Panel on Security

<u>List of follow-up actions</u> (position as at 29 December 2010)

Subject	Date of Meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals ("ASMTP")	4 April 2003 (Joint meeting with the Panel on Manpower)	The Administration agreed to provide members with progress reports on ASMTP on a regular basis.	Progress report on the Scheme for the period from 1 April 2010 to 30 September 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)155/10-11 on 27 October 2010.
2. Powers of the Independent Commission Against Corruption ("ICAC") to search for and seize journalistic material	29 November 2004	 (a) The Department of Justice ("DoJ") was requested to provide a response on - (i) the basis on which DoJ, upon request from the court, referred the investigation of the press coverage of habeas corpus proceedings relating to a witness to ICAC; (ii) why DoJ did not refer the 	Response awaited.

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		matter to an independent committee;	Response awaited.
		(iii) whether there was any conflict of interest with ICAC carrying out the investigation work;	- Ditto -
		(b) ICAC was requested to consider providing the following after all legal proceedings in respect of a case involving the press coverage of habeas corpus proceedings relating to a witness was completed –	Interim responses circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(2)1159/05-06 and CB(2)917/06-07 on 16 February 2006 and 19 January 2007 respectively.
		(i) information which were relevant to the case but not provided to the court, if prosecution was instituted in respect of the case; and	
		(ii) all information relevant to the case, if prosecution was not to be instituted in respect of the case.	

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3. Rules and directions for the questioning of suspects and the taking of statements: Caution Statement	3 January 2006	The Administration was requested to consider adding the sentence "You have the right to remain silent" to the beginning of the caution administered by law enforcement agencies ("LEAs") when interviewing a suspect.	Response awaited.
4. Problem of indebtedness of Police officers	-	The Administration was requested to provide the following information on a half-yearly basis -	
		(a) the number of Police officers with unmanageable debts together with a breakdown of reasons for incurring debts;	Statistics for the period up to the first half of 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)2049/09-10 on 12 July 2010.
		(b) a breakdown of the number of incoming and outgoing Police officers with unmanageable debts;	- Ditto -
		(c) a breakdown of the periods for which these officers had had unmanageable debts;	- Ditto -

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		(d) the number of garnishee orders (i.e. notice of tax recovery) issued to Police officers and a breakdown of the amount of garnishee orders issued; and	Statistics for the period up to the first half of 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)2049/09-10 on 12 July 2010.
		(e) the number of Police officers who were at the same time receiving notice of tax recovery and repaying salary advances under Civil Service Regulation 618 and loans from the Police Welfare Fund.	- Ditto -
5. Review of the Frontier Closed Area	19 February 2008	The Administration was requested to provide a timetable for releasing Sha Tau Kok town from the Frontier Closed Area when submitting its funding request for the secondary boundary fence and associated works to the Finance Committee.	Response awaited.

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6. Proposed Rules of Court and Code of Practice to be made for the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance	2 December 2008	The Administration was requested to provide further information explaining whether and how the code of practice under the Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 455) would be updated to ensure procedural consistency with the code of practice to be made under the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (Cap. 575).	Response awaited.
7. Results of study of matters raised in the annual report to the Chief Executive by the Commissioner on Interception of Communications and Surveillance ("the Commissioner")	3 March 2009	The Administration was requested to provide information on the progress of the review on LEAs' intelligence management systems and the timetable for completing the review.	Response awaited.
8. Review of the torture claim screening mechanism	1 December 2009	The Administration was requested to revert to the Panel on the results of the review on the pilot scheme under which the Administration would provide publicly-funded legal assistance to torture claimants.	Response awaited.

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9. Combating illicit cigarette activities	Meetings of the Bills Committee on Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 2009	The Administration undertook to provide a progress report on the effectiveness of the Administration's efforts in combating illicit cigarette activities within six months to one year after the enactment of the Bill.	Response awaited.
10. Establishment of a rendition arrangement with the Mainland	20 October 2009	The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on its discussions with the Mainland regarding the establishment of a rendition arrangement.	Response awaited.
11. Statistics on Police's searches on detainees	Meetings of the Subcommittee on Police's Handling of Sex Workers and Searches of Detainees	The Administration was requested to provide the Panel on Security with statistics on Level III(c) searches involving full removal of underwear conducted on detainees and the nature of offences involved on a quarterly basis.	Statistics for the period between 1 July 2010 and 30 September 2010 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)42/10-11 on 14 October 2010.
12. Manpower situation in the Independent Commission Against Corruption	5 January 2010	 (a) The Administration was requested to provide the following information - (i) the number of posts in the public service which did 	Response awaited.

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		not set any limit on the tenure or prescribe the retirement age;	
		(ii) the arrangements for appointment of the Commissioner of ICAC in the fourth term of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, including the criteria adopted by the fourth-term Chief Executive for nominating the person for appointment and the tenure of office of the incumbent Commissioner; and	- Ditto -
		(b) ICAC was requested to provide information on the total number of years lost due to the high wastage of officers appointed to the Commission Against Corruption Officer grade.	Response awaited.

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13. Capital Investment Entrant Scheme ("CIES")	5 January 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a comparison of the switch of investments amongst the six permissible asset classes over the years since the implementation of CIES.	Response awaited.
14. Police's handling of public meetings and public processions	2 February 2010	The Administration was requested to provide the following information - (a) detailed information about the Police's use of pepper spray in handling the demonstrators outside the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Building on 16 January 2010;	Response awaited.
		(b) a written response to the issues raised in the submission from the Hong Kong Human Rights Monitor (LC Paper No. CB(2)887/09-10(01));	- Ditto -

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		(c) information on whether prosecution had ever been taken against event organizers for having provided false or misleading information in a notice of intention to hold a public meeting or public procession; and	- Ditto -
		(d) the findings of the Police's review regarding the event outside the LegCo Building on 16 January 2010.	- Ditto -
15. Employment service support for rehabilitated offenders	2 March 2010	The Administration was requested to provide the following information -	
		(a) the number of rehabilitated offenders employed in the civil service in the past few years, with a breakdown of such figures by government departments and the types of jobs involved;	Response awaited.
		(b) detailed information on how the Administration facilitated	- Ditto -

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		the employment of rehabilitated persons in the civil service, and the public as well as private sectors; and (c) a written response to the issues raised by the Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention, Hong Kong.	- Ditto -
16. 2008-2009 survey of drug use among students and implementation progress of the trial scheme on school drug testing in Tai Po District	19 October 2010	When the issue of school drug testing was raised under the item "Briefing by the Secretary for Security on the Chief Executive's 2010-2011 Policy Address", the Administration was requested to provide the reason accounting for the decrease in the first half of 2010 in the number of young drug abusers in other districts, despite the fact that the voluntary school-based drug testing scheme implemented in Tai Po District was not yet extended to other districts.	Response awaited.

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17. Law Reform Commission Report on sexual offences records checks for child-related work	2 March 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a written response to the views of Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong that there was no way to prevent persons who had committed sexual offences from working in the educational sector, and sex offenders whose teacher registration was suspended under the Education Ordinance could not be barred from operating tutorial schools or taking up child-related and MIP-related work in other sectors.	Response awaited.
18. Enhancement of computer systems of the Immigration Department and the extension of e-Channel services	1 June 2010	The Administration was requested to - (a) keep record of and provide the Panel with the total number of spot checks conducted in the next three to six months on arriving visitors who performed self- service immigration clearance at e-Channels, and the outcome of the spot checks conducted; and	Response awaited.

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		(b) provide further information on the benefits of employing optical scanners in fingerprint verification, and how far the installation of such devices had helped reduce failure in fingerprint verification.	Response awaited.
19. Security matters under the "Framework Agreement on Guangdong/Hong Kong Co-operation"	1 June 2010	The Administration was requested to provide the Panel with - (a) information on the numbers of professionals admitted to work in Hong Kong through various channels, including ASMTP, in the past three years, and details of the professions they worked; and	Response awaited.
		(b) all cooperation agreements signed in the past 15 years with the People's Government of Guangdong Province, bearing impacts on the maintenance of law and order in the two places.	- Ditto -

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20. Review of the Interception of Communications and Surveillance Ordinance	6 July 2010	The Administration was requested to provide a written response as to whether and how the penalties provisions in the Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106), the Post Office Ordinance (Cap. 98) and the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486) applied to personnel of the Central People's Government agencies in Hong Kong.	Response awaited.
21. Daya Bay Nuclear Station Notification Mechanism	6 July 2010	The Administration was requested to - (a) relay the suggestion of appointing representatives of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") to the Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station/Ling Ao Nuclear Power Station Safety Consultative Committee ("NSCC") to the Daya Bay Nuclear Operations and Management Company ("DNMC") for its consideration;	Response awaited.

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		(b) explore the merits of requiring CLP Power Hong Kong Limited to notify the HKSAR Government of all operational events at the nuclear power station through the Scheme of Control Agreement;	Response awaited.
		(c) provide the Panel with a copy of the detailed investigation report to be compiled by DNMC on the event which occurred at the Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station on 23 May 2010; and	- Ditto -
		(d) review the event on 23 May 2010, the existing arrangements for handling nuclear events and the notification mechanisms agreed with various relevant parties, as well as the validity of the Daya Bay Contingency Plan developed by the HKSAR Government for handling nuclear incidents in Daya Bay.	- Ditto -

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22. Follow-up on the incident in the Philippines on 23 August 2010 involving a tour group from Hong Kong	2 November 2010	 (a) provide an up-to-date chronological list of the government actions taken after the hostage-taking incident in Manila; and (b) check with the Philippine authorities to see if they had prepared a verbatim record of the proceedings of the hearings conducted by the Incident Investigation and Review Committee of the Philippines on the incident and if yes, to request a copy of the English version of the verbatim record for submission to the Coroner and the Panel. 	Response circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)655/10-11 on 22 December 2010.