## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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## Question:

Regarding outside seating accommodation, the Subgroup on Business Facilitation has put forward recommendations to improve the application procedures as well as the licensing requirements and conditions. Has the Administration worked out a timetable for their implementation?

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy

## Reply:

We will work closely with departments concerned to take forward the recommendations in accordance with the timetable as set out in the "Study on the Business-Friendliness of the Regulatory Regime for Outside Seating Accommodation of Restaurants" as endorsed by the Food Business Task Force of the Business Facilitation Advisory Committee which has replaced the above Subgroup.

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