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Dear Ms. Wong,

**Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments and
Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders**

I am writing to provide some further information about our enquiries overseas on the above topics.

The Consulate General of India has confirmed the continued enforceability in India of judgments from Hong Kong under Section 44-A of the Civil Procedure Code of India.

The Attorney General's Chambers of Brunei has informed us that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China has been designated as a reciprocating territory under the Maintenance Orders Reciprocal Enforcement Notification 2002 for the purpose of their Maintenance Orders Reciprocal Enforcement Act (Chapter 175).

The Canadian authorities in British Columbia, Manitoba and Ontario have confirmed the continued reciprocity between Hong Kong and their respective Provinces on reciprocal enforcement of maintenance orders.

In summary, the replies received from the above jurisdictions appear to confirm that reciprocity of treatment is maintained between the HKSAR and the respective jurisdictions on the above matters. Although we cannot undertake to provide advice on the interpretation

and application of the law on these matters, we hope this information is helpful to your members.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Wingfield', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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