The Health Committee

- 7.1 The Health Committee was established for the first time in 1997 in accordance with the proceedings laid down in the new Medical Practitioners (Registration and Disciplinary Procedure) Regulation which became operative in January 1997.
- 7.2 The functions of the Health Committee are as follows:-
 - (a) to conduct a hearing into any case or matter concerning the health or physical or mental fitness to practise of any registered medical practitioner, whether the case or matter has been investigated by the Preliminary Investigation Committee or not;
 - (b) to conduct a hearing into matters referred to it by the Council under section 21(1);
 - (c) to make a recommendation to the Council, after due hearing conducted under paragraph (a) or (b) into a case or matter, that the name of a registered medical practitioner be removed from the General Register permanently or for any period not exceeding 12 months, and that such an order for removal be suspended subject to such conditions as recommended by the Health Committee, where appropriate; and
 - (d) to recommend the extension, not exceeding 12 months, of a period of temporary removal of name recommended under paragraph (c).
- 7.3 The membership of the Health Committee (as at 31 December 2003) was as follows:-

Dr LEONG FUNG Ling-yee, Lilian, JP (Chairman) Mrs CHENG CHO Chi-on, Mariana, BBS, JP Dr CHOW Pak-chin (from 1 January 2003 to 18 November 2003) Dr LEUNG Chi-chiu Dr LEUNG Ting-hung, JP Dr LI Chung-ki, Patrick, BBS Dr MAK Kwok-hang Dr SHUM Ping-shiu, BBS, JP Dr YEUNG Chiu-fat, Henry Dr YUEN Hon

7.4 In 2003, 1 case relating to fitness to practise was referred to the Committee for consideration. The Committee held a hearing in the year to consider the case. The registered medical practitioner concerned was found mentally fit to practise.