Bills Committee on Deposit Protection Scheme Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from previous meetings (as at 14 November 2003)

Date of meeting		List of follow-up actions	Administration's response
18 July 2003	(a)	To advise the changes in percentages of depositors and value of deposits to be covered as well as the costs to banking institutions if the proposed compensation limit is increased from \$100,000 to \$150,000 and \$200,000 per depositor per bank respectively.	Information paper on "Coverage Limit" issued for the meeting on 17 September 2003 (CB(1)2440/02- 03(07))
	(b)	To compare the proposed Deposit Protection Scheme (DPS) with its overseas equivalents in terms of scheme features, level of protection, contribution from member banks and appeal mechanism etc.	Information paper on "Comparison with Overseas Schemes" issued for the meeting on 17 September 2003 (CB(1)2440/02-03(07))
17 September 2003	(a)	To consider the merits of introducing a statutory requirement to appoint persons who have experience in consumer protection to the Hong Kong Deposit Protection Board (HKDPB). Reference should be made to other existing legislation, including the Estate Agents Ordinance (Cap. 511).	Information paper on "Appointment to HKDPB" issued for the meeting on 25 September 2003 (CB(1)2496/02-03(02))
	(b)	To provide a flow chart showing the time frame and sequence of events which will take place before compensation is payable to depositors in the case of failure of a bank.	Information paper on "Timeline Showing the Sequence of Events Before Compensation is Paid to Depositors" issued for the meeting on 3 October 2003 (CB(1)2533/02-03(05))
	(c)	To consider further development of DPS and to provide a paper on the pros and cons of linking the coverage limit to inflation as is being considered in the United States.	Information paper on "Indexing Coverage Limit" issued for the meeting on 3 October 2003 (CB(1)2533/02-03(04))

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25 September 2003	 (a) To reflect the Administration's policy intention, consideration should be given to including in the Bill objective appointment criteria for members of the HKDPB. 	The Administration will consider introducing appropriate Committee Stage amendments to address members' concern
	(b) To provide an organizational chart of the HKDPB secretariat and its estimated annual expenditure.	Information paper on "Board Structure and Administration Costs" issued for the meeting on 21 October 2003 (CB(1)92/03-04(02))
	(c) To provide a paper explaining the rationale behind and the application of clause 44 on confidentiality, with particular reference on how a person may contravene clause 44(1)(a).	Informationpaperon"Confidentiality"issued forthemeeting on 4 November 2003(CB(1)220/03-04(03))
	(d) To include in the discussion schedule clauses in the Bill which are relevant to the policy issues to be examined.	Updated discussion schedule (CB(1)2533/02-03(02))
3 October 2003	(a) To request HKDPB to work out practice directions for banks so that depositors will be made aware of the extent of coverage of their deposits.	The Administration has agreed to relay both requests to HKDPB once it is established
	(b) To relay to the future HKDPB the need to be more proactive in working out contingency arrangements, such as the retrieval of necessary information and the provision of enquiry services to the public, in the event of failure of a bank.	

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21 October 2003	 (a) To consider the need for arranging internal auditing in respect of investment of the DPS Fund. (b) To provide the basis, including the underlying assumptions and standards, upon which the estimated annual administration cost of \$7 to \$8 million in normal times for the HKDPB is arrived at. To also provide the estimated cost to be incurred in the event of failure of a medium-size bank. 	Information paper on "Administration Cost" issued for the meeting on 4 November 2003 (CB(1)220/03-04(04))
4 November 2003	(a) To provide and elaborate the application of the provisions in various ordinances referred to in footnote 7 of the Administration's paper on "Confidentiality" which are relevant to clause 44(1)(a) of the Bill. To also review the drafting of clause 44(1)(a), particularly on the extent to which a person shall preserve and aid in preserving secrecy under the Bill.	Response awaited
	(b) To list out in a table provisions in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) from which the relevant clauses in the Bill are modelled after.	Response awaited
	(c) To provide an implementation time-table showing the timeframes within which the proposals under the Deposit Protection Scheme Ordinance will come in full operation.	Informationpaperon"Implementation Timetable" to bediscussedatthemeetingon18 November 2003(CB(1)328/03-04(02))
	(d) To review the drafting of clause 43 to make it clear that a case can be remitted to the Deposit Protection Appeals Tribunal after the Court of Appeal rules against a determination of the Tribunal.	Response awaited

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