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**Bills Committee on
Registration of Persons (Amendment) Bill 2001**

**Minutes of the first meeting
held on Wednesday, 10 July 2002 at 10:45 am
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon IP Kwok-him, JP (Chairman)
Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP
Hon Margaret NG
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon SIN Chung-kai
Hon Howard YOUNG, JP
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Members absent : Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, JP
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP

Public Officers attending : Mr Michael WONG
Deputy Secretary
Security Bureau

Mr Alan CHU
Principal Assistant Secretary
Security Bureau

Miss May CHAN
Assistant Secretary
Security Bureau

Mr Michael V STONE
E-government Coordinator
Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau

Ms Joyce TAM
Principal Assistant Secretary
Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau

Miss Amy CHAN
Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Mr WONG Tat-po
Deputy Director
Immigration Department

Mr Raymond WONG Wai-man
Assistant Director
Immigration Department

Mr TSOI Hon-kuen
Principal Immigration Officer
Immigration Department

Clerk in attendance : Mrs Sharon TONG
Chief Assistant Secretary (2) 1

Staff in attendance : Mr Arthur CHEUNG
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Ms Dora WAI
Senior Assistant Secretary (2) 4

Mr Raymond LAM
Senior Assistant Secretary (2) 5

I. Election of Chairman

Mr IP Kwok-him was elected Chairman of the Bills Committee.

II. Meeting with the Administration

2. The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).
3. The Administration was requested to provide the following for members' reference -
 - (a) Latest information on the experience of using smart identity (ID) cards in overseas countries as well as the related legislation in these countries, and a comparison of the proposed smart ID card scheme with that adopted in overseas countries. The comparison should include information on how the privacy of personal data was safeguarded; and
 - (b) An information paper setting out the details of the four major areas in the Bill, namely proposals relating to changes brought about by the smart element of the new ID card and revised work processes, proposals relating to the inclusion of non-immigration applications in the smart ID card, proposals relating to the protection of data privacy, and proposals relating to the launching of the ID card replacement exercise.
4. Members noted that Mr James TO had attended a symposium on smart ID card organised by the University of Hong Kong. Miss Margaret NG suggested that the relevant information obtained from the symposium be provided to members for reference.
5. Miss Margaret NG said that she had learnt that the proposal of implementing a smart ID card scheme in the United Kingdom had received a lot of negative comments by experts in the territory. Miss NG suggested that the Secretariat should try to gather articles written by these experts on the drawbacks of implementing a smart ID card scheme for members' reference.

III. Date of next meeting

6. The Bills Committee agreed that the next meeting would be held in late September/early October 2002 to consider the requested information to be provided by respective parties. The Bills Committee would also receive a presentation by the Administration on the new work processes to be adopted after the implementation of the smart ID card scheme, especially in terms of how the privacy of personal data could be safeguarded.
7. The Bills Committee also agreed that a meeting to receive public views on the Bill be held some time in October 2002 after the Administration's presentation referred to in paragraph 6 above was received. Mr James TO suggested that the experts who shared their expertise on smart ID card with participants of the symposium referred to in paragraph 4 above be invited to give views on the Bill. In addition, the Bills Committee should also invite the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data to give further views, if any, on the Bill.

(Post-meeting note : The next two meetings were scheduled for 4 October 2002 at 10:45 am and 11 October 2002 at 9:00 am. As agreed by the Chairman of the Bills Committee and Hon James TO, Chairman of the Panel on Security, the Administration's presentation would be conducted at the meeting on 4 October 2002, and members of the Panel on Security would also be invited to the meeting.)

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 11:30 am.

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**Proceedings of the first meeting of the
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Time	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
000000 - 000053	Dr David CHU Mr LAU Kong-wah Mr Howard YOUNG Mr IP Kwok-him	Election of Chairman	
000053 - 000145	Chairman	Work schedule of the Bills Committee	
000145 - 000227	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
000227 - 000256	Chairman	- ditto -	
000256 - 000424	Miss Margaret NG	(a) Information on past discussions by the Panel on Security in respect of the HKSAR ID Card Project; and (b) Relevant information obtained from the symposium on smart ID card organised by the University of Hong Kong	Clerk to obtain the relevant information set out in (b)
000424 - 000703	Chairman	Work schedule of the Bills Committee	
000703 - 000828	Mr SIN Chung-kai	(a) Invitation of public views on the Bill; and (b) Latest information on the experience of using smart ID cards in overseas countries as well as the related legislation in these countries	
000828 - 000831	Chairman	- ditto -	
000831 - 000856	Mr SIN Chung-kai	- ditto -	
000856 - 000933	Chairman	- ditto -	
000933 - 001051	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
001051 - 001201	Miss Margaret NG	(a) Articles written by experts in the United Kingdom on the drawbacks of implementing a smart ID card scheme (b) Timetable for completing the scrutiny of the Bill	Secretariat to try to gather the articles set out in (a)
001201 - 001307	Mr James TO	Work schedule of the Bills Committee	
001307 - 001317	Chairman	- ditto -	
001317 - 001410	Ms Audrey EU	New work processes to be adopted after the implementation of the smart ID card scheme, especially in terms of how the privacy of personal data could be safeguarded	
001410 - 001421	Chairman	- ditto -	
001421 - 001424	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
001424 - 001500	Mr SIN Chung-kai	Work schedule of the Bills Committee	

Time	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
001500 - 001559	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
001559 - 001711	Chairman	- ditto -	
001711 - 002108	Admin	(a) Timetable for implementing the smart ID card scheme; (b) Protection of privacy of personal data; and (c) Introduction on the Bill	
002108 - 002135	Chairman	Major areas for discussion	
002135 - 002150	Mrs Selina CHOW	Presentation on the new work processes to be adopted after the implementation of the smart ID card scheme, especially in terms of how the privacy of personal data could be safeguarded	
002150 - 002220	Admin	- ditto -	
002220 - 002241	Chairman	Timing of the presentation	
002241 - 002306	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
002306 - 002357	Mr SIN Chung-kai	- ditto -	
002357 - 002428	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
002428 - 002504	Chairman	- ditto -	
002504 - 002603	Mr SIN Chung-kai	Work schedule of the Bills Committee	
002603 - 002648	Chairman	Timing of the meeting to receive public views on the Bill	
002648 - 002708	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
002708 - 002713	Chairman	- ditto -	
002713 - 002854	Mr SIN Chung-kai Mrs Selina CHOW Chairman	- ditto -	
002854 - 002949	Chairman	- ditto -	
002949- 003007	Mr James TO	Parties to be invited to give views on the Bill	
003007 - 003027	Mrs Selina CHOW	Overseas experience of using smart ID cards	
003027 - 003106	Admin	- ditto -	
003106 - 003159	Mr SIN Chung-kai	Latest information on the experience of using smart ID cards in overseas countries as well as the related legislation in these countries, and a comparison of the proposed smart ID card scheme with that adopted in overseas countries	
003159 - 003215	Admin	- ditto -	Admin to provide the information
003215 - 003237	Mr SIN Chung-kai	- ditto -	

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003237 - 003343	Chairman	Information paper setting out the details of the four major areas in the Bill	
003343 - 003349	Admin	- ditto -	Admin to provide an information paper
003349 - 003426	Mr James TO	Information on how the privacy of personal data was safeguarded to be included in the comparison requested by Mr SIN Chung-kai	
003426 - 003458	Mrs Selina CHOW	Timing of the presentation	
003458 - 003510	Admin	- ditto -	
003510 - 003521	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
003521 - 003609	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
003609 - 003616	Chairman	- ditto -	
003616 - 003647	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
003647 - 003651	Chairman	- ditto -	
003651 - 003704	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
003704 - 003725	Admin	- ditto -	
003725 - 003819	Mrs Selina CHOW Chairman	- ditto -	
003819 - 003906	Chairman	Date of next meeting	
003906 - 003925	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
003925 - 003956	Chairman	- ditto -	
003956 - 004008	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
004008 - 004021	Chairman	- ditto -	
004021 - 004035	Mr James TO	- ditto -	
004035 - 004119	Mrs Selina CHOW	- ditto -	
004119 - 004159	Chairman	- ditto -	

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