Legislative Council Q8

Annex 1

The latest numbers of such cases (broken down by handling method and result)

Year in which the cases were reported	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total number of cases					
Number of cases settled out of court					
Number of cases referred to mediation					
Number of cases settled during mediation					
Number of cases settled after mediation					
Number of cases referred to arbitration					
Number of cases settled through arbitration					
Number of cases ruled by the court					

The latest figures concerning the amounts of compensation and relevant costs involved in such cases (broken down by handling method and result)

Year in which the cases were reported		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total amount of compensation paid						
Amount of compensation paid in respect of cases settled out of court						
Amount of compensation paid pursuant to the agreements reached by mediation						
Amount of compensation paid pursuant to arbitration awards						
Amount of compensation paid pursuant to court rulings						
Mediation fees paid by HA	Mediators					
	Lawyers					
	Others					
Arbitration fees paid by HA	Arbitrators					
	Lawyers					
	Others					
Legal fees paid by HA	Lawyers					
	Court					
	Others*					

^{*} excluding fees related to mediation and arbitration

The numbers of cases of claims (as at the end of December 2012)

Year in which the cases are reported (1)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of cases of claims	118	157	153	121	97
Number of cases of claims settled out of court (2)	32	38	33	17	3
Number of cases of claims referred to mediation (3)	2	8	1	0	0
(a) Number of cases of claims settled during mediation	2	4	1	0	0
(b) Number of cases of claims settled after mediation	0	4	0	0	0
Number of cases of claims referred to arbitration	0	0	0	0	0
Number of cases of claims settled through arbitration	0	0	0	0	0
Number of cases of claims ruled by the Court	0	0	0	0	0

- (1) The number of cases settled out of court or referred to mediation etc. for a particular year set out in the above table has already been included in the number of cases of claims reported for that year. For example, for cases reported in 2008, as at the end of December 2012, there were a total of 118 cases of claims received, of which 32 were settled out of court.
- (2) Including cases of claims which were settled out of court after legal proceedings had commenced.
- (3) The number of cases under this category has already been included in the number of cases of claims settled out of court.

The amounts of compensation and relevant costs for various cases of claims (as at the end of December 2012) (all figures are round numbers and in million dollars):

Year in which the cases are reported (1)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total amount of compensation ⁽²⁾ paid in cases of claims settled out of court ⁽³⁾	11.8	11.6	10.6	4.5	0.2
Amount of compensation paid according to arbitration awards	0	0	0	0	0
Amount of compensation paid according to court rulings	0	0	0	0	0
Fees paid by HA to mediators	0.014	0.14	0.009	0	0
Arbitration fees paid by HA	0	0	0	0	0
Legal fees paid by HA in cases of claims settled out of court	5.2	7.2	3.3	1.0	0.1

- (1) The amounts of compensation/costs for a particular year set out in the above table refer to the compensation/costs paid for cases of claims reported for that year as at the end of December 2012. For example, for cases reported in 2008, as at the end of December 2012, there were a total of 118 cases of claims, of which 32 were settled out of court, involving compensation totalling \$11.8 million.
- (2) Including cases of claims which were settled out of court after legal proceedings had commenced.
- (3) The total amount of compensation in this row includes a sum of \$4.5 million paid as compensation for cases settled during the mediation process. As the content of the compensation agreements must be kept confidential and the number of cases of claims settled during the mediation process is relatively small, we are unable to provide a breakdown on the amounts of compensation paid according to the agreements reached by mediation.