## 立法會 Legislative Council

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# Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2003

Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting held on Saturday, 10 January 2004 at 9 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

**Members** : Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

**present** Hon Margaret NG

Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

**Members** : Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

**absent** Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

**Public Officers**: Mrs Margaret CHAN

**attending** Principal Assistant Secretary for Security

Mr John Hunter

**Deputy Principal Government Counsel** 

Ms Nilmini Dissanayake

Senior Assistant Law Draftsman

Miss Selina LAU Government Counsel

Mr L W TING

Assistant Secretary for Security (Narcotics)

Ms Manda CHAN

**Assistant Secretary for Security** 

**Deputations** : Item I

by invitation

**Hong Kong Bar Association** 

Mr Andrew Bruce, SC Bar Council Member

JUSTICE (The Hong Kong Section of the International Commission of Jurists)

Ms Gladys LI, SC

Chairman

Mr Nigel Kat Member

Mr Martin WONG

Member

**Hong Kong Journalists Association** 

Mr Cliff Bale

Press Freedom Subcommittee Convenor

Ms MAK Yin-ting Hon Secretary

Individual

Mr Simon N M YOUNG

Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong

Clerk in attendance

: Miss Mary SO

Chief Council Secretary (2) 4

Staff in attendance

: Ms Bernice WONG

Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Ms Joanne MAK

Senior Council Secretary (2) 2

#### I. Meeting with deputations/individual

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2)210/03-04(01), CB(2)395/03-04(01), CB(2)929/03-04(02) and CB(2)906/03-04(01))

<u>The Bills Committee</u> deliberated (Index of proceedings at **Annex**).

#### II. Meeting with the Administration

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2)771/03-04(01), CB(2)800/03-04(01), CB(2)906/03-4(02) to (04) and CB(2)929/03-04(01))

- 2. The Administration was requested to provide a written response to the following questions raised at the meeting -
  - (a) Whether the Administration would consider amending the definition of "terrorist act" in the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (the Ordinance) taking reference from the anti-terrorism legislation in Canada and New Zealand, which required that there must be a specific intention to cause an outcome such as those listed in paragraph (a)(i) of the definition of that term in section 2(1) of the Ordinance;
  - (b) Which overseas jurisdictions used a criminal approach in implementing paragraph 1(d) of the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR)1373;
  - (c) Whether the new section 12A(9) would override the provisions protecting legal privilege under section 2(5) of the Ordinance and the circumstances under which that section would be used; and
  - (d) Whether the coverage of 'to relate to any matter relevant to the investigation' in the new section 12A(3)(c) and (6) was too wide and should be tightened.
- 3. The Administration was also requested to provide -
  - (a) The judgment of District Court in <u>HKSAR v Yam Ho Keung</u> (DCCC of 2001); and
  - (b) Other judgment(s) made by Hong Kong court(s) requiring the prosecution to prove "reasonable grounds to believe" (other than HKSAR v Shing Siu Ming and Others).
- 4. The Secretary for Justice was requested to provide a written response on whether she still considered the various provisions of the Ordinance and of the Bill did not undermine human rights and did not go beyond the requirements of UNSCR 1373 and the Special Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering, having regard to the views expressed by deputations/individual, in particular those from JUSTICE. The Legal Policy Division of the Department of Justice was also requested to provide a similar response.

## III. Date of next meeting

- 5. The Clerk would liaise with members and the Administration to fix the date of the next meeting.
- 6. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12 noon.

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**Annex** 

## Proceedings of the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2003 on Saturday, 10 January 2004 at 9:00 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Time Marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 - 001056	Chairman	Welcoming remarks	•
001057 - 001712	Hong Kong Bar Association	Presented the views set out in its submission (LC Paper No. CB(2) 395/03-04(01))	
001713 - 005327	JUSTICE (The Hong Kong Section of the International Commission of Jurists) (JUSTICE)	Presented the views set out in its two submissions (LC Paper Nos. CB(2) 204/03-04(04) and 929/03-04(02))	
005328 - 010942	Mr Simon YOUNG of Assistant Professor of the Faculty of Law of the University of Hong Kong (Mr Simon YOUNG)	Presented the views set out in his two submissions (LC Paper Nos. CB(2) 210/03-04(02) and 906/03-04(01))	
010943 - 012418	Hong Kong Journalists Association (HKJA)	Presented the views set out in its submission (LC Paper No. CB(2) 210/03-04(01))	
012419 - 012434	Chairman and Miss Margaret NG	Way forward	
012435 - 014726	Miss Margaret NG, Chairman, Administration, JUSTICE and Ms Miriam LAU	The Secretary for Justice was requested to provide a written response on whether she still considered the various provisions of the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance and of the Bill did not undermine human rights and did not go beyond the requirements of the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1373 and the Special Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering, having regard to the views expressed by deputations/individual, in particular those from JUSTICE. The Legal Policy Division of the Department of Justice was also requested to provide a similar response.  The Administration was requested to provide information on whether the Administration would consider amending the definition of "terrorist act" of the Ordinance taking reference from the anti-terrorism legislation in Canada and New Zealand, which required that there must be a specific intention to cause an outcome such as those listed in paragraph (a)(i) of the definition of that term in section 2(1) of the Ordinance.	(Admin to provide written responses)
014727 - 021822	Ms Miriam LAU, JUSTICE, Chairman, Administration, Hong Kong Bar Association, Miss Margaret NG and Mr Simon YOUNG	Supply of funds to terrorists and terrorist associates  The Administration was requested to provide information on which overseas jurisdictions used a criminal approach in implementing paragraph 1(d) of UNSCR 1373.	(Admin to provide a written response)
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021823 - 022610	Miss Margaret NG, Administration and JUSTICE	Legal professional privilege  The Administration was requested to provide information on whether the new section 12A(9) would override the provisions protecting legal privilege under section 2(5) of the Ordinance and the circumstances under which that section would be used.	(Admin to provide a written response)
022611 - 025639	Miss Margaret NG, Administration, HKJA, Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association, JUSTICE, Ms Miriam LAU and Mr Simon YOUNG	New section 12A - Requirement to furnish information or produce material  Whether the coverage of 'to relate to any matter relevant to the investigation' in the new section 12A(3)(c) and (6) was too wide and should be tightened	(Admin to provide a written response)
025640 - 030000	Ms Miriam LAU, Chairman and Miss Margaret NG	The Administration was requested to provide -  (a) the judgment of the District Court in HKSAR v Yam Ho Keung (DCCC of 2001); and  (b) other judgment(s) made by Hong Kong court(s) requiring the prosecution to prove "reasonable grounds to believe" (other than HKSAR v Shing Siu Ming and Others).	(Admin to provide the information and materials)
030001 - 030027	Chairman	Date of next meeting	

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