

Panel on Financial Affairs

Follow-up action arising from the meeting on 15 November 2016

Agenda Item V — Briefing on the work of Hong Kong Monetary Authority

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority ("HKMA") is requested to provide the following information:

- (a) Exchange Fund ("EF")'s investment, if any, in (i) bonds issued by the Central Government and Mainland corporations, and (ii) precious metals; and the relevant details;
- (b) the annual return rate of EF for the period from 2001 to 2016;
- (c) measures to manage risks arising from recent volatilities in the currency markets on EF's investment on foreign currencies;
- (d) the involvement of money lenders in the primary and secondary mortgage market (such as the amount of loans they offer and the risk exposure of banks to such money lenders), and HKMA's assessment of the potential risks of such activities to Hong Kong's financial stability;
- (e) HKMA's guidelines to banks on the provision of banking services for the socially disadvantaged and less privileged groups; and
- (f) comparison of Hong Kong and Singapore on the performance as asset management centre in Asia, including their respective positions in the management of private equity funds, the number of private banks opened, and the total capital under management in private equity funds.