WOMEN'S COMMISSION Secretary's Report

INTRODUCTION

This paper presents for Members' information:-

- (a) the activities undertaken by the Women's Commission (WoC) and the Women's Division since the 12th meeting; and
- (b) progress of the Thematic Household Survey Time Use Survey and Factors Hindering Women's Participation in Society.

ACTIVITIES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING

2. The WoC and the Women's Division carried out the following activities since the last meeting:-

25 November and 2 December 2002 : WoC organised lunch meeting with the media (e.g. Hong Kong Economic Times, Hong Kong Economic Journal and the South China Morning Post) to inform them the work of the Commission.

14 December2002

: WoC visited and met 21 representatives from the Kwun Tong District Council, Area Committees and 7 local organisations in Kwun Tong. The next visit would be held on 11 January 2003 to Tsuen Wan District.

16 December 2002

: WoC held a special meeting to discuss the findings of the thematic household survey on "Time Use Survey and Factors Hindering Women's Participation in Society", a draft Framework of Collaboration prepared by

Working Group on Collaboration, and viewed a slide presentation of the consultation document of the Culture and Heritage Commission.

3. A gender-related training workshop for Police Inspectors and Sergeants was re-run in collaboration with the Gender Research Centre of the Chinese University of Hong Kong on 6 December 2002 where 29 participants attended. Another workshop is being planned for newly recruited Administrative Officers on 17 January 2003.

PROGRESS OF THE THEMATIC HOUSEHOLD SURVEY – TIME USE SURVEY AND FACTORS HINDERING WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN SOCIETY

4. The survey company prepared the first draft of the survey report and presented the survey findings to Members at the special meeting held on 16 December 2002. Members were invited to give detailed comments on and suggest improvements to the report for incorporation by the survey company. At the meeting, the survey company was invited to identify themes of interest in the study to facilitate future presentation when the report was finalised. It was also asked to highlight in the survey report, constraints of the current survey and point out issues that merited further studies; as well as to make recommendations on how these issues could be followed up (e.g. in the form of a separate survey or focus group discussion). The survey company would be invited to give a further presentation after revising the report.

ADVICE SOUGHT

- 5. Members are invited to:-
 - (a) note the activities undertaken by WoC and the Women's Division since its 12th meeting (paragraphs 2 to 3); and

(b)	note the progress of the Thematic Household Survey – Time Use
	Survey and Factors Hindering Women's Participation in Society
	(para 4).

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