

SCS visits Audit Commission

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Joshua Law, visited the Audit Commission today (January 20) to meet with its management and staff of various grades to learn more about their work and matters of concern.

Accompanied by the Permanent Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Thomas Chow, Mr Law first met with the Director of Audit, Mr John Chu, and the directorate staff to receive an update on the department's work in conducting regularity audits on government departments and other public sector organisations as well as value for money audits and the challenges confronting them.

Mr Law then proceeded to the Value for Money Audit Divisions to better understand their work in conducting value for money audits on the performance of audited organisations to ensure that the functions of these organisations are discharged economically, efficiently and effectively, with reports submitted to the Legislative Council twice a year.

At the Regularity Audit Division, Mr Law was briefed on the division's work in conducting regularity audits which provide the Legislative Council with an overall assurance that the Government's financial and accounting transactions and those of funds of a public or quasi-public nature are proper and that they conform to accepted accounting standards.

Before concluding his visit, Mr Law met with staff representatives of various grades in the department at a tea gathering to exchange views on matters of concern. He praised colleagues for their efforts and encouraged them to carry on the fine tradition of the department in providing independent, professional and quality audit services.