Bills Committee on Communications Authority Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 8 March 2011

- 1. The Administration was requested to consider:
 - (a) amending the conjunction at the end of Clause 21(2)(g)(i) of the Bill from "or" to "and" to enhance the clarity of Clause 21(2)(g);
 - (b) reflecting in the Bill that Clause 13(7) would not prevent the Communications Authority (CA) and its committees from reviewing their own decisions or taking any necessary remedial actions in the event of the failure by a CA member to comply with the disclosure of interest requirements under Clause 13;
 - (c) refining the Chinese version of Clause 19(1) of the Bill to avoid semantic inconsistency between the expressions "一經收取" and " 已繳付";
 - (d) amending the conjunction at the end of Clause 21(5)(b) of the Bill from "and" to "or" to reflect the seemingly disjunctive relationship among subclauses (5)(a), (5)(b) and (5)(c);
 - (e) explaining why Clause 21 did not provide a procedure similar to relevant provisions in section 36D of the Telecommunications Ordinance (TO) (Cap. 106) and section 27 of the Broadcasting Ordinance (Cap. 562) requiring the authorities concerned to seek representations from persons who might be affected by any proposed disclosure of confidential information under Clause 21(2); and
 - (f) seeking the views of industry organizations on Clause 22 of the Bill to address members' concern about section 33 of the Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106) in respect of the execution of prescribed authorizations for telecommunications interception.

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