

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION**  
**UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE**

**APPLICATION NO. A/H19/86**  
***(for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)***

<b><u>Applicants</u></b>	: China Telecom Global Limited and GB21 (Hong Kong) Limited
<b><u>Site</u></b>	: Government Land near Rural Building Lots (RBLs) 1220 and 1221, Chung Hom Kok, Hong Kong
<b><u>Site Area</u></b>	: About 266.17m <sup>2</sup>
<b><u>Land Status</u></b>	: Government Land
<b><u>Plan</u></b>	: Approved Stanley Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/H19/16
<b><u>Zoning</u></b>	: “Coastal Protection Area” (“CPA”)
<b><u>Application</u></b>	: Proposed Public Utility Installation (Submarine Cables and Landing Facilities)

**1. Background**

On 21.8.2024, the applicants submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed installation of cable landing ducts, beach manholes, and shore-end submarine cables at the subject application site (the Site), which is zoned “CPA” on the OZP (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) at this meeting.

**2. Request for Deferment**

On 30.9.2024, the applicants wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow sufficient time for the applicants to further consult relevant government departments to resolve outstanding technical issues (**Appendix I**).

**3. Planning Department's Views**

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for the first deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria for deferment as set out in the Town Planning Board Guidelines on Deferment of Decision on Representations, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33B) in that the deferment would allow the applicants to consult relevant government departments and prepare further information (FI) to address outstanding issues.
- 3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of FI from the applicants. If the FI submitted by the applicants is not substantial and could be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. The applicants should be advised that the Committee has allowed two months for preparation of the submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

**4. Decision Sought**

The Committee is invited to consider whether or not to accede to the applicants' request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

**5. Attachments**

<b>Appendix I</b>	Email dated 30.9.2024 from the applicants
<b>Plan A-1</b>	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
OCTOBER 2024**