Summary of Minutes of the Consultative and Advisory Panel (CAP) Meeting of the Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation Limited held on Wednesday 9 June 2010

1. New Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between HKIRC and HKSARG : Members noted that the MOU is now split into two parts – a Designation Agreement (DA) and a non legally binding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The DA describes the essential duties that the Government requires HKIRC to perform. Members noted that the signed MOU and DA can be viewed on the Company's website.

2. Publishing of meeting attendance figures of CAP members on website and annual report : The Chairman asked CAP members whether they agree to have their meeting attendance published on the Company's website and in the annual report starting from this CAP meeting. Members commented that it is a good governance practice to publish meeting attendance figures. Members present in the meeting unanimously agreed to the proposal.

3. Comparison of pricing and penetration of .hk with other ccTLDs : Members noted the statistics on GDP per capita and the penetration rates of .hk and other ccTLDs, and noted that there is no obvious relationship between the two. Members also noted that the price of .hk ranks in the middle amongst the 10 countries/economies in the study.

4. Broadening the Membership of Supply Class : Members noted that the Company has successfully broadened the Supply Class membership from 34 to 188. The Chairman commented that the membership structure is now more balanced.

5. HKIRC website redesign : CAP members noted the new HKIRC website design. One member reminded the Company to pay attention to the usability of websites for people with disabilities. He suggested that the Company can refer to some international standards e.g. W3C Internet Accessibility standard. Another member suggested that the Company should invite some organizations for the visually impaired to review the new HKIRC website to see if it is sufficiently user friendly for their members.

6. Status on Implementation of Registry-Registrar Model : One member reminded the Company to review the new Competition Law and ensure that the adoption of the R/R model will comply with it. Some members expressed that HKIRC should ensure that the requirements of and rules must be the same for all registrars (including HKDNR). One member suggested that the Company should consider the development of "Cloud Computing", especially in the selection of registrars.

7. Registration Policies and Pre-launch Priority Registration Rules for .香港 Chinese characters for Hong Kong) : The CEO reported that the Company expects to receive final approval from ICANN for the IDN ccTLD .香港 in the 2nd or 3rd quarter of 2010. CAP members have no comments on the rules for allocating .香港 domain names during the pre-launch priority registration (PLPR) period.

8. Dual-site fault tolerant systems to enhance reliability and availability : Members noted that the second site will be located in IFC2, Central on the Hong Kong Island. The completed dual-site infrastructure will improve IT services resilience, and increase the overall capacity of our

system to achieve better service levels and enhance the capability to withstand potential malicious attacks.

9.   <u>HKIRC Management Accounts & Statistics Jan to May 2010</u> : The Chairman reported that the income is 1% above budget and the expenditure is 11% below budget. The total number of domain name (188,798) is slightly ahead of budget by 0.8%.