Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting
List of follow-up actions
(position as at 1 April 2009)

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1.	Domestic/private pirated viewing of subscription television programmes	11.7.05	The Administration was requested to monitor the global trend of regulatory practices against pirated viewing of pay TV programmes and update the Panel where necessary.	The Administration will provide an information paper to update the Panel on developments.
2.	Implementation on Digital 21 Strategy and the e-procurement programme	11.12.06	The Administration agreed to : (a) consider members' suggestions that e-invoice be considered for the pilot programme to drive supplier adoption, and assess and apprise the Panel of the increase in percentage, if any, of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) suppliers having Internet connection as a result of the implementation of e-Procurement, and SMEs' response to and their degree of participation in the e-Procurement programme; and (b) assess the actual benefits of the e-Procurement pilot programme against the benefits listed in paragraph 12 of the Administration's paper (LC Paper No. CB(1)435/06-07(03)) and the extent to which green procurement is adopted.	(a) The Administration considers that the proposed scope for the pilot programme encompassing four e-Procurement initiatives with an estimated non-recurrent expenditure of $49.2 million is a prudent and pragmatic way to proceed. However, the Administration will keep in view opportunities for trying out the e-invoice function when circumstances are conducive. (b) The Administration will assess the actual benefits of the e-Procurement pilot programme at the review stage.

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3.	Issues relating to the editorial independence of Radio Television Hong Kong and the yardsticks of the Broadcasting Authority (BA) in imposing sanctions	12.3.07	The Administration was requested to review: (a) the mechanism for appointing members to BA (or the new unified regulator, i.e. the Communications Authority), including the criteria for appointment and composition of membership, with a view to bringing in more talents with different backgrounds to enhance representativeness; and (b) the yardsticks of BA in imposing sanctions.	The Administration to take note and follow up.
4.	Progress in the implementation of digital terrestrial television broadcasting in Hong Kong	11.6.07	The Administration was requested to provide an estimate on the economic benefits arising from the analogue switch-off in due course.	The Administration to provide the information at a later stage when it has conducted further market and technical studies to plan for the analogue switch-off.
5.	Capital Works Reserve Fund Head 710 Computerization Subhead A007GX – New administrative computer systems	12.11.07	The Administration agreed to provide information on the present in-house IT manpower resources within the Government, and make an analysis of the present IT manpower situation in the Government in comparison with other governments and advanced countries.	The requisite information is not readily available on public resources. The Administration will continue to look for relevant sources and will update the Panel on the outcome in due course.
6.	Review of the broadcasting regulatory regime	19.2.2008 10.6.2008	In the light of technological and market convergence in the electronic communications sector, the boundaries between telecommunications, broadcasting and information technology are blurring. Some old concepts adopted for the regulation of broadcasting may become obsolete in the converging environment. Just like other jurisdictions, Hong Kong needs to update the regulatory regime in the light of the latest technological and market	The Administration will update the Panel on developments in due course.

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		developments to ensure that its framework remains conducive to the further development of the broadcasting industry in particular and the electronic communications industry in general.	
7. Information security	8.12.2008	The Administration was requested to: (i) provide information on the outcome and findings of the security risk assessment carried out by the Hong Kong Police Force on security provisions for their staff in handling personal or sensitive data, including working outside of the office environment, as well as improvement programmes and follow-up actions undertaken/to be undertaken to mitigate risk factors identified; and (ii) update the Panel on the progress of existing and planned initiatives on a regular basis, the first one in six months' time.	The Administration will provide information on security risk assessment on Hong Kong Police Force as part of the progress update to the Panel at its meeting in July 2009.
8. Review on the Administration of Internet domain names in Hong Kong	11.12.2008	The Administration was requested to provide information on whether there was any corporation/public body under which members of its advisory or consultative committee(s) were all appointed by the Government, similar to the appointment mechanism of the Consultative and Advisory Panel of the Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation Limited, and the name of such bodies and details of the governance structure and appointment mechanism.	The Administration will brief the Panel in April 2009 when the new institutional arrangements for the administration of Internet domain names in Hong Kong are wholly in place.

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9.	Progress report on 2008 Digital 21 Strategy	9.2.2009	The Administration undertook to provide information on the number of students in primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong who had no access to computer and Internet services at home.	The information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)897/08-09(01) on 24 February 2009.
10.	Annual report on Cyberport	9.3.2009	The Administration was requested to: (a) provide examples and quantifiable information/statistics to illustrate the progress in achieving the six public missions of the Cyberport project, in particular, those relating to developing a regional centre of excellence in IT, to nurture and support the development of small and medium IT enterprises and creating a strategic cluster of quality IT and IT related companies for developing Hong Kong into a leading digital city in the region; (b) provide a list of the 64 original intellectual properties developed by the Incu-train alumni and details, as far as practicable; (c) account for the increase in the marketing, promotion and project expenses and the decrease in the operating expenses for the Digital Media Centre, iResource Centre and the Digital Entertainment Incu-cum-training Centre for 2006-2008; and (d) provide the average and the range of rental rate for office premises in Cyberport.	The Administration to take note and follow up.

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