Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 16 June 2015)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Subsidiary legislation to implement International Maritime Convention

July 2015

The Administration will brief Panel members on legislative proposals to make/amend regulations under the Merchant Shipping (Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 369) to implement amendments to: (i) Chapters III, IV and V to the "International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974" and (ii) the "International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972".

2. Review the services of the Hongkong Post

July 2015

Hon Albert CHAN raised a concern on a consultancy study commissioned by the Hongkong Post [LC Paper No. CB(4)943/14-15(01)]. At the meeting on 27 May 2015, the Panel agreed to invite the Administration to brief the Panel on the item at the meeting in July 2015.

3. Proposed establishment of a new statutory body to provide dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong

Third quarter of 2015

With regard to a consultancy recommendation that Hong Kong should set up a new statutory body with dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong, the Administration will brief Panel members on the latest progress on the formulation of specific functions, structure and financing arrangement for the proposed body.

4. Outcome of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas

Fourth quarter of 2015

The Administration will brief Panel members on the progress of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas conducted by the Marine Department, and propose the next steps of work, including legislative and financial proposals.

5. Purchase of air traffic management system Autotrac 3 by the Civil Aviation Department

To be confirmed

Proposed by Hon Albert CHAN at the meeting on 26 May 2014. The Administration's response (LC Paper No. CB(1)1898/13-14(01) to the submission dated 23 May 2014

from a member of the public (LC Paper No. CB(1)1620/13-14(01)) expressing views on the subject was issued to members on 4 August 2014.

In October 2014, the Director of Audit identified several problems related to the administration of the air traffic control ("ATC") and related services in the Chapter 4 of his Audit Report No. 63, including the delay in implementing the Air Traffic Management System ("ATMS") contract and made relevant recommendations to the Director-General of Civil Aviation.

The Public Accounts Committee subsequently considered the Audit Report and found it, inter alia, appalling and totally unacceptable that the new ATC system which was targeted for commissioning in December 2012 was not yet in operation mainly due to a delay in implementing ATMS contract, while the existing ATC system was approaching the end of its usable life. It also strongly condemned Civil Aviation Department's incompetence and negligence in managing the procurement and implementation of the new ATMS project which had been delayed for at least three-and-a-half years.

6. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the investigation of accidents

To be confirmed

The Administration will brief Panel members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

7. Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

To be confirmed

The Administration will consult members on the project to enhance the attractiveness of Lei Yue Mun ("LYM") as a popular tourism spot through further improving the facilities along the LYM waterfront area.

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