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Dear Mr Tung,

Thank you for your letter (by facsimile) dated 1 April 2015 regarding the requirements for passport validity when travelling to Australia.

Australia requires validity only for the period of stay as granted by the relevant visa or Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). We are aware, however, that some airlines may impose their own requirements on passport validity. As such, we would advise travellers to check with their airline directly.

You may be interested to know that Australia continues to improve the ease of travel for tourists. Holders of a HKSAR passport are eligible for the ETA, while the holders of most other passports, including PRC and Macau SAR passports, can now benefit from label-free visas through online applications.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Tighe