# Function of Life Insurance Advisory Group

May 2011

### Agenda

**General Principle** 

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**Proposed New Function** 

**Long-term Aims** 

#### General Principle

LIAG advises on developments in the life insurance industry, keeping in mind various constraints and aims of:

- Regulatory control
- Protection of policyholders
- Ongoing solvency
- Healthy growth of insurance companies

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6. To advise the Institute on any regulatory or market issues that potentially may affect the status of the profession.

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It is not clear what issues there may be that are not already covered by Number 4, above.		
We suggest that this function be removed from the LIAG.		

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To be in the know of and advise the Institute on useful technical and academic developments relating to life insurance in actuarial or other relevant fields, at local or international level.

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The purpose of all the activities of the LIAG should be that the Institute be recognised as a trusted body that acts, within the terms of the Actuaries Act, 2006, in the interests of the industry and of the general public.

The success indicator for this would be that the Institute's members participate effectively in the highest decision-making forums of the industry.

#### Thank You