Fee concessions for Club Liquor Licence and Restricted Food Permit

Background

- Hong Kong economy faced significant downward pressure
- Global economic outlook is darkened e.g. escalation of China-US trade tensions
- Market concerns about major economies slipping into recession
- Social incidents hit the retail trade, restaurants and tourism --- further blow to economy

Relief measures

- The Financial Secretary announced on 15 August 2019 a package of measures to support enterprises in particular small and medium enterprises
- Aims : safeguard jobs and relieve people's financial burden

Relief measures

- Fee waiver arrangement
- Liquor licences (including over 410 club liquor licences) and
 7,800 restricted food permits will be waived for 1 year
- Applicable to all "new issue" and "renewal" of club liquor licences and restricted food permits (such as cut fruit, sushi, sashimi etc)
- Notification letters to applicants/licensees/permitees have been issued

Fee concessions

- "Concession Period" last for one year, commencing 1
 October 2019 and ending on 30 September 2020 (both dates inclusive)
- Refund by means of cheque will be arranged by the Treasury if the payable fee is settled by applicant in advance

Fee concessions

Club liquor licence with validity of more than 1 year (e.g. 2 years), fee will be waived under a 12-month cap during its renewal

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