## **Panel on Security**

<u>List of follow-up actions</u> (position as at 29 November 2006)

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Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals	4 April 2003  (Joint meeting with the Panel on Manpower)	The Administration agreed to provide members with progress reports on the Scheme on a regular basis.	Progress report on the Scheme for the period from 1 April 2006 to 30 September 2006 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)490/06-07 on 29 November 2006.
Interception of communications and covert surveillance	10 June 2004	The Administration was requested -  (a) to advise the year from which requests for interception of communications had to be approved by the Chief Executive on a case-by-case basis; and  (b) to confirm whether internal	Response awaited.  - Ditto -
		guidelines had been issued to the law enforcement agencies on the requirement referred to in paragraph (a) above.	

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	Meeting of the Bills Committee on Interception of Communications and Surveillance Bill	The Administration was requested to advise the Panel on Security whether any guidelines had been issued, after the relevant judgments had been delivered by the courts in Koo Sze Yiu and Leung Kwok Hung v Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, to law enforcement officers or within the Department of Justice regarding restrictions on law enforcement or presentation of evidence before the court.	Response awaited.
3. Powers of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) to search for and seize journalistic material	29 November 2004	<ul> <li>(a) The Department of Justice (D of J) was requested to provide a response on -</li> <li>(i) the basis on which D of J, upon request from the court, referred the investigation of the press coverage of habeas corpus proceedings relating to a witness to ICAC;</li> <li>(ii) why D of J did not refer the matter to an independent committee; and</li> </ul>	Response awaited.

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		(iii) whether there was any conflict of interest with ICAC carrying out the investigation work.  (b) ICAC was requested to consider providing the following after all legal proceedings in respect of a case involving the press coverage of habeas corpus proceedings relating to a witness was completed -  (i) information which were relevant to the case but not provided to the court, if prosecution was instituted in respect of the case; and  (ii) all information relevant to the case, if prosecution was not to be instituted in respect of the case.	Interim response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1159/05-06 on 16 February 2006.

4. Provision of emergency ambulance	7 June 2005	The Administration was requested to	
service		provide -	

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		(a) its quantitative analyses of the additional demand for emergency ambulance service arising from the opening of Disneyland and development of Lantau Island, the increased number of visitors associated with the Individual Visit Scheme and the international conferences to be held in Hong Kong, the opening of new ambulance depots, and advise whether the net increase in manpower proposed could meet with such increased demand;	Response awaited.
		<ul> <li>(b) statistics on the response time performance in the New         Territories before and after the Third Generation Mobilising System came into operation; and     </li> <li>(c) information on the</li> </ul>	- Ditto -
		implementation of a priority despatch system in overseas countries.	
5. Transfer of sentenced persons between the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government and the	Meeting of the Bills Committee on Transfer of	The Administration undertook -  (a) to draw up internal guidelines for	Response awaited.

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Macau Special Administrative Region (MSAR) Government	Sentenced Persons (Amendment) (Macau) Bill	determining "close ties" with a place when more such cases have been established, and provide a copy of the guidelines to the Panel; and  (b) to inform the Panel of the progress of implementation of the Arrangement on Transfer of Sentenced Persons between the HKSAR Government and the MSAR Government one year after the Arrangement came into operation.	- Ditto -
6. Civil celebrant of marriages	Meeting of the Bills Committee on Marriage (Introduction of Civil Celebrants of Marriages and General Amendments) Bill	The Administration was requested to report to the Panel on Security on the outcome of the Administration's review on the operation of the civil celebrant scheme one year after it has come into operation and whether other categories of persons, such as Justices of the Peace and LegCo Members, should be eligible for appointment as civil celebrants.	Response awaited.
7. Rules and directions for the questioning of suspects and the taking of statements:  Caution Statement	3 January 2006	The Administration was requested to consider adding the sentence "You have the right to remain silent" to the beginning of the caution administered	Response awaited.

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			by law enforcement agencies when interviewing a suspect.	
8.	Legislative proposals for the implementation of the co-location arrangement	7 March 2006	<ul> <li>(a) explain the issues considered by the Administration in coming up with its proposal to provide that the Chief Executive might by order modify or exclude any legislation in their application to the Hong Kong Port Area (HKPA); and</li> <li>(b) advise how the authorisation of the Central Authorities to enable certain areas in China that were outside Hong Kong to be declared as HKPA would be given.</li> </ul>	Response awaited.  - Ditto -

9.	Problem of indebtedness of Police officers	-	The Administration was requested to provide the following information on a half-yearly basis -	
			(a) the number of Police officers with unmanageable debts together with	Statistics for the period up to the first half of 2006

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		a breakdown of reasons for incurring debts;	circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)3135/05-06 on 3 October 2006.
		(b) a breakdown of the number of incoming and outgoing Police officers with unmanageable debts;	- Ditto -
		(c) a breakdown of the periods for which these officers had had unmanageable debts;	- Ditto -
		(d) the number of garnishee orders (i.e. notice of tax recovery) issued to Police officers and a breakdown of the amount of garnishee orders issued; and	- Ditto -
		(e) the number of Police officers who were at the same time receiving notice of tax recovery and repaying salary advances under Civil Service Regulation 618 and loans from the Police Welfare Fund.	- Ditto -
10. Situation of refugees, asylum seekers and torture claimants in Hong Kong	31 July 2006	The Administration was requested to provide -	
		(a) a written response to the issues	Response awaited.

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		raised at the joint meeting of the Panel on Security and Panel on Welfare Services on 18 July 2006;
		(b) information about the number of asylum seekers and torture claimants in detention who had used fake passports;
		(c) information on the legal aid applications made by asylum seekers and torture claimants who wished to take or defend legal proceedings;
		(d) information on the number of asylum seekers and torture claimants under detention who had made legal aid applications, the nature of their applications, the number of rejected applications and the reasons for rejection; and
		(e) information on the number of children of refugees, asylum seekers and torture claimants in Hong Kong and the average number of months they had stayed in Hong Kong, whether education was provided to such children, and

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		the meaning of "considerable length of time" in paragraph 11 of LC Paper No. CB(2)2747/05-06(01).	
11. Proposed changes to the requirement of obtaining customer's identification and record keeping in remittance and money-changing transactions	7 November 2006	The Administration was requested to provide, in July 2007, -  (a) a progress report on the issue of establishing a regulatory body	Response awaited.
		for remittance agents and money changers; and  (b) a comparison of the regulatory	- Ditto -
		regime in Hong Kong and that of other places such as Singapore and Taiwan.	
12. Police's handling of cases of violence against well-known personalities and civil servants in their performance of duties	7 November 2006	The Administration was requested to provide more detailed information on cases which had been detected and had not been detected referred to in paragraph 3 of the Administration's paper entitled "Police's handling of cases of violence against well-known personalities and civil servants in their performance of duties and related matters" (LC Paper No. CB(2)232/	Response awaited.
		06-07(05)) and classify the cases referred to in paragraphs 3 to 5 of the	

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		Administration's paper into cases of assault against the victim and other violence.	

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