<u>Transport Department announces special</u> <u>arrangements of cross-boundary</u> <u>transport services</u>

The Transport Department (TD) announced today (February 3) the following special arrangements of the cross-boundary transport services.

Cross-boundary railway service

The last departures for today on East Rail Line plying to/from Lo Wu/Lok Ma Chau Stations will not be affected. With effect from the first departure tomorrow (February 4), Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau Stations will be temporarily closed, and the train service of East Rail Line will be maintained between Hung Hom and Shueng Shui Stations. MTR Corporation will also provide shuttle train service with headway of 30 minutes plying between Sheung Shui and Lo Wu Stations to serve residents in Lo Wu.

In view of the temporary closure of Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau Stations, the service of KMB route No B1 (Tin Tsz Estate – Lok Ma Chau Station) and Green Minibus (GMB) route No 75 (Yuen Long (Fook Hong Street)/ San Tin – Lok Ma Chau Public Transport Interchange) will be suspended. The short-working service of GMB route No 75 (Yuen Long (Fook Hong Street) – Ha Wan Tsuen) will remain in service.

Land-based cross-boundary transport services

Due to the suspension of immigration clearance service for passenger at Lok Ma Chau Control Point with effect from the midnight of February 4, the long-haul and short-haul cross-boundary coach and shuttle bus (Yellow Bus) services using this control point will be suspended at the same time. Besides, cross boundary private cars and hire cars also cannot use this control point.

In view of the above arrangement, the service of GMB route No 44B (Tuen Mun Station – Lok Ma Chau (San Tin) Public Transport Interchange), No 44B1 (Tuen Mun Ferry Pier – Lok Ma Chau (San Tin) Public Transport Interchange/ Lok Ma Chau Control Point), No 79S (Tin Shui Wai (Grandeur Terrace)) – Lok Ma Chau Control Point) and No 616S (Mong Kok – Lok Ma Chau Control Point) will be suspended. In addition, GMB route No 78 (Pak Heung Road – Lok Ma Chau Control Point), which is extended to Lok Ma Chau Control Point after 10.30 pm daily, will be truncated not observing Lok Ma Chau Control Point and terminated at Lok Ma Chau (San Tin) Public Transport Interchange.

Cross-boundary coach, shuttles bus (Gold Bus) (for Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port only) and local public transport serving the Shenzhen Bay Port and the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port will continue to operate and the service level will be suitably adjusted. Passengers should pay attention to the Government's latest announcements about the cross boundary transport news and approach the operators concerned to enquire the detailed service arrangement.