Summary of Notes of Liaison Meeting between FSD and the Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of HK Ltd (FSICA) held on 29.4.2008

1.1 Improvement of Fire Safety under the Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) Ordinance

Members were briefed on the latest inspection statistics.

1.2 Checking the Standard of Maintenance Works Carried Out by Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors (FSIC)

Members were briefed on the latest statistics related to the surprise checks carried out by FSD.

1.3 Proposal to Improve Fire Safety in Private Buildings

Members were briefed on the latest enforcement statistics.

1.4 Proposed New Arrangements for the Submission of Fire Service Installation Drawings for New Developments

The draft circular letter on the new submission arrangements was being revised.

1.5 Third-party Certification / Product Certification / Product Listing Schemes

Stakeholders would be further consulted on the Registered Fire Engineer (RFE) Scheme. The Security Bureau's policy support would also be sought.

1.6 Fire Protection Measures in Construction Sites of Super High-rise Building

The subject circular letter had been issued on 31.3.2008.

1.7 Interview and Written Exam for Registration as Class 3 FSICs

The first computerized examination would be held in July 2008.

1.8 The Change of the Institution of Electrical Engineers (IEE)

Senior management's support was being sought on the minor amendments to regulation 4(2)(a) of the Fire Service (Installation Contractors) Regulations.

1.9 Provision of Additional Information on FSICs in the FSD Website

Random check on the employment status of qualified persons of FSICs would be conducted on a regular basis.

1.10 Field Study on Unwanted AFA Calls

A sub-working group had been formed for drawing up the standardized requirements for installation of sounder base detectors.

1.11 Improvement measures to be taken by RFSICs in respect of repairing/maintenance of building FSI

The poster for notification of FSI shut-down had been finalised.

1.14 The importance of proper maintenance of FSI having regard to the recent tragic fire

The circular letter on FSI shut-down had been issued on 3.4.2008.

1.15 Proper Submission of Copies of FS 251 to FSD

A letter had been issued to FSICs on 27.2.2008 advising them to submit copies of FS 251 by hand or by registered mail to FSD to avoid misplacement.

1.16 Capacity Building Workshop for FSICs

Capacity building workshops would be organized for FSICs on ICAC's recommendation.