

**Bills Committee on
Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Bill**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 29 November 2005**

- (1) To review the drafting of Schedule 3 regarding the application of convention instruments adapted in the Bill, with a view to removing any ambiguity.
- (2) To provide a paper setting out the difference between the Bill and the existing Ordinances, in particular, the Animals and Plants (Protection of Endangered Species) Ordinance (Cap. 187) regarding the interpretation of the terms “commercial purpose” and “non-commercial purpose” with illustrations, particularly on marginal cases.
- (3) To clarify whether reference should be made to the requirement under the Convention in the proposed amendment to the definition of the term “in-transit” in clause 3.
- (4) To include in the speech to be delivered by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works at the Second Reading debate on the Bill an undertaking that cases of possession or control of pre-Convention specimens of Appendices I and II species without the required evidence would be considered having regard to all circumstances relating to an individual case.
- (5) To advise the consequential amendments required for clause 22 as a result of proposed amendment to the definition of the term “in-transit” in clause 3.
- (6) To review the licensing mechanism with a view to streamlining the procedures while maintaining the control over the import, re-export and possession or control of endangered species.