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### Press Release

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#### **MTR Signs Project Agreement for Tung Chung Line Extension with Government**

The MTR Corporation today (28 February 2023) signed a Project Agreement with the HKSAR Government for the financing, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Tung Chung Line Extension (“TUE”). Upon that, the Corporation will proceed fully with the respective works.

The TUE project includes the diversion of an approximately 1.2 km section of tracks between the existing Tung Chung Station and Sunny Bay Station, the extension of the existing Tung Chung Line westwards by about 1.3 km, as well as the construction of two new stations, namely a new Tung Chung East Station# between Tung Chung Station and Sunny Bay Station and a new Tung Chung West Station# to become the new terminus of the line. The agreement also covers the construction of the Airport Railway Extended Overrun Tunnel (“ARO”). Upon its completion, the operational efficiency of trains and capacity of the Tung Chung Line and Airport Express Line can be enhanced.

The TUE project will be funded by the financial contribution from the “Rail plus Property” development model and the Corporation’s internal resources. With the Project Agreement in place, the tendering for the key contracts of TUE will be completed soon, upon which the project will proceed to the construction stage. It is expected that the construction of the TUE will commence in the middle of this year for target completion in 2029, while the construction of ARO is targeted to commence in 2025 for completion in 2032.

“The Corporation is pleased to be entrusted with the TUE project by the Government. The project will enhance both the expanse and the capacity of the railway network in North Lantau, reinforcing the role of railways as the backbone of public transport in the area. The project will also serve the long-term development needs of Hong Kong by promoting community development, facilitating sustainable population growth and generating employment opportunities.

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# Working names

“The TUE works will be conducted on an operating railway. The Corporation will attach great importance to the community’s needs in drawing up the alignment, station design and future operation schemes, staying true to the positioning of the project as a ‘community railway’. We will strike a balance between construction efficiency and the commuting need of local passengers during the construction period. Our team will strive to put the railway extension into service as soon as possible,” said Dr Jacob Kam, Chief Executive Officer of MTR Corporation.

The Tung Chung Line Extension is the first among the “Railway Development Strategy 2014” projects to have reached the signing of the Project Agreement. The Tung Chung Line Extension project will provide the Tung Chung New Town Extension and the existing population with direct railway service upon its commissioning. Tung Chung West Station# will serve the existing public housing estates and the property development in the vicinity, while Tung Chung East Station# will serve the new developments in the new reclamation area.

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MTR has extensive end-to-end railway expertise with more than 40 years of railway projects experience from design to planning and construction through to commissioning, maintenance and operations. Going beyond railway delivery and operation, MTR also creates and manages dynamic communities around its network through seamless integration of rail, commercial and property development.

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