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Implementation Guide for the Article on the Movement of Natural Persons in the Area of Certification and Accreditation in Supplement X to the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA)

In the area of certification and accreditation, the Annex to Supplement X to CEPA includes contents relating to the movement of natural persons, i.e. "To allow contractual service providers employed by Hong Kong service suppliers, in the mode of movement of natural persons, to provide services under this sector or sub-sector in the Mainland". The implementation guide is as follows:

I. The accreditation body (Hong Kong Accreditation Service, HKAS) in Hong Kong shall provide the Certification and Accreditation Administration of the People's Republic of China (CNCA) with the list of accredited certification bodies in Hong Kong. Changes to the list shall be communicated to CNCA in a timely manner. Hong Kong certification bodies on the list are allowed to send staff to the Mainland to provide certification service to Mainland export enterprises, and such service is restricted to certification that is required for export purpose and certification results are to be used outside the Mainland.

- II. Before conducting the certification activities, accredited certification bodies shall provide the Mainland Authorities the following materials for record: (1) name, address and contact method of the export enterprise in Mainland applying for certification, as well as the planned time of audit; (2) information of staff conducting audit on Mainland, as well as documents showing the appointment or assignment of the staff by the certification body.
- III. The Mainland authorities for administration of certification administer activities conducted on the Mainland according to this implementation guide. If it is found that a Hong Kong certification body has sent staff to the Mainland for certification activities without prior reporting, CNCA should be notified. CNCA will then notify the responsible department of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKAS).

Appendix: Contact information of relevant units

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