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Clerk to LegCo Panel on Food Safety and
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(Attn.: Miss Josephine SO)
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Dear Miss SO,

Implementation of Measures to reduce Salt and Sugar in Food

During the discussion about the implementation of measures to reduce salt and sugar in food at the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene on 12 May this year, we were requested to provide supplementary information, details of which are set out in the ensuing paragraphs.

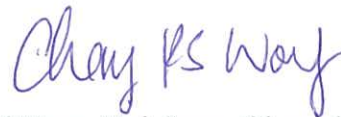
The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) has set sodium reduction targets for prepackaged bread for participating bread manufacturers to work towards as follows:

- Prepackaged white bread
maximum level: 490mg sodium/100g; average level: 380mg sodium /100g

- Prepackaged wholemeal bread
maximum level: 470mg sodium/100g; average level: 380mg sodium/100g

In the past three years, CFS collected about 165 000 samples of prepackaged food to check whether there is any violation of the provisions of the Food and Drugs (Composition and Labelling) Regulations, Cap. 132W, including claims relating to salt and sugar. Nutrition claims relating to "no salt", "low sugar" or "sugar-free" in three cases were found not compliant with the legal requirements and prosecutions were taken out. All three cases were heard, with two defendants fined \$2,000 each and one fined \$4,000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cherry Pui Sum Wong".

(Wong Pui Sum, Cherry)

for Secretary for Food and Health

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