Bills Committee on Hazardous Chemicals Control Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 13 April 2007

- (1) To advise the action which the Administration can take against scheduled chemicals from unknown source which are kept together with products containing such chemicals if possession of scheduled chemicals is not subject to control under the Bill.
- (2) To explain the consequences in the event that the Government/related officials are in breach of the Bill, particularly when it is the Administration's policy that criminal liability is not imposed on the Government/public officers while clause 4 provides that the Bill binds the Government. To also advise whether express provisions for exemption of liability and disciplinary mechanism should be provided in the Bill, similar to other environmental protection legislation.
- (3) To consider revising clause 44(c)(i) along the following line –

"it is addressed to the body and delivered to any place in Hong Kong at which the body carries on business and giving to a person apparently concerned in the management of, or apparently employed by, the body; or"

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