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Question (Member Question No. 50):

In 2014-15, the Department will organise the blockbuster exhibition "Studio Ghibli Layout Designs: Understanding the Secrets of Takahata/Miyazaki Animation". Has the Department considered inviting Takahata and Miyazaki to attend the exhibition in Hong Kong? If so, what is the estimated expenditure? If not, what are the reasons?

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Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department will organise the blockbuster exhibition "Studio Ghibli Layout Designs: Understanding the Secrets of Takahata/Miyazaki Animation" at the Hong Kong Heritage Museum in May 2014. It has extended invitations to both Mr. Takahata and Mr. Miyazaki to attend the opening ceremony of the exhibition. In response, Studio Ghibli replied that the two gentlemen could not come to Hong Kong to attend the opening activities of the exhibition due to their old age. No expenditure will thus be incurred in this regard. Nevertheless, the Department has arranged to broadcast video interviews with the two gentlemen at the exhibition.