NOTICE OF INTERRUPTION IN THE OPERATIONS OF THE PATENTS REGISTRY, DESIGNS REGISTRY AND TRADE MARKS REGISTRY

In view of interruptions in the Internet, and pursuant to:

- (a) rule 100A(1) of the Patents (General) Rules (Chapter 514 sub. leg.);
- (b) rule 73A(1) of the Registered Designs Rules (Chapter 522 sub.leg.);
- (c) rule 96(1) of the Trade Marks Rules (Chapter 559, sub.leg.)

(collectively, the Rules), I hereby notify that there is an interruption in the operations of the Patents Registry, the Designs Registry and the Trade Marks Registry on 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 March 2011.

Under:

- (i) rule 100A(2) of the Patents (General) Rules,
- (ii) rule 73A(2) of the Registered Designs Rules; and
- (iii) rule 96(2) of the Trade Marks Rules,

where any period of time specified in the Patents Ordinance (Chapter 514), the Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522), the Trade Marks Ordinance (Cap. 559), the Patents (General) Rules (Chapter 514 sub. leg.), the Registered Designs Rules (Chapter 522 sub. leg.), or the Trade Marks Rules (Chapter 559, sub. leg.), or as extended under those rules, for the filing of any document or other thing with the Registrar expires on a day notified under the Rules, the period shall be extended to the first day next following that is not so notified (not being a day that is not a business day of the Registries). Accordingly, if the time for filing any document or other thing with the Registrar expires on 14, 15, 16, 17 or 18 March 2011, and in view of the fact that 19 and 20 March 2011 are not business days, the period shall be extended to 21 March 2011.

For the avoidance of doubt, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 March 2011 are business days for the purposes of section 148 of the Patents Ordinance, section 71 of the Registered Designs Ordinance and section 89 of the Trade Marks Ordinance. Any document

duly filed with the Registrar during business hours on any one of those dates are treated as filed on that day.

Stephen SELBY

Registrar of Patents, Registrar of Designs

and Registrar of Trade Marks

14 March 2011