

**Non-permanent Judges of the
Court of Final Appeal**

At its meeting held on 27 May 1999, the LegCo Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services requested for the following information relating to the operation of the Court of Final Appeal:-

- (a) the existing number of judges from other common law jurisdictions appointed to sit on the Court of Final Appeal;
- (b) whether the Government is intending to increase the number of judges on the list; and
- (c) whether any judges on the current list have indicated that they are no longer interested to sit on the Court of Final Appeal.

2. The position in respect of the above points is as follows:-

- (a) At present, there are 14 non-permanent judges (NPJ) of the Court of Final Appeal, 6 of them are appointed from other common law jurisdictions;
- (b) There is no intention to increase the number of NPJs on the list in the immediate future; and
- (c) None of the NPJs have indicated that they are no longer interested to sit on the Court of Final Appeal.

Judiciary Administrator's Office
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