Memorandum of Sai Kung District Council Progress Report of Sai Kung District Management Committee

The second meeting (2011-12) of the Sai Kung District Management Committee (SKDMC) was held on 21 June 2011. The major issues discussed at the meeting were summarized as follows:

(a) Traffic improvement works along Clear Water Bay Road near Ha Yeung

2. The Highways Department was at present designing the bus lay-by. It was estimated that the design would be completed in 2-3 months' time.

(b) Working Group on Facilitation of Use of Bicycles in TKO Area

3. The Working Group conducted four joint operations against illegally parked bicycles since the last report. A total of 32 bicycles were seized in the operations. The Working Group would continue to carry out clearance operations for a clean and tidy environment.

(c) Clarifying the right to use O King Road and the management responsibility

4. The land grant provisions of O King Road had not defined clearly whether the road section was a trust territory, a private road or a Crown land. At the same time, consensus was not reached between the Sai Kung District Lands Office (SKDLO), the Police Force and the Transport Department (TD) concerning the management responsibility of the road section. The SKDLO would study the land grant provisions of that road section in details and seek legal advice before contacting the departments concerned to discuss the matter.

(d) Extending the service area of New Territories taxis in Tseung Kwan O

5. The service areas of New Territories taxis (NT taxis) were governed by law. According to the existing ordinance, Tseung Kwan O was not within the permitted service area of NT taxis. For the convenience of Sai Kung residents to reach MTR station by NT taxis to travel to and from the urban areas, at present, NT taxis could run to and from Hang Hau MTR Station along a specified route, provided that they did not pick up or drop off passengers on the way. District Council members gave their comments to the TD hoping that the TD could consider extending the permitted service area of NT taxis for the convenience of residents who were going to any of the hospitals and health centres in Tseung Kwan O, as well as the new Sai Kung Tseung Kwan O Government Complex which would be completed soon. The TD would examine the suggestion.

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