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Dear Sir/Madam,

### New Ordinance on the Protection of Endangered Species

You may recall that the department has conducted a series of consultation on the proposed amendment to the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance, the local legislation that gives effect to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). The legislative amendment ensures Hong Kong's control regime on endangered species fully in line with CITES, streamlines the existing licensing system and simplifies the existing fee structure. A circular letter No. ES 04/04 summarizing the proposed amendments has been sent to you on 20 December 2004.

The above-mentioned legislative amendment will be made through replacing the existing Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance by a new Ordinance. In this connection, please be informed that the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Bill was gazetted on 15 April 2005. For details of this Bill, you may either refer to the Gazette or browse our website at [www.cites.org.hk](http://www.cites.org.hk).

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Yours faithfully,

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