Hong Kong Monetary Authority Exchange Fund Bills Tender Results

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

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Tender date : October 2, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Q1840

Issue date : October 3, 2018
Maturity date : January 2, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$150,950 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$55,689 MN

Average yield accepted : 1.85 PCT Highest yield accepted : 1.92 PCT

Pro rata ratio : About 96 PCT

Average tender yield : 1.99 PCT

Tender date : October 2, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : H1869

Issue date : October 3, 2018

Maturity date : April 3, 2019

Amount applied : HK\$45,450 MN

Amount allotted : HK\$15,000 MN

Average yield accepted : 1.92 PCT

Average yield accepted : 1.92 PCT Highest yield accepted : 1.95 PCT

Pro rata ratio : About 94 PCT Average tender yield : 2.08 PCT

Tender date : October 2, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Y1895

Issue date : October 3, 2018

Maturity date : October 2, 2019

Amount applied : HK\$11,740 MN

Amount allotted : HK\$5,000 MN

Average yield accepted : 1.94 PCT

Highest yield accepted : 2.05 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 80 PCT

Average tender yield : 2.25 PCT

Hong Kong Monetary Authority tenders to be held in the week beginning October 8:

Tender date : October 9, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Q1841

Issue date : October 10, 2018 Maturity date : January 9, 2019

Tenor : 91 Days

Amount on offer : HK\$56,979 MN

Tender date : October 9, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : H1870

Issue date : October 10, 2018 Maturity date : April 10, 2019

Tenor : 182 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$17,000 MN

<u>Labour Department investigates fatal</u> <u>work accident in Kowloon Bay</u>

The Labour Department (LD) is investigating a fatal work accident occurred in Kowloon Bay this morning (October 2), in which a man died.

The LD has immediately deployed staff to the scene upon receiving a report of the accident, and is now conducting an investigation to look into its cause.

<u>Transcript of remarks by CE at media</u> <u>session before ExCo meeting (with</u> <u>video)</u>

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, at a media session before the Executive Council meeting this

morning (October 2):

Reporter: The MTR Chairman Frederick Ma said that he expected there will be about 60 000 people using the Express Rail Link on the first day of the Golden Week, but this figure still falls short of the 80 000 target set by the Government. Are you worried that in the future, the Government may have to pay for the extra cost for failing to hit the passenger target? And also secondly, the NPC delegate Tam Yiu-chung says political groups should avoid using words such as "self-determination" because it may imply ideas of independence. What's your take on this issue and will the Government ban political groups using the term for their political platform?

Chief Executive: As far as comments made by other people, I don't want to comment on their comments. So you have to ask Mr Tam exactly what he meant.

As far as the high-speed train, let me first make it clear that the 80 000 passengers per day is not a target. It's a best estimate at the time based on various factors, like the train frequency, the assessment of people's travelling arrangements and so on. If you ask me, I would like this high-speed train to be able to serve more than 80 000 passenger trips every day.

The second point I want to make is, it is a new piece of cross-boundary infrastructure and people have to get used to the convenience of this new piece of cross-boundary infrastructure. Having said that, I think yesterday, according to our Immigration Department's figures, they have recorded a total of 78 000 passenger trips through this new cross-boundary point.

The third point is when we talk about patronage of any facility, the important thing is to look at the prospects. I feel this high-speed train, this West Kowloon terminus, has huge prospects to attract more people to use it because we have yet to open this wonderful cultural facility called the West Kowloon Cultural District. With its various museums and cultural venues, it is bound to be more attractive in the future. So, let's look forward to a more attractive and more appealing high-speed train that will attract more passengers. I am not worried about the financial situation because in the arrangement that we have signed with the MTR Corporation— not "we" as the Government but the KCR, the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation, has signed with the MTR Corporation, we have put in pretty conservative estimates about the passenger trips, so it is unlikely that we will need to subsidise the operation of this high-speed train. But of course, it is for the operator, that is the MTR Corporation, to do all the necessary promotions to increase the patronage on the high-speed train.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)

Phishing email related to The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) wishes to alert members of the public to a press release issued by The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited on phishing email, which has been reported to the HKMA. Hyperlink to the press release is available on the HKMA website for ease of reference by members of the public.

Anyone who has provided his or her personal information to the email concerned or has conducted any financial transactions through the email should contact the bank concerned using the contact information provided in the press release, and report to the Police or contact the Cyber Security and Technology Crime Bureau of the Hong Kong Police Force at 2860 5012.

Missing man in Tin Sum located

A man who went missing in Tin Sum was located.

Osborn Chun-kit, aged 31, went missing after he left his residence on Mei Tin Road on September 28 afternoon. His family made a report to Police on September 29.

The man returned to his residence in the early hours today (October 2). He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.