

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

List of follow-up actions

(Position as at 12 February 2004)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up actions required	Administration's response
1. Election expense limits for the 2004 Legislative Council (LegCo) elections	15 December 2003	<p>The Administration has been requested to -</p> <p>(a) follow up with RTHK on extending the duration of free air time for candidates to participate in electioneering programmes on TV and radio; and</p> <p>(b) provide a comparison on the election expense limits in Hong Kong, Japan and Singapore, and the formula adopted for calculating the limits.</p>	Response awaited.
2. Guidelines on election-related activities issued by the Electoral Affairs Commission	15 December 2003	<p>The Administration/Electoral Affairs Commission has been requested to -</p> <p>(a) consider whether special polling arrangements should be adopted to facilitate electors in voting;</p> <p>(b) clarify when expenses incurred would be counted as election expenses;</p> <p>(c) consider the suggestion that the amount of election expenses incurred by candidates of a joint election advertisement should be calculated in proportion to their respective limits on election expenses or the number of registered electors in a given Geographical/Functional Constituency;</p>	Response awaited.

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		<p>(d) consider whether arrangements could be made for candidates to submit copies of election advertisements to Returning Officers on weekends for the convenience of candidates;</p> <p>(e) address members' concerns relating to obtaining the written consent of person(s) whose pictorial representation was included in an election advertisement;</p> <p>(f) respond to the submission of the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment of Hong Kong (DAB) on "Review of elections";</p> <p>(g) review the requirement for candidates to declare details of dates of absence from Hong Kong in the nomination form; and</p> <p>(h) review the process of striking off registered electors from the electoral register.</p> <p>The Administration/Electoral Affairs Commission has been requested to provide a written response in February/March 2004.</p>	