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Dear Members of the Hong Kong Business Association, Vietnam,

Re : Invitation to Business Seminar on the Comprehensive Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation between Vietnam and Hong Kong

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (HKETO) in Singapore has the pleasure to invite you to the Business Seminar on the Comprehensive Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation between Vietnam and Hong Kong. The seminar will be held at 9:10am - 12:00noon, to be followed by a post-seminar networking luncheon at 12:00noon - 2:00pm, on Wednesday, 5 August 2009, at Caravelle Hotel (19 Lam Son Square, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City).

In December 2008, Vietnam and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) signed a comprehensive agreement on the avoidance of double taxation. To help the business communities in Vietnam better understand the agreement and its potential benefits to them, the Inland Revenue Department of the HKSAR Government and the General Department of Taxation (GDT) of Vietnam will give a joint briefing at the seminar on the implementation details of the agreement in both Hong Kong and Vietnam. Taking this opportunity, InvestHK of the HKSAR Government will provide seminar participants with updates on the latest economic developments in Hong Kong, as well as the business opportunities and strategic advantages that Hong Kong offers to overseas companies setting up an operation in the city. The Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) will also introduce its activities and services that Vietnamese enterprises can utilize to expand into Mainland China and the international markets.

You are also cordially invited to the networking luncheon after the seminar, where you can have direct exchanges with the speakers, government officials and your potential business partners. We hope this event would provide a unique forum for useful business interaction. An outline programme of the event is enclosed.

No participation fee is required. Please also help extend the invitation to your colleagues. If you or your colleagues are interested to join us in the event, please complete the enclosed reply slip and return it by email or fax to the Hong Kong Business Association, Vietnam (HKBAV) by Friday, 17 July 2009. For enquiries, please contact Ms Mandy or Mr. Calvin on (08) 3824 3757 or (08) 3822 8888 Ext. 7322 or via email to hkbav@hcm.vnn.vn. Please note that registration will be accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis.

We look forward to seeing you in Ho Chi Minh City on 5 August.

Best Regards,

LAW Kin-wai
Acting Director
Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Singapore

**Business Seminar on the Comprehensive Agreement
for the Avoidance of Double Taxation between Vietnam and Hong Kong
[5 August 2009 (Wed), Caravelle Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City]**

Programme
(as at 29 June 2009)

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| 8:50am – 9:10am | Registration |
| 9:10am – 9:15am | Opening Remarks by Mr LAW Kin-wai, Acting Director of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Singapore |
| 9:15am – 9:20am | Presentation of Souvenirs and Photo-taking Session |
| 9:20am – 10:00am | Session One: Comprehensive Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation (DTA) between Vietnam and the HKSAR, Concluded on 16 December 2008 <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provisions and Benefits of the DTA between Vietnam and Hong Kong
<i>Mr CHU Yam-yuen</i>
<i>Deputy Commissioner of Inland Revenue</i>
<i>Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government</i>- Regulations and Procedures for Application of the DTA in Vietnam
<i>Madam LE Hong Hai</i>
<i>Deputy Director General</i>
<i>General Department of Taxation of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam</i> |
| 10:00am – 10:25am | Q & A Session |
| 10:25am – 10:45am | Coffee Break |
| 10:45am – 11:45am | Session Two: Business Opportunities in Hong Kong and Mainland China <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Asia's Business Capital, A Secure Base to Access Opportunities
<i>Mr Charles NG</i>
<i>Associate Director-General, InvestHK</i>
<i>Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government</i>- Hong Kong – Best Partner to Expand Your Business into China and International Market
<i>Ms Tina PHAN</i>
<i>Director, Indochina</i>
<i>Hong Kong Trade Development Council</i> |
| 11:45am – 12:00noon | Q & A Session |
| 12:00noon – 2:00pm | Networking Luncheon |

Organisers:



Supporting Organisations:



Reply Slip

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Please complete the reply slip and fax or email to:

Hong Kong Business Association, Vietnam

Contact person: Ms Mandy or Mr. Calvin

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Your contact information:

Name:		Tel & Fax:	
Job Title & Organisation:		Email:	

Please tick where applicable:

- Yes, I shall attend the seminar.
- Yes, I shall attend **BOTH** the seminar **AND** the networking luncheon.
- No, I shall **NOT** attend the seminar or the networking luncheon.

Registration will be accepted on a first-come-first-serve basis. Your RSVP would help in our seat allocation. Thank you!