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Corporate Finance Division
The Securities and Futures Commission
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Dear Sirs,

Response to Consultation on (1) proposal to stop commenting on routine announcements under the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Repurchases and (2) proposed miscellaneous amendments to the Codes

We refer to the above captioned consultation paper issued by the Securities and Futures Commission on 21 April 2010 (“Consultation Paper”).

We support the initiative of the Securities and Futures Commission to relax Rule 12.1 of the Takeovers Code so that certain categories of announcement will no longer be required to be submitted to the Executive for comments before they are published.

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the Consultation Paper and support the various amendments to the Codes as presented in Part (1) and Part (2) of the Consultation Paper.

Yours faithfully,

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