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Dear Miss LAM,

Re: Dangerous Dogs Regulation (Exemption) (Amendment) Notice 2014 (L.N. 137 of 2014) and Rabies (TNR Programme) (Exemption) Notice (L.N. 138 of 2014)

I am scrutinizing the abovementioned Notices with a view to advising Members on its legal and drafting aspects.

According to para. 10 of the LegCo Brief issued on 12 November 2014 (File Ref: FHB/F/6/8/40/3), the TNR Programme is a three-year trial programme to be carried out in selected sites. L.N. 137 and L.N. 138 do not contain any provision regarding the expiry of the new exemptions. Please let us know the reasons for not stipulating the cessation of the new exemptions provided in the Notices and the mechanism in dealing with the exemptions upon expiry of the trial period.

Regard L.N. 138, in section 5(2)(a)(i), it appears that the Chinese text "評估該狗隻於試驗區內釋放的適合程度" should be amended to "評 估該狗隻是否適合於區內釋放" to reflect the meaning of English text "assessing its suitability for being released within a trial zone" in the context of TNR Programme.

We shall be grateful if you would let me have your response on the above query in both Chinese and English on or before 19 November 2014.

Yours sincerely,

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