

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

List of follow-up actions

(Position as at 9 November 2010)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up actions required	Administration's response
1. Protection of privacy	9 February 2007 (Home Affairs Panel)	The Administration was requested to provide a work plan on how to take forward the Law Reform Commission ("LRC") Reports on privacy as soon as possible.	The Administration is working on the LRC Reports on Stalking and will revert to the Panel once the way forward is formulated.
2. Legislative Council by-election	10 February 2010	The Administration was requested to study overseas practices on restrictions on Members who resigned from office and then stand for by-elections.	Response awaited.
3. Support service centres for ethnic minorities	19 April 2010	The Equal Opportunity Commission ("EOC") was requested to advise the Panel on whether the internal guidelines on opening of bank accounts for ethnic minorities issued by banks were in compliance with the Race Discrimination Ordinance after concluding its investigation into the complaints.	EOC will revert after concluding its investigation.
4. Code on access to information and management of public records	17 May 2010	The Administration was requested to - (a) provide a response to the views expressed and recommendations made by the deputations at the meeting and in the submissions received;	Response circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)159/10-11 on 27 October 2010.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="792 300 1576 451">(b) advise whether it had exchanged views with organisations which had studied and researched on archives laws and freedom of information laws and the Administration's response to the views given;<li data-bbox="792 499 1576 651">(c) report to the Panel its future meetings with organisations interested in the subject of access to information and management of public records and its response to the views given;<li data-bbox="792 699 1576 818">(d) consider the suggestion that an independent body should be set up to monitor the administration of public records;<li data-bbox="792 866 1576 1018">(e) provide information on the staff establishment of the Government Records Service, qualifications required of the staff members of the management team, their respective ranks and duties;<li data-bbox="792 1066 1576 1217">(f) explain why papers prepared for, and records of meetings and deliberations of the Executive Council were classified as information to which the public might be refused to have access;<li data-bbox="792 1265 1576 1417">(g) advise whether there were any internal guidelines on writing of minutes of meetings and if so, the circumstances under which the names or post titles of the persons who gave opinions, advice, or	

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		recommendations during the meetings would be recorded; and (h) relay to the Census & Statistics Department about the suggestion of a member that data collected during census should not be destroyed after use.	
5. Third report of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region under the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women	19 July 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a checklist of policy areas reviewed by the Women's Commission.	Response circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)2215/09-10 on 31 August 2010.
6. Support services for ethnic minorities	18 October 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a paper on the division of work among concerned Government bureaux and departments in implementation of policies and provision of support services concerning the ethnic minorities.	Response awaited.