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Consul-General of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam
15th Floor, Great Smart Tower,
230 Wan Chai Road,
Wanchai Hong Kong
(Attn.: Mrs. Nguyen Thi Nha)

Dear Madam,

Proposed Import Control on Aquatic Products

I refer to our letter under the same series of reference in August 2010 on the above proposed subject that was attached with a specimen health certificate for your comment. The proposal is to require, among others, each consignment of imported live or unprocessed aquatic products to be accompanied by a health certificate issued by the health authorities of the place of origin upon the implementation of the upcoming proposed legislation on import control of aquatic products. We understand that your officers may be busy at the moment, but we hope you may be able to provide us with comments, if any, on our proposed import control measures and the health certificate issue.

Your assistance will be much appreciated. Should you require further information, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (852) 2867 5990 or send email to me at wingwng@fehd.gov.hk.

Yours faithfully,



(NG Wing-wah)

for Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

Encl. A copy of health certificate specimen

**SANITARY CERTIFICATE
COVERING AQUATIC ANIMALS AND AQUATIC PRODUCTS**

(LETTERHEAD or LOGO)

 Identification
number: _____

Country of Dispatch: Competent Authority: Certifying Body:

I. Details identifying the aquatic animals and aquatic products

Description of animal /product	Species (scientific name)	State or type of processing	Type of packaging	Lot Identifier/ date code	Number of packages	Net weight
Sum :						

 Identification number of the seal of container (if appropriate)

Temperature required during storage and transport: _____ °C

II. Provenance of the aquatic animals and aquatic products

 Address(es) and/or the Registration number(s) of aquaculture farm(s), production area(s) or production establishment(s) authorized for Exports by competent authority:

 Name and address of
consignor:

III. Destination of the aquatic animals and aquatic products

The aquatic animals / aquatic products are
to be dispatched
from:

_____ (Place of dispatch)

to: _____
(Country and place of destination)

by the following means of
transport:

Name of consignee and address at place of
destination: _____

IV. Attestation

The undersigned certifying officer hereby certifies that:

- 1) The aquatic animals or products described above originate from (an) approved farm(s) or establishment(s) that has been approved by, or otherwise determined to be in good regulatory standing with the competent authority in the exporting country;
- 2) The aquatic animals have been produced, packed, stored, and transported under sanitary condition, which were under the supervision of competent authority and in accordance with the requirements laid down in Codex Code of Practice for Fish and Fishery Products;
- 3) The aquatic products have been handled, prepared or processed, identified, stored and transported under a competent sanitary programme consistently implemented and in accordance with the requirements laid down in Codex Code of Practice for Fish and Fishery Products;
- 4) The aquatic animals or products have been inspected and quarantined by the competent authority and do not found harmful levels of microorganisms, harmful substances and foreign substances regulated in the exporting country and Hong Kong;
- 5) The aquatic animals or products meet veterinary sanitary requirements and are fit for human consumption.

Done at _____ on _____
(Place) (Date)

(SEAL) _____
(Signature of certifying officer) (Name and official position)

Tel:
Fax:
E-mail: (optional)