

## **Brief for the Legislative Council**

### **Telecommunications (Telecommunications Apparatus) (Exemption from Licensing) (Amendment) Order 2012 (L.N. 190 of 2012)**

### **Telecommunications (Telecommunications Apparatus) (Exemption from Licensing) (Amendment) Order 2012 (Commencement) Notice**

#### **Introduction**

This paper serves to inform Members that the Telecommunications (Telecommunications Apparatus) (Exemption from Licensing) (Amendment) Order 2012 (Commencement) Notice will be published in the Gazette on 8 March 2013, at Annex.

#### **Background**

2. The Telecommunications (Telecommunications Apparatus) (Exemption from Licensing) (Amendment) Order 2012 (“the Amendment Order”), which seeks to withdraw the licensing exemptions in respect of Personal Handy Phone System apparatus, was published in the Gazette on 21 December 2012. The Legislative Council House Committee set up a subcommittee to scrutinize the Amendment Order. The Subcommittee duly completed its task on 27 February 2013 and supported the Amendment Order with no amendment proposed. Under section 1 of the Amendment Order, the Amendment Order will come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Director-General of Communications by notice published in the Gazette. The Subcommittee had no objection to our proposal to commence the operation of the Amendment Order by around May 2013.

## **The Notice**

3. Under section 1 of the Amendment Order, the Director-General of Communications has appointed 10 May 2013 as the date on which the Amendment Order will come into operation. The Notice will be published in the Gazette on 8 March 2013.

## **Enquiries**

4. Any enquiries on this brief can be addressed to Mr. T. F. So, Assistant Director (Operations) of the Office of the Communications Authority (telephone: 2961 6668, facsimile: 2904 7141).

Office of the Communications Authority  
6 March 2013

Annex

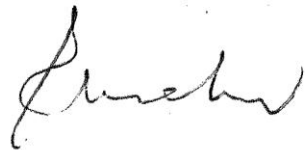
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Under section 1 of the Telecommunications (Telecommunications Apparatus) (Exemption from Licensing) (Amendment) Order 2012 (L.N. 190 of 2012), I appoint 10 May 2013 as the day on which the Order comes into operation.



Director-General of Communications

28 Feb 2013