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# Revenue (Reduction of Business Registration Fees and Branch Registration Fees) Order 2020

(Made by the Chief Executive under section 39A(a) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) after consultation with the Executive Council)

#### 1. Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 1 April 2020.

# 2. Interpretation

In this Order—

- branch registration certificate (分行登記證) means a branch registration certificate issued under section 6(3A) of Cap. 310;
- branch registration fee (分行登記費) means the fee set out in item 2(a)(i) or (ii) of the Table in Schedule 2 to Cap. 310;
- business registration certificate (商業登記證) means a business registration certificate issued under section 6(3) of Cap. 310;
- business registration fee (商業登記費) means the fee set out in item 1(l)(i) or (ii) of the Table in Schedule 1 to Cap. 310;
- Cap. 310 (第310章) means the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310);
- concession period (寬免期) means the period of 12 months beginning on 1 April 2020;
- *incorporation submission* (成立法團遞呈) has the meaning given by section 2(1) of Cap. 310.

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### 3. Reduction of business registration fees

- (1) The business registration fee payable in relation to a business registration certificate that is endorsed with a date of commencement that falls within the concession period is reduced by \$2,000.
- (2) The business registration fee payable under section 5A(1)(a) of Cap. 310 in relation to an incorporation submission made within the concession period is reduced by \$2,000.

## 4. Reduction of branch registration fees

The branch registration fee payable in relation to a branch registration certificate that is endorsed with a date of commencement that falls within the concession period is reduced by \$73.

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## **Explanatory Note**

This Order reduces the fee payable under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) (*Cap. 310*) for a business registration certificate or branch registration certificate that is endorsed with a date of commencement that falls within the period of 12 months beginning on 1 April 2020 (*concession period*).

2. For the fee payable under section 5A(1)(a) of Cap. 310 in relation to a submission made for forming a company under section 67 of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622), or for incorporating an open-ended fund company under section 112C of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571), the fee is also reduced if the submission is made within the concession period.