

**Consideration of public interest in decision to prosecute**

**Research study**

To follow up on Hon Emily's LAU's request for a research study to be conducted on an agenda item proposed by her at a previous meeting, the following scope of research study is proposed for the Panel's consideration -

"To study how and to what extent is "public interest" a matter for consideration when prosecuting authorities decide whether or not to prosecute in some common law jurisdictions."

2. Subject to members' view on the above, a draft outline of the research study will be prepared by the Research and Library Services Division and circulated to the Panel for agreement shortly.