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Dear Mr. Riley,

Re: IASB Exposure Draft of Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses (Proposed Amendments to IAS 12)

I refer to HKICPA's letter of 24 September 2014 inviting for comments on the above IASB Exposure Draft.

The Exposure Draft proposes amendments to IAS 12 in response to a request for clarification of the recognition of deferred tax assets on unrealized losses for debt instruments that are measured at fair value. The proposed amendments aim to clarify issues on the existence of a deductible temporary difference, the estimation of future taxable profit and the recognition of a deferred tax asset for the deductible temporary difference.

In general, I welcome the IASB Exposure Draft and broadly support the proposals in the Exposure Draft to provide guidance and illustrative example to clarify the application of principle of the IAS 12 and reduce diversity in practice.

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I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Exposure Draft.

Yours faithfully,

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(WU LAM Choi-wah) for Commissioner of Inland Revenue