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Dear Mr Cheung,

Eurostat welcomes the initiative of the Principles Governing International Statistical Activities.

On 24 February 2005, the EU’s Statistical Programme Committee adopted a Code of Practice for the National and Community Statistical Authorities. This is fully in line with the spirit of these principles. The Code was subsequently included in a Commission Recommendation on the Independence, Integrity and Accountability of National and Community Statistical Authorities. These authorities are bound by this Code.

Yours sincerely,

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