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## *Press Release*

### **IPCC To Release 2007 Report**

The Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) presents the “[Report of IPCC 2007](#)” to the Legislative Council today.

In 2007, IPCC reviewed and endorsed a total of 2,509 complaint cases investigated by the Complaints Against Police Office (CAPO) of the Hong Kong Police Force, involving 4,341 allegations, an increase of 18.7% and 23.4% respectively over 2006.

The three most common allegations were ‘Neglect of Duty’ (1,551 counts), ‘Misconduct/Improper Manner/Offensive Language’ (1,539 counts) and ‘Assault’ (587 counts), which constituted 84.7% of the total allegations.

Of the 4,341 allegations, 1,182 were fully investigated and the substantiation rate was 8.9%. The other allegations which were not fully investigated were those classified as ‘Curtailed’, ‘Not Pursuable’, ‘Withdrawn’, or resolved by ‘Informal Resolution’.

Last year, IPCC raised 1,700 queries or suggestions on CAPO’s investigations and 1,205 (70.9%) of those were accepted by CAPO. The results of 82 allegations were changed subsequently, including the re-classification of 4 investigation results from ‘No Fault’/ ‘Withdrawn’/ ‘Not Pursuable’ to ‘Substantiated’. Eight counts of ‘Substantiated Other Than Reported’ allegations were also added as a result of IPCC’s monitoring and review.

Arising from the substantiated investigation results endorsed by IPCC in 2007, criminal proceedings, disciplinary proceedings or other forms of internal actions were taken against 91 police officers. The IPCC also suggested a number of improvements to police practices and procedures where appropriate.

Although IPCC does not take part in the actual investigation, under the IPCC Observers Scheme, observers (IPCC Members or Lay Observers) can attend interviews conducted by CAPO or observe the evidence collection process and report to the Council as to whether CAPO has conducted the investigation in a thorough and impartial manner. In 2007, IPCC Members and Lay Observers made a total of 263 observations.

The IPCC Bill, which proposes to turn IPCC into a statutory body, was introduced into the Legislative Council (LegCo) by the Government in July last year. IPCC has kept in view the legislative progress and contributed its views on the IPCC Bill at the Bills Committee meetings. LegCo will resume Second Reading Debate on the Bill next week. IPCC will continue to independently discharge its function of monitoring the handling of complaints so as to meet public expectations.

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Please visit IPCC Website ([www.ipcc.gov.hk](http://www.ipcc.gov.hk)) to read the “Report of IPCC 2007” on-line.

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IPCC is an independent body whose members are appointed by the Chief Executive. Its main duty is to monitor and review investigations conducted by the Complaints Against Police Office (CAPO) of the Hong Kong Police Force into complaints against the Police to ensure impartiality and thoroughness. When examining the investigation reports, IPCC can ask CAPO to clarify areas of doubt or request CAPO to re-investigate the doubtful points if it is not satisfied with the investigation result. Where necessary, IPCC may also interview witnesses including professionals such as forensic pathologists, government chemists, or independent witnesses for further information or expert advice. A case will not be finalized until IPCC has endorsed CAPO’s investigation result.

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