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LegCo Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

Meeting on 16 November 1999

Member's Bill - Amendments to Legal Aid Ordinance (Agenda item III)

I refer to the attached letter which has been referred to this Panel for consideration (**Appendix I**). Hon CHAN Kwok-keung, the Member in charge, would like to brief the Panel on the proposed Member's Bill.

2. At the last meeting on 19 October 1999, members discussed whether and if so when the matter should be discussed by the Panel. Pursuant to the decision of the Panel, the Member has been advised that -

- (a) the matter raised in the proposed Member's Bill has been addressed in the Consultation Paper on Legal Aid Policy Review 1997 (paragraphs 39 - 40 in **Appendix II** refer); and
- (b) a Bills Committee has been formed to study the Legal Aid (Amendment) Bill 1999 which seeks to implement the recommendations arising from the Legal Aid Policy Review 1997 and is currently on the waiting list.

The Member has been requested to consider the appropriate channel for further pursuing the matter.

3. The Secretariat has been advised that the Member would still like to brief the Panel on the proposed Member's Bill.
4. Please bring this paper along to the meeting.

(Mrs Percy MA)
Clerk to Panel

Encl

- c.c. Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP (Non-Panel Member)
Hon MA Fung-kwok (Non-Panel Member)
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