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Dear Sirs

## Bills Committee on Revenue (Profit Tax Exemption of Offshore Funds) Bill 2005

We refer to your letter of 6 December 2005, requesting our comments with respect to the Administration's proposed Committee Stage Amendments ("CSAs") in response to various submissions and deputations made by various industry members. We also refer to the information paper which sets out the Administration's considerations behind the proposed amendments and how the CSAs would work in practice, and the Supplementary Notes/Response to Industry Concerns (Supplementary Notes) attached to the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau's letter dated 4 October 2005 (which we believe will be documented as a Departmental Interpretation Practice Note).

Based on all the documents above, we believe that the Administration has addressed the principal concerns of interested parties, and in particular, those of the fund management industry. As such, we support the Bill, as amended by the Administration's proposed CSAs.

Yours faithfully

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