

Panel on Economic Development**List of follow-up actions**

(position as at 22 February 2011)

Subject (Date of meeting)	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
<p>1. Update on the development of a new cruise terminal at Kai Tak (24 October 2008)</p>	<p>At the meeting on 24 October 2008, the Panel was consulted on the proposal for retention of a supernumerary post of an Administrative Officer Staff Grade C in the Tourism Commission until 31 December 2014 to oversee the implementation of the cruise terminal project at Kai Tak. When the Establishment Subcommittee (ESC) considered this staffing proposal at its meeting on 26 November 2008, ESC members asked the Administration to review the need for retaining the post through regular reports to the Panel on the progress of the cruise terminal project. The Administration has been requested to provide regular reports on a half-yearly basis in every June and December, and to brief the Panel when necessary.</p>	<p>The Administration has updated the Panel on the development of the cruise terminal project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at the meetings on 25 May 2009, 16 October 2009, 29 March 2010 and 24 January 2011 (LC Paper Nos. CB(1)1624/08-09(03), CB(1)18/09-10(01), CB(1)1439/09-10(09)) and CB(1)1090/10-11(05); and - by information notes circulated to members on 23 December 2009 and 13 July 2010 vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1)749/09-10(01) and CB(1)2545/09-10(01).

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2. Leasing arrangements for the new cruise terminal at Kai Tak (24 January 2011)	The Administration was requested to provide information on the income and expenditure associated with the operation of the new cruise terminal at Kai Tak.	The Administration to provide the written response when ready.
3. Safety Oversight Audit of the Hong Kong Civil Aviation System (22 February 2010)	At the request of members, the Administration agreed to provide further information on the final ranking of Hong Kong when the audit programme for all the International Civil Aviation Organization Contracting States had completed by the end of 2010, the results of which will be available until about 10 months later.	The Administration to provide the written response when ready.
4. Tariff adjustment of the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Ltd (Towngas) (29 March 2010)	At the meeting on 29 March 2010, the Administration was requested to review the framework of economic monitoring of Towngas and consult the Panel in this regard before the expiry of the current Information and Consultation Agreement.	The Administration to take follow up action as requested.
5. Policy briefing by the Secretary for the Environment on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2010-2011 Policy Address (15 October 2010)	The Administration was requested to provide information on overseas experiences in operating nuclear plant, in particular details on aspects such as safety requirement and handling of nuclear waste. The Administration was requested to provide information on the basic principles in formulating tariff levels for electricity generated from facilities of cross-boundary capital investment.	The Administration to provide the written response when ready.

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<p>6. Proposed amendments to Pyramid Selling Prohibition Ordinance (25 October 2010)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on the regulatory regimes on prohibition of pyramid selling in Macao, Mainland, Japan, Taiwan, Singapore and South Korea.</p>	<p>The Administration has provided the information to Panel members on 11 February 2011 vide LC Paper No CB(1)1282/10-11.</p>
<p>7. Legislative proposal to enhance protection for consumers against unfair trade practices (25 October 2010)</p>	<p>Subsequent to the meeting, the Administration was requested to explain the rationale of not bringing the professional bodies listed in Annex G of the Administration's paper (CB(1)95/10-11(05)) under the ambit of the expanded Trade Description Ordinance and to demonstrate the extent of consumer protection provided by the ordinances.</p> <p>The Administration was requested to provide responses on the views given by the deputations on legislative proposal to enhance protection for consumers against unfair trade practices.</p>	<p>The Administration to provide the written response when ready.</p>
<p>8. Mega Events Fund (MEF) (22 November 2010)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested that in future, the Administration should provide more detailed information: (a) relating to Annexes B and D of its paper (LC Paper No. CB(1)450/10-11(05)), including the profession and directorship of members of the Assessment Committee of MEF and whether their appointment adhered the "six-six principle" for appointment to advisory bodies; and (b) on the number of participants in each event sponsored by MEF, with breakdown on local and non-local visitors.</p> <p>The Administration was requested to record the coverage of MEF-sponsored events by international portals in the publicity</p>	<p>The Administration to take note of the member's requests expressed at the meeting.</p> <p>The Administration to take note of the Chairman's request</p>

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	<p>reports.</p> <p>The Administration was requested to provide information on the scope of funding for MEF-sponsored events, including the breakdown of sponsorship on event publicity, administrative fees and cost of activities.</p>	<p>expressed at the meeting.</p> <p>The Administration to provide the written response when ready.</p>
<p>9. Review of the operation of the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong (22 November 2010)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to -</p> <p>(a) provide information on the measures to be implemented to eliminate the practice of travel agents pocketing a portion of the tips received by tourist guides and tour escorts; and</p> <p>(b) report to the Panel on the specific work plan of the review on the operation and regulatory framework of the entire tourism sector, including the role, powers, responsibilities and operation of TIC, as well as its working relationship with the Travel Agents Registry.</p> <p>At the meeting, TIC was requested to -</p> <p>(a) provide information on the details of outbound and inbound tours collected from the travel agents for the past year, including whether tourist guides or tour escorts were required to pre-pay the travel agents in advance;</p> <p>(b) provide information on the outcome of the TIC Board's</p>	<p>The Administration to provide the written response when ready.</p> <p>TIC to provide the written response when ready.</p>

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	<p>consideration with regard to the existing tips arrangement among travel agents, tourist guides and tour escorts; and</p> <p>(c) report to the Panel the outcome of the value-for-money audit.</p>	
<p>10. Aberdeen Tourism Project (14 December 2010)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to report to the Panel on the progress of developing the Aberdeen Wholesale Fish Market into a tourist attraction.</p>	<p>The Administration to provide the written response when ready.</p>
<p>11. Annual tariff reviews with the two power companies (14 December 2010)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on whether the introduction of a new supplier before 2018 would be considered in breach of the current Scheme of Control Agreements signed between the Government and the two power companies.</p>	<p>The Administration to provide the written response when ready.</p>
<p>12. Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) Work Plan for 2011-2012 (24 January 2011)</p>	<p>HKTB was requested to provide breakdown of the budget allocated for the Head Office, i.e. \$149.2 million, in the proposed marketing budget for 2011-2012, including expenditure for HKTB's worldwide offices and representative offices, and advise the cost-effectiveness in deploying such resources.</p>	<p>HKTB to provide the written response when ready.</p>