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Subcommittee on draft subsidiary legislation to be made under the Securities and Futures Ordinance

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 24 October 2002 at 2:30 pm in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Members present : Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP

Hon NG Leung-sing, JP

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Members absent : Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Public officers attending

Miss Vivian LAU

Principal Assistant Secretary for Financial Services and

the Treasury (Financial Services)

Miss Emmy WONG

Assistant Secretary for Financial Services and the

Treasury (Financial Services)

Mr Danny LEUNG

Division Head, Banking Development Department, Hong

Kong Monetary Authority

Ms Lonnie NG Senior Government Counsel

Attendance by invitation

Mr Mark DICKENS

Executive Director, Supervision of Markets, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Gerald D GREINER

Senior Director, Supervision of Markets, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Andrew YOUNG

Chief Counsel, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Stephen PO

Director, Intermediaries Supervision Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Joe KENNY

Director, Intermediaries and Investment Products, Securities and Futures Commission

Miss Lucinda WONG

Director, Licensing Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Raymond WONG

Associate Director, Intermediaries Supervision Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Mrs Yvonne MOK

Associate Director, Intermediaries Supervision Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Ms Sandra KING

Legal Consultant, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Leo LAM

Senior Manager, Intermediaries Supervision Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Ms Alexandra YEONG

Senior Manager, Supervision of Markets, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Alvin LOK

Senior Manager, Licensing Department, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr Anthony WOOD

Senior Counsel, Securities and Futures Commission

Ms Vania CHENG

Counsel, Securities and Futures Commission

Mr CHUNG Hing-hing

Associate Director, Licensing Department, Securities and

Futures Commission

Clerk in attendance: Ms Connie SZETO

Chief Assistant Secretary (1)4

Staff in attendance : Mr KAU Kin-wah

Assistant Legal Adviser 6

Mr S C TSANG

Senior Assistant Secretary (1)7

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I Confirmation of minutes of previous meetings

LC Paper No. CB(1) 115/02-03 -- Minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2002

LC Paper No. CB(1) 116/02-03 -- Minutes of the meeting held on 18

September 2002

LC Paper No. CB(1) 117/02-03 -- Minutes of the meeting held on 20

September 2002

The minutes of meetings held on 16, 18 and 20 September 2002 were confirmed.

II Consideration of draft subsidiary legislation

LC Paper No. CB(1) 46/02-03(01) -- Securities and Futures (Client Money) Rules (Revised draft Rules)

LC Paper No. CB(1) 46/02-03(02) -- Securities and Futures (Client

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	Securities) Rules (Revised draft Rules)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(01)	 Securities and Futures (Keeping of
•	Records) Rules (Revised draft Rules)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 84/02-03(01)	 Securities and Futures (Contract Notes,
. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Statements of Account and Receipts)
	Rules (Revised draft Rules)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(02)	 Securities and Futures (Investor
. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Compensation - Claims) Rules
	(Revised draft Rules)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(03)	 Securities and Futures (Licensing and
. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Registration) (Information) Rules
	(Revised draft Rules)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 84/02-03(02)	 Securities and Futures (Disclosure of
. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Interests - Exclusions) Regulation
	(Revised draft Regulation)
LC Paper No. CB(1) 130/02-03(01)	 Securities and Futures (Insurance)
	Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(04)	 Securities and Futures (Unsolicited
	Calls - Exclusion) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(05)	 Securities and Futures (Professional
	Investor) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 84/02-03(03)	 Securities and Futures (Associated
	Entities) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 84/02-03(04)	 Securities and Futures (Accounts and
	Audit) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 81/02-03(06)	 Securities and Futures (Leveraged
	Foreign Exchange Trading -
	Exemption) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 84/02-03(05)	 Securities and Futures (Short Selling
	Exemption and Stock Lending) Rules
LC Paper No. CB(1) 99/02-03(01)	 Securities and Futures (Financial
	Resources) Rules

- 2. <u>Members</u> agreed that the Subcommittee would scrutinize the English version of the draft subsidiary legislation. The Legal Service Division (LSD) was requested to examine the Chinese version and follow up with the Law Draftsman on drafting and other technical matters. In the event that there were unresolved issues, LSD would raise them at meetings.
- 3. The Subcommittee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at the **Annex**).

Admin 4. The Administration undertook to take follow-up actions as follows:

(a) Securities and Futures (Investor Compensation - Claims) Rules

To review the drafting of clause 7 of the revised draft Rules to better reflect the scope of the enabling provision, namely section 244(2)(h) of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (SFO).

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(b) <u>Securities and Futures (Contract Notes, Statements of Account and Receipts) Rules</u>

To review the proposed amendment of deleting the word "relevant" in clause 11(5)(d) of the revised draft, with reference to its usage word in other parts of the Rules to ensure consistency in drafting.

- (c) Securities and Futures (Licensing and Registration) (Information) Rules
 - (i) To consider adopting the full form of "CPT" in clause 2 and other parts of the Rules;
 - (ii) To consider stipulating clearly the "relevant information" required to be provided to the Securities and Futures Commission by different types of regulatees in the Schedules;
 - (iii) To consider clarifying the information expected with respect to the requirement of "setting out the nature and reasons of application" in Schedule 1; and
 - (iv) To prepare revised draft Rules for Subcommittee's consideration by circulation.
- (d) <u>Securities and Futures (Disclosure of Interests Exclusions) Regulation</u>

To reconsider the need for providing the definition of "trading day" in clause 2.

(e) Securities and Futures (Insurance) Rules

To prepare the revised draft Rules in consultation with the industry and to submit the draft for scrutiny of the Subcommittee at a future meeting.

III Any other business

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 4:50 pm.

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<u>Legislative Council Secretariat</u>
3 December 2002

Proceedings of the meeting of the Subcommittee on draft subsidiary legislation to be made under the Securities and Futures Ordinance on Thursday, 24 October 2002 at 2:30 pm in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
000000 - 000138	Chairman	Opening Remarks	1
		Confirmation of minutes of previous	
		meetings	
000138 - 000345	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Client	
	ALA6	Securities) Rules	
000345 - 000540	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Keeping of	
	ALA6	Records) Rules	
000540 - 000555	Chairman	Confirmation that the Rules would be	
	SFC	applicable to records in electronic form	
000555 - 000732	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Investor	
		Compensation - Claims) Rules	
000732 - 001326	ALA6	Clause 2 - clarification on the	
	SFC	definition of "specified securities or	
	Chairman	futures contracts"	
001326 - 001914	ALA6	Clause 7 - concern on the basis and	
	Miss Margaret NG	mechanism for determination of loss	
	Securities and	on compensation claims made by	
	Futures Commission (SFC)	investors	
		Request to review the drafting of the	Admin
		clause to better reflect the scope of the	
		enabling provision, namely section	
		244(2)(h) of the Securities and Futures	
		Ordinance (SFO)	
001914 - 002113	Mr Henry WU	Clause 2 - clarification on the term	
	SFC	"associated person" under the	
		definition of "default"	
002113 - 002644	Chairman	Clause 8(2) - confirmation that "a	
	SFC	reasonable opportunity of being heard"	
		would cover claimant's request for an	
		interview with SFC to state his case	
002644 - 002827	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Client	
002827 - 003427	Mr. Honey WIII	Money) Rules Clause 4(4) concern that it might not	
002027 - 003427	Mr Henry WU ALA6	Clause 4(4) - concern that it might not be practicable for a licensed	
	SFC	be practicable for a licensed corporation or its associated entity to	
	SIC		
		deposit client money into segregated	

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		trust accounts within one business	required
003427 - 005414	ALA6 Chairman SFC	Clause 9 - concern about the loopholes that might be caused by cheque payment regarding as client money only after receipt of the proceeds of the cheque; and that client money deposited into licensed corporations' overseas accounts would not be subject to the Rules	
		It would be very rare for a licensed corporation or its associated entity not to deposit client money, particularly made in cheque, into segregated trust accounts. A licensed corporation owed a fiduciary duty to its clients for taking proper safeguard of client's money. A breach to the fiduciary duty could be a misconduct on the part of the corporation and be subject to disciplinary action of SFC.	
		The Administration would step up efforts to educate investors about the risk of depositing their money into a licensed corporation's overseas accounts.	
005414 - 005645	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Contract Notes, Statements of Account and Receipts) Rules	
005645 - 010000	Mr Henry WU Chairman SFC Administration	Clause 11(5)(d) - enquiry on the proposed deletion of the word "relevant"	
		Suggestion to review the proposed amendment of deleting the word "relevant" with reference to its usage in other parts of the Rules to ensure consistency in drafting	Admin
010000 - 010132	Chairman	Securities and Futures (Licensing and Registration) (Information) Rules	

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010132 - 010459	Chairman Mr Henry WU Administration	Clause 2 - concern that the abbreviation "CPT" might cause confusion to users	required
		Consideration should be given to adopt the full form of the term.	Admin
010459 - 010611	ALA6 SFC Chairman	Clause 2(1) - clarification on the term "valid business registration certificates" in paragraph (b)(iv) under the definition on "basic information"	
010611 - 012929	Mr Henry WU Miss Margaret NG Mr Jasper TSANG Mrs Sophie LEUNG	Clause 2 - concern on the scope of "relevant information" to be provided to SFC	
	Chairman Administration SFC	The information required was related to the applicant's fitness and properness. The "relevant information" to be required from different classes of applicants would be specified in SFC application forms. The specific information requirements were the same as current requirements.	
		For the sake of clarity, consideration should be given to stipulating clearly the "relevant information" required to be provided to SFC by different types of applicants/regulatees in the Schedules.	Admin
012929 - 013328	Mr Henry WU Administration SFC	Clause 2 - enquiry on the definition of the term "regulatory body"	
013328 - 013620	Mr Henry WU ALA6 SFC	Item 1(e) of Part 1 to Schedule 1 - enquiry on the proposed deletion of the term "principal business"	
013620 - 014240	Chairman Mr Henry WU ALA6 Administration SFC	Items 4 & 5 of Part 1 to Schedule 1 - enquiry on the need for the applicant to set out the nature and give the reasons for the application	
		Suggestion to clarify what information was required to be provided for the application	Admin

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014240 - 014506	Mr Henry WU Administration SFC	Item 13 of Part 1 to Schedule 1 - enquiry on the term "business history" Item 19 of Part 1 to Schedule 1 - concern on the need to provide details on insurance policies maintained or to	roquirou
014506 - 014845	Chairman Administration	be maintained by an applicant Item 1 of Part 2 to Schedule 1 - enquiry on the term "CE number"	
014845 - 015031	Chairman Administration	Request that the further revised draft Rules be submitted for Subcommittee's consideration by circulation	Admin
015031 - 015120	Chairman Administration SFC	Securities and Futures (Disclosure of Interests - Exclusions) Regulation Explanation on the proposed new clauses 5 & 6 On reflection, SFC would withdraw the new clause 6 as it was considered	
015120 - 015217	Chairman SFC Administration	Clause 2 - enquiry on the definition of the term " trading day"	
		Suggestion to reconsider the need for providing the definition of "trading day"	Admin
015217 - 020400	Chairman Administration Mr Henry WU	Securities and Futures (Insurance) Rules Concern on the regulatory considerations to require licensed corporations to take out insurance cover for fidelity risks in their business. Fidelity risks existed. Alternative to	
		an insurance scheme would be higher capital requirement on licensees or strengthening protection offered by the new investor compensation scheme.	
		The SFC would prepare the revised draft Rules in consultation with the industry and to submit the draft for	Admin/ SFC

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
		scrutiny of the Subcommittee at a	•
		future meeting.	
020400 - 020485	Chairman	Security and Futures (Unsolicited Calls - Exclusion) Rules	
020485 - 020743	ALA6 Chairman Miss Margaret NG Administration SFC	Securities and Futures (Professional Investor) Rules Suggestion to define "relevant date" in clause 3 to facilitate calculation of assets in foreign currency	
		The SFC considered the suggestion unnecessary as investors' financial statements would contain a valuation of assets as at a specific date.	
020743 - 021046	Chairman ALA6 Miss Margaret NG	Securities and Futures (Associated Entities) Rules Securities and Futures (Accounts and Audit) Rules Securities and Futures (Leveraged Foreign Exchange Trading - Exemption) Rules	
021046 - 021420	Chairman Administration Mr Henry WU	Securities and Futures (Short Selling Exemption and Stock Lending) Rules Securities and Futures (Financial Resources) Rules	
021420 - 021800	Chairman ALA6 Administration	Clarification that the commencement of the SFO and the relevant subsidiary legislation would not be affected if the Securities and Futures (Insurance) Rules were not in place The Administration was requested to provide the legal advice from the Department of Justice to ALA6 for consideration.	Admin

Note: The audio records of the above proceedings are kept at the Legislative Council Library.

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