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Dear Sir / Madam,

The Personal Data (Privacy) (Amendment) Ordinance 2021
has come into effect to combat doxxing

The Personal Data (Privacy) (Amendment) Ordinance 2021 (Amendment Ordinance) was published in the gazette and came into effect on 8 October 2021 to combat doxxing acts that are intrusive to personal data privacy.

The objectives of the Amendment Ordinance include the criminalisation of doxxing act, empowering the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data (Privacy Commissioner) to carry out criminal investigations and institute prosecutions for doxxing and related offences, and conferring on the Privacy Commissioner statutory powers to demand the cessation of disclosure of doxxing messages.

To this end, I enclose herewith our promotional poster and leaflet of the Amendment Ordinance for your information and deployment. Please feel free to circulate them to your colleagues and relevant stakeholders.

The e-version of the poster and leaflet can be accessed by scanning the QR code or using the link below:

Poster: https://www.pcpd.org.hk/english/doxxing/files/antidoxxing_poster.pdf



Leaflet: https://www.pcpd.org.hk/english/doxxing/files/antidoxxing_leaflet_e.pdf



Apart from the Amendment Ordinance, we also issued the “Guidance on the Ethical Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence” to help organisations understand and comply with the relevant requirements of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance when they develop or use artificial intelligence (AI), as the adoption of AI raises privacy and ethical risks. The pamphlet is also attached for your information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms Belinda PUI, Head of Public Affairs (Acting), at 2877 7179 or belinda.pui@pcpd.org.hk.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of stylized cursive letters, likely belonging to Joyce Lai.

Joyce LAI
Assistant Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data
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Encl. – Promotional poster and leaflet of the Amendment Ordinance
Pamphlet of “Guidance on the Ethical Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence”