

For information
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**Legislative Council Panel on Security
Security and Media Reporting Arrangements
at the new Central Government Offices**

Introduction

This paper provides information on the security arrangements and media reporting arrangements at the new Central Government Offices (CGO).

Security arrangements

2. The Administration Wing has engaged a security company to provide security service at the new CGO. The arrangements on access control at the new CGO are the same as those adopted at the Central CGO. Security passes are issued to staff working in the new CGO to facilitate their access to/exit from the premises. For visitors, they should wear visitor cards on the day of visit. To enable the timely issuance of visitor cards, bureaux/main offices are required to pre-register the details of their visitors with the Administration Wing.

Media reporting arrangements

3. We attach great importance to the media reporting arrangements at the new CGO. Having balanced the three major factors, namely on-site situation, the need to facilitate media organisations to cover media events as well as the need to maintain orderly pedestrian traffic at CGO, the media facilities provided at the new CGO include –

- (i) a reporters' room at G/F, East Wing. It is equipped with, inter alia, audio-visual facilities and WiFi where the reporters may use;
- (ii) an auditorium at G/F and a Conference Hall at 2/F. They are equipped with, among others, audio-visual facilities to facilitate media organisations to cover media events; and
- (iii) a designated press area at each foyer of East Wing and West

Wing.

The above media facilities are ready for use except the auditorium whose equipment is at the final stage of testing and commissioning.

4. We have already informed the media organisations that they could collect the press cards for the new CGO commencing from 21 November 2011. With effect from that date, holders of press cards may use the reporters' room from Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) between 7:30 am and 7:30 pm and the designated press areas at the foyers of East Wing and West Wing. Besides, holders of press cards can also access the staff canteen located at 1/F of CGO for catering service.

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