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Dear Mr LAU,

**Re: Proposed Resolutions under  
section 73A of the District Court Ordinance (Cap. 336) and  
section 6 of the Small Claims Tribunal Ordinance (Cap. 338)**

Thank you for your written reply of 9 April 2018 on which we have further questions as follows:

Application of the revised civil jurisdictional limits to existing proceedings

1. Apart from the transitional arrangement for cases where applications have been made under section 41(1) of the District Court Ordinance (Cap. 336) for transfer to the Court of the First Instance ("CFI") before the implementation of the revised civil jurisdictional limits of the District Court ("DC") but which are still pending, please also clarify what would be the transitional arrangements for the following types of actions or proceedings commenced in DC before the implementation of the new DC jurisdictional limits but the disposal of which is still pending:
  - the claims (or causes of action) in those actions or proceedings involve a monetary amount of over \$1,000,000 but not exceeding \$3,000,000; and

- as at the date of the implementation of the new jurisdictional limits, no application for transfer to CFI has been made under section 41(1) of Cap. 336 in those actions and proceedings.

Transitional arrangements

2. For the avoidance of doubt, please consider providing specifically, by way of practice directions or otherwise, for the transitional arrangements in relation to the civil actions and proceedings pending determination or disposal by DC and the Small Claims Tribunal before the new jurisdictional limits come into operation.

We would appreciate it if you could let us have your reply in both English and Chinese languages before the next meeting of the Subcommittee on the Proposed Resolutions, preferably on or before 26 April 2018.

Yours sincerely,



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