## Subcommittee on Estate Agents (Licensing) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulation 2009

## List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 13 November 2009

At the meeting on 13 November 2009, the Administration/Estates Agents Authority (EAA) was requested to:

- (a) provide information on the principles of regulating licence holders under the mutual recognition of qualifications scheme (the Scheme) to be entered between EAA and the China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents (CIREA), including the delineation of respective jurisdictions and the determination on the appropriate authority to conduct investigation and take disciplinary action, in particular when there were conflicting views between EAA and CIREA on the case in question, and confirm whether EAA had agreed with CIREA on the principles;
- (b) provide an undertaking to report to the Panel on Housing all the details of the operation of the Scheme before issuing any licence under the Scheme, including
  - (i) tabling the agreement to be signed between EAA and CIREA;
  - (ii) arrangements on sending communications and notices in relation to complaint or disciplinary matters against a Mainland licensee to his/her address in the Mainland, if provided, in addition to the registered address in Hong Kong;
  - (iii) outcome of the clarification with CIREA on whether the scope of "having no criminal conviction history", which is one of the requirements for a Hong Kong applicant to be eligible to EAA for nomination under the Scheme, would include minor convictions such as minor traffic offences; and
  - (iv) detailed arrangement of the tailor-made course and examination to be organized by EAA for estate agents nominated by CIREA under the Scheme.

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