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Bills Committee on Independent Police Complaints Council Bill

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 15 April 2008, at 10:45 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Members : Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP (Chairman)

present Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon Bernard CHAN, GBS, JP

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS

Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, JP

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC

Members : Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, SBS, JP absent Hon WONG Yung-kan, SBS, JP

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP

Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung, SBS, JP

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung Hon KWONG Chi-kin

Public Officers : Mrs Jessie TING, JP

attending Deputy Secretary for Security

Ms Manda CHAN

Principal Assistant Secretary for Security

Ms Jane LEE

Assistant Secretary for Security

Mr MA Wai-luk

Assistant Commissioner of Police (Service Quality

Wing)

Ms WONG Ching-han Senior Inspector of Police

Ms Fanny IP

Senior Assistant Law Draftsman

Ms Lonnie NG

Senior Assistant Law Draftsman (Acting)

Clerk in attendance

Mrs Sharon TONG

Chief Council Secretary (2) 1

Staff in attendance

Mr Stephen LAM

Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Mr Raymond LAM

Senior Council Secretary (2) 5

Miss Helen DIN

Legislative Assistant (2)1

I. Meeting with the Administration

The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

- 2. The Bills Committee requested the Administration -
 - (a) to provide information on the categories of persons, such as contractors engaged by the Police and forensic pathologists, covered/not covered by the definition of "member of the police force" in clause 2(1);
 - (b) to review the definition of "member of the police force" in clause 2(1) and the scope of clause 10(a)(iii);

- (c) to consider deleting "and known by the names referred to in section 3(1)(b)" in the definition of "Council" in clause 2(1);
- (d) to consider deleting the reference to "existing immediately before the commencement of this Ordinance" in clause 3(1);
- (e) to consider relocating the provisions in clause 30 to clause 3;
- (f) to consider adding a provision in the Bill to specify expressly that clause 38 of the Ordinance would not affect the respective rights of the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) and other parties that existed before the incorporation of IPCC in relation to litigation between IPCC and other parties;
- (g) to explain, with the provision of information on the length of membership in IPCC and the number and name of advisory and statutory bodies served by the respective members of the existing IPCC, whether the appointment of the existing IPCC members was in compliance with the six-year and six-board guideline;
- (h) to consider allowing non-government organisations to nominate candidates for appointment to IPCC by the Chief Executive;
- (i) to consider specifying in the Bill that some IPCC members should come from certain specific sectors and providing that the Legislative Council (LegCo) Members to be appointed to IPCC should be elected from among LegCo Members;
- (j) to review whether clause 4(2) as presently drafted could exclude political appointees and persons who were not civil servants but fell under the definition of "members of the police force" in clause 2(1) from being appointed as IPCC members;
- (k) to consider the suggestion of extending each term of appointment of the Chairman of IPCC to a longer period of time, say three years;
- (l) to consider appointing the Chairman of IPCC on a full-time basis; and
- (m) to consider deleting the requirement for approval by the Chief Executive or adding "employment" before "terms" in clause 5(1).
- 3. The Bills Committee requested the Legal Service Division to provide information on whether there were provisions in existing legislation setting out that the pre-existing rights of parties to legal proceedings would not be affected

by the Ordinance.

II. Date of next meeting

- 4. The Bills Committee noted that the next meeting had been scheduled for 24 April 2008 at 10:45 am.
- 5. The meeting ended at 12:45 pm.

Council Business Division 2
<u>Legislative Council Secretariat</u>
5 May 2008

Proceedings of meeting of the Bills Committee on Independent Police Complaints Council Bill on Tuesday, 15 April 2008, at 10:45 am

in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 - 000250	Chairman	Opening remarks	_
000251 - 000333	Admin Chairman	Examination of the definition of "request for review" in clause 2(1)	
000334 - 000543	Chairman Admin	Administration's response to issues raised at the Bills Committee meeting on 6 March 2008 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1585/07-08(01))	
000544 - 000615	Chairman Admin	Examination of the definition of "categorization" in clause 2(1)	
000616 - 000841	Chairman Admin Hon Emily LAU	Examination of the definition of "police conduct" in clause 2(1)	
000842 - 000859	Chairman Admin	Examination of the definition of "police force" in clause 2(1)	
000900 - 005042	Hon Emily LAU Hon James TO Hon Alan LEONG Admin Chairman	Examination of the definition of "member of the police force" in clause 2(1); categories of persons covered/not covered by the definition of "member of the police force"; drafting of the definition and clause 10(a)(iii)	Admin to provide information on the categories of persons, such as contractors engaged by the Police and forensic pathologists, covered/not covered by the definition of "member of the police force" in clause 2(1); to review the definition of "member of the police force" in clause 2(1) and the scope of clause 10(a)(iii)

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005043 - 005312	Chairman Hon James TO Admin	Examination of the definition of "Council" in clause 2(1); drafting of the definition of "Council" in clause 2(1)	Admin to consider deleting "and known by the names referred to in section 3(1)(b)" in the definition of "Council" in clause 2(1)
005313 - 005348	Chairman Admin	Examination of the definition of "observer" in clause 2(1)	
005349 - 005528	Admin Chairman	Examination of clause 3	
005529 - 010134	Hon Emily LAU Clerk Admin Chairman	Views/suggestions of deputations on clause 2 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1594/07-08(01))	
010135 - 011815	Hon James TO Admin Chairman	Drafting of clause 3(1) and 3(2)	Admin to consider deleting the reference to "existing immediately before the commencement of this Ordinance" in clause 3(1); to consider relocating the provisions in clause 30 to clause 3
011816 - 011901	Admin	Briefing on clause 4	
011902 - 012533	Hon James TO Admin Chairman	Drafting of clause 3(3); whether there was a need to specify explicitly in the Bill that clause 38 of the Ordinance would not affect the rights of the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) and other parties that existed before the incorporation of IPCC in relation to litigation between IPCC and other parties	Admin to consider adding a provision in the Bill to specify expressly that clause 38 of the Ordinance would not affect the respective rights of IPCC and other parties that existed before the incorporation of IPCC in relation to litigation between IPCC and other parties

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Chairman Hon Emily LAU Hon James TO Admin	Views/suggestions of deputations on clause 4 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1594/07-08(01)); membership of IPCC; length of membership in IPCC and the number and name of advisory and statutory bodies served by the respective members of the existing IPCC; whether the appointment of the existing IPCC members was in compliance with the six-year and six-board guideline; terms of office of IPCC members; allowing non-government organisations to nominate candidates for appointment to IPCC by the Chief Executive; to consider specifying in the Bill that some IPCC members should come from certain specific sectors and providing that the Legislative Council (LegCo) Members to be appointed to IPCC should be elected from among LegCo Members; drafting of clause 4(2); whether the Chairman of IPCC should be appointed on a full-time basis	Required Admin to explain, with the provision of information on the length of membership in IPCC and the number and name of advisory and statutory bodies served by the respective members of the existing IPCC, whether the appointment of the existing IPCC members was in compliance with the six-year and six-board guideline; to consider allowing non-government organisations to nominate candidates for appointment to IPCC by the Chief Executive; to consider specifying in the Bill that some IPCC members should come from certain specific sectors and providing that the LegCo Members to be appointed to IPCC should be elected from among LegCo Members; to review whether clause 4(2) as presently drafted could exclude political appointees
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015123 - 020108	Chairman Hon Emily LAU Hon James TO Hon Audrey EU Admin	Examination of clause 5; whether the appointment terms of the Secretary and Legal Adviser of the IPCC Secretariat should be approved by the Chief Executive	Admin to consider deleting the requirement for approval by the Chief Executive or adding "employment" before "terms" in clause 5(1)
020109 - 020130	Chairman	Examination of clause 6 at the next meeting	

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