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## Comments on Representations in respect of Draft Kai Tak Outline Zoning Plan (Plan No. S/K22/7)

Dear Chairman and Members,

Designing Hong Kong **supports** the representations TPB/R/S/K22/7-9, and TPB/R/S/K22/7-10.

We agree with the above representations for the following reasons:

- Removal of the indicative alignment of the Environmentally Friendly Linkage System (EFLS) and station from the Plan are inappropriate.
- The alignment and stations should be kept while reconsidering other alternatives to provide EFLS in the area to support the increasing number of residents and tourists in future.
- The location of the Kai Tak Runway area is segregated to the surrounding developed area such
  as Kowloon Bay and Kwun Tong. It is expected that there will be a high demand on public
  transport for commuting. Especially the government now decided to rezone more lands from
  commercial to residential, which will decrease job opportunities in the community and more
  residents are expected to commute through public transportation.
- We support the use of marine transport and promote cycling in the community to enhance connectivity. However, these options have much lower capacity than the previous proposal. The efficiency and effectiveness of these options are also highly affected by the weather conditions.
- The use of electric vehicles will increase the road usage and we doubt that will add more pressure to the traffic network at the Kai Tak Runway and causing traffic congestion.
- Therefore, we urge the Board to keep the existing alignment of the EFLS, which could allow transportation for the community in a smaller scale to enhance the commute between development sites to the nearby railway system, while with the supplementary of others mode such as marine transport and cycling.

Here we submit our comments for your consideration.

Yours.

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