Bills Committee on Land Titles Bill Ninth meeting on 30 June 2003

List of follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration

- 1. Please provide a paper on how the Administration would handle the following scenario, in particular, whether the Administration would seek an interpretation of Articles 6 and 105 of the Basic Law from the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress
 - After enactment of the Bill, a person who lost ownership of his \$10 billion land as a result of fraud by a third party is entitled to indemnity up to \$30 million. The person then challenges the cap on the indemnity in court, and the cap is subsequently ruled to be unconstitutional by the court.
- 2. Please provide an initial response to the Law Society of Hong Kong (Law Soc)'s submission dated 27 June 2003, in particular paragraph 4 of the submission on "Subrogation rights", as soon as practicable so as to enable Law Soc to comment on the Administration's initial response before the tenth Bills Committee meeting on 17 July 2003. The Administration's initial response should be followed by a full response in September 2003.
- 3. As stated in the letter dated 25 June 2003 from the Clerk to Bills Committee to the Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands, please provide before the Bills Committee meeting on 31 July 2003 a progress report on the Administration's deliberation with Law Soc on issues relating to the certificate of good title.

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