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Dear Miss MAK,

Prevention of Bribery (Amendment) Bill 2007

Further to the outstanding issues for your consideration and response to the Bills Committee, I shall be grateful if you would confirm to the Bills Committee whether sections 17 and 18 of the Official Secrets Ordinance (Cap. 521) have any implications at all on the referral provisions proposed under the new section 31AA.

Yours sincerely,

(Arthur Cheung) Senior Assistant Legal Adviser

cc. Clerk to the Bills Committee

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