

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE STATE ADMINISTRATION FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE  
OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA  
AND  
THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND  
ON THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION IN THE FIELD OF  
CONSUMER PROTECTION**

The State Administration for Industry and Commerce of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Iceland (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

*Recognizing* the importance of intensifying the exchange of information between the Parties in the field of consumer protection to promote the effective implementation of the laws in the respective countries, maintain fair competitive market environment as well as safe and healthy consumption environment and enhance bilateral economic and trade relations;

*Reiterating* the common wishes to promote the exchange of information and cooperation in the field of consumer protection;

*Have reached* the following understanding in conducting exchange of information in the field of consumer protection:

**Article I**

The Parties intend to use best efforts, under the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding, in accordance with the laws of the respective countries, within the jurisdiction of the Parties, to conduct the exchange of information in the field of consumer protection.

**Article II**

The Parties intend to use best efforts to exchange the information relating to:

- a) New policies, laws and regulations of the respective countries in the field of consumer protection;
- b) Innovation of the mode and method of supervision in the field of consumer protection;
- c) Prominent problems in domestic consumer complaints and cross-border consumer disputes accepted or handled by the respective countries as well as the changing tendency thereof;
- d) Other issues as agreed.

Information shall be exchanged in the English language, in written form, via electronic mail (e-mail) or post.

#### Article III

The Parties intend to use best efforts to exchange views on significant and topical issues in the field of international consumer protection.

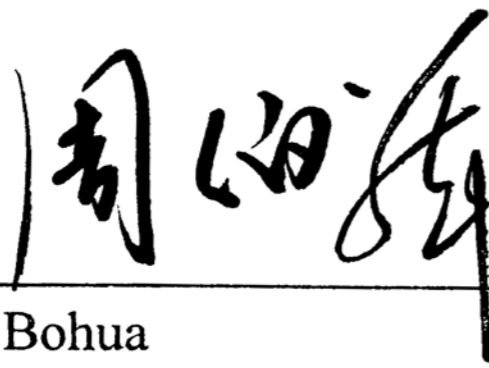
#### Article IV

This Memorandum of Understanding is not intended to create binding obligations under international law.

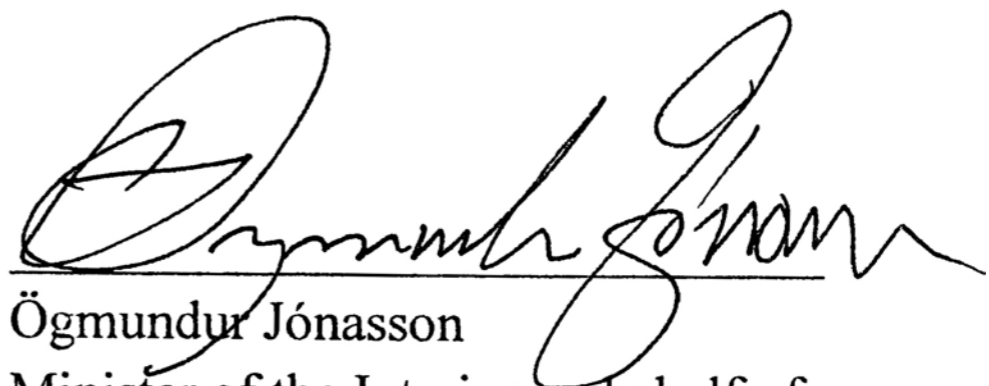
#### Article V

This Memorandum of Understanding is to take effect as of the date of the signature. Either Party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by notifying the other Party, via the methods discussed in Article II, with at least thirty (30) days advance notice.

Signed in Beijing, on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013, in duplicates, in the Chinese, Icelandic and English languages, with all three versions being equally authentic. If any discrepancies arise from the interpretation of this Memorandum of Understanding, the English version shall prevail.



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