

**Question on noise, water and air quality control of
Hong Kong International Airport**

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Written reply of Environmental Protection Department

I refer to your letter ref. IDC 13/6/1/2(4) dated 3.6.2014 regarding the question on noise, water and air quality control of Hong Kong International Airport raised by a member of IDC, Ms YUNG Wing-sheung.

Please be advised that be the project proponent, Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK), submitted an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report on the expansion of Hong Kong International Airport into a three-runway system on 17 april 2014 to the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP)for approval under the EIA Ordinance. The EIA report is now being considered under the EIA Ordinance on whether it is subitable for public inspection and if so, AAHK will be required to make advertisement to exhibit the report for public inspection. During the inspection period, the public including DC members can provide their comments on the EIA report to DEP for consideration. Before the completion of the legal approval process under the EIA Ordinance, it is inappropriate for DEP to provide views and comments on the contents of the EIA report. Please therefore be advised that we would not be represented in the meeting. We note that AAHK has been invited to attend the meeting, whom we trust would be in a better position and capable of responding to the enquiries on the various environmental issues arising from the project.

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