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Dear Mr Lee,

<u>United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011</u> (Amendment) Regulation 2014 (L.N. 143)

I refer to your letter of 2 December 2014 on the captioned subject. Our reply is set out below – $% \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{repl}}$

The Administration has been following closely the terminology used in the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 2146 adopted for Libya when drafting the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2014.

Paragraph 3 of UNSCR 2146 explains the concept of the Government of Libya's focal point as follows –

"Requests the Government of Libya to appoint and notify the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970(2011) of a focal point responsible for communication with the Committee with respect to the measures in this resolution, and requests that the Government of Libya's focal point inform the Committee of any vessels transporting crude oil illicitly exported from Libya, along with available and relevant information, and of any efforts made in accordance with paragraph 2;"

Given that section 3B(1) of the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Cap. 537AW) already refers to the Government of Libya's focal point "appointed under paragraph 3 of Resolution 2146", such adoption reflects accurately the term expressly referred to under UNSCR 2146. Besides, as the term only appears once under Cap. 537AW, it is not necessary to define it.

Yours sincerely,

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