Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 18 March 2016)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Refunding of Air Passenger Departure Tax

19 April 2016

In his letter dated 23 October 2015 addressed to the Panel on Financial Affairs, Hon SIN Chung-kai proposed to discuss matters relating to refunding of Air Passenger Departure Tax by airlines (LC Paper No. CB(4)258/15-16(01)). In response, the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau has agreed to take up the discussion with this Panel.

2. Incorporating in local legislation the latest standards of the International Maritime Organization

19 April 2016

The Administration will seek Members' endorsement on legislative amendment proposals to incorporate in local legislation the latest requirements adopted by the International Maritime Organization as set out in: (i) the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, and (ii) Chapters VI and X to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974.

3. Proposed amendments to the Pilotage Order (Cap. 84C) and Pilotage (Dues) Order (Cap. 84D)

19 April 2016

The Marine Department proposes to revise the current classes of pilotage and their corresponding qualifications in light of the latest pilotage requirements for ocean-going vessels, as well as to revise the pilotage dues prescribed under the Pilotage (Dues) Order (Cap.84D) having regard to inflation and increasing operating costs of pilotage service providers.

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

Second quarter of 2016

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.

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