## 立法會 Legislative Council

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## Paper for the House Committee Meeting on 2 March 2007

## Legal Service Division Report on Subsidiary Legislation Gazetted on 23 February 2007

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Amendment to be made by : 28 March 2007 (or 18 April 2007 if

extended by resolution)

Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) Specification of Public Office Notice 2007 (L.N. 30)

This Notice specifies the Collector of Stamp Revenue (the Collector) as the public officer for the purposes of the provisions of the Betting Duty Ordinance (Cap. 108) and Betting Duty Regulations (Cap. 108 sub. leg. A) listed in the Schedule to the Notice. Those provisions confer on the Collector a number of duties and powers for the purposes of horse race betting duty assessment and collection. Details of the powers and duties vested in the Collector under those provisions are set out in Annex B to the LegCo Brief (File ref: FIN/CR 1/2311/92) issued by the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau on 21 February 2007. Members may refer to the LegCo Brief for details.

- 2. The effect of this Notice is to enable the Collector to delegate the exercise of his powers and performance of duties relating to the administration of horse race betting duty under the Betting Duty Ordinance and Betting Duty Regulations to any other public officer, or to the person for the time being holding any office designated by the Collector to exercise such powers and perform such duties on his behalf.
- 3. This Notice will come into operation on 30 March 2007.

Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel Ordinance (2 of 2007)
Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel Ordinance (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 31)

- 4. By this Notice, the Secretary for Security appoints 20 April 2007 as the day on which the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel Ordinance (2 of 2007) (the Ordinance) will come into operation.
- 5. The Ordinance implements Articles 9 and 10(1) of the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel to ensure the safety and security of United Nations and associated personnel. The Ordinance establishes the jurisdiction of Hong Kong in respect of common law offences of murder, manslaughter, kidnapping, false imprisonment, assault occasioning actual bodily harm and common assault, and certain offences under the Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 200) and the Offences against the Persons Ordinance (Cap. 212) that are committed outside Hong Kong by a Hong Kong permanent resident who is a Chinese national or a stateless person (specified person) against United Nations personnel or associated personnel. It also makes it an offence for a person in Hong Kong, or a person who is a specified person when outside Hong Kong, to make a threat to commit the above offences.
- 6. The relevant LegCo Panels have not been consulted on the above two pieces of subsidiary legislation.
- 7. No difficulties relating to the legal and drafting aspects of the subsidiary legislation reported above have been identified.

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