Reply to supplementary question raised by Finance Committee Member in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2012-13

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<u>Head</u>: 72 – Independent Commission <u>Subhead</u> (No. & title):

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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Question: The Commissioner, Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), was requested to provide information on the number of cases he had made to the Operations Review Committee (ORC) in respect of –

- (a) declaration of possible interests he may have with cases being handled by ICAC; and
- (b) seeking advice from the Chairman of ORC on whether he should refrain from cases being handled by ICAC having regard to his possible interests in such cases, which may or may be seen to, have conflict with his statutory duties.

Asked by: Hon. KAM Nai-wai

Reply:

In accordance with ICAC established procedures, the Commissioner, ICAC has since assumption of office in July 2007 made declarations of possible interests in respect of 12 cases handled by the Operations Department.

Seven of these cases were considered not involving actual or perceived conflict of interest while five of them might involve perceived conflict of interest. In compliance with the relevant procedures including consultations with the Head of Operations and the ORC Chairman, the Commissioner has stayed out from the five cases. The Commissioner did not receive any oral or written information on these five ICAC investigations and was not involved in any deliberations or decision-making.

Signature:			
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