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on 16 April 2004**

**Legal Service Division Report on
Subsidiary Legislation Gazetted on 19 March 2004**

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Amendment to be made by : 21 April 2004 (or 12 May 2004 if extended by resolution)

**Shipping and Port Control Regulations (Cap. 313 sub. leg. A)
Shipping and Port Control Regulations (Amendment of Eighteenth Schedule)
Notice 2004 (L.N. 42)**

This Notice amends the Eighteenth Schedule to the Shipping and Port Control Regulations (Cap. 313 sub. leg. A) to add 3 new restricted zones, namely, Discovery Bay, Repulse Bay and Tai Lam Bay areas, in which vessels navigating within the specified time are subject to a speed limit.

2. For more background information about this Notice, members may refer to the LegCo Brief issued by the Economic Development and Labour Bureau on 19 March 2004 (ref: MA 60/1). The aim of introducing the new restricted zones is to enhance the safety of waterborne activities at or near popular beach areas (para. 4 of LegCo Brief).

3. The LegCo Panel on Economic Services was briefed on the proposal at its meeting on 15 January 2004. At the meeting, a member raised concerns about the inadequate enforcement actions taken by the Administration within the designated restricted zones and the safety hazards posed by high speed crafts to swimmers. Another member was of the view that an area for exclusive use by jet ski riders should be designated with a view to promoting tourism. In conclusion, the Chairman of the Panel said that the Panel was generally in support of the proposed marine-related subsidiary legislation.

4. This Notice shall come into operation on 15 May 2004.

**Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187)
Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) (Exemption)
(Amendment) Order 2004 (L.N. 5 of 2004) (Commencement) Notice 2004
(L.N. 43)**

**Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Amendment
of Schedules) Notice 2004 (L.N. 6 of 2004) (Commencement) Notice 2004
(L.N. 44)**

5. These Notices appoint 1 June 2004 as the day on which the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) (Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2004 (L.N. 5 of 2004) and the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules) Notice 2004 (L.N. 6 of 2004) shall come into operation.

6. L.N. 5 of 2004 exempts certain species from the restriction on the possession or control of scheduled species imposed by the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187). L.N. 6 of 2004 gives effect to the changes made in November 2002 to the listings of endangered species in the Appendices to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

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