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Ms Connie SZETO Clerk to the Establishment Subcommittee Legislative Council

Dear Ms SZETO,

Establishment Subcommittee Follow-up to the meeting on 20 June 2018 EC(2018-19)10

Thank you for your letter of 21 June 2018 to the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau on the above subject. We would like to provide the following supplementary information.

In Hong Kong, there are some 50 types of documents which businesses may need to submit to the Government for meeting the relevant import and export regulatory requirements. The Trade Single Window ("TSW") seeks to provide a one-stop electronic platform for the trading community to lodge these documents with the Government. While the data collected through these documents concern mainly the products/cargoes being imported or exported, some personal information would inevitably be collected (e.g. personal data of the trader or his authorised employee) during the process.

In taking forward the TSW project, we attach great importance to ensuring strict adherence to the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486) and the relevant guidelines issued by the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data ("PCPD"). As with other Government IT projects, we would conduct privacy impact assessment and adopt the necessary measures to safeguard personal data privacy.

The General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") of the European Union ("EU"), adopted in 2016, came into force on 25 May 2018. As mentioned in the booklet published by the PCPD, one of the key developments introduced under the GDPR is the explicit requirement of compliance by organisations established in non-EU jurisdictions in specified circumstances. In taking forward the TSW project, we will work in close consultation with relevant parties, in particular the Department of Justice and the PCPD, to examine and address the possible implications of the GDPR on the Project.

Yours sincerely,

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