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**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO THE DECISION ON NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES
FOR QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS (G/L/59/REV.1)**

HONG KONG, CHINA

The following communication, dated 28 September 2018, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Hong Kong, China.

A. Notifying Member: Hong Kong, China
B. Date of notification: 28 September 2018
C. First time notification: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, last notification was made in (doc. symbol): G/MA/QR/N/HKG/3
D. Type of notification: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Complete (i.e. notification of all quantitative restrictions in force) <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Changes to a notification previously made in (doc symbol) which are of the following nature:_____ <input type="checkbox"/> 2.1 Introduction of new restrictions, as listed in Section 1. <input type="checkbox"/> 2.2 Elimination of restrictions, as described in G below. <input type="checkbox"/> 2.3 Modification of a previously notified restriction, as described in Section 1. <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Reverse notification of restrictions maintained by (Member):_____
E. The notification provides information for the following biennial period (e.g. 2012-2014): <u>2018-2020</u> and relates to restrictions in force as of 14 September 2018
F. This notification contains information* relating to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that are currently in force. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force and additional information.
G. Comments of a general nature, including a description of the elimination of restrictions notified under D.2.2 and the date they ceased to be in force.

* In English only.

Section 1: List of quantitative restrictions that are currently in force

QR No.	General description of the restriction	Type of restriction	Tariff line code(s) affected, based on HS2012	Detailed Product Description	WTO Justification and Grounds for Restriction. Other International Commitments	National legal basis and entry into force	Administration, modification of previously notified measures, and other comments
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1	Non-automatic licence and inspection for the export of endangered species of animals and plants listed in the three Appendices of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)	NAL-X	ex Ch. 1-6 ex Ch. 12 ex Ch. 41-44 ex Ch. 67 ex Ch. 96-97	Endangered species of animals and plants listed in the three CITES Appendices, whether alive, dead, parts or derivatives	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 CITES	Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance Date of entry into force of Cap. 586: 1 December 2006 Note: Cap. 586 replaced the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187) which was in force since 6 August 1976	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect endangered species and to prevent them from over-exploitation in accordance with CITES. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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2	Production of valid CITES export permit or certificate of origin issued by the exporting country, and inspection for the import of CITES Appendix II species other than live specimens of wild origin and CITES Appendix III species	CITES Export Permit (or Certificate of Origin)	ex Ch. 1-6 ex Ch. 12 ex Ch. 41-44 ex Ch. 67 ex Ch. 96-97	CITES Appendix II species other than live specimens of wild origin and CITES Appendix III species, whether alive, dead, parts or derivatives	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 CITES	Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586) Date of entry into force of Cap. 586: 1 December 2006 Note: Cap. 586 replaced the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187) which was in force since 6 August 1976	The import requirement is subject to the production of valid CITES export permit or certificate of origin issued by the exporting country and inspection on an MFN basis to protect endangered species and to prevent them from over-exploitation in accordance with CITES.
3	Prohibition of import and re-export of elephant ivory and elephant hunting trophy	CP CP-X	An indicative list of relevant Chapters is as follows: ex Ch. 05 ex Ch. 41 ex Ch. 92 ex Ch. 6 ex Ch. 97	Ivory and hunting trophy of Asian elephant and African elephant	Article XX(a), (b) and (g) of the GATT 1994 CITES	Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants (Amendment) Ordinance 2018 Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 May 2018	The restriction is administered through prohibition of import and re-export of the elephant hunting trophies and ivory items by phases on an MFN basis except under defined conditions to protect elephants.

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4	Permit for the export of protected wild animals, parts of a protected wild animal killed or taken in Hong Kong, China (HKC), or the nests or eggs of a protected wild animal taken in HKC	Special Permit	ex Ch. 1-5	Protected wild animals, parts of a protected wild animal killed or taken in HKC, or the nests or eggs of a protected wild animal taken in HKC	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (Cap. 170) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 23 January 1976	The restriction is administered through a special permit system on an MFN basis to conserve protected wild animals in HKC.
5	Licensing of exporters, and non-automatic authorization for the export of controlled chemicals	NAL-X	ex Ch. 28-29	29 controlled chemicals which can be used for the manufacture of dangerous drugs or psychotropic substances	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances 1988	Control of Chemicals Ordinance (Cap. 145) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 June 1996	The restriction is administered through (i) licensing of exporters and (ii) authorization to export controlled chemicals on an MFN basis to prevent diversion of controlled chemicals into illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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6	Non-automatic import certificate, import and export licence for the import and export of dangerous drugs Import quota for certain dangerous drugs	GQ NAL NAL-X	ex 1211 ex 1301 ex 1302 ex Ch. 29	Dangerous drugs specified in Schedule I, Part I of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, Cap. 134	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 UN Single Convention on Narcotic drugs 1961 UN Single Convention on Psychotropic substances 1971	Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Cap. 134) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 17 January 1969	The restriction is administered through an import certificate, import and export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health.
7	Non-automatic licence for the export of dutiable commodities	NAL-X	ex Ch. 22 ex Ch. 24 ex Ch. 27 ex Ch. 28-38	Dutiable commodities (tobacco, liquors, methyl alcohol and hydrocarbon oil)	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 January 1932	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to control the movement of dutiable commodities, as well as to protect and collect the excise duty imposed on the dutiable commodities. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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8	Permit for exporters of, and licence for the export of non-pesticide hazardous chemicals	NAL-X	ex 2524 ex 2903 ex 2904 ex 2919 ex 2931 ex 3824	Non-pesticide hazardous chemicals	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants The Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade	Hazardous Chemicals Control Ordinance (Cap. 595) Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 April 2008	The restriction is administered through (i) an export permit system for exporters and (ii) an export licensing system on an MFN basis to protect human health and the environment, including chemicals regulated by the Stockholm Convention and the Rotterdam Convention. Import permit and licensing systems can be found in Section 2.4.
9	Prohibition of the import and transshipment of asbestos and asbestos containing materials	CP	25241000 25249010 25249020 25249090 68114010 68114090 68128000 68129110 68129190 68129210 68129290 68129310 68129390 68129910 68129990 68132010 68132090	Asbestos and asbestos containing materials, except for goods in transit, registered proprietary Chinese medicine or other exempted articles	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Air Pollution Control (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 Date of entry into force of this restriction: 4 April 2014	The restriction is administered through a prohibition on import of and transshipment of asbestos and asbestos containing materials, except for goods in transit, registered proprietary Chinese medicine or other exempted articles on an MFN basis to protect human health.

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10	Declaration for the import of motor vehicles for use in HKC	Declaration	ex Ch. 87	Motor vehicles	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Motor Vehicles (First Registration Tax) Ordinance (Cap. 330) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 23 June 1961	The restriction is administered through import declaration procedure on an MFN basis for subsequent collection of first registration tax on vehicles which are for use in HKC.
11	Carriage licence for carrying outboard engines exceeding 111.9 kilowatts (150 horsepower), vehicles and vehicle parts by a vessel under 250 gross tons within the waters of HKC	NAL	ex Ch. 84 ex Ch. 87	Outboard engines exceeding 111.9 kilowatts (150 horsepower), vehicles and vehicle parts	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (Carriage of Articles) Regulations (Cap. 60I) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 26 April 1991	The restriction is administered through a carriage licensing procedure on an MFN basis to tackle smuggling of these products.

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12	Non-automatic licence for the export of optical disc mastering and replication equipment	NAL-X	ex Ch. 85	Optical disc mastering and replication equipment	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 29 December 1997	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to enforce a robust intellectual property rights regime in HKC and to prevent the use of optical disc mastering and replication equipment for copyright infringing activities. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.
13	Registration of exporters and non-automatic licence for the export of scheduled ozone depleting substances	NAL-X	ex 2903 ex 8424 90192000	Scheduled ozone depleting substances (please refer to http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/application_for_licences/guidance/wn6_licen1_1.html)	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 1985 Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer 1987 Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (Montreal Protocol)	Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403) and its subsidiary regulations Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 July 1989	The restriction is administered through (i) an exporter registration system and (ii) an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to give effect to HKC's international obligations, to control the exportation of ozone depleting substances, and to conserve the ozone layer. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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14	Prohibition of import of controlled products containing ozone depleting substances	CP	ex 2903 ex 8424 90192000	Controlled products containing ozone depleting substances are banned for import in phases. Details of the phasing out schedule can be found at http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentin hk/air/ozone_layer_protection/wn6_info.html	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Montreal Protocol	Ozone Layer Protection (Products Containing Scheduled Substances) (Import Banning) Regulation, Cap. 403C Date of entry into force: 27 May 1993 Note: While Cap. 403C entered into force on 27 May 1993, the importations of different controlled products were banned on different dates. Please refer to the link in column 4 for details.	The restriction is administered through a global ban of imports on an MFN basis to give effect to HKC's international obligations, to control the importation of products containing ozone depleting substances, and to conserve the ozone layer.
15	Prohibition of import and export of scheduled ozone depleting substances from/to non-parties to the Montreal Protocol	CP	ex 2903 ex 8424 90192000	Scheduled ozone depleting substances (please refer to http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/application_for _licences/guidance/wn6_li cen1_1.html)	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Montreal Protocol	Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403) and its subsidiary regulations Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 July 1989	The restriction is administered through a global ban of imports and exports of scheduled substances from/to non-parties to the Montreal Protocol on an MFN basis to give effect to HKC's international obligations, to control the importation and exportation of ozone depleting substances, and to conserve the ozone layer.

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16	Pesticide Permit for exporters of scheduled pesticides and non-automatic licence for the export of pesticides and articles/products containing pesticides, which meet the definition of pesticides in Section 2 of Pesticides Ordinance, Cap. 133	NAL-X	ex 3808	Pesticides and articles/products containing pesticides, which meet the definition of pesticides in Section 2 of Pesticides Ordinance, Cap. 133	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 The Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Pesticides Ordinance (Cap. 133) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 25 February 1991	The restriction is administered through (i) Pesticide Permit for exporters of scheduled pesticides and (ii) an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.
17	License for dealers and non-automatic licence for the export of pharmaceutical products and medicines	NAL-X	Ch. 30 ex Ch. 12	Pharmaceutical products and medicines, except for unregistered pharmaceutical products and medicines imported for re-export purpose	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138) Date of entry into force of this restriction 1 January 1970	The restriction is administered through (i) licensing of dealers and (ii) an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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18	Non-automatic licence for the export of proprietary Chinese medicines and 36 Chinese herbal medicines	NAL-X	ex 3003 ex 3004 ex 1211	Proprietary Chinese medicines and 36 Chinese herbal medicines	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Cap. 549) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 11 January 2008	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.
19	Non-automatic licence for the export of powdered formula for infants and young children aged under 36 months	NAL-X	ex 04021000 ex 04022110 ex 04022120 ex 04022190 ex 04022900	Milk powder and soya based formula powder for consumption by infants and young children aged under 36 months	Article XX(j) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (General) (Amendment) Regulation 2013 Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 March 2013	The restriction is administered through an export licensing arrangement on an MFN basis to tackle the serious shortage of powdered formula in HKC's market caused by the diversion of large quantities of such products away from the local supply chain by parallel traders.
20	Permit for the import and export of radio transmitting apparatus	Permit	ex Ch. 85	Radio transmitting apparatus	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 January 1963	The restriction is administered through an import and export permit system on an MFN basis to better control telecommunications apparatus and equipment.

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21	Non-automatic licence for the export of rice	NAL-X	1006	Rice, with or without husk, and milled or unmilled	Article XX(j) of the GATT 1994	Reserved Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 296) and its subsidiary legislation Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 November 1979	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to maintain a stable supply and a reserve stock for emergencies. Businesses registered as rice stockholders are required to contribute to the reserve stock by holding a quantity of rice proportionate to their import volumes. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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22	Prohibition of exports of rough diamonds to non-participants of the Kimberley Process Registration of rough diamond traders and Kimberley Process Certificates (Export) for the export of rough diamonds	CP-X	71021000 71022100 71023100	Rough diamonds as defined under the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme	Kimberley Process Certification Scheme	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 2 January 2003	The restriction is administered through a registration system for rough diamond traders and an export certification scheme to fulfil the international obligations under the Kimberley Process. Registered rough diamond traders can export rough diamonds to the countries or places for which the Scheme is effective or permitted by the Kimberley Process. Import certification procedures can be found in Section 2.4.
23	Prohibition of import of smokeless tobacco products	P	ex Ch. 24	Smokeless tobacco products	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Smokeless Tobacco Products (Prohibition) Regulations (Cap. 132BW) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 16 January 1987	The importation of smokeless tobacco products is prohibited on an MFN basis to protect public health.

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24	Non-automatic licence for the export of strategic commodities	NAL-X	Strategic commodities listed in the Schedules to the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (please refer to http://www.stc.tid.gov.hk/english/checkprod/sc_control.html). They cover a wide variety of goods and technology including munitions items and industrial dual-use goods which can also be used for military purpose.		Article XXI(b)(ii) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Cap. 60G) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 24 December 1965	The restriction is administered through an export licensing procedure on an MFN basis to prevent HKC from being used as a conduit for proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and to ensure HKC's continuous access to technology and high-tech products. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

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25	Prohibition of import of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) containing products in excess of prescribed limits	CP	3208-10 3215 ex 3505-06 ex 3305 ex 3307 ex 3402 ex 3403 ex 3404 ex 3808 ex 3824	A variety of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) containing products (51 types of architectural paints/coatings, 7 types of printing inks, 6 broad categories of consumer products, 14 types of vehicle refinishing paints/coatings, 36 types of vessel and pleasure craft paints/coatings, and 47 types of adhesives and sealants, and fountain solutions and printing machine cleaning agents) are regulated under Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation, Cap. 311W (please refer to https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentalnhk/air/prob_solutions/voc_reg.html#point_3 for details)	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation (Cap. 311W) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 April 2007 and last amendment was made on 1 January 2018	The restriction is administered through the prohibition of importation of regulated products containing VOC in excess of prescribed limits on an MFN basis to improve the air quality of HKC.

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26	Permit for the export of waste	Permit	Non-hazardous recyclables (https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/sites/default/files/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/guide_ref/files/6schedule.pdf) except for the purpose of reprocessing, recycling, recovery or reuse Hazardous wastes (https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/sites/default/files/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/guide_ref/files/7schedule.pdf) Regulated e-waste (i.e. abandoned air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, televisions, computers, printers, scanners and monitors)		Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354) and its subsidiary regulations Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 September 1996 The restriction relating to regulated e-waste will enter into force on 31 December 2018.	The restriction is administered through a permit system for the export of waste on an MFN basis in accordance with HKC's obligations under the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, and to ensure environmentally sound management of waste in HKC. The regulated e-waste export control will ensure that any regulated e-waste will not trade through HKC and will not cause environmental hazards in other jurisdictions. Import licensing procedures can be found in Section 2.4.

Section 2: Cross-reference to other WTO notifications with information on quantitative restrictions that are currently in force

This section shall be filled by Members in case a notification made pursuant to another notification requirement (e.g. set in the Agreement on Agriculture, Agreement on Balance of Payments, Agreement on Safeguards, and the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures, etc.) contains information on a quantitative restriction in force and which is not listed in Section 1.

1. Agreement on Agriculture

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification: N.A

2. Agreement on Balance of Payments

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

3. Agreement on Safeguards

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

4. Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures (non-automatic licences)

A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction? Yes ☒ No ☐

B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Licensing of importers; and non-automatic authorization for the import of controlled chemicals	NAL	ex Ch. 28-29	23 controlled chemicals which can be used for the manufacture of dangerous drugs or psychotropic substances	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances, 1988	Control of Chemicals Ordinance (Cap. 145) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 June 1996	The restriction is administered through (i) licensing of importers and (ii) authorization to import controlled chemicals on an MFN basis to prevent diversion of controlled chemicals into illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence for the import of dutiable commodities	NAL	ex Ch. 22 ex Ch. 24 ex Ch. 27 ex Ch. 28-38	Dutiable commodities (tobacco, liquors, methyl alcohol and hydrocarbon oil)	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Dutiable Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 109) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 January 1932	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to control the import and movement of dutiable commodities, as well as to protect and collect the excise duty imposed on the dutiable commodities. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.
G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence and inspection for the import of endangered species of animals and plants listed in CITES Appendix I and live endangered species of wild origin in CITES Appendix II	NAL	ex Ch. 1-6 ex Ch. 12 ex Ch. 41-44 ex Ch. 67 ex Ch. 96-97	Endangered species of animals and plants listed in CITES Appendix I (whether alive, dead, parts or derivatives) and live endangered species of wild origin in CITES Appendix II	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 CITES	Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586) Date of entry into force of Cap. 586: 1 December 2006 Note: Cap. 586 replaced the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187) which were in force since 6 August 1976	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect endangered species and to prevent them from over-exploitation in accordance with CITES. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Permit for importers and licence for the import of non-pesticide hazardous chemicals	NAL Permit	ex 2524 ex 2903 ex 2904 ex 2919 ex 2931 ex 3824	Non-pesticide hazardous chemicals	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants The Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade	Hazardous Chemicals Control Ordinance (Cap. 595) Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 April 2008	The restriction is administered through (i) an import permit system for importers and (ii) an import licensing system on an MFN basis to protect human health and the environment, including chemicals regulated by the Stockholm Convention and the Rotterdam Convention. Export permit and licensing systems can be found in Section 1.
G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence for the import of optical disc mastering and replication equipment	NAL	ex Ch. 85	Optical disc mastering and replication equipment	Article XX(d) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 29 December 1997	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to enforce a robust intellectual property rights regime in HKC and to prevent the use of optical disc mastering and replication equipment for copyright infringing activities. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Registration of importers, non-automatic licence and quota for the import of scheduled ozone depleting substances	NAL Registration GQ (for import of HCFCs for local consumption only)	ex 2903 ex 8424 9019 2000	Scheduled ozone depleting substances (please refer to http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/application_for_licences/guidance/wn6_licen1_1.html) Quota allocation system is applicable to the import of hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) for local consumption only	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 1985 Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer 1987 Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (Montreal Protocol)	Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403) and its subsidiary regulations Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 July 1989	The restriction is administered through an importer registration system, an import licensing procedure and a quota allocation system on an MFN basis to give effect to HKC's international obligations, to control the importation of ozone depleting substances, and to conserve the ozone layer. The maximum annual quota of HCFCs that can be imported into HKC is set based on the reduction targets stipulated in the Montreal Protocol. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Licence for dealers and non-automatic licence for the import of pharmaceutical products and medicines	NAL	Ch. 30 ex Ch. 12	Pharmaceutical products and medicines, except for unregistered pharmaceutical products and medicines for re-export purpose	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 January 1970	The restriction is administered through (i) licensing of dealers and (ii) an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.
G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence for the import of proprietary Chinese medicines and 36 Chinese herbal medicines	NAL	ex 3003 ex 3004 ex 1211	Proprietary Chinese medicines and 36 Chinese herbal medicines	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Cap. 549) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 11 January 2008	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Pesticide Licence for importers of registered pesticides/ Pesticide Permit for importers of scheduled pesticides or any other unregistered pesticides and non-automatic licence for the import of pesticides and articles/ products containing pesticides, which meet the definition of pesticides in Section 2 of Pesticides Ordinance, Cap. 133	NAL Permit	ex 3808	Pesticides and articles/products containing pesticides, which meet the definition of pesticides in Section 2 of Pesticides Ordinance, Cap. 133	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 The Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Pesticides Ordinance (Cap. 133) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 25 February 1991	The restriction is administered through (i) Pesticide Licence/Permit for importers and (ii) an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public health. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence for the import of radioactive substances and irradiating apparatus	NAL	2844 ex 9022	Radioactive substances and irradiating apparatus	Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994	Radiation Ordinance (Cap. 303) Import (Radiation) (Prohibition) Regulations (Cap. 60K) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 20 November 1959	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to protect public safety, security and health.
G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licence for the import of rice	NAL	1006	Rice, with or without husk, and milled or unmilled	Article XX(j) of the GATT 1994	Reserved Commodities Ordinance (Cap. 296) and its subsidiary legislation Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 November 1979	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to maintain a stable supply and a reserve stock for emergencies. Businesses registered as rice stockholders are required to contribute to the reserve stock by holding a quantity of rice proportionate to their import volumes. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Prohibition of imports of rough diamonds from non-participants of the Kimberley Process Registration of rough diamond traders and Kimberley Process Certificates (Import) for the import of rough diamonds	CP Registration Certificates	71021000 71022100 71023100	Rough diamonds as defined under the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme	Kimberley Process Certification Scheme	Import and Export (General) Regulations (Cap. 60A) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 2 January 2003	The restriction is administered through a registration system for rough diamond traders and an import certification scheme to fulfil the international obligations under the Kimberley Process. Registered rough diamond traders can import rough diamonds from the countries or places for which the Scheme is effective or permitted by the Kimberley Process. Export certification procedures can be found in Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Non-automatic licensing for the import of strategic commodities	NAL	Strategic commodities listed in the Schedules to the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (please refer to http://www.stc.tid.gov.hk/english/checkprod/sc_control.html). They cover a wide variety of goods and technology including munitions items and industrial dual-use goods which can also be used for military purpose.		Article XXI(b)(ii) of the GATT 1994	Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Cap. 60G) Date of entry into force of this restriction: 24 December 1965	The restriction is administered through an import licensing procedure on an MFN basis to prevent HKC from being used as a conduit for proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and to ensure HKC's continuous access to technology and high-tech products. Export licensing procedures can be found in item Section 1.

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G/LIC/N/3/HKG/22	Permit for the import of waste	Permit	Non-hazardous recyclables (https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/sites/default/files/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/guide_ref/files/6schedule.pdf) except for the purpose of reprocessing, recycling, recovery or reuse Hazardous wastes (https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/sites/default/files/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/guide_ref/files/7schedule.pdf) Regulated e-waste (i.e. abandoned air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, televisions, computers, printers, scanners and monitors)		Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994 Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354) and its subsidiary regulations Date of entry into force of this restriction: 1 September 1996 The restriction relating to regulated e-waste will enter into force on 31 December 2018.	The restriction is administered through a permit system for the import of waste on an MFN basis in accordance with HKC's obligations under the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal, and to ensure environmentally sound management of waste in HKC. The regulated e-waste import control will ensure that any regulated e-waste will not trade through HKC. The control will guard against international dumping and prevent regulated e-waste intended for re-export ending up in HKC. Export licensing procedures can be found in Section 1.

5. Other notifications

- A. Was a notification made with information on a quantitative restriction in other notifications? Yes ☐ No ☒
- B. If yes, then list below the relevant document symbol and include any information element missing in the notification:
