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Subject: State Aid NN/30/2009 – Ireland – LIP – Hotel Capital Allowances in respect of the Ritz Carlton, Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow.

Dear Sir

The Irish Authorities acknowledge the contents of the Commission's letter dated 22/02/2011 with regard to our request for non-disclosure of certain parts of the Commission's decision in relation to the above mentioned State aid measure (Commission decision of 14.04.2010, Ref. C(2010)2139 final).

We are grateful to the Commission services for examining the requested changes by the Irish authorities and accept the Commission's decision in relation to these.

The Irish authorities accept the Commission's new draft of the non-confidential version of the decision and are in agreement with the publication of the enclosed proposed versions (and as received by email on the 3rd of May 2011) in the Official Journal of the EU and on its website.

Ms. Valerie Robinson, State Aid Co-ordinator for the Department of Finance is available to discuss any or all of the above at your convenience, contact details 00 353 1 6045503.

Yours sincerely

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