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Ms Betty Ma
Clerk to Panel
Panel on Security
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road,
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Dear Ms Ma,

Panel On Security
Letter from Hon Claudia Mo

Thank you for your letter dated 5 December 2014 to the Secretary for Security regarding the captioned. Further to the Security Bureau's letter of 18 December 2014, I am writing to provide information regarding illegal hunting of wild animals in Hong Kong.

According to the Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (Cap. 170), no person shall, except in accordance with a special permit, hunt any wild animal by means of any hunting appliance such as a live decoy or the emission of recorded noises, any pitfall, any arms; or any hunting appliance other than a hunting appliance approved by the Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation (the Director), or has in his possession of any hunting appliance other a hunting appliance approved by the Director. Hunting appliances approved by the Director include mainly those used to capture or kill rats, mice and similar pests. Any person who contravenes the above shall be liable on conviction to a fine of HK\$50,000. The Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) spares no effort in combating illegal hunting of wild animals, and conduct frequent patrols in countryside areas.

Enforcement actions will be taken if suspected illegal hunting activities are found.

As regards the case mentioned in Hon Mo's letter in which a member of the public was injured when handling a bait, the AFCD is now assisting the Police in their investigations. .

Yours sincerely,



(Miss Sian LI)

for Director of Environmental Protection

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