Bills Committee on Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 1 March 2016

The Administration is requested to –

- (a) consider defining the prohibited acts under clause 20 of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Bill ("the Bill"), in particular, the words/terms "paper" under clause 20(1)(a), "drop anything", "capable of causing injury to a person or damage to property" under clause 20(1)(b) and "leave anything which obstructs, inconveniences...or may obstruct, inconvenience...." under clause 20(1)(d);
- (b) consider deleting clause 20(1)(e) which specifies that a person who loiters in the Terminal Area ("TA") without reasonable cause would commit an offence;
- (c) consider amending clause 20(1)(h) to allow flexibility in providing designated smoking areas in TA in future;
- (d) provide a list of the prohibitions provided in the Bill which will only apply in TA and will not apply in relation to anything done on board a vessel, and explain the rationale behind such an exclusion;
- (e) provide a list of the prohibitions provided in the Bill which will apply in both TA and in relation to anything done on board a vessel, and explain the rationale behind such an imposition;
- (f) given the variation in the seriousness of offences under clauses 7, 12 and 22 of the Bill, consider amending clause 21(4) to the effect that a person suspected of having committed an offence under clause 22 will not solely be removed from TA but may be detained and taken to a police station or delivered into the custody of a police officer;
- (g) re-consider whether law enforcement officers other than police officers, i.e. officers of the Customs and Excise Department and the Immigration Department, should be empowered to enforce clause 22(1) of the Bill;
- (h) explain the reason(s) for including the phrase "Without limiting any other law" in clause 22(1) of the Bill and in particular, set out the laws to be covered by this phrase;
- (i) provide examples of other legislation under which obstructing an authorized officer in the performance of a function or pretending to be an authorized officer will constitute a criminal offence; and

(j) provide specific circumstances that a pass holder will be considered unfit to have access to the restricted area concerned, necessitating the cancellation of his pass under section 4(1)(b) of Schedule 2 to the Bill.

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