Summary of Responses – Public Consultation on Sharing of Parent Relief

A public consultation exercise was held between 25 April 2012 and 23 May 2012 on the sharing of parent relief among claimants in such proportion as they may agree.

IRAS received comments from four respondents on the public consultation paper during the consultation period.

The key points from the feedback received are as follows -

A. Timeline for submission of revised claim

Comment: Given that people travel extensively for work and vacation nowadays, respondents suggested a more liberal timeline to allow the affected claimants to have sufficient time to discuss and agree on the revised proportion. Suggested timelines range from 30 days (to be aligned with the objection period for Notices of Assessment) to 6 weeks.

B. Powers given to CIT in the event of dispute among claimants

Comment: Apportioning the parent relief equally among all claimants is the most straightforward and equitable method. It is also congruent with the purpose of allowing the relief to be shared.

IRAS wishes to thank the respondents for their comments. IRAS and MOF will take these comments into consideration in the further review.