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Updated 2010-11 Legislative Programme

In line with established practice, I attach at **Annex** the updated 2010-11 Legislative Programme for Members' reference.

The updated programme serves as an indication of the Administration's latest legislative proposals, and is subject to change in the light of development in the remaining months of the legislative session.

Yours sincerely,
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**Updated Legislative Programme 2010-11
(March to July 2011)**

This updated programme sets out the main pieces of legislation which the Government plans to introduce in the remainder of the 2010-11 legislative session. The bills to be introduced are subject to change in the light of the state of readiness of the bills and changing circumstances.

Title	Purpose of the Bill	Bureau
1. Copyright (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To strengthen copyright protection in the digital environment, thereby facilitating the further healthy development of our creative industries.	CEDB
2. Pyramid Selling Prohibition (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To revise the definition of “pyramid selling scheme” and prescribe a heavier penalty on offenders.	CEDB
3. Trade Descriptions (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To extend the coverage of the Trade Descriptions Ordinance to cover “services” and to create criminal offences to tackle unfair trade practices.	CEDB
4. Personal Data (Privacy) (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To enhance the protection of personal data privacy, to streamline the operation of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance and to address technical problems encountered in the implementation of the Ordinance.	CMAB
5. Electoral Arrangements (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide for miscellaneous amendments which set out revised electoral arrangements for the Legislative Council (LegCo), District Councils (DCs) and village representative (VR)	CMAB

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	<p>elections. The amendments include providing for instituting a leap-frog appeal mechanism in relation to an election petition arising from the LegCo, DCs and VR elections; technical amendments to the financial assistance scheme for candidates standing for DCs election; and making related consequential and incidental amendments.</p>	
6. Lifts and Escalators Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enhance the safety of lifts and escalators in Hong Kong by introducing a new registration scheme for lift and escalator workers; raising the qualification requirements of lift and escalator workers; raising the qualification requirements for registration as lift and escalator engineer; increasing the penalty levels for offences; and streamlining regulatory control process. 	DEVB
7. Waste Disposal (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide statutory basis for the collection authority in the collection of chemical waste and to impose and revise charges in relation to the provision of services for the handling of chemical waste. 	ENB
8. Fisheries Protection (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conserve the local marine environment and tackle the over-fishing problem by introducing suitable fisheries management measures. 	FHB
9. A bill to improve the regulatory regime for the financial market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enhance the regulatory regime for the financial market and improve investor protection by (a) codifying certain requirements to 	FSTB

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	disclose price sensitive information by listed corporations; and (b) establishing an Investor Education Council.	
10. Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To put it beyond doubt that accrued benefits derived from mandatory contributions under the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) shall be protected against vesting in a trustee-in-bankruptcy in case of bankruptcy of a relevant scheme member. 	FSTB
11. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No.2) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To implement the 2010-11 Budget initiative in respect of profits tax deduction for capital expenditure on purchase of copyrights, registered designs and registered trade marks. 	FSTB
12. Guardianship of Minors (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To implement the recommendations of the Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong in its Report of Guardianship of Children, which aim at improving, simplifying and clarifying the legal arrangements for the appointment and removal of guardians of minors under the Guardianship of Minors Ordinance (Cap.13). 	LWB
13. Protection of Wages on Insolvency (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To give effect to the proposal of expanding the scope of the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund to cover pay for untaken annual leave and statutory holidays under the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57). 	LWB
14. Immigration (Amendment) Bill 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To introduce a statutory mechanism for handling claims 	SB

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15. Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill	<p>made under the United Nation’s Convention Against Torture by persons who express fear of torture upon return to their countries of origin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To introduce a package of measures to combat drug driving. 	THB
16. Road Traffic (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To introduce measures, including imposing a maximum speed limit; mandating the installation of speed limiter and electronic data recording device; imposing mandatory pre-service training requirement and display of driver identity plate, to improve the safe operations of public light buses with a view to enhancing road safety. 	THB
17. Enduring Powers of Attorney (Amendment) Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To implement the recommendations of the Law Reform Commission report on “Enduring Powers of Attorney” (“the Report”) so as to relax the existing requirement that an enduring power of attorney be signed at the same time before a medical practitioner and a solicitor as well as to replace the existing Schedule to the Enduring Powers of Attorney (Prescribed Form) Regulation by form and explanatory notes which are drafted in clear and plain language as recommended by the Report. 	DoJ

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