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**Islands District Council**  
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**Question on the Enforcement of Tobacco Control Office in Islands District**

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she would raise the following enquiry at the Islands District Council meeting to be held on 3 September this year:

“ I have received a number of complaints from residents about people smoking at the staircase connecting Sunny Bay Bus Terminus and Sunny Bay MTR station as well as the covered access at Sunny Bay Bus Terminus, especially during peak hours (from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.). The situation is particularly prevalent in the summer rainy season as people smoke while taking shelter at the covered accesses. They not only block the way but also leave behind cigarette butts on street. The others are forced to walk outside while it is pouring because the way is blocked or they want to get away from second-hand smoke.

Sunny Bay Public Transport Interchange (PTI) has been designated as a no-smoking area since 2012. Although it falls within Tsuen Wan District according to government district delineation, the users are mostly people living and working in Islands District.

As such, I would like the Tobacco Control Office (TCO) of the Department of Health to respond to the following:

1. Please provide the number of prosecutions instituted by TCO at Sunny Bay Station PTI since 2012.
2. Please provide the number of prosecutions instituted by TCO at designated no-smoking areas in public transport facilities (PTFs) in Islands District (including Tung Chung Station PTI, Yat Tung Estate public transport terminus, Tung Chung, Mui Wo PTI, Tai O PTI, Ngong Ping PTI, Lantau Island and Asia-World Expo bus terminus, Chek Lap Kok) over the past 6 years.
3. PTFs are black spots for tobacco offences. Does TCO take the initiative to carry out inspection or take actions only upon receipt of complaints? Are inspections generally carried out during office hours (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) or outside office hours as well?
4. Does TCO have other measures in place to prevent people smoking in PTFs? ”

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