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Dear Ms Yue,

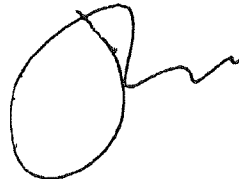
Consultancy Report on Spectrum Trading

At the meeting of the Subcommittee on Telecommunications (Determining Spectrum Utilization Fees by Auction)(Amendment) Regulation 2012 and Telecommunications (Designation of Frequency Bands subject to Payment of Spectrum Utilization Fee) (Amendment) Order 2012 held on 9 November 2012, the Administration undertook to provide a written response as to whether the consultancy report on the feasibility of introducing radio spectrum trading in Hong Kong should be published.

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According to the Radio Spectrum Policy Framework, the policy inclination is to introduce spectrum trading in Hong Kong in the long term, subject to a feasibility study and resolution of various implementation issues. Based on the above Framework, the Administration commissioned a consultancy study on the feasibility of introducing spectrum trading in Hong Kong. We are now examining the recommendations of the consultant, together with the latest international trend and the market situation in Hong Kong in details to map out the way forward. After formulating the next step of the work plan, we will publish the consultancy report and brief the Legislative Council accordingly.

Yours sincerely,



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