

Legislative Council Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

At the Legislative Council Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services meeting on 21st 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.