

**Legislative Council Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services**

At the Legislative Council Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2000, the Administration was asked to provide the following information for the Panel.

- (a) An analysis of the cost implications of prosecutions conducted by law enforcement departments, and
- (b) The number of departmental prosecutions in the law enforcement departments mentioned in the Administration's paper.

2. The following are the answers to the above questions :

- (a) In 1999, the cost of prosecutions conducted by prosecutors of the law enforcement departments is estimated to be \$3,284 per day. This compares to \$5,670 to \$8,530 per day if the prosecutions were conducted by counsel-on-fiat.
- (b) There were 207 departmental prosecutors in the law enforcement departments in 1999.