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Dear Miss Wong,

United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2014 (L.N. 29 of 2014)

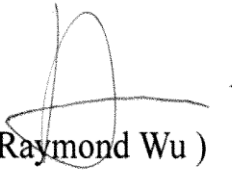
I refer to your letter of 14 April 2014 on the captioned subject.

2. The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has been making regulations under the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) to give effect to the instructions from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China ("MFA") to implement resolutions decided by the United Nations Security Council ("UNSC"). Since the UNSC first imposed sanctions against Liberia in 2001, the relevant resolutions adopted by the UNSC have been referring to "Liberia". The adoption of the reference to "Liberia" in the United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2014 is therefore in line with the relevant UNSC resolutions.

3. By way of background information, in the Terminology Bulletin No. 347/Rev.1 (Country Names) issued by the United Nations in 1997 as well as the United Nations Multilingual Terminology Database (<http://unterm.un.org/>), the official name of Liberia has been referred to as "Liberia" (Short Name) & "the

Republic of Liberia" (Formal Name) respectively. The references to both the Short Name and Formal Name of Liberia are considered to be equally valid from the perspective of international law.

Yours sincerely,



(Raymond Wu)

for Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development