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**By Email and By Post**

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Mr. So Kam-leung, Gregory, GBS, JP,  
Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development,  
22/F, West Wing, Central Government Offices,  
2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar,  
Hong Kong

Dear Secretary So,

**Subject: Hong Kong Copyright Law Moving Forward**

The Hong Kong Copyright Concern Group (“HKCCG”) consists of over 17 organizations which represent various sectors of the copyright and creative industries, including music, film, broadcasting, publishing, comics, animation, software and information technology. We advocate for the interests of the copyright and creative industries with a view to facilitating the economic development of Hong Kong.

The Government of Hong Kong gazetted on 13 June the Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2014, which will be submitted to the Legislative Council for first reading and commencement of second reading debate on 18 June. HKCCG welcomes the Government’s commitment to move the copyright law of Hong Kong forward.

HKCCG appreciates the efforts of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau and the Intellectual Property Department in bringing all stakeholders and members of the public together to define a framework for addressing copyright protection in the digital age. We also acknowledge the Government’s commitment to update the Hong Kong copyright law for the benefit of the internet community, creators, innovators, copyright owners and society as a whole.

The Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2014 will help resolve some of the many challenges facing the creative industries today. HKCCG has reservations on some aspects of the Bill, nevertheless, we welcome the resumption of the legislative process to move our copyright law forward to set the stage for further legislative work. We look forward to participating in the legislative process.

Thank you for your kind attention and best regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sam Ho', with a large, stylized initial 'S'.

Sam Ho  
Hon. Secretary  
Hong Kong Copyright Concern Group

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