

Panel on Security

List of follow-up actions
(position as at 28 April 2010)

Subject	Date of Meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
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 October 2009 to 31 March 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1323/09-10 on 16 April 2010.
2. Powers of the Independent Commission Against Corruption ("ICAC") to search for and seize journalistic material	29 November 2004	(a) The Department of Justice ("DoJ") was requested to provide a response on - (i) the basis on which DoJ, upon request from the court, referred the investigation of the press coverage of <i>habeas corpus</i> proceedings relating to a witness to ICAC; (ii) why DoJ did not refer the matter to an independent committee;	Response awaited.

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		<p>(iii) whether there was any conflict of interest with ICAC carrying out the investigation work;</p> <p>(b) ICAC was requested to consider providing the following after all legal proceedings in respect of a case involving the press coverage of habeas corpus proceedings relating to a witness was completed -</p> <p>(i) information which were relevant to the case but not provided to the court, if prosecution was instituted in respect of the case; and</p> <p>(ii) all information relevant to the case, if prosecution was not to be instituted in respect of the case.</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p>Interim responses circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(2)1159/05-06 and CB(2)917/06-07 on 16 February 2006 and 19 January 2007 respectively.</p>

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3. Rules and directions for the questioning of suspects and the taking of statements : Caution Statement	3 January 2006	The Administration was requested to consider adding the sentence "You have the right to remain silent" to the beginning of the caution administered by law enforcement agencies ("LEAs") when interviewing a suspect.	Response awaited.
4. Problem of indebtedness of Police officers	-	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information on a half-yearly basis -</p> <p>(a) the number of Police officers with unmanageable debts together with a breakdown of reasons for incurring debts;</p> <p>(b) a breakdown of the number of incoming and outgoing Police officers with unmanageable debts;</p> <p>(c) a breakdown of the periods for which these officers had had unmanageable debts;</p> <p>(d) the number of garnishee orders (i.e. notice of tax recovery) issued to Police officers and a breakdown of the amount of garnishee orders issued; and</p>	<p>Statistics for the period up to the second half of 2009 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)741/09-10 on 12 January 2010.</p> <p>- Ditto -</p> <p>- Ditto -</p> <p>- Ditto -</p>

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		(e) the number of Police officers who were at the same time receiving notice of tax recovery and repaying salary advances under Civil Service Regulation 618 and loans from the Police Welfare Fund.	Statistics for the period up to the second half of 2009 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)741/09-10 on 12 January 2010.
5. Review of the Frontier Closed Area	19 February 2008	The Administration was requested to provide a timetable for releasing Sha Tau Kok town from the Frontier Closed Area when submitting its funding request for the secondary boundary fence and associated works to the Finance Committee.	Response awaited.
6. Proposed Rules of Court and Code of Practice to be made for the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance	2 December 2008	The Administration was requested to provide further information explaining whether and how the code of practice under the Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 455) would be updated to ensure procedural consistency with the code of practice to be made under the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (Cap. 575).	Response awaited.

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9. Combating illicit cigarette activities	Meetings of the Bills Committee on Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 2009	The Administration undertook to provide a progress report on the effectiveness of the Administration's efforts in combating illicit cigarette activities within six months to one year after the enactment of the Bill.	Response awaited.
10. Establishment of a rendition arrangement with the Mainland	20 October 2009	The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on its discussions with the Mainland regarding the establishment of a rendition arrangement.	Response awaited.
11. Statistics on Police's searches on detainees	Meetings of the Subcommittee on Police's Handling of Sex Workers and Searches of Detainees	The Administration was requested to provide the Panel on Security with statistics on Level III(c) searches involving full removal of underwear conducted on detainees and the nature of offences involved on a quarterly basis.	Statistics for the period between 1 January 2010 and 31 March 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1328/09-10 on 16 April 2010.
12. Manpower situation in the Independent Commission Against Corruption	5 January 2010	(a) The Administration was requested to provide the following information - (i) the number of posts in the public service which did not set any limit on the tenure or prescribe the retirement age;	Response awaited.

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		<p>(ii) the arrangements for appointment of the Commissioner of ICAC in the fourth term of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, including the criteria adopted by the fourth-term Chief Executive for nominating the person for appointment and the tenure of office of the incumbent Commissioner; and</p> <p>(b) ICAC was requested to provide information on the total number of years lost due to the high wastage of officers appointed to the Commission Against Corruption Officer grade.</p>	<p>- Ditto -</p>
13. Capital Investment Entrant Scheme ("CIES")	5 January 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a comparison of the switch of investments amongst the six permissible asset classes over the years since the implementation of CIES.	Response awaited.

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14. Crime situation in Hong Kong	27 January 2010	<p>The Police was requested to provide the following information -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1099 400 1637 639">(a) a written response, together with illustrative examples, on whether the penalties imposed had adequate deterrent effect against rapists who raped young victims under 16 years old;<li data-bbox="1099 683 1637 922">(b) the Police's view on whether rape victims were unwilling to report to the Police, which resulted in the number of reported and recorded cases far below the actual number; and<li data-bbox="1099 965 1637 1326">(c) a written response on how the Police classified and compiled the crime statistics and how cases currently excluded from the crime situation report, such as the taking up of unauthorized work or the involvement in prostitution activities by Mainland visitors, were categorized.	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p>- Ditto -</p> <p>- Ditto -</p>

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15. Police's handling of public meetings and public processions	2 February 2010	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) detailed information about the Police's use of pepper spray in handling the demonstrators outside the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Building on 16 January 2010;(b) a written response to the issues raised in the submission from the Hong Kong Human Rights Monitor (LC Paper No. CB(2)887/09-10(01));(c) information on whether prosecution had ever been taken against event organizers for having provided false or misleading information in a notice of intention to hold a public meeting or public procession; and(d) the findings of the Police's review regarding the event outside the LegCo Building on 16 January 2010.	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p>- Ditto -</p> <p>- Ditto -</p> <p>- Ditto -</p>

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16. Employment service support for rehabilitated offenders	2 March 2010	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the number of rehabilitated offenders employed in the civil service in the past few years, with a breakdown of such figures by government departments and the types of jobs involved; (b) detailed information on how the Administration facilitated the employment of rehabilitated persons in the civil service, and the public as well as private sectors; and (c) a written response to the issues raised by the Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention, Hong Kong. 	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- Ditto -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- Ditto -</p>
17. 2008-2009 survey of drug use among students and implementation progress of the trial scheme on school drug testing in Tai Po District	2 March 2010	The Administration was requested to provide information on the expenditure spent and achievements attained in various areas of anti-drug work.	Response awaited.

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18. Law Reform Commission Report on sexual offences records checks for child-related work	2 March 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a written response to the views of Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong that there was no way to prevent persons who had committed sexual offences from working in the educational sector, and sex offenders whose teacher registration was suspended under the Education Ordinance could not be barred from operating tutorial schools or taking up child-related and MIP-related work in other sectors.	Response awaited.
19. Outcome of public consultation on the proposed introduction of the Medical Priority Dispatch System ("MPDS")	13 April 2010	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information -</p> <p>(a) statistics on accurate and erroneous assessment of the degree of urgency and categorization of emergency calls received during the trial run of the proposed MPDS;</p> <p>(b) a written response on why some of the successful funding applications made by the Fire Services Department under the annual resource allocation exercises for the procurement of ambulances or creation of ambulancemen posts</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- Ditto -</p>

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		<p>were not materialized in the past 10 years;</p> <p>(c) a written response to the suggestion of Hong Kong Fire Services Department Ambulancemen's Union to adopt a two-tier MPDS categorization system, with the target response time for Response 1 and Response 2 calls set at six and 11 minutes respectively; and</p> <p>(d) information regarding the existing meal break arrangements for ambulancemen.</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p> <p>- Ditto -</p>