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Dear Mr CHAN,

### **Subcommittee on Pesticide Residues in Food Regulation**

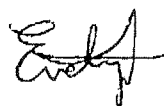
It is noted that section 4(1)(f) provides an exception "for cases that also fall within paragraph (d) or (e)...". The Administration may wish to clarify the meaning of "cases" as appearing in the said exception.

Further, if the above "cases" can be taken to mean "food which contains pesticide residues", please consider referring to "the food", which is more specific and easier to understand than "cases". It is because "the food" already means "food which contains pesticide residues" as appearing in the chapeau in subsection (1). The ensuing paragraphs (d) and (e) clearly refer to "section .. applies to the food", the reference to residue concentration only appearing in the second limb of those paragraphs because the residue has been taken for granted by virtue of subsection (1). In any event, "cases" could have been expressed in the singular to match with the disjunctive reference that follows.

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As the Subcommittee will consider the above regulation at its meeting on 4 June 2012, I look forward to receiving your reply in both Chinese and English languages by **10 a.m. on 4 June 2012**. Please also send an electronic copy of your reply to [ftse@legco.gov.hk](mailto:ftse@legco.gov.hk).

Yours sincerely,



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