

**Bills Committee on
United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2012**

**Follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 7 May 2012
to be taken by the Administration**

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) clarify in writing that the term "international organization" under the proposed definition of "terrorist act" in section 2(1) of the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (Cap. 575) did not include an intergovernmental organization that was not constituted by or under an international multilateral treaty such as the Red Cross, contrary to what was stated in paragraph 7 of the Legislative Council Brief on the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) (Amendment) Bill 2012 (File ref.: SBCR 9/16/1476/74) issued by the Security Bureau in February 2012, and the reasons for that; and
- (b) provide details of the UK Court of Appeal decision in *R v Cairns* to illustrate how the defence of necessity could apply to a person who was prosecuted for committing what would otherwise constitute a serious crime where the commission of the crime was necessary for the purpose of avoiding or preventing death or serious injury to himself or another.