<u>Detailed traffic and public transport</u> <u>arrangements for HZMB commissioning</u>

The Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) will commence operation on October 24 (Wednesday) at 9am. The Transport Department (TD) today (October 22) announced the detailed traffic and public transport arrangements as follows:

- (1) At 8.45am on October 24, the Police will remove the barriers set up at Chek Lap Kok Road on Airport Island and at Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link (Southern Connection) respectively for vehicular access to the Hong Kong Port of the HZMB;
- (2) To tie in with the commissioning of the HZMB, three franchised bus routes and one Green Minibus (GMB) route will be introduced on October 24. The routes are:
- * Route B4 (Hong Kong Port Airport)
- * Route B5 (Hong Kong Port MTR Sunny Bay Station)
- * Route B6 (Hong Kong Port Mun Tung Estate, Tung Chung (via MTR Tung Chung Station)
- * GMB Route 901 (Hong Kong Port Tung Chung North)

The first trips of the above routes from the airport, Sunny Bay Station, the en-route bus stop at Tung Chung Station and Tung Chung North will depart at 8.45am that day.

- (3) Regarding the following eight airport "A" routes, their departures to the airport will start to serve Hong Kong Port on or after 8.30am, while their departures to urban and NT areas will start to serve Hong Kong Port after 9am that day:
- * All (to/from North Point);
- * A21 (to/from Hung Hom);
- * A22 (to/from Lam Tin);
- * A29 (to/from Tseung Kwan 0);
- * A31 (to/from Tsuen Wan);
- * A33X (to/from Tuen Mun);
- * A36 (to/from Yuen Long); and
- * A41 (to/from Sha Tin).

Airport "A" route A35 (to/from Mui Wo) will be extended to terminate at Hong Kong Port from 9am onwards that day.

(4) The first trips of shuttle buses going to Zhuhai and Macao will be at about 9.15am that day.

The Government encourages the public to take public transport services to Hong Kong Port. For motorists who wish to drive to Hong Kong Port and then take shuttle bus, the Government appeals to them to make on-line booking of parking spaces at the domestic car parks at Hong Kong Port. The website for

pre-booking is www.hzmbparking.com.hk/en-us.

Members of the public are reminded that if they wish to drive their private cars to or from Zhuhai or Macao, they must be registered under the private car quotas of the three governments for using the HZMB, and have the necessary permits, completed registration with the Mainland Authority and reserved parking spaces for the East Car Park of the HZMB Frontier Post at Macao Port under the HZMB Macao Port Park-and-Ride Scheme.

The Government stressed that although the mainline of the Southern Connection of the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link will be opened simultaneously with the HZMB to vehicular traffic, the TD will continue to implement temporary traffic management measures, including issuing Closed Road Permits progressively to cross-boundary private cars under the regular quotas for using the HZMB, so as to ensure smooth traffic flow at Hong Kong Port, the airport and Tung Chung, to facilitate members of the public going to these areas during the initial period after the commissioning of the HZMB. However, cross-boundary private cars registered under the regular quotas for using other boundary crossings cannot use the HZMB at this stage. The TD will closely monitor the traffic situation in the vicinity of the Hong Kong Port upon the commissioning of the HZMB, and will issue letters to owners of these cross-boundary private cars to inform them of the arrangements for using the HZMB as soon as possible.

Details of the traffic and transport arrangements for the HZMB are available at the following dedicated website www.hzmb.gov.hk.

Members of the public and motorists are advised to plan their trips well in advance and stay alert to the traffic news. They can also check the latest traffic conditions via the TD's all-in-one mobile application "HKeMobility".