with the detailed design and determine the timetable for funding application after the statutory process under Cap. 370 is completed.

Signature _____

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Post Title Director of Highways

Date 16.3.2011