Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001

Outstanding issues relating to the Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001

I Scope of proposed liberalization

According to the Administration, parallel importation of the following copyright products will be liberalized under the Bill:

- (a) computer software for business application;
- (b) non-feature films for educational and entertainment purposes;
- (c) electronic publications; and
- (d) interactive computer software, such as educational software and computer games.

II Inclusion of film and music clips in computer software allowed for parallel importation

- (a) The Administration's revised proposal to apply a 15-minute test for movie clips;
- (b) The Administration's new proposal to apply a 10-minute limit for television drama; and
- (c) the Administration's proposal to adopt the economic-value approach for musical recordings.

III Geographical restriction on use of computer software

Civil liability in relation to violation of geographical restriction on use of parallel imported computer software. The Administration has also been requested to consider measures to address members' concern on the matter.

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