

**Bills Committee on
Hazardous Chemicals Control Bill**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 20 November 2006**

- (1) To make it clear in the definition of “manufacture” under clause 2 that the Bill does not cover the unintentional production and release of scheduled chemicals. To also review the drafting of the definition to eliminate any ambiguity between the Chinese and English renditions, in particular the phrase “causing the chemicals to be manufactured” which might give an impression that the Bill will cover chemicals unintentionally produced during a manufacturing process, which is indeed not the policy intent.
- (2) The Bill as drafted is not clear on the extent of power conferred on the Director in enforcing the requirements under the two Conventions on the manufacture, export, import and use of scheduled chemicals. To consider setting out clearly parts of the two Conventions which are relevant to the provisions in the Bill.
- (3) To re-consider the suitable legislative tool, negative vetting, positive vetting or positive resolution, to be used for the inclusion of convention and non-convention chemicals in Schedules 1 and 2 of the Bill.