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**Legislative Council (Powers & Privileges) Ordinance  
(Cap.382)**

A subcommittee of the House Committee chaired by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung has been formed to review the Redress System of the Legislative Council (LegCo). A membership list of the subcommittee is attached for your reference.

The subcommittee considers that as one of the functions of LegCo is "to receive and handle complaints from Hong Kong residents" under Article 73(8) of the Basic Law, the operation of the Redress System is within the scope of Council business. On this basis, the subcommittee is of the view that the Legislative Council (Powers & Privileges) Ordinance should be extended to cover meetings conducted under the Redress System. This is in line with the existing practice for other committee meetings of the Council. One possible way of doing so is to amend the Ordinance so that the privileges and immunities conferred under sections 3 and 4 of the Ordinance are extended to cover Members' meetings with complainants and meetings with the Administration conducted under the System.

I wonder if the Administration would be prepared to introduce a bill to that effect. Or perhaps this could be included in the adaptation exercise for the Legislative Council (Powers & Privileges) Ordinance?

Can I hear from you before the next meeting of the subcommittee in the second week of October 1998?

(Ricky C C Fung)  
Secretary General

Encl.

b.c.c. Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung, JP (Chairman)

## **Legislative Council**

### **Subcommittee on Review of the Operation of the LegCo Redress System**

#### **Membership List**

Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung, JP (Chairman)  
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan  
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Hon LEE Kai-ming, JP  
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Total : 8 Members

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