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Legislative Council  
Legislative Council Building  
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Dear Ms Tai,

**Subcommittee on Security and Guarding Services  
(Fees) (Amendment) Regulation 2006**

The Administration has carefully considered Members' views against the upward adjustment of the issue and renewal fee of security personnel permits expressed at the meeting of the Subcommittee on 8 June 2006.

As the Administration explained at the meeting, it is Government policy that fees charged by the Government should in general be set at levels adequate to recover the full cost of providing the goods or services and costing reviews are conducted periodically in line with this policy. An updated costing review of the various permits and licences stipulated under the Security and Guarding Services (Fees) Regulation was completed in 2005, which has shown that the cost for the issue and renewal of permits is higher than the present fee, and the cost for the issue, renewal and replacement of various licences is lower than the present fees. The existing fees should therefore be revised upward or downward accordingly in accordance with the policy of full-cost recovery. The Administration also explained that the \$10-increase of the permit issue and renewal fee was essentially attributable to increased staff cost incurred by the Police in

conducting more supervisory and random checks as recommended by the Independent Commission Against Corruption.

Having regard to Members' concern, however, the Administration has decided not to proceed with the proposed increase at this stage. The Secretary for Security intends to move a resolution on 5 July 2006 to amend the amendment regulation to this effect. A draft of the resolution is attached. I should be grateful if you could inform Members of this.

Yours sincerely,

(Amy Wong)  
for Secretary for Security

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C of P (Attn: Ms Angela Chiu)

DoJ (Attn: Ms Carmen Chu)

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## **INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL CLAUSES ORDINANCE**

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### **RESOLUTION**

**(Under section 34(2) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance  
(Cap. 1))**

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### **SECURITY AND GUARDING SERVICES (FEES) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2006**

**RESOLVED** that the Security and Guarding Services (Fees) (Amendment) Regulation 2006, published in the Gazette as Legal Notice No. 104 of 2006 and laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 24 May 2006, be amended –

- (a)** by repealing section 2;
- (b)** in section 3(1), by adding “to the Security and Guarding Services (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 460 sub. leg. A)” after “Schedule 2”.