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Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health)

Amendment Bill 2005 Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road, Central

Hong Kong

Dear Sirs.

## Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005

We act for Japan Tobacco Inc., the world's 3rd largest tobacco company and the owner of various international cigarette trademarks including Mild Seven, Salem, Winston, etc.

We have been instructed to make both written and oral representation in respect of the above Bill and understand that a bills committee has been set up to study the Bill.

Our client believes that its business will be substantially affected by the Bill if it is enacted in its present form. We are writing to request an opportunity to make an oral presentation to the bills committee in addition to a written submission which we are preparing at the moment and which will be sent to the bills committee soon. Please therefore note our client's interest and let us know what time is convenient to the Bills Committee members.

We thank you for your attention and look forward to hearing from you as to the suitable timing and arrangements.

Yours faithfully,

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