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Secretary for Security 6th floor Main and East Wings Central Government Offices Central, Hong Kong

Attn:Miss Eliza YAU

Dear Miss YAU,

Bills Committee on Firearms and Ammunition (Amendment) Bill 1999

On the advice of Hon James 1(1), Chairman of the Bills Committee, I attach for your consideration a further submission from "二三八關注組" regarding limited licence for the transport of arms and ammunition in Hong Kong.

As explained at the last meeting, the Administration considers that there is a need for the Police to know about the movement of arms and ammunition in Hong Kong, such as the route of transport, from the public safety point of view. The requirement for a limited licence under section 30 of Cap. 238 for the transportation by a licensee or his approved agent of his arms or ammunition to a designated place for inspection or testing as required by Commissioner of Police is proposed to be waived on the ground that the route of transport is known. On the same rationale, the Administration is requested to consider waiving the requirement for a limited licence for the transport of arms and ammunition from the Customs and Excise Office at the port of entry of goods and government departments e.g. the Post Office to designated armouries or dealers' premises.

I should be grateful if you could let me have the Administration's response on this issue by 29 September 1999.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs Sharon TONG) Clerk to Bills Committee

Encl.