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Dear Bosco,

Below are the views of [redacted] and I would be most appreciative if you could convey them to the Expert Panel. Please note that they are [redacted] personal views.

*In view of the 2004 CFA judgment with regard to the interpretation of the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance we consider this matter has to be handled incrementally in the following order:-*

**Step 1**

*Price equalization with regard to the toll levels in respect of the existing 3 tunnels in particular the Central and Western tunnels. The impact of this should then be assessed and if there is still a significant traffic problem go to:*

**Step 2**

*A more comprehensive Electronic Road Pricing System for all traffic entering the CBD. Again the full impact of this measure would need to be assessed and if the measures outlined in Step 1 and Step 2 are still insufficient then consideration should be given to:*

**Step 3**

*The design and construction of a submerged CWB because it will only be at this stage that Government will be able to properly demonstrate that there is no reasonable alternative and the overriding public need test can be satisfied.*

Regards,

