Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting held on 16.12.2008

Matters of Discussion

1.1 Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation

Members were being consulted on the proposed revision to the list of prohibited substances listed in the extant regulation.

Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulation

The Department of Justice's comments was still awaited.

Dangerous Goods (Packing and Labelling) Regulation

The Security Bureau and the Department of Justice had further discussed with the FSD the proposal for conveyance, sale and storage of Class 2 DG, DG in pressure receptacles and DG in bulk.

Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation

The Security Bureau, the Department of Justice, the Marine Department and the FSD would further discuss the second draft.

1.2 Progress Report on the Investigation of the Buncefield Oil Depot Fire and Explosion Incident

The stakeholders were being consulted on the feasibility of taking forward some of the recommendations of the Buncefield Major Incident Investigation Board.

1.3 "Be the Smart Regulator" Programme – Revision of Fire Service Requirements for Licensing of DG Store and DG Vehicle

The draft "Guide to Application for Dangerous Goods Licence" was being refined.