

**Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services**

**List of follow-up actions**  
(position as at 21 February 2013)

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up actions required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
1. Solicitor Corporations Rules	28 March 2011	The Law Society of Hong Kong to clarify as a matter of policy whether a solicitor corporation would be allowed to join a partnership.	Response awaited.
2. A two-year pilot scheme to provide legal advice for litigants in person	27 February 2012	The Home Affairs Bureau to provide information relating to the implementation details of the pilot scheme when being finalized in the second quarter of 2012.	A Steering Committee has been established to advise the Administration on the launching of the pilot scheme.  The Administration will provide further information on the details of the pilot scheme for the Panel's reference.
3. Setting up of Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited ("HKMAAL")	25 April 2012 Bills Committee on Mediation Bill	The Administration to elaborate further on the setting up of HKMAAL and the timetable for its establishment during the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Mediation Bill.	The Department of Justice ("DoJ") provided a report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Working Group on Mediation including a progress report on the setting up of HKMAAL, its functions and operation at the meeting of the AJLS Panel on 22 January 2013.

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4. Law Reform Commission Report on Class Actions	10 July 2012	SJ to accord priority to the proposed class action regime in the policy agenda of the fourth-term Government.	DoJ has set up a cross-sector Working Group to study and consider the proposals of the LRC Report and to make recommendations to the Administration on the way forward. The initiative has also been included in DoJ's paper for the AJLS Panel on "2013 Policy Address: Policy Initiatives of DoJ".
5. Law Reform Commission's Consultation Paper on Rape and Other Non-consensual Sexual Offences	8 January 2013	At the request of Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, the Administration and the Judiciary to provide the following information in relation to the handling of sexual offences cases:  (a) the existing procedures and guidelines of the Police in the handling of sexual offences cases;  (b) the relevant training for police constables in the handling of sexual offences cases;  (c) the number of applications received from litigants of sexual offences cases requesting for use of videoconferencing facilities in court hearings and the number of cases approved; and	Response awaited.

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		(d) the relevant court guidelines for trying sexual offences cases.	

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