Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting held on 22 March 2010

Matters of Discussion

1. Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

- Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulation [DG(AE)R] The Law Drafting Officer (LDO) had issued the 1st draft of the DG(AE)R on 18.2.2010. Comments of the DGO Review Working Group (WG) had been sent to LDO on 12.3.2010. Security Bureau (SB) and LDO were liaising with the Civil Engineering & Development Department (CEDD) on drafting instruction related to Class 1 DG (explosives).
- Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation [DG(G)R] Drafting of the DG(G)R were in good progress. The WG was revisiting the provisions to ensure consistency among different parts of the Regulation, and going through all the prohibitions and obligations in Parts 3 to 7.
- Dangerous Goods (Packing and Labelling) Regulation [DG(PML)R] The 4th working draft of DG(PML)R which set out the 'mock-up provisions' for Class 2 DG had been worked out.
- Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation [DG(S)R] An inter-departmental meeting was held on 22 December 2009 to discuss the 4th draft prepared by the LDO. Written responses on the outstanding issues were forwarded to LDO for follow up actions. The revised discussion draft from LDO was still awaited.