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Foreign Lawyers Practice (Amendment) Rules 2003 (Made by the Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong under section 73 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159) with the prior approval of the Chief Justice)

1. Commencement

These Rules shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the President of the Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong by notice published in the Gazette.

2. Business letters

Section 5 of the Foreign Lawyers Practice Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. R) is amended by adding---

"(1A) A principal of a foreign firm shall ensure that if the name or any other description of the firm is stated in more than one language on any business letter issued in connection with the firm's practice, each version of the name or description corresponds to the other version or versions of the name or description.".

Approved this 15th day of April 2003.

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Chief Justice

Made this 22nd day of April 2003.

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Explanatory Note

These Rules amend section 5 of the Foreign Lawyers Practice Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. R) and require that where the name or any other description of a foreign firm is stated in more than one language on any business letter issued in connection with that firm's practice, each version of the name or description shall correspond to the other version or versions of the name or description. (Note: The expression "foreign firm" is defined in section 2 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159).)