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Dear Sir/Madam,

Centre for Food Safety and European Commission
Regional Symposium on Regulation of Pesticide Residues in Food

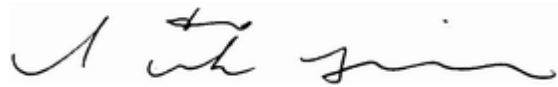
On behalf of the Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, it is my great pleasure to invite your organisation/institution to attend the Regional Symposium on Regulation of Pesticide Residues in Food, to be held on 27-28 March 2009 at Hotel Nikko Hongkong, Hong Kong, China. The Symposium is co-organised by the CFS and the European Commission (EC).

In recent years, food safety has been a subject of increased global concern and the international community has stepped up its efforts in setting safety standards of pesticide residues in food. To better protect public health, facilitate effective regulatory control and promote harmonisation between local and international standards, the CFS and the EC co-organise the Symposium to keep participants informed of the latest development in the regulation of pesticides residues in food in the international arena. The Symposium will also serve as a platform for discussion on the challenges and difficulties in the risk assessment, standard setting and regulation of pesticide residues in food. It is our honour to have a number of distinguished speakers from Mainland China and overseas food safety authorities, in addition to the experts from the European Union, to share with us their experience, expertise and insight.

Attached are a set of leaflets and posters on the Symposium. We would appreciate your assistance in disseminating the message to members/students of your organisation/institution and encouraging their participation. Interested persons are requested to complete the registration form in the leaflet (one for each participant), together with the payment and return it to our Conference Agent, Swire Travel Ltd, **by 17 March 2009**. Its contact information is set out in the leaflet. You may wish to check out our website at <http://www.cfs.gov.hk> as well for details, updates and registration of the Symposium.

We look forward to meeting your members/students at the Symposium.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Y. Ho', written in a cursive style.

(Dr. Y.Y. HO)

for Controller, Centre for Food Safety
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