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Islands District Council Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee Paper CACRC 16/2020

Question on air-conditioning system and negative pressure exhaust system of Princess Margaret Hospital stopping working suddenly

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she would raise the following enquiry at the Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee meeting to be held on 4 May 2020:

"At 2.55pm on 13 April this year, when the outsourced maintenance staff of the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) repaired the air-conditioning system of the Infectious Disease Centre of Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH), the air-conditioning system and negative pressure exhaust system of seven floors suddenly stopped for 5 to 34 minutes. A total of 69 patients, including 44 patients diagnosed with the coronavirus disease were affected.

As many Lantau residents consult the specialist clinic of PMH, I would like the Hospital Authority (HA) and EMSD to arrange representatives to attend the meeting and respond to the following:

- 1. Can HA give an account for the floors and wards affected?
- 2. Does the half-an-hour suspension of the system accelerate the spread of coronavirus disease?
- 3. Has HA reported the case to the Centre for Health Protection? Are people at the scene subject to testing and isolation?
- 4. Has EMSD investigated the cause of the incident and what measures will be taken to avoid recurrence of similar incidents?

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