

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

List of follow-up actions
(Position as at 17 March 2004)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up actions required	Administration's response
1. Transcript fees	23 June 2003	The Judiciary Administration has been requested to respond in writing to the questions raised by members relating to the criteria for charging of transcript fees and the impact of the high transcript fees on court users, in particular the appellants.	Response awaited. The Judiciary Administration has been reminded to provide a written response as soon as possible.
2. Use of official languages for conducting court proceedings	23 February 2004	<p>The Judiciary Administration has been requested to -</p> <p>(a) provide statistics on applications made by defendants for the court proceedings to be conducted in Chinese, the number of the applications rejected and the reasons for refusal;</p> <p>(b) advise whether there were delays in hearings due to the need to provide a bilingual judge to conduct the trial in Chinese, and the extent of such delays, if any;</p> <p>(c) provide statistics on hearings involving unrepresented parties and a breakdown of such hearings conducted in Chinese and English respectively;</p> <p>(d) provide statistics on court judgments with translated version; and</p>	Response awaited.

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		(e) provide the guidelines issued by the Chief Judge of the High Court in 1998 for the judges on the use of Chinese in court proceedings.	

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