Panel on Financial Affairs Follow-up to meeting on 6 February 2012

Agenda Item V - Proposed establishment of a Policyholders' Protection Fund - Consultation Conclusion

The Administration is requested to provide information on the number of owners' corporations which have encountered problem in obtaining insurance coverage for third parties' indemnities.

The statutory provisions relating to the mandatory requirement for owners' corporations to procure third party risks insurance took effect on 1 January 2011. According to the information provided by The Hong Kong Federation of Insurers ("HKFI"), there were 27 enquiries/requests for assistance regarding the requirement under the Building Management Ordinance (Cap. 344) and the Building Management (Third Party Risks Insurance) Regulation in February 2011. The HKFI has not received further requests for assistance in relation to procurement of third party risks insurance. Should any owners' corporations encounter problems in obtaining insurance coverage, they can contact the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance or HKFI direct.