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Legislative Council  
on 7 January 2000**

**Legal Service Division Report on  
Resolution under sections 3, 4 and 6 of the  
Trading Funds Ordinance (Cap. 430)**

The Secretary for Information Technology and Broadcasting has given notice to move a motion under the Trading Funds Ordinance (Cap. 430) at the Legislative Council meeting on 12 January 2000. The purpose of this motion is to seek the Legislative Council's approval to amend the resolution which established the Post Office Trading Fund (POTF) in 1995.

2. The proposed resolution amends Schedule 1 to the POTF Resolution by expanding the services provided under the POTF to include provision of the services of a certification authority within the meaning of the Electronic Transactions Ordinance and services incidental or related to such services.

3. The proposed amendment is consequential upon the passage of the Electronic Transactions Bill by the Legislative Council on 5 January 2000. Under the new Electronic Transactions Ordinance, the Postmaster General is a recognized certification authority for the purposes of that Ordinance and may by himself or by the officers of the Post Office provide the services of a certification authority and services incidental or related to such services.

4. The legal and drafting aspects of the proposed resolution are in order.

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