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PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT (FEE CONCESSIONS) REGULATION 2009

(Made by the Secretary for Home Affairs under section 7(1)(ad) of the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 1 July 2009.

2. Interpretation

In this Regulation—

- "concession period" (寬免期) means the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010 (both dates inclusive);
- "effective date" (生效日期)—
 - (a) in relation to the grant of a licence or provisional licence, means the date from which the licence becomes valid; and
 - (b) in relation to a renewal of a licence or provisional licence, means the date from which the renewed licence becomes valid;
- "First Notice" (《第一則公告》) means the notice published in the Gazette as G.N. 1210 of 1997;
- "licence" (牌照) means a licence granted or renewed in respect of a place of public entertainment to which regulation 3 of the principal Regulations applies;
- "principal Regulations" (《主體規例》) means the Places of Public Entertainment Regulations (Cap. 172 sub. leg. A);
- "provisional licence" (臨時牌照) means a licence granted under regulation 3A or renewed under regulation 3B of the principal Regulations;
- "Second Notice" (《第二則公告》) means the notice published in the Gazette as G.N. 5474 of 1998.

3. Concessions on licence fees for certain places of public entertainment

- (1) The fees that are—
 - (a) specified in the First Notice or the Second Notice; and
 - (b) continued in force under section 9(2) of the Provision of Municipal Services (Reorganization) Ordinance (Cap. 552) as if prescribed under section 7(1)(ba) of the Ordinance,

are subject to the concessions provided for in this Regulation.

- (2) The fee specified for each of item 1(b)(i) to item 1(b)(i) of the First Notice is waived in respect of the grant or renewal of a licence that is within the description set out opposite to that item if the effective date of the licence falls within the concession period.
- (3) The fee specified in item 3 of the First Notice is waived in respect of the grant or renewal of a licence if the effective date of the licence falls within the concession period.
- (4) The fee specified for each of item 1(b)(i) to item 1(b)(i) of the Second Notice is waived in respect of the grant or renewal of a licence that is within the description set out opposite to that item if the effective date of the licence falls within the concession period.
- (5) The fee specified in item 3 of the Second Notice is waived in respect of the grant or renewal of a licence if the effective date of the licence falls within the concession period.

4. Concessions on fees for provisional licences

The fee payable for the grant or renewal of a provisional licence under regulation 3C of the principal Regulations is waived if the effective date of the licence begins within the concession period.

Florence HUI Hiu-fai Acting Secretary for Home Affairs

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation provides for concessions on fees payable in respect of the operation of certain places of public entertainment under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) within the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010.