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To: All Hotel / Guesthouse Licensees or Responsible Persons
All Club Certificate of Compliance Holders or Responsible Persons

Dear Sir/Madam,

Amendment to the requirements applicable to hotel and guesthouse to differentiate persons with “Red Code” under the “Vaccine Pass”

The Government has added the “Red Code” and “Amber Code” into the “Vaccine Pass” since 9 August 2022 to differentiate persons with higher risk of infection of the COVID-19. Confirmed cases will be categorised as persons with a “Red Code”, and inbound persons from overseas places or Taiwan will be categorised as persons with an “Amber Code”. Their “Vaccine Pass” QR codes will be displayed in red or amber separately. Persons-in-charge of premises should deny entry of relevant persons to relevant premises in accordance with relevant rules.

2. In regard to the above arrangement, the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA) of the Home Affairs Department issued a letter on 9 September 2022 to remind licensees/persons-in-charge of the relevant premises the mandatory requirement to use “QR Code Verification Scanner” developed by the Government in accordance to Government Notice (GN) 828 of 2022¹.

3. The Government has later published GN 834 of 2022² on 9 September 2022 to rectify the requirements applicable to **hotel and guesthouse** to differentiate persons with “Red Code” under the “Vaccine Pass”. The corrected requirement shall be: -

Visual inspection of the vaccine pass QR code presented by customers/users/visitors (if any) must be carried out to ensure that customers/users/visitors entering the premises are not holding the “Red Code”; reasonably practicable arrangements must also be made to ensure that staff members involved in the operation of the business on the premises with the “Red Code” must not enter the premises.

¹ GN 828 of 2022 is accessible at www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/202226307e/egn202226307828.pdf

² GN 834 of 2022 is accessible at www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/pdf/202226309e/egn202226309834.pdf

4. **Club-houses** shall continue to use “QR Code Verification Scanner” developed by the Government, **unless there are part(s) of the club-house being used or operated as hotel/guesthouse** and those part(s) of the club-house shall follow the above requirement.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

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