

**Subcommittee on Census and Statistics  
(2016 Population Census) Order**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion  
at the meeting on 24 November 2015**

Practices of the European Union countries in collecting statistical information on sexual minorities

1. The Administration is requested to provide information on whether member jurisdictions of the European Union ("EU") have included questions on sexual minorities (e.g. sexual orientation, gender identity and same sex marriage) in their population censuses, and whether EU has issued directives in this regard.

Answer options available for questions in 16BC

2. To better reflect the population size of people with disabilities and people coming from different countries in the Middle East, the Census and Statistics Department ("C&SD") is requested to consider:

- (a) including an option "Rehabus" in Annex 8 (i.e. mode of transport to place of study) and Annex 10 (mode of transport to place of work) to the 2016 population by-census ("16BC") questionnaire; and
- (b) including a list of countries in the Middle East in Annex 3 (i.e. nationality) to the 16BC questionnaire in consultation with the Security Bureau.

Personal data privacy and data security

3. Given that no Privacy Impact Assessment has been conducted for 16BC, C&SD is requested to consult the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data on the adequacy of the proposed measures for protecting privacy of personal data in 16BC, in particular measures to address privacy concerns related to the use of e-questionnaire and mobile tablets for collecting data from respondents.

4. While the Subcommittee supports promoting the use of the e-questionnaire in 16BC, members have expressed concerns about risks that respondents' personal data may be compromised during the course of

completing the e-questionnaire. The Administration is requested to address the following concerns:

- (a) how C&SD will alert the respondents about risks of data breach at their systems when they complete and submit the e-questionnaire; and
- (b) respondents (e.g. elderly people) who are not familiar with information technologies may seek help from a third party to complete the e-questionnaire on their behalf, thus their personal data may be disclosed to the third party.

Disposal of the mobile tablets after the completion of 16BC

5. The Administration is requested to provide an information paper to the relevant Panel(s) of the Legislative Council soonest possible upon completion of 16BC, to report the disposal arrangement for the some 6 500 mobile tablets purchased for 16BC.

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