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Dear Madam,

Refurbishment of

The Central to Mid-levels Escalator and Walkway System ("The System")

I refer to my preceding letter dated 28 September 2019 and would like to update the latest progress of the refurbishment works.

The refurbishment works commenced on 1 March 2018 onwards, the sixth phase of the refurbishment works (involving escalator 8E) will be commenced on 11 March 2020 and will be completed by mid-July 2020 tentatively. During the works period, escalator no.8E will be removed and replaced by a new escalator. At the same time, escalator no.9E will also be suspended and used as a temporary staircase. Escalator no.9E and the Hollywood Road section of the elevated walkway between Shelley Street and Old Bailey Street of the System will be intermittently closed during the works. During suspension of the escalators, affected pedestrians are advised to use the walkways at grade, or via the footbridge connecting to Tai Kwun for the direction to Old Bailey Street and Mid-levels area (subject to the opening hours of Tai Kwun on the day). Appropriate traffic signs will be provided on site to guide pedestrians.

The tentative schedule of the remaining phases of the refurbishment works is set out at the **Annex**.

The System is a famous tourist spot in Hong Kong, which attracts many visitors to explore the unique cityscape of Hong Kong every day. In light of the above, this Department would like to solicit your assistance to relay the message concerning the upcoming commencement of the refurbishment works to visitors, hotels and all inbound travel agencies, and invite them to visit the project website (http://www.anlev.com/mid-levels/) in order to grasp the affected areas of each phase of works so as to may make advance arrangements.

For any enquiry about the refurbishment works, you may call the 24-hour hotline (2166 7682) or contact Ms. Kamen LAM of this Department at 3842 5935.

Yours faithfully,

(William WONG)
for Commissioner for Transport

Annex

Refurbishment of

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Phase	Escalator/Travelator	Tentative Commencement Date	Tentative Completion Date
6	8E (near Hollywood Road)	11 March 2020	Mid-July 2020
7	9E (near Hollywood Road)	Mid-July 2020	Mid-October 2020
8	10E & 11E (north of Staunton Street)	Mid- October 2020	Mid-February 2021
9	12E & 13E (between Staunton Street and Elgin Street)	Mid-February 2021	Early-July 2021
10	18E (between Chico Terrace and Mosque Street)	Early-July 2021	Mid-November 2021
11	16E & 17E (between Caine Road and Chico Terrace)	Mid-November 2021	Early-April 2022

Remark: The above is set out for initial project planning. Actual implementation date of each phase of works will be subject to the site condition, weather and loading/unloading arrangements etc.