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Attention: Ms. YUE Tin-Po
Clerk to the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

Dear Sirs

Re: Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting – Meeting on 11 June 2012

We refer to your letter of 1 June 2012 in which the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting (the “Panel”) invited Asia Television Limited (“ATV”) to attend its meeting on 11 June 2012 in respect of item VI of the meeting agenda (namely, the applications for domestic free television programme service licence).

ATV has been communicating with the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau in relation to matters concerning the applications for domestic free television programme service licences on a confidential basis. It is therefore not appropriate for us to discuss or divulge any information concerning the communications and this subject matter.

Further, ATV does not consider it to be in its interest to comment on its ongoing commercial negotiations regarding the broadcasting arrangements of the London 2012 Olympic Games (one of the sub-topics that may be discussed at the Panel meeting), for reasons of commercial confidentiality. However, we keep an open mind and will give due consideration to the public interest of watching international sports events on free television channels.

Based on the above circumstances, we regret that we will not send any representative to attend the Panel meeting on 11 June 2012.

Yours faithfully,

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