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Dear Sir\Madam,

From:

I am an ordinary tax-payer and I am writing to express my opinions on the recent export restriction of powered infant formula. I think the restriction is good and effective in protecting the needs of local babies.

Milk power is a commodity that has no substitute for some families. The babies need milk around the clock. When a family could not get milk power, it affects the health and life of the babies concerned. It's not an economic issue, it's social and health issue. We could not "fair trade" argument on top of the lives of local babies

I know the families in Main Land China has the same concern for their babies. If we allow them to buy from HK retail outlets without limit, they will have no intention and motivation to solve their own food safety problem. They will depends on Hong Kong. It will be milk power this time and some other stuff next time. Besides, all the milk power in Hong Kong are imported from other countries. So why can't Main Land China import the same milk power from the same source herself?

While I support the restriction, I am open to any modification on the technical details. Maybe we could allow people to export 4 cans, instead of 2 per day.

Regards,

Chik Wing Sang