Panel on Security

<u>List of follow-up actions</u> (position as at 27 October 2004)

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1.	Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals	4 April 2003 (Joint meeting with the Panel on Manpower)	The Administration agreed to provide members with progress reports on the Scheme on a regular basis.	Progress report on the Scheme for the period from 1 November 2003 to 31 March 2004 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)2124/03-04 on 22 April 2004.
2.	Progress of review of the Interception of Communications Ordinance (IOCO)	2 April 2004	The Administration was requested to - (a) provide members with a list of problems associated with IOCO, advise members of the latest development of its work in addressing the problems, inform members of the options being considered and the Administration's inclination on the way forward regarding interception of communications; and	Response awaited.

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	10 June 2004	 (i) the scope of the Chief Executive's discretion under Article 64 of the Basic Law and section 1(2) of IOCO in deciding whether and when IOCO should come into operation; and (ii) the criteria for determining whether and when IOCO should come into operation. The Administration was requested - (a) to advise the year from which requests for interception of communications had to be approved by the Chief Executive on a case-by-case basis; and (b) to confirm whether internal guidelines had been issued to the law enforcement agencies on the requirement referred to in paragraph (a) above. 	Response awaited. - Ditto - - Ditto -

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3.	Issues relating to the incident on 2 April 2004 where protestors were removed from the area outside the Central Government Offices	8 April 2004	The Administration was requested to - (a) provide the Police's guidelines on Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)39/04-05 on 13 October 2004.
			(b) provide information about the relative timing of the injury of a Police officer and the removal of reporters by Police officers;
			c) confirm whether a government official had contacted a newspaper company at 4:30 am on 2 April 2004 stating that removal action would be taken and requesting it to withdraw its reporters from the spot;
			(d) provide information on the sequence of events relating to the requests of protestors and the respective responses of the Administration Wing on 1 and 2 April 2004; and

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		(e) provide a response on the suggestion that the Police should include in their internal guidelines certain actions and postures, such as "throat-locking" when dragging a person, which should be avoided when carrying out removal actions.	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)39/04-05 on 13 October 2004.
4. Policy on integrity checking for disciplined forces	13 May 2004	The Administration was requested to - (a) advise whether integrity checking on disciplined forces between 2001 and 2003 had resulted in disciplinary actions such as interdiction from duty or termination of employment;	Response awaited.
		(b) provide a comparison between the integrity checking on civil servants and background checks on persons to be appointed to advisory committees and persons to be appointed Justices of the Peace;	- Diuo -

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		(c) advise on the government department, besides the Fire Services Department and the Hong Kong Police Force, where the promotion of an officer was denied as a result of information revealed from integrity checking in the past three years;
		(d) provide a paper explaining Ditto - (i) the types of integrity checks applicable to civil servants and other public officers, such as principal officials and the chairmen and members of advisory bodies;
		(ii) the types of integrity checks conducted at different stages, such as those conducted on appointment or promotion;
		(iii) the persons responsible for conducting integrity checks and how integrity checks were conducted;

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		(iv) measures to ensure that integrity checks were conducted independently;	
		(e) provide the Police's new internal guideline on the declaration by a Police officer on his spouse's or dependent's interest in the entertainment business; and	Response awaited.
		(f) advise whether disciplined forces other than the Police had laid down reporting requirements on the interest of an officer's spouse or dependent in the entertainment business.	- Ditto -
5. Police's handling of cases of intimidation or violence against public figures which may be relating to their public comments	25 May 2004	The Administration was requested to provide, in relation to the 48 criminal cases against public figures between 1 January 2003 and 20 May 2004 -	
		(a) more information about the cases, including the number of cases not reported by the victims and information about the victims and detection of the eight detected cases; and	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)3206/03-04 on 5 August 2004.

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			(b) information about criminal cases against Legislative Council Members.	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)3206/03-04 on 5 August 2004.
6.	Measures to combat robbery of hikers and provision of emergency assistance to hikers	10 June 2004	The Administration was requested to consider seeking sponsorship from enterprises for the installation of more Emergency Helplines and report to the Panel in six months' time.	Response awaited.
7.	Police's measures to combat crime directed at visitors	10 June 2004	The Administration was requested to provide - (a) information on the number of detected cases, prosecutions and the penalty levels involved in the 57 deception cases involving audio shops in the first quarter of 2003; and	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)3129/03-04 on 20 July 2004.
			(b) a breakdown of the 224 persons arrested on suspicion of participating in pickpocketing and a breakdown of the victims.	- Ditto -

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8.	Administration's policy towards Mainland public security officials taking enforcement actions in Hong Kong	28 June 2004	 (a) to provide statistics regarding overseas police officers' visits to Hong Kong to undertake investigation duties in the past three years; and (b) to provide within the 2003-04 legislative session the reply from the relevant Mainland public security authorities on the confirmation on the identity of the arrested persons and the purpose of their visit to Hong Kong. 	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)3094/03-04 on 15 July 2004. - Ditto -

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9.	Progress of implementation of proposals of the Interdepartmental Working Group on the Law Reform Commission Report on Arrest	6 July 2004	The Police was requested to consider amending the caution statement "唔係事必要你講,除非你自己想講,但你所講的,可能用筆紀錄及用作證供。" along the lines of "你有權保持緘默。保持緘默不會對你構成不利。如你自願作供,供詞將予紀錄,且或會成爲呈堂證供。" and revert to the Panel.	Response awaited.

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