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next session if extended by resolution)

PART I AMENDMENT TO SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

Tax Reserve Certificates (Fourth Series) Rules (Cap. 289 sub. leg. A)
Tax Reserve Certificates (Rate of interest) (No. 4) Notice 2004 (L.N. 106)

This Notice fixes at 0.050% per annum the rate of interest payable on tax reserve certificates issued on or after 7 June 2004.

PART II COMMENCEMENT NOTICES

Broadcasting Ordinance (Cap. 562)
Broadcasting (Amendment) Ordinance 2004 (8 of 2004) (Commencement) Notice 2004 (L.N. 107)

- 2. The Secretary for Commerce, Industry and Technology appoints 7 July 2004 as the day on which the Broadcasting (Amendment) Ordinance 2004 (8 of 2004) ("the Amendment Ordinance") shall come into operation.
- 3. The Amendment Ordinance is to amend the Broadcasting Ordinance (Cap. 562) to introduce both civil remedies and criminal sanction against the use or possession of unauthorized decoders for commercial purposes and provide civil remedies against the use or possession of unauthorized decoders to view subscription television programmes. A Bills Committee was formed to scrutinize the relevant Bill. The Bill was passed by this Council on 5 May 2004. The commencement date of the Amendment Ordinance has not been discussed in the Panel on Commerce and Industry.

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Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60)
Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2004 (L.N. 65 of 2004) (Commencement) Notice 2004 (L.N. 108)

- 4. The Director-General of Trade and Industry appoints 11 June 2004 as the day on which the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2004 (L.N. 65 of 2004) ("the Order") shall come into operation.
- 5. The Order revises Schedule 1 to the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Cap. 60 sub. leg. G) to reflect the latest changes in the control lists of strategic commodities adopted by various international non-proliferation regimes. These commodities include materials, equipment, software and technology capable of use for both industrial and military purposes.
- 6. This Commencement Notice has not been discussed in the Panel on Commerce and Industry.
- 7. No difficulties in relation to the legal and drafting aspects of the above Legal Notices have been identified.

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