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Dear Miss Wong,

## <u>United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2014 (L.N. 29 of 2014)</u>

I refer to your letter of 16 May 2014 on the captioned subject.

- 2. In accordance with the long-established practice, the Administration has been providing Members of the Legislative Council Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions ("Subcommittee") with marked-up version where an existing United Nations sanctions regulation ("regulation") has been amended. In the case where a <u>new</u> regulation is made essentially to renew or continue the implementation of sanctions imposed on a country, and where the existing regulation has expired or has been repealed, no marked-up version showing amendments made to the existing regulation would normally be prepared by the Administration.
- 3. Notwithstanding the above, to assist Members of the Subcommittee in scrutinizing the captioned Regulation, we set out below the key differences between the United Nations Sanctions (Liberia) Regulation 2013 (Cap. 537BD)

### and the captioned Regulation -

- (i) the commencement date in section 1 of Cap. 537BD relating to sections 6 and 11 on financial sanctions have been amended so that the two similar provisions in the captioned Regulation would commence on 21 March 2014;
- (ii) the notification requirements in sections 9(3) and 10(3) of Cap. 537BD have been removed;
- (iii) the expiry date of certain provisions provided under section 33 of Cap. 537BD has been amended so that the similar provisions in the captioned Regulation would expire at midnight on 9 December 2014; and
- (iv) references made to United Nations Security Council Resolution ("Resolution") 2079 have been replaced by Resolution 2128 for the purpose of the captioned Regulation.

Yours sincerely,

(Raymond Wu)

for Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development