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Miss Polly YEUNG Clerk to Subcommittee to Study Issues Arising from Lehman Brothers-related Minibonds and Structured Financial Products Legislative Council 8 Jackson Road Hong Kong

Dear Miss YEUNG,

Subcommittee to Study Issues Arising from Lehman Brothers-related Minibonds and Structured Financial Products

Follow-up to the hearing on 20 February 2009

I refer to your letter dated 20 February 2009.

I had agreed during the hearing of the Subcommittee held on 20 February 2009 that I would ask my colleagues in the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (FSTB) to check whether there were any FSTB officials who had participated in working group meetings between the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) and the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA). I now write to inform the Subcommittee that according to the checking done by my FSTB colleagues and based on available records, we are not aware that officers of the FSTB have ever participated in such working group meetings before which, as we understand it, were arranged between the SFC and the

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HKMA themselves during which the two regulators were to discuss supervisory matters.

Yours sincerely,

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