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United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537)
United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2002 (L.N. 141)

This Regulation is made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) by the Chief Executive on the instruction of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China and after consultation with the Executive Council.

- 2. Section 3(5) of the Ordinance provides that section 34 (Placing of subsidiary legislation before the Legislative Council) and section 35 (Approval of Legislative Council to subsidiary legislation) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) shall not apply to regulations made under section 3. As a result, the Regulation is not required to be laid before the Legislative Council and is not subject to amendment by the Legislative Council.
- 3. This Regulation gives effect to a decision of the Security Council of the United Nations in Resolution 1408 of 6 May 2002 to extend certain sanctions imposed by the Security Council in Resolution 1343 (2001). Resolution 1343 was implemented by the United Nation Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation (L.N. 280 of 2001) and expired on 6 May 2002. The present Regulation is similar to L.N. 280 of 2001 in that it prohibits:
 - (a) the direct or indirect importation of rough diamonds from Liberia into the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region;
 - (b) the entry or transit by specified persons of Liberia, including senior members of the Liberian government of armed forces; and

- (c) the supply and delivery of arms and related material as well as the provision of related technical advice, assistance or training, to Liberia.
- 4. With respect to the prohibition against importation of rough diamonds to HKSAR, a new exception is created in section 7(3) of this Regulation. Section 7(3) provides that if the Committee of the Security Council of the United Nations has reported to the Security Council of the United Nations under paragraph 8 of Resolution 1408 in relation to a Certificate of Origin regime established by the Government of Liberia pursuant to paragraph 7 of Resolution 1408, the prohibition under section 7(1) shall not apply to any rough diamonds controlled by the Government of Liberia through the regime.
- 5. This Regulation has come into operation on 4 October 2002 (date of gazettal) and will expire on 6 May 2003.

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