Bills Committee on Securities (Amendment) Bill 2000

Statistics on Short Selling Malpractices

(A)Investigations Conducted by SFC

	April 1998 to February 2000
Prosecution	16
Disciplinary Action	5
No further action	32
Cases under investigation	38
Total (short selling cases)	91
Total Investigation cases (incl. SS and other cases)	548

(B) Investigations Conducted by SEHK

Cases referred to SFC 34 Disciplinary action by SEHK 52 No further action 425 Cases under investigation 1 Total (short selling cases) 512

(C) Reported SS Indicator Error

June 1998 to January 2000

No. of reported cases¹

12607

- Failure to input SS indicator

11902

(94% of total)

- Wrong input of SS indicator

705

(6% of total)

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¹ Normally, Members of the SEHK would report on the subsequent day their short selling indicator error with explanation to the Trading Department of the SEHK, which would refer unusual or exceptional cases to the Regulation Division for further investigation.