Adaptation of Laws (Military References) Bill 2010 Adaptation Proposals

Schedule 1

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68(1)	Firearms and	Possession on behalf of the Crown Government etc.	The Ordinance makes provision for the possession of
68(2)	Ammunition		firearms and ammunition. Before the Reunification,
	Ordinance	Section 13 and 14 do not apply to the possession of, or	any officer or member of any of Her Majesty's Forces
	(Cap. 238),		acting on behalf of Her Majesty's Government enjoyed
	Section 3	(a) on behalf of Her Majesty's Government,	exemption from the possession of arms or ammunition
		including possession by an officer or member of	without a licence under the conditions stipulated in the
		any of Her Majesty's Forces who is in	
		possession of or deals in the arms or ammunition	
		in his capacity as such; or	In general, according to the principles of adaptation of
		(a) on behalf of the Central People's Government,	laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be
			adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army",
			except for circumstances involving land vested in or
			occupied by the former British Forces stationed in
		in his capacity as such; or	Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the
			Hong Kong Garrison". It is therefore proposed to adapt
			the reference "an officer or member of any of Her
		· ·	Majesty's Forces" to "an officer or member of the
		*	Chinese People's Liberation Army". At the same time,
			it is proposed to adapt the term "Her Majesty's
			Government" to "the Central People's Government".
			The proposal to adapt the term "Crown" to
			"Government" is a consequential amendment to the
			heading as subsection (b) of the provision stipulates the
			condition of then Hong Kong Government in the

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			possession of arms or ammunition before the Reunification. The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
69	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 5(1)(a)	of enabling them to be employed in such a manner that such employment usurps, may usurp, tends to usurp or appears to usurp the functions of the police or the armed forces of the CrownChinese People's Liberation Army; or then— (i) any person who is a member or adherent of such society shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$5000 and to imprisonment for 3 years; and (ii) any person who takes part in the control or management of such society, or in organizing or training or equipping as aforesaid any members or adherents of the society, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for	
70	Public Order Ordinance	For the purposes of this section, a person shall not be deemed to be acting in pursuance of lawful authority	

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	(Cap. 245), Section 17C(2)(e)	unless he is on duty as — (e) a member of Her Majesty's forces Chinese People's Liberation Army;	In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison". It is therefore proposed to adapt the term "Her Majesty's forces" to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army". The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
71(1) 71(2)	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 31(6)(f) and Section 31(6)(m)	provisions of this section, not be subject to or obliged to comply with any of the provisions of a curfew order when on duty or proceeding to or from duty — (f) a member of Her Majesty's forcesthe Chinese People's Liberation Army; (m) an employee of the Ministry of Defence in possession of a valid Army Department Passa member of the Ministry of National Defence in the Central People's Government in possession	employees of the Ministry of Defence in possession of a valid Army Department Pass from the need to comply

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			As the "Pass" mentioned in the provision concerned refers to the pass issued by the Army Department of the then Government of the United Kingdom whereas the Ministry of National Defence in the Central People's Government is the relevant department for issuing a similar "pass", and that members of the Ministry of National Defence in the Central People's Government are required to obtain such passes before they could handle any defence duties, it is therefore proposed to adapt the reference "in possession of a valid Army Department Pass" to "in possession of a valid pass of the Ministry of National Defence or the Hong Kong Garrison". The proposal to adapt the term "employee" to "member" is to comply with the actual establishment situation of the Chinese People's Liberation Army. The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
72	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 37	(1) In the case of a closed area which is an area or place occupied by Her Majesty's forces or for other purposes of the Crown in right of Her Majesty's government in the United Kingdom, the Commander British Forces or any commissioned officer in Her Majesty's forces authorized by him for the purposes of this subsection may issue to any person a permit allowing such person to enter and leave the closed area. (1) In the case of a closed area which is an area or place occupied by the Hong Kong Garrison or for other purposes	Commander British Forces or any commissioned officer in Her Majesty's forces authorized by the Commander British Forces to issue to any person a permit allowing such person to enter and leave a closed area. As the term "Her Majesty's forces" refers to circumstances involving land occupied by the former

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		of the Central People's Government, the Commander of the Hong Kong Garrison or any member of the Chinese People's Liberation Army authorized by him for the purposes of this subsection may issue to any person a permit allowing such person to enter or leave the closed area.	Garrison". Meanwhile, it is suggested to adapt the term "Crown in right of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom" to "the Central People's
73	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 38(2)(a)(iii)	Chinese People's Liberation Army;	Majesty's forces on duty or proceeding to or from duty from the prohibition on entering or leaving closed area

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			reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
74(1)	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 39(1)	has reason to suspect that such person has committed or is about to commit any offence;	of Her Majesty's forces in closed area before the Reunification. According to the Basic Law, the maintenance of public order is the responsibility of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. The Hong Kong Garrison would not carry out such duty and exercise such power. It is therefore proposed to take away the reference of "any member of Her Majesty's forces".
74(2) 74(3)	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 39(4)	the Governor or the Commander British Forces Chief Executive; (ba) in the case of a closed area which is an area or place occupied by the Hong Kong Garrison or for other purposes of the Central People's Government, any member of the Chinese	The provision provides definition on persons guarding a closed area. Before the Reunification, the then Governor or the Commander British Forces could appoint any person to guard a closed area. Regarding the term "Governor", as the right conferred by the provision concerned is exercised by the Chief Executive after the Reunification, it is therefore proposed to adapt the term to "Chief Executive". As for the term "the Commander British Forces", as the closed area which is occupied by the Hong Kong

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			only guarded by members of the Chinese People's Liberation Army after the Reunification (such as military closed area), it is therefore proposed to add subsection (ba) to reflect the legislative intent and the application scope of the provision. The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and sections 1 and 11 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
75	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 49(1)	Where a member of Her Majesty's forces acting in the course of his duty or a police officer reasonably believes that it is necessary for the purpose of preventing, detecting or investigating any offence for which the sentence is fixed by law or for which a person may (on a first conviction for that offence) be sentenced to imprisonment, the member or officer may require any person to produce proof of his identity for inspection, and any person who fails to comply with any such requirement commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$10000 and to imprisonment for 6 months.	Majesty's forces acting in the course of duty to require any person to produce proof of identity for inspection for the purpose of preventing, detecting or investigating any offence before the Reunification. According to the Basic Law, the maintenance of public order is the responsibility of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. The Hong Kong Garrison would not carry out such duty nor exercise
76(1)	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 50	Powers of members of certain auxiliary services and Her Majesty's forces the Chinese People's Liberation Army	1 2 2
	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 50	(3) Without prejudice to the provisions of this Ordinance or of any other law, any member of Her Majesty's forces acting in aid of the civil power the Chinese People's Liberation Army acting under Article 14 of the Law of the	forces, when aiding the then Hong Kong Government, should have the same powers, protection and

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		People Republic of China on the Garrisoning of the Hong	Reunification.
		Kong Special Administrative Region in Schedule 2 to the	
	s	Promulgation of National Laws (No. 2) 1997 (L.N. 386 of	
		1997) shall have the same powers, protection and	
		immunities as are imposed or conferred by this Ordinance	
		or any other law on a police officer.	public order in the Region. The Government may,
			when necessary, ask the Central People's Government
		(4) Without prejudice to the provisions of this Ordinance	
		or of any other law, any commissioned officer in Her	
		Majesty's forces acting in aid of the civil power member of	1 2
		the Chinese People's Liberation Army of or above the rank	
		of second lieutenant (or ensign) acting under Article 14 of	
		the Law of the People's Republic of China on the	
		Garrisoning of the Hong Kong Special Administrative	_
		Region in Schedule 2 to the Promulgation of National	
		Laws (No. 2) 1997 (L.N. 386 of 1997) shall have the powers conferred by section 17(2), (3) and (4) on a police	
		officer of or above the rank of inspector.	situation after the Keummeation appropriately.
		officer of of above the rank of hispector.	In general, according to the principles of adaptation of
			laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be
			adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army",
	*		except for circumstances involving land vested in or
			occupied by the former British Forces stationed in
			Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the
			Hong Kong Garrison". It is therefore proposed to adapt
			the reference "an officer or member of any of Her
			Majesty's forces" to "the Chinese People's Liberation
			Army".
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			As "commissioned officer in Her Majesty's forces" is
			equivalent to members of the Chinese People's

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			Liberation Army of or above the rank of second lieutenant, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant term to "member of the Chinese People's Liberation Army of or above the rank of second lieutenant". The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap.1.
76(4)	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 50(5)	A certificate purporting to be signed by the Chief Secretary for Administration and stating that a member of Her Majesty's forces the Chinese People's Liberation Army was, at the time specified therein, acting in aid of the civil power under Article 14 of the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Garrisoning of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Schedule 2 to the Promulgation of National Laws (No. 2) 1997 (L.N. 386 of 1997) shall be conclusive evidence thereof in all proceedings and for all purposes.	signing of certificates by the then Chief Secretary for Administration for verifying the assistance provided by members of Her Majesty's forces to the then Hong Kong Government. According to one of the conditions stipulated in Article 14 of the Garrison Law, members of the Hong Kong
77	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 50A(a)	Any person who obstructs – (a) any member of Her Majesty's forces the Chinese People's Liberation Army; exercising any powers or performing any duties conferred or imposed on him by this Ordinance or by any orders, directions, requirements or notices made thereunder shall	this Ordinance or by any orders, directions,

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		be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$1000 and to imprisonment for 6 months.	
78	Public Order Ordinance (Cap. 245), Section 53	Without prejudice to the provisions of section 46, no person acting in good faith under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable in damages or otherwise for any act done by him in pursuance or exercise of any obligation, duty or power imposed or conferred, or reasonably supposed to be imposed or conferred, on him by this Ordinance, if done in good faith, and done or purported to be done in the execution of his duty or for the public safety or for the defence of Hong Kong or for the enforcement of discipline or otherwise in the public interest, if such person be a person holding office under or employed in the service of the Crown in any capacity, whether naval, military, air force or civil Government in any capacity, or be a member of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, or be an officer or member of the Government Flying Service or a member of the Hong Kong Auxiliary Police Force	then naval, military, air force, Government Flying Service, Hong Kong Auxiliary Police Force from being held legally liable for paying compensation for damages. As the Chinese People's Liberation Army already includes naval, military and air elements, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant references as "the Chinese People's Liberation Army". As the term "Crown" in the provision covered the then Hong Kong Government, it should have been adapted as "特區政府" in the Chinese version in accordance with the definition in Part II of Cap.1. i.e. "Government"

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		acting as such or be a person acting under the authority of a person so holding office or so employed or such an officer or member.	term "政府" has been used in other existing provisions for references relating to the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the Ordinance in the Chinese version, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant term to "政府" to ensure consistency of the relevant provisions in the Ordinance. The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Sections 1
79	Protected Places (Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 260), Section 3(2)	 It shall be lawful for the Chief Executive by order to authorize any person to act as an authorized guard. Such authority may be given in general terms to any member of Her Majesty's armed forces the Hong Kong Garrison or to any class of persons. 	the safety of places declared as protected places. Under Section 3(2) of Cap. 260, the Chief Executive may
			In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison". As the reference of "Her Majesty's armed forces" referred to circumstances involving land used by the then British Forces, it is therefore proposed to adapt the reference to "the Hong."
			therefore proposed to adapt the reference to "the Hong Kong Garrison". The adaptation proposal is prepared by making

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	5		reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap.1.
80	Protected Places (Safety) (Authorized Guards) Order (Cap. 260 sub. leg. C), Paragraph 2	the Senior Military Officer in command of Her Majesty's regular troops in the Colony, the following persons, that is to say- (a) any member of Her Majesty's armed forces; and (b) any person employed by The Ministry of Defence (The Army Department) as a member of its Police Force, are hereby authorized to act as authorized guards. 2. Authorized guards in respect of protected places under control of Senior Army Officer of Hong Kong Garrison	the safety of places declared as protected places. Paragraph 2 stipulated the conditions that in respect of any protected places under the control of Senior Military Officer in command of Her Majesty's regular troops in the Colony, any member of Her Majesty's armed forces could be authorized as authorized guards before the Reunification. In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison". As the references of "Her Majesty's regular troops in the Colony" and "any member of Her Majesty's armed forces" referred to

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		The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
80 Protected Places (Safety) (Authorized Guards) Order (Cap. 260 sub. leg. C), Paragraph 3	the Captain-in-Charge, Hong Kong, or any officer of the Royal Navy discharging the duties of the Captain-in-Charge, Hong Kong, the following persons, that is to say- (a) any member of Her Majesty's armed forces; and (b) any person employed by The Ministry of Defence (The Navy Department) as a member of its Police Force, are hereby authorized to act as authorized guards. 3. Authorized guards in respect of protected places under control of Senior Navy Officer of Hong Kong Garrison	the safety of places declared as protected places. Paragraph 3 stipulated the conditions that in respect of any protected places under the control of Captain-in-Charge Hong Kong of the Royal Navy, any member of Her Majesty's armed forces could be authorized as authorized guards before the Reunification. In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison". As the references of "the Captain-in-Charge, Hong Kong, or any officer of the Royal Navy discharging the duties of the Captain-in-Charge, Hong Kong" and "any member of Her

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		similar persons as in subsection (b), it is therefore proposed to take away subsection (b) which is obsolete.
		The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
Protected Places (Safety) (Authorized Guards) Order (Cap. 260 sub. leg. C), Paragraph 4	In respect of any protected place under the control of the Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong, or any officer of the Royal Air Force discharging the duties of the Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong, the following persons, that is to say- (a) any member of Her Majesty's armed forces; and (b) any person employed by The Ministry of Defence (The Air Force Department) as a member of its Police Force, are hereby authorized to act as authorized guards. 4. Authorized guards in respect of protected places under control of Senior Air Officer of Hong Kong Garrison	sthe safety of places declared as protected places. Paragraph 4 stipulated the conditions that in respect of any protected places under the control of Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong, any member of Her Majesty's armed forces could be authorized as authorized guards before the Reunification. In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison". As the references of "Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong" and "any officer of the Royal Air Force discharging the duties of the Air Officer Commanding, Hong Kong" referred to circumstances involving land used by the then British Forces, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant

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			Meanwhile, as the Chinese People's Liberation Army/Ministry of National Defence do not employ similar persons as in subsection (b), it is therefore proposed to take away subsection (b) which is obsolete.
			The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
81	Peak Tramway By-laws (Cap. 265 sub. leg. B), By-law 25	No person not being a member of Her Majesty's forces the Chinese People's Liberation Army, a police officer, a member of the Customs and Excise Service or an officer of the Independent Commission against Corruption shall carry or have with him any firearms or ammunition on any part of the premises.	regulation of the conduct of passengers, issue of tickets, carriage of firearms and dangerous substances, etc. By-law 25 provides exemption for members of the Her
			In general, according to the principles of adaptation of laws, the term "Her Majesty's forces" is proposed to be adapted to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army", except for circumstances involving land vested in or occupied by the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, where the term is to be adapted to "the Hong Kong Garrison", it is therefore proposed to adapt the term "Her Majesty's forces" to "the Chinese People's Liberation Army". As the relevant references to other disciplinary forces contain the term "member", it is therefore proposed to add the term "member" after "the Chinese People's Liberation Army" in the Chinese version to ensure consistency in the provision. The
			proposed amendment would not change the legal effect of the provision.

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			The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
82(1) 82(2)	Massage Establishments Ordinance (Cap. 266), Section 3	Crown—Government_or registered under the Hospitals, Nursing Homes and Maternity Homes Registration Ordinance (Cap 165); (aa) a military hospital or a maternity home of the Hong Kong Garrison;	Cap. 266 makes provisions for the regulation and licensing of massage establishments. The provision concerned provided exemption to the then hospitals or maternity homes maintained by the Crown before the Reunification. As the reference "Crown" in the provision covered the then Hong Kong Government and the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant references to include the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, and the hospital or maternity homes of the Hong Kong Garrison. Considering that the hospital of the Hong Kong Garrison is called "military hospital", which does not cover maternity home, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant reference as "a military hospital or a maternity home of the Hong Kong Garrison". The proposal to adapt the term "Crown" to "特區政府" in the Chinese version is prepared in accordance with the definition in Part II of Cap.1, i.e. "Government (特區政府) means the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region". The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Sections 1 and 2 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.

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83	Merchant Shipping Ordinance (Cap. 281), Section 118(2)	This Ordinance shall not, except where otherwise specially provided, apply to Her Majesty's ships of war the ships of war of the Chinese People's Liberation Army or to the ships of war of any foreign state.	regulation of merchant ships. In accordance with
		v	Considering that only the Chinese People's Liberation Army have "ships of war", it is therefore proposed to adapt the reference "Her Majesty's ships of war" to "the ships of war of the Chinese People's Liberation Army".
			The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to section 2A(2)(c) of Cap. 1 and Section 1 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
	(Cap. 282), Section 3(1)	"hospital" (醫院) means any hospital registered under the Hospitals, Nursing Homes and Maternity Homes Registration Ordinance (Cap 165) or maintained by the Crown or which is a, any hospital maintained by the Government, any military hospital or any public hospital within the meaning of the Hospital Authority Ordinance (Cap. 113);	As the reference "maintained by the Crown" referred to the then Hong Kong Government and the former British Forces stationed in Hong Kong, it is therefore

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			references relating to the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the Ordinance in the Chinese version, it is therefore proposed to adapt the relevant term to "政府" to ensure consistency of the relevant provisions in the Ordinance.
			The adaptation proposal is prepared by making reference to sections 1 and 2 of Schedule 8 to Cap. 1.
85	Employees' Compensation Ordinance (Cap. 282), Section 4(1)(a)	This Ordinance shall apply to employees employed by or under the Crown in the same way and to the same extent as if the employer were a private person, except in the case of— (a) members of the armed forces of the Crown Chinese People's Liberation Army; and	armed forces of the Crown in making employees' compensation under the Ordinance before the Reunification.

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