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Panel on Welfare Services

**Minutes of special meeting
held on Saturday, 13 June 2015, at 10:30 am
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Chairman)
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
Hon TANG Ka-piu, JP

Members absent : Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

**Public Officers : Item I
attending**

Mrs Millie NG KIANG
Principal Assistant Secretary for Security
Security Bureau

Miss Emily NG
Assistant Secretary for Security
Security Bureau

Mr Peter MA
Principal Executive Officer (Rehabilitation)
Labour and Welfare Bureau

Ms Irene HO
Chief Superintendent, Crime Wing Headquarters
Hong Kong Police Force

Mr Henry TAM
Chief Superintendent, Support Wing
Hong Kong Police Force

Ms Eve CHUNG
Senior Superintendent, Crime Wing Headquarters
(Acting)
Hong Kong Police Force

Mr Kenny WONG
Superintendent (Field), Support Branch
Hong Kong Police Force

Mr Timothy CHAN
Divisional Commander (Airport)
Immigration Department

Mr YEUNG Chun-wai
Senior Superintendent (Health Care)
Correctional Services Department

Mr LIU Yuen-kwong
Superintendent (Rehabilitation Unit 2)
Correctional Services Department

Mr FONG Kai-leung
Assistant Director of Social Welfare (Rehabilitation &
Medical Social Services)
Social Welfare Department

Ms Annisa MA
Chief Social Work Officer (Domestic Violence)
Social Welfare Department

Attendance by invitation : Item I

智障殘疾人士要有尊嚴協會

Miss Rida CHEUNG
Representative

The Association of Parents of the Severely Mentally
Handicapped

Mr LEE Chi-yung
Chairman

Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of
Hong Kong

Mr CHOI Tin-yam
Deputy Spokesperson

Silence

Miss Felice CHENG
Social Worker (Family Service)

Mr AU Wai-ho

Miss TAM Lai-sha

Mr YUEN Kin-ming

Chosen Parents' Network

Ms AU Yim-fong
Chairperson

Ms Carman TAM

Mr LAI Tai-yiu

Hong Kong Coalition for the Rights of Persons with
Disabilities

Mr CHAN Tsun-kit
Member

Chosen Power (People First HK)

Mr CHEUK Hang-chi
Chairperson

Ms Emily FUNG Wai-ying

Ms CHAN Siu-ha

Mr HUI Wai-man

Progressive Lawyers Group

Mr Wilson LEUNG
Convener

Ms YEUNG Sau-chun

The Parents' Association of Pre-school Handicapped
Children

Ms KWAN Suk-mee
Vice Chairman

Mr CHIU Ho-lam

Labour Party

Mr Steve LO

The Forthright Caucus

Mr YU Yun-shing

The Democratic Party

Mr AU Lok-hin
Representative

Special Educational Needs Rights Association

Mr HO Cheuk-hin
Community Organizer

Miss PAN Qun-ying

Hong Kong Federation of the Blind

Mr SHING Li-lim
Executive Director

The Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the
Mentally Handicapped

Ms CHEUNG Pui-lan
Advocacy and Service Committee

Hong Kong Blind Union

Mr Billy WONG
Vice President

Ms Maggie YEUNG

Hong Kong Association of the Deaf

Mr WONG Lai-chiu
Deaf Right

Hong Kong Parkinson's Disease Association

Ms CHAN Yin
Chairperson

Folk Concern Group of Deaf

Mr Ken CHEUNG
Convener

Hong Kong Human Rights Monitor

Ms YIP Fun-yau
Project Officer

Clerk in attendance : Mr Colin CHUI
Chief Council Secretary (2) 4

Staff in attendance : Ms Kay CHU
Council Secretary (2) 4

Miss Maggie CHIU
Legislative Assistant (2) 4

Ms Ada TANG
Clerical Assistant (2) 4

Action

I. Enforcement agencies' procedures for dealing with persons with disabilities or persons with special needs (including mentally incapacitated persons) and support provided under the social welfare system for the above persons on law-related matters

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)1458/14-15(01), CB(2)1597/14-15(01), CB(2)1639/14-15(01) to (04), CB(2)1695/14-15(01), CB(2)1700/14-15(01), CB(2)1715/14-15(01) to (09) and CB(2)1749/14-15(01) to (07)]

The Chairman invited deputations/individuals to present their views. A total of 32 deputations/individuals expressed their views which were summarized in the **Appendix**.

The Administration's response to deputations' views

2. In response to the views of the deputations/individuals, Assistant Director of Social Welfare (Rehabilitation & Medical Social Services) ("ADSW(RMSS)") advised that the Social Welfare Department ("SWD") had provided mentally incapacitated person ("MIP")-related training courses for its social workers and frontline staff of non-governmental organizations on a regular basis to enhance their professional knowledge and skills in this regard. In order to better cater for the special needs of MIPs and persons with disabilities, SWD would consider enhancing the aforesaid training courses and strengthening the related trainings for its staff members and other stakeholders in the community. Regarding deputations' concern about the operation of residential care homes for persons with disabilities ("RCHDs"), he advised that RCHDs were requested to take measures to protect their residents against abuse and intrusion on privacy in accordance with the Code of Practice for Residential Care Homes for Persons with Disabilities. For social workers and frontline staff of SWD and non-governmental organizations, they were advised to refer to the respective guidelines which were issued by SWD for providing support for MIPs who were involved in criminal proceedings. The aforesaid Code of Practice and guidelines could be accessed by the public.

3. Principal Assistant Secretary for Security ("PAS(S)") advised that when law enforcement agencies ("LEAs") handled cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs, they had to carry out their duties in accordance with the law. Measures would be taken to safeguard the interests of such persons. Noting that many deputations expressed concerns about the handling of two recent cases involving persons with intellectual disabilities by the Hong Kong Police Force ("HKPF"), she responded that HKPF had set up a working group to review the policy on handling of cases involving persons with intellectual disabilities and guidelines for investigating cases involving MIPs ("the Review"). She added that the Review should be conducted from the perspective of persons with special needs. Deputations' views and concerns, particularly in relation to communication between persons with special needs and LEAs' officers, the arrangement for an appropriate adult to provide assistance for persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings and measures for enabling persons with vision impairment to understand their rights in police custody would be seriously considered by the LEAs concerned.

4. Chief Superintendent, Crime Wing Headquarters ("CSP(CW)") said that HKPF was gravely concerned about the handling of the homicide case in Mei Lam Estate ("Homicide Case"). A working group, led by an Assistant Commissioner of Police and composed of representatives from different HKPF branches as well as clinical psychologists, had been set up to conduct the Review which covered different aspects including the enhancement of multi-disciplinary co-operation, the effectiveness and modes of trainings for police officers, the detention arrangement, the investigation guidelines and procedures, as well as the recognition of and handling skills for persons with special needs, etc. HKPF would implement improvement measures when appropriate, regardless of the completion time of the Review. She undertook to relay deputations' views to the working group for consideration.

5. Divisional Commander (Airport) emphasized that the Immigration Department ("ImmD") was concerned about the specific needs of persons with special needs. In November 2000, in consultation with the Equal Opportunities Commission, stakeholders, and relevant professionals in the academic field of the City University of Hong Kong, ImmD revised its training programmes for its officers to enhance their understanding of and interaction with persons with disabilities and persons with special needs. These programmes were enhanced in 2013 and would be reviewed when necessary. In addition, since 2011, ImmD's clinical psychologist had organized training programmes for frontline staff in handling persons with autism and mental disabilities. Apart from the above, barrier-free and dedicated facilities were provided at various control points and offices of ImmD to cater for the special needs of persons with disabilities.

6. Senior Superintendent (Health Care) advised that all newly recruited officers of the Correctional Services Department ("CSD") were required to receive trainings which covered, among others, the internal guidelines on handling the special needs of persons with disabilities including MIPs. CSD also arranged for its serving officers to attend development training courses to enhance their knowledge and skills in dealing with persons with disabilities. For persons in custody ("PICs"), they had to undergo medical examination upon admission to prison. Subject to the advice of medical officers, PICs with special needs would be referred to CSD's clinical psychologists and special facilities would be arranged for their accommodations. CSD would continue to seek to provide a healthy and appropriate accommodation for PICs. He undertook to relay members' and deputations' views to CSD for consideration.

(At 12:43 pm, with the consent of all members present, the Chairman extended the meeting for 30 minutes beyond the appointed ending time to allow sufficient time for discussion.)

Discussion

7. Considering that the Commissioner for Rehabilitation ("C for R") was the coordinator of the Administration's efforts in formulating policies related to persons with disabilities, Dr Fernando CHEUNG sought explanation for his non-attendance at the meeting. Principal Executive Officer (Rehabilitation) advised that C for R was not able to attend the meeting due to another official engagement. He added that ADSW(RMSS) of SWD was present to address members' questions on the support services provided by SWD for persons with disabilities and persons with special needs. He undertook to relay the views of members and deputations as appropriate to the Labour and Welfare Bureau for consideration.

Review of handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs

8. Noting that LEAs had formulated guidelines and provided their officers with trainings on the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs, Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung questioned why HKPF was still accused of improper handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs, abuse of enforcement power and disrespect for citizens' rights. He wondered whether HKPF would conduct a public consultation on and announce the outcome of the Review. Mr POON Siu-ping asked about the estimated completion time of the Review.

9. Mr Albert HO said that the handling of the Homicide Case by HKPF had aroused strong public concern. He urged HKPF to conduct an investigation of the handling of the Homicide Case and strengthen trainings for police officers to enhance their professionalism and the performance of their enforcement duties.

10. CSP(CW) advised that HKPF attached great importance to the conduct of police officers, and would seriously handle any cases in which police officers' non-compliance with internal guidelines on the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs had been substantiated. In the course of the Review, HKPF would update the public of the progress and implement improvement measures when appropriate. The outcome of the Review would also be announced.

Separately, complaints against the handling of the Homicide Case had been referred to the Complaints Against Police Office for investigation. The investigation report would be reviewed by the Independent Police Complaints Council ("IPCC"). IPCC's recommendations would be taken into account in the Review.

11. Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung was of the view that efforts made by the working group would be in vain and the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs would not be improved if HKPF did not identify the crux of the problems. Sharing a similar view, Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung urged HKPF to consider revising the related internal guidelines by adding a provision to the effect that the prosecution would offer no evidence on any cases once the responsible police officers' non-compliance with relevant internal guidelines had been substantiated.

12. Dr Fernando CHEUNG expressed concern that the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs by HKPF would not be improved if HKPF refused to disclose the related internal guidelines and conduct a public consultation on the Review. He suggested that HKPF appoint representatives of stakeholders to the working group so that the Review could be conducted from MIPs' perspective. CPS(CW) responded that representatives from the welfare sector and other stakeholders would be invited to take part in the Review. PAS(S) advised that the working group would take into account views of members and deputations in the Review.

13. Mr POON Siu-ping asked whether SWD would review its support services for persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings. ADSW(RMSS) advised that SWD would review its procedural guides and guidelines in this regard in due course and make enhancement if necessary.

Disclosure of guidelines on handling persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings

14. Noting that SWD and LEAs had provided guidelines on handling persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings, Dr Fernando CHEUNG asked about the types of disabilities, in addition to MIPs, were covered by such guidelines. He also urged the Administration to make public the aforesaid guidelines, so that persons with disabilities and persons with special needs could better understand their interests.

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15. Dr Helena WONG declared that she was a member of IPCC. She urged HKPF to disclose its complete internal guidelines on the handling of cases involving MIPs. She considered that such arrangement could not only safeguard the rights of persons with disabilities, but also help HKPF monitor the performance of police officers and enhance the aforesaid guidelines by collecting stakeholders' views in this regard. The Administration should provide justifications for not doing so. She also requested LEAs to provide members with hardcopies of the full set of guidelines on the handling of cases involving MIPs and persons with disabilities.

(Post-meeting note: The Administration provided the aforesaid hardcopies of the guidelines vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1994/14-15 on 11 August 2015.)

16. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung said that MIPs should not be expected to understand their rights. In handling cases involving a person who was recognized as an MIP, police officers should adhere to the relevant internal guidelines, proactively take measures and provide necessary arrangements to meet the special needs of the MIP concerned. To improve the handling of cases involving MIPs, he urged HKPF to disclose the related internal guidelines by hiding any sensitive information on the investigation and handling of cases. He also suggested that the Department of Justice examine whether the aforesaid guidelines had infringed human rights.

17. ADSW(RMSS) replied that SWD had uploaded onto its website the "Procedural Guide for Social Workers On the Handling of Mentally Incapacitated Adults Arising from the New Provisions in the Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Ordinance 1995" ("Procedural Guide") and other procedural guides on handling cases in relation to child abuse, intimate partner violence and adult sexual violence, etc. SWD would consider enhancing the accessibility of the aforesaid procedural guides on the internet. PAS(S) advised that the Procedural Guide had also set out the role and responsibilities as well as facilitating measures of HKPF in handling cases involving MIPs. Moreover, the public could have access to the Police General Orders which set out the rights of persons under arrest and detention on the HKPF website. However, it was inappropriate to disclose HKPF's internal guidelines which were internal documents, covering sensitive information in relation to Police's investigation and handling of cases. Chief Superintendent, Support Wing ("CSP(SW)) added that HKPF would consider disclosing any information for public interest in accordance with the provisions of the Code on Access to Information and the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486).

18. Stressing that police officers should be equipped with the skill to recognize persons with special needs, Mr Albert HO called on HKPF to provide persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings, in particular those who were going to give a statement, with a list which clearly set out their rights, e.g. the right to have an appropriate accompanying adult and the provision of the required medication.

19. PAS(S) responded that the Administration's paper had set out clearly the procedures of handling cases involving MIPs by HKPF. In addition, information on the rights of persons under arrest and detention could be accessed by the public on the HKPF website. SB would liaise with HKPF to consider improving the presentation of such information on the HKPF website if necessary. CSP(SW) added that the public was welcomed to access information on the rights of persons under arrest and detention on the HKPF website and mobile application software of HKPF.

(At 1:18 pm, with the consent of all members present, the Chairman extended the meeting for 10 to 15 minutes beyond the extended ending time.)

Improvement measures

20. Mr Alan LEONG was of the view that the handling of the Homicide Case by HKPF reflected that MIPs were not able to understand their rights if they were involved in criminal proceedings. He urged the Administration to take measures to address the problem. In addition, he called on the Administration to, before the completion of the Review, consider taking improvement measures, such as extending duty lawyer service to cover detainees in police stations and introducing such service to detainees with special needs.

21. CSP(SW) responded that persons in police detention would be provided with information on their rights including the right to legal assistance, and services of HKPF. In addition, they could request duty officers of HKPF to provide a contact list of lawyers, which was consolidated and regularly updated by the Hong Kong Bar Association. Subject to the request of detainees and in accordance with the related internal guidelines, arrangement might be made for him/her to have a one-to-one meeting with his/her lawyer. PAS(S) responded that the deputations' suggestion of extending duty lawyer service to cover detainees in police stations would be relayed to the Home Affairs Bureau for consideration.

22. In response to further views given by some deputations/individuals, CSP(SW) explained that the legal rights and interests of persons in police detention had been set out in 15 languages in the relevant leaflets, posters and forms. While detainees were required to fill in the aforesaid forms, arrangement would be made for those with special needs to complete and sign the forms in the presence of an appropriate adult, who was responsible to explain the legal rights and interests to them. HKPF would consider deputations' suggestion of the provision of the aforesaid materials in simple and Braille versions.

23. Mr POON Siu-ping called on the Administration to consider deputations' views on implementing improvement measures before the completion of the Review. The improvement measures included, e.g. organizing briefings on the rights of persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings in RCHDs to step up public education. CSP(CW) said that the suggestion would be relayed to HKPF for consideration.

24. The Deputy Chairman was of the view that LEAs' officers should take statements on the premise of protecting the interests of persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings, especially those who were able to show certification of their disabilities. CSP(CW) advised that to help recognize MIPs from detainees, police officers would observe their reaction during communication or ask them to show certification of their disabilities. Once a detainee was recognized as an MIP, police officers would follow the related guidelines and try to liaise with a relative, guardian or some other persons responsible for his/her care or custody.

25. Both Mr Alan LEONG and Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung were concerned about the training programmes organized by LEAs for their frontline officers. Mr LEONG requested the Administration to provide more details about the trainings, such as coverage, duration and training modes. CSP(SW) advised that subject to the purposes of trainings, training programmes might be conducted in different forms, e.g. lecture and role play. PAS(S) undertook to provide further details in this regard.

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(Post-meeting note: The Administration's response was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1994/14-15 on 11 August 2015.)

Conclusion

26. The Chairman requested the Administration to consider views of

members and deputations in order to improve the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs. Noting that there were cases involving MIPs currently under investigation, he called on the Administration to announce the investigation outcomes in due course.

II. Any other business

27. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 1:45 pm.

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Summary of views and concerns expressed by deputations/individuals

No.	Deputation/individual	Views
1.	智障殘疾人士要有尊嚴協會	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Administration should consider enacting laws to monitor the operation of legal enforcement agencies ("LEAs") and residential care homes for persons with disabilities in order to protect the rights of persons with disabilities.
2.	The Association of Parents of the Severely Mentally Handicapped	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1700/14-15(01)]
3.	Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hong Kong Police Force ("HKPF") should strengthen sensitivity of its frontline officers and review the internal guidelines on the handling of cases involving persons with intellectual disabilities. Statements should be taken from persons with disabilities in the presence of an appropriate adult, such as his/her family member, friend, social worker, lawyer, etc. At various stages of criminal proceedings, persons with hearing impairment involved in the cases concerned should be provided with sign language service.
4.	Silence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(03)]
5.	Mr AU Wai-ho	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LEAs should make public the guidelines on the handling of cases involving mentally incapacitated persons ("MIPs"). HKPF should – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> , in the presence of a psychiatrist or clinical psychologist, a legal advisor and his/her family member or social worker, take statements from MIPs by way of a video-recorded interview; release any detainees who were mentally incapacitated if no sufficient evidence against him/her was found; and send MIPs in police detention to a government hospital to consult medical doctors on the required medication and the detention arrangement.
6.	Miss TAM Lai-sha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HKPF should consider setting up a task force to review the specific measures for handling cases involving persons with

No.	Deputation/individual	Views
		<p>different types of disabilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The outcome of the HKPF's review of the policy on handling and guidelines for investigating cases involving MIPs should be made public and was expected to give responses to the following concerns – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the purpose of inviting the appropriate adults to sign statements given by MIPs; (b) the handling of detainees who were not able to express their need of medical attention; (c) the implementation of the handling of sick or injured persons in police custody as set out in the Police General Orders; and (d) the details of trainings for newly recruited and serving police officers.
7.	Mr YUEN Kin-ming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(04)]
8.	Chosen Parents' Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(02)]
9.	Ms Carman TAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(05)]
10.	Mr LAI Tai-yiu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(06)]
11.	Hong Kong Coalition for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police officers should take statements from persons with intellectual disabilities by way of a video-recorded interview. • LEAs should enhance trainings for their frontline officers in handling persons with special needs by making reference to the guidelines in this regard issued by the United Nations. • persons with disabilities should be provided with independent advocacy service to protect their rights.
12.	Chosen Power (People First HK)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(03)]
13.	Ms Emily FUNG Wai-ying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Administration should set up a commission on persons with disabilities. • Public advocacy service should be provided for persons with disabilities and the legal sector should set up a resource centre to provide legal advocacy service. • Review of the definition of MIPs and policies in relation to the handling of cases involving persons with special needs should be conducted by making reference to the Convention on the Rights of persons with disabilities.
14.	Ms CHAN Siu-ha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(07)] • Public information released by LEAs should be made available in simple version. • Independent advocacy service should be provided for persons with disabilities and persons with special needs.

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15.	Mr HUI Wai-man	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(04)]
16.	Progressive Lawyers Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duty lawyer service should be extended to cover detainees in police stations, in particular those who were mentally incapacitated. When an MIP was kept in custody, police officers should take statements and explain the legal rights and interests of detainees in the presence of his/her family member and social worker. HKPF should disclose the guidelines on the handling of cases involving MIPs so that the public could monitor the performance of police officers and MIPs could better understand their rights.
17.	Ms YEUNG Sau-chun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persons with special needs should give statements in the presence of an appropriate adult and a lawyer who was arranged by HKPF. The Administration should set up a working group which was composed of representatives from medical, education and welfare sectors as well as persons with disabilities to review LEAs' guidelines on the handling of cases involving persons with special needs. HKPF should enhance trainings for its frontline officers to enhance their knowledge of persons with special needs. The Social Welfare Department ("SWD") should enhance trainings for social workers of welfare sector to strengthen their support for persons with disabilities and persons with special needs who were involved in criminal proceedings.
18.	The Parents' Association of Pre-school Handicapped Children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(05)]
19.	Mr CHIU Ho-lam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persons who were suffering from chronic disease and in police detention should – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be allowed to take medicines as approved by a government medical doctor and use the required medical equipment; (b) be provided with free meals and drinks; and (c) give statement in the presence of an appropriate adult, such as his/her medical doctor, friend or family member.
20.	Labour Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(01)] Expressed regret at the non-attendance of the Commissioner for Rehabilitation at the meeting. MIPs should not be detained by HKPF without sufficient evidence against him/her. HKPF should provide details of its trainings on the handling of MIPs.

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21.	The Forthright Caucus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When police officers took a caution statement, MIPs who had showed certification of his/her disabilities should be informed of their right to give statements in the presence of an appropriate adult.
22.	The Democratic Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HKPF should review the policy and guidelines on the handling of cases involving MIPs. LEAs should strengthen trainings for frontline officers to enhance their knowledge of human rights.
23.	Special Educational Needs Rights Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LEAs should strengthen trainings for frontline officers to enhance their knowledge of persons with disabilities and persons with special needs. SWD should step up public education on legal rights. The Administration should consider enacting legislation to monitor LEAs' enforcement procedures and the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of persons with disabilities in Hong Kong.
24.	Miss PAN Qun-ying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HKPF should set up a working group, which was composed of representatives from medical, welfare and legal sectors, to review the guidelines on the handling of cases involving persons with disabilities and persons with special needs. HKPF should enhance trainings for its frontline officers to enhance their knowledge of persons with disabilities and persons with special needs.
25.	Hong Kong Federation of the Blind	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(06)]
26.	The Hong Kong Joint Council of Parents of the Mentally Handicapped	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1639/14-15(02)]
27.	Hong Kong Blind Union	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HKPF should take measures to cater for the special needs of persons with vision impairment, such as the provision of the necessary information in police stations in the form of Braille and by electronic devices.
28.	Ms Maggie YEUNG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MIPs in police detention should give statements in the presence of an appropriate adult, such as his/her family member and a lawyer or professional. HKPF should review training programmes for its frontline officers and the guidelines on the handling of cases involving MIPs.
29.	Hong Kong Association of the Deaf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> [LC Paper No. CB(2)1715/14-15(08)]

No.	Deputation/individual	Views
30.	Hong Kong Parkinson's Disease Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HKPF should conduct a comprehensive review of the guidelines on the handling of cases involving persons with special needs, such as persons with Parkinson disease.
31.	Folk Concern Group of Deaf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1639/14-15(03)]
32.	Hong Kong Human Rights Monitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/14-15(07)]

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