# HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal Information Package For HKFE and/or SEHK Options Trading Exchange Participants

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#### 1 Introduction

The central system of HKATS is built on a fully redundant system architecture with automatic failover facility. It is able to recover automatically in the event of system failure. However, trading activities may be temporarily suspended if such automatic procedures cannot be started up and HKATS will be recovered by HKATS data centre failover procedure.

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEX") is conducting a HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal ("the Rehearsal") to provide an opportunity for Exchange Participants ("EPs") to familiarize with the contingency procedures under such emergency situation. The Rehearsal simulates the conditions on data centre failover of derivatives trading and clearing systems. The rehearsal will also cover the data centre failover of other systems of HKEX group.

EPs are required to input test trades into HKATS according to the Detailed Rundown (Appendix B) and verify all trade details after the failover.

The results of the Rehearsal will be reviewed in detail. EPs who join the Rehearsal are required to return their confirmation within one hour after the Rehearsal.

### 2 Scope and Objectives

### 2.1 Rehearsal Objectives

The main objective of the Rehearsal is to provide an opportunity for EPs to familiarize with the contingency procedures in case of HKATS data centre failover.

### 2.2 Scope

The scope of this Rehearsal includes:

- Network Connectivity
- Day Session
- Data Centre Failover
- Resumption of Trading during Day Session
- After-Hours Trading (T+1) Session

### 2.2.1 Network Connectivity

This activity ensures that the network connectivity of EPs to HKEX is in good order. HKEX will provide on-line sessions for EPs to login and perform HKATS and DCASS functions via all participant circuits.

### 2.2.2 Day Session

This session allows HKATS users to input orders and perform order execution transactions. EPs are required to follow the Detailed Rundown (Appendix B) and input a prescribed number of transactions. It also allows HKATS Risk Functions Graphical User Interface ("PTRM GUI") users to perform PTRM GUI functions.

#### 2.2.3 Data Centre Failover

This activity verifies the failover process in the unlikely event of emergency situation occurred and also to ensure the smooth operation of various derivatives systems after the data centre failover of HKATS. To ensure Exchange and Clearing Participants' systems can still be connected and running as normal after the transition from primary data centre to secondary data centre, a failover session is arranged between the two sessions. EPs' order book will be emptied after the failover, and therefore they are required to re-input the orders if needed.

### 2.2.4 Resumption of Trading during Day Session

After the failover, EPs are required to re-logon the HKATS Online, OMnet Application Programme Interface ("OAPI") and PTRM GUI. EPs should log in to these applications through pre-assigned central gateways and ports of the secondary HKEX data centre.

A 20-min Pre-Market Opening session will be available in applicable markets before the markets resume after failover.

The market re-opening times of stock futures and options markets will be 15 minutes later than other derivatives markets after the failover. This is to synchronize the re-opening times with the underlying cash markets.

EPs are required to input prescribed number of orders and transactions into HKATS and DCASS to simulate the situation and verify the entries after the failover. PTRM GUI users are recommended to perform PTRM functions.

### 2.2.5 After-Hours Trading Session

Applicable markets will move to After-Hours Trading Session after the close of the day session. This is to ensure EPs' systems are able to run a full trading day cycle after the failover.

### 3 Compliance

In order to achieve the Rehearsal objectives, it is imperative that EPs follow the Rehearsal Checklist and Detailed Rundown as stipulated in Appendix A and Appendix B. This will facilitate the Exchange staff to monitor the activities during the Rehearsal and provide a seamless flow of operations with the help of the Rehearsal Checklist and Detailed Rundown. In particular, staff of the EPs who will be involved in the Rehearsal should familiarize themselves with the requirements and procedures prior to participating in the Rehearsal.

In addition, it is advisable to maintain a proper audit trail in respect of each transaction input during the Rehearsal in accordance with the policy currently adopted by the EPs. Responsible Officer(s) or his/her designate of each participating EP should be present during the Rehearsal to supervise the process and to be responsible for relaying any issues arising during the Rehearsal to the Exchange. If this arrangement is not practicable (e.g. the Responsible Officer will be out of town during the Rehearsal), the participating EP should arrange for an appropriate senior staff to assume the role of the Responsible Officer. In any event, it is recommended that internal communications such as internal briefing should be held by each EP prior to the Rehearsal to ensure that (1) staff involved fully understands all the requirements and procedures and (2) proper arrangements have been put in place by the EPs to comply with the requirements.

### **4** EP Requirements

In order to be ready for the Rehearsal, all EPs have to meet the following requirements:

- 1. The HKATS Online workstation meets the minimum Genium configuration with Google Chrome browser as communicated to EPs;
- 2. A dedicated PC in place for PTRM GUI connection that meets the minimum configuration as communicated to EPs;
- 3. Certified OAPI applications for EPs who wish to participate through their OAPI applications; and
- 4. EPs' staff who will take part in the Rehearsal must have been trained and accredited in the operation of HKATS, the HKATS Online workstation and the PTRM GUI.

#### 5 Do's and Don'ts

#### Do's

- 1. Backup production data prior to the Rehearsal;
- 2. Delete the Java caches of HKATS Risk Function GUIs before and after the Rehearsal;
- 3. Login to HKATS as early as possible after 11:15 a.m. on day of the Rehearsal;
- 4. Ensure that the proper version of OAPI is used for the Rehearsal;
- 5. Ensure that the Checklist (Appendix A) of the Rehearsal is properly followed;
- 6. Ensure proper communication channel between the Exchange and trading operation before the Rehearsal.
- 7. Backup all relevant log files for subsequent review and make sure all testing data will not be carried forward;
- 8. Fill in and return the confirmation form to the Exchange through fax or email within one hour after the end of the Rehearsal.

#### Don'ts

- 1. Do not reboot or shut down your dedicated PC for HKATS Online workstation or PTRM GUI even if it appears to be "hanging". Please call the HKATS Hotline (2211-6360) immediately in this regard; and
- 2. Do not attempt to rectify the problem by closing any window, terminating any application programs, etc. Any such attempt would complicate rather than assist the problem diagnosis.

### 6 Help Desk

The Exchange Help Desk will respond to all EPs' inquiries during the Rehearsal. Detail is as follows:

HKATS Hotline: 2211-6360

### 7 HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal

#### 7.1 Date and Timetable

<u>The system date will be set as 7 September 2024</u>. HKATS Participants are requested to make available at least one HKATS Online workstation or one OAPI application per participated central gateway in order to take part in the Rehearsal and a dedicated PC for PTRM GUI connection.

The timetable and tasks which EPs are expected to do are as follows:

Date: 7 September 2024						
SESSION	PHASES	TIME FRAME	TASKS			
1 <sup>st</sup> Trading Session						
Login to HKATS		11:15 – 11:45	Refer to Section 1-1 of Appendix B			
Session 1	Pre-Opening	11:45 – up to	Refer to Section 1-2 of Appendix B			
Day Session ~ Pre-		11:55				
Market Opening Period	Pre-Open	After cutoff –	Refer to Section 1-3 of Appendix B			
(HSI, MHI, HHI,	Allocation	up to 11:58				
MCH, HTI, MCA,	Open Allocation	After cutoff –	Refer to Section 1-4 of Appendix B			
MTW, MWN, TWP &	1	12:00				
TWN Futures only)						
Day Session ~	Pre-Market	11:45 – 12:00	Refer to Section 1-5 of Appendix B			
Pre-Market Activities	Activities					
Session						
(except						
HSI, MHI, HHI,						
MCH, HTI, MCA,						
MTW, MWN, TWP &						
TWN Futures)						
Session 1	Open	12:00 - 12:15	Refer to Section 1-6 of Appendix B			
Day Session ~ Open						
Trading Session						
(except Stock Options						
and Stock Futures)						
Session 1	Open	12:00 - 12:15	Refer to Section 1-7 of Appendix B			
Day Session ~ Open						
Trading Session (Stock						
Options and Stock						
Futures)						
	Pause	12:15 – 12:30	Simulate contingency situation			
			occurred at HKEX's Primary Data			
			Centre			
	Failover to HKEX's Secondary Data Centre					
(12:30 – 13:10)						
2 <sup>nd</sup> Trading Session						
Login to HKATS		13:10 – 13:25	Refer to Section 2-1 of Appendix B			
Session 2	Pre-Opening	13:25 – up to	Refer to Section 2-2 of Appendix B			
Day Session ~ Pre-		13:40				
Market Opening Period						
	I	1	1			

(HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP &	Pre-Open Allocation	After cutoff – up to 13:43	Refer to Section 2-3 of Appendix B
TWN Futures only)	Open Allocation	After cutoff – 13:45	Refer to Section 2-4 of Appendix B
Day Session ~ Pre-Market Activities Session (except HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP & TWN Futures, Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Pre-Market Activities	13:35 – 13:45	Refer to Section 2-5 of Appendix B
Session 2 Day Session  ~ Open Trading Session (except Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Open	13:45 – 15:15	Refer to Section 2-6 of Appendix B
Day Session ~ Pre-Market Activities Session (Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Pre-Market Activities	13:50 – 14:00	Refer to Section 2-7 of Appendix B
Session 2 Day Session  ~ Open Trading Session (Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Open	14:00 – 15:00	Refer to Section 2-8 of Appendix B
Session 2 Day Session (Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Close	15:00	
Session 2 Day Session	Close	15:15	
AHT Session	AHT_Inact_T_ Order AHT_Pre_Mkt_	15:17 – 15:19 15:19 – 15:29	Refer to Section 3-1 of Appendix B
	Act AHT_Next_Day	15:29 – 15:30	-
AHT Session~ Open Trading Session	AHT Open	15:30 – 16:00	Refer to Section 3 -2 of Appendix B
AHT Session~ Market Close	AHT Close	16:00	
End of Rehearsal	Dayend	16:15	Fax or email Confirmation Form (Appendix C) to HKEX before <u>17:15</u>

HKEX Restore HKATS Production					
Date: 8 September 2024	Date: 8 September 2024 Post-Rehearsal Health Check (Production Connectivity) – Optional				
SESSION	PHASES	TIME FRAME	TASKS		
EP Login (Optional)		09:00 - 11:00	Refer to Section 4-1 of Appendix B		

#### 7.2 Rehearsal Checklist and Rehearsal Detailed Rundown

All users participating in the Rehearsal are required to perform all action items detailed in the Rehearsal Checklist and Rehearsal Detailed Rundown. Please refer to Appendix A and Appendix B for details.

### 7.3 HKATS Logon ID & Password

Each Participant will use the production HKATS username as in the production environment as at 10 August 2024 and temporary password of "**388testing**\$" to login HKATS to perform the Rehearsal. Each HKATS username will have the same trading rights as in the production environment as at the same date.

Participants are advised to arrange sufficient time to perform and complete connectivity procedures before the start of trading session of the Rehearsal.

### 7.4 Rehearsal Evaluation

All Participants are requested to fill in the Confirmation Form that are set out in Appendix C; and return them to the Exchange by fax or email before the prescribed deadline upon the completion of the Rehearsal. Only **ONE** confirmation form is required for each Exchange Participant.

#	Rehearsal Date	Deadline for Returning Confirmation Form
Rehearsal	7 September 2024	7 September 2024, 17:15

### 8 Typhoon, Extreme Conditions and Rainstorm Warning Arrangement

- 1. If Typhoon Signal No. 8 (or above) or Extreme Conditions or Black Rainstorm Warning is issued or continues to be in force at or after 9:00 a.m. on the day of Rehearsal, the Rehearsal will be cancelled and will not be resumed for the rest of the day.
- 2. In case Typhoon Signal No. 8 (or above) or Extreme Conditions is issued after the start of the Rehearsal, the Rehearsal will be terminated 15 minutes thereafter.
- 3. In case Black Rainstorm Warning is issued during the Rehearsal, all scheduled activities of the Rehearsal will continue as normal.

#### **9 EP Communication Channels**

During the Rehearsal, HKEX will communicate with EPs via the Market Messages Window on HKATS

### **APPENDIX A: Rehearsal Checklist**

	Items to be checked	✓
(A)	Before the Rehearsal	
1	Have you read and understood this document ("HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal Information Package for HKFE and/or SEHK Options Trading Exchange Participants")?	
2	Have you passed this document to your internal IT support team or system vendor and ensured that they would make follow-up action (if necessary)?	
3	Have you ensured that the HKATS username (as at 10 Aug 2024) and temporary password (reset to "388testing\$") are ready for use in the Rehearsal?	
4	If you would connect your HKATS OAPI in the Rehearsal, have you completed the certification process?	
5	Have you discussed with your clearing operation team about the coordination in preparation and execution of the Rehearsal?	
<b>(B)</b>	After the Rehearsal	
1	Have you submitted the Rehearsal Confirmation Form before 17:15?	

### APPENDIX B: HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal Detailed Rundown

SECTION	Тіме		ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
1-1 Login	11:15	11:45	<ul> <li>Login HKATS by using the HKATS username as of 10 Aug 2024 and password "388testing\$"</li> <li>Login PTRM GUI by using the Login</li> </ul>	
			ID as of 10 Aug 2024 and password "388testing\$"	
	11:45		Pre-market Opening	Applies to EPs who have trading right in HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP & TWN futures markets.
1-2 Pre-	11:45	Up to 11:55	Enter 5 AO orders (either buy or sell) in HSIU4 during PREOPEN	Order information updated in Order Book window.
Opening			Enter 2 limit orders (either buy or sell) at a price of 17000 in HSIU4 during PREOPEN	Random cutoff from 11:54
			No action is required for EPs with Stock Options trading right only	
1-3	After	Up to	No Action required	Random cutoff from 11:57
Pre-Open Allocation	cutoff	11:58		
1-4	After	11:59	No Action required	
Open Allocation	cutoff			
Pause	11:59	12:00	No Action required	Orders matched during PAUSE will be updated in Trade History and Ticker windows.
1-5	11:45	12:00	Pre-Market Activities	Applies to EPs who have trading
Pre-Market Activities				right in products other than HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP & TWN futures
Open	12:00		<u>Market Open</u> (except Stock Options/Stock Futures)	

SECTION	TIME		ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
1-6 Open	12:00	12:15	Open Trading	
1-6 (cont'd)	12:00	12:15	Requirement:  • Enter a limit order (either bid at 16900 or ask at 17000) of 30 lots in HSIU4  • Execute 25 order transactions with 1 lot each in HSIU4	Order information updated in Order Book window.      Price Depth and Order Depth window updated in accordingly.      Trade History window updated accordingly.      Price Information window updated accordingly.
Open	12:00		<u>Market Open</u> ( <u>Stock Options/Stock Futures)</u>	
1-7 Open	12:00	12:15	Open Trading Requirement:  For EPs with Stock Options trading right only:  • Enter a limit order (either bid at 3.85 or ask at 3.95) of 30 lots in HKB60.00I4  • Execute 25 order transactions with 1 lot each in HKB60.00I4	<ul> <li>Observations</li> <li>'TSS' field of Price Information window changes to OPEN after market open.</li> <li>Order information updated in Order Book window.</li> <li>Price Depth and Order Depth window updated in accordingly.</li> <li>Trade History window updated accordingly.</li> <li>Price Information window updated accordingly.</li> </ul>
Pause	12:15	12:30	Simulate contingency situation occurred at HKEX's Primary Data Centre	
	12:30	13:10	Failover to HKEX's Secondary Data Centre	All applications will be logged out from HKATS and DCASS

SECTION	Тіме		ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
2-1 Login	13:10	13:25	Re-login to HKATS by using the HKATS username and password "388testing\$"  (Users should connect pre-assigned central gateways and ports at the secondary HKEX data centre)  Order book should be empty  Verify all trade details executed before the failover  Re-login to PTRM GUI by using the Login ID and password "388testing\$"  (PTRM GUI users should connect pre-assigned central gateways and ports at the secondary HKEX data centre)	All trade details are reloaded in the Trade History window.
	13:25		Pre-market Opening	Applies to EPs who have trading right in HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP & TWN futures markets.
2-2 Pre- Opening	13:25	Up to 13:40	<ul> <li>Enter 5 AO orders (either buy or sell) in HSIU4 during PREOPEN</li> <li>Enter 2 limit orders (either buy or sell) at a price of 17000 in HSIU4 during PREOPEN</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Order information updated in Order Book window.</li> <li>Random cutoff from 13:39</li> </ul>
2-3 Pre-Open Allocation	After cutoff	Up to 13:43	No Action required	Random cutoff from 13:42
2-4 Open Allocation	After cutoff	13:44	No Action required	
Pause	13:44	13:45	No Action required	Orders matched during PAUSE will be updated in Trade History and Ticker windows.
2-5 Pre-Market Activities	13:35	13:45	Pre-Market Activities  (except HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP, TWN Futures, Stock Options and Stock Futures)	Applies to EPs who have trading right in products other than HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, HTI, MCA, MTW, MWN, TWP & TWN Futures, Stock Options and Stock Futures

SECTION	TIME		ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
Open	13:45		Market Open (except Stock Options/ Stock Futures)	
2-6 Open	13:45	15:15	<ul> <li>Open Trading</li> <li>Requirement:</li> <li>Enter a limit order of 30 lots (either bid at 16900 or ask at 17000) in HSIU4</li> <li>Execute 10 order transactions with 1 lot each in HSIU4</li> </ul>	Observations  TSS' field of Price Information window changes to OPEN after market open. (OPEN_DPL for HSI futures, HHI futures, HTI futures, MHI futures and MCH futures)  Order information updated in Order Book window.  Price Depth and Order Depth window updated in accordingly.  Trade History window updated accordingly.  Price Information window updated accordingly.
2-7 Pre-Market Activities	13:50	14:00	Pre-Market Activities (Stock Options/ Stock Futures)	Applies to EPs with Stock Options trading right only
Open	14:00		Market Open (Stock Options/ Stock Futures)	
2-8 Open	14:00	15:00	Open Trading Requirement:  For EPs with Stock Options trading right only:  • Enter a limit order (either bid at 3.85 or ask at 3.95) of 30 lots in HKB60.0014  • Execute 25 order transactions with 1 lot each in HKB60.0014	Observations  TSS' field of Price Information window changes to OPEN after market open.  Order information updated in Order Book window.  Price Depth and Order Depth window updated in accordingly.  Trade History window updated accordingly.
Close	15:00		Market Close (Stock Options/ Stock <u>Futures)</u>	Price Information window updated accordingly.      'TSS' field of Price Information window changes to CLOSE

SECTION	TIME		ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
Close	15:15		<u>Market Close</u>	'TSS' field of Price Information     window changes to     CLOSE_TODAY /     CLOSE_TODAY_E for     instruments with AHT session.     Other instruments changes to     CLOSE.
	15:17	15:19	Orders without T+1 option enabled in  AHT products will be inactivated	<ul> <li>Orders for AHT products         WITHOUT T+1 option enabled         will be inactivated.</li> <li>Orders for AHT products WITH         T+1 option enabled will be carried         forwarded to T+1 session.</li> </ul>
3-1 AHT Pre- Market Activities	15:19	15:30	No Action required	• Nil
AHT Open	15:30		Market Open for AHT products	
3-2 AHT Open	15:30	16:00	<ul> <li>AHT Market Open</li> <li>Requirement:</li> <li>Enter a limit order (either bid at 16900 or ask at 17000) of 30 lots in HSIU4</li> <li>Execute 25 order transactions with 1 lot each in HSIU4</li> <li>No action is required for EPs who participate in day session only</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>'TSS' field of Price Information window changes to         AHT_OPEN_PL / AHT_OPEN for instruments with AHT session.         Other instruments still remain as CLOSE.</li> <li>Order information updated in Order Book window.</li> <li>Price Depth and Order Depth window updated in accordingly.</li> <li>Trade History window updated accordingly.</li> <li>Price Information window updated accordingly.</li> </ul>
AHT Close	16:00		AHT Market Close	'TSS' field of Price Information     window changes to AHT_CLOSE     / AHT_CLOSE_E for instruments     with AHT session. Other     instruments show CLOSE.

SECTION	TIME	ACTION	EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS
	16:15	Rehearsal End  Logout HKATS  Fax or email Confirmation Form (Appendix C) to HKEX before 17:15  (Optional) EPs could enroll in the Post-Rehearsal Health Check on 8 Sep 2024 by calling HKATS Hotline	EPs are reminded to restore the production connection to HKEX's Primary Data Center for the following Monday, 9 Sep 2024

Date: 8 September 2024 Post-Rehearsal Health Check (Production Connectivity) – Optional

SECTION	TIME	ACTION		EXPECTED RESULTS/OBSERVATIONS		
4-1	09:00	11:00	•	EP login HKATS production network for confirmation of system healthiness	•	User could logon successfully with production username and password

# APPENDIX C: Regular HKATS Data Centre Failover Rehearsal (Rehearsal) – Confirmation Form

To: HKEX – Derivatives Trac Email: <a href="mailto:hkex.co">hkex.co</a>	_	Fax: 2509-0724 / 2877-0017					
Particulars of Exchange Parti	cipant						
Mnemonic / Firm ID	Participant Name						
Responsible Officer (or Design	nate)						
Name		Signature					
Phone							
Participants are requested to complete this form and return it to HKEX by 17:15 on September 2024 (Saturday). The form should be completed by the individual(s) who took part in the Rehearsal and reviewed by a Responsible Officer. The evaluation will assist the Exchange to confirm the status of HKATS. Participants' cooperation will be much appreciated.  We confirm that the Rehearsal has been successfully conducted.  We encountered the following problem(s) during the Rehearsal:							
By returning this form, we cons Privacy Policy Statement.	ent to the processing	g of personal data in accordance with the					

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If you do not wish to receive any promotional and direct marketing materials from us or do not wish to receive particular types of promotional and direct marketing materials or do not wish to receive such materials through any particular means of communication, please contact us through one of the communication channels set out in the "Contact Us" section below. To ensure that your request can be processed quickly please provide your full name, email address, log in name and details of the product and/or service you have subscribed.

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- 2. supplied to any agent, contractor or third party who provides administrative, telecommunications,

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#### Corporate reorganisation

As we continue to develop our business, we may reorganise our group structure, undergo a change of control or business combination. In these circumstances it may be the case that your personal data is transferred to a third party who will continue to operate our business or a similar service under either this Privacy Policy Statement or a different privacy policy statement which will be notified to you. Such a third party may be located, and use of your personal data may be made, outside of Hong Kong in connection with such acquisition or reorganisation.

#### Access and correction of personal data

Under the PDPO, you have the right to ascertain whether we hold your personal data, to obtain a copy of the data, and to correct any data that is inaccurate. You may also request us to inform you of the type of personal data held by us. All data access requests shall be made using the form prescribed by the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data ("Privacy Commissioner") which may be found on the official website of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner or via this link <a href="https://www.pcpd.org.hk/english/publications/files/Dforme.pdf">https://www.pcpd.org.hk/english/publications/files/Dforme.pdf</a>

Requests for access and correction of personal data or for information regarding policies and practices and kinds of data held by us should be addressed in writing and sent by post to us (see the "Contact Us" section below).

A reasonable fee may be charged to offset our administrative and actual costs incurred in complying with your data access requests.

#### Termination or cancellation

Should your account or relationship with us be cancelled or terminated at any time, we shall cease processing your personal data as soon as reasonably practicable following such cancellation or termination, provided that we may keep copies of your data as is reasonably required for archival purposes, for use in relation to any actual or potential dispute, for the purpose of compliance with applicable laws and regulations and for the purpose of enforcing any agreement we have with you, for protecting our rights, property or safety, or the rights, property or safety of our employees, and for performing or discharging our functions, obligations and responsibilities.

#### General

If there is any inconsistency or conflict between the English and Chinese versions of this Privacy Policy Statement, the English version shall prevail.

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