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Hon Lim Hng Kiang
Minister of Trade and Industry
Republic of Singapore

Dear Minister

I refer to the conclusion on this date of the Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement (the "Agreement") among Brunei Darussalam, Chile, New Zealand and Singapore and to your letter of (date) which reads:

"The Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade in the first instance will comprise:

Brunei Darussalam: Ismail Hj Hamdan, Construction Planning and Research Unit, Ministry of Development;

Chile: Ana Maria Vallina, Director, Ministry of the Economy;

New Zealand: Sharon Anne Blaikie, Senior Adviser, Ministry of Economic Development;

Singapore: Ng Kim Neo, Consultant, Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Work programmes will initially be established on: electrical safety and electro magnetic compatibility of electrical and electronic equipment; grading programmes for the purposes of marketing beef; and shoe labelling. Trade facilitators, relevant regulators from New Zealand, Brunei Darussalam, Chile and Singapore, members of the SEP Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade and any other expert as needed, will participate as required in these work programmes.

I would like to suggest that the work programmes on electrical safety and electromagnetic compatibility, beef grading and shoe labelling be initiated, via teleconferences of the trade facilitators, relevant regulators and stakeholders from each country, no later than November 2005."

I have the honour to confirm that the above understandings on the initial future work programme for the Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade under the Agreement are shared by my Government.

Yours sincerely