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Mr Desmond LAM
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Dear Mr LAM,

At the meeting of the Panel on Commerce and Industry on 19 February 2019, the Government was requested to provide the respective numbers of investigation cases and prosecution cases relating to intellectual property infringement, with a breakdown on type, in the past five years. The relevant information is enclosed for Members' reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Alice Choi', written in a cursive style.

(Miss Alice CHOI)

for Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

c.c. Commissioner of Customs & Excise
(Attn: Mr KK Kwan, fax no.: 3108 3502)

Table 1: Investigation cases relating to intellectual property infringement

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Number of cases investigated	1 954	1 892	1 599	1 606	1 782
Copyright infringement	345	285	291	271	286
Trade mark infringement	1 609	1 607	1 308	1 335	1 496
Number of cases completed	1 913	1 577	1 546	1 540	1 448
Copyright infringement	427	250	232	184	196
Trade mark infringement	1 486	1 327	1 314	1 356	1 252

Table 2: Prosecution cases relating to intellectual property infringement

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Number of prosecution cases*	518	535	473	440	471
Copyright infringement	72	80	103	122	93
Trade mark infringement	447	481	423	387	437

Note: * Since a prosecution case may involve both copyright infringement and trade mark infringement at the same time, the total number of prosecution cases for each year may be smaller than the sum of cases under the two infringement categories for the same year.