

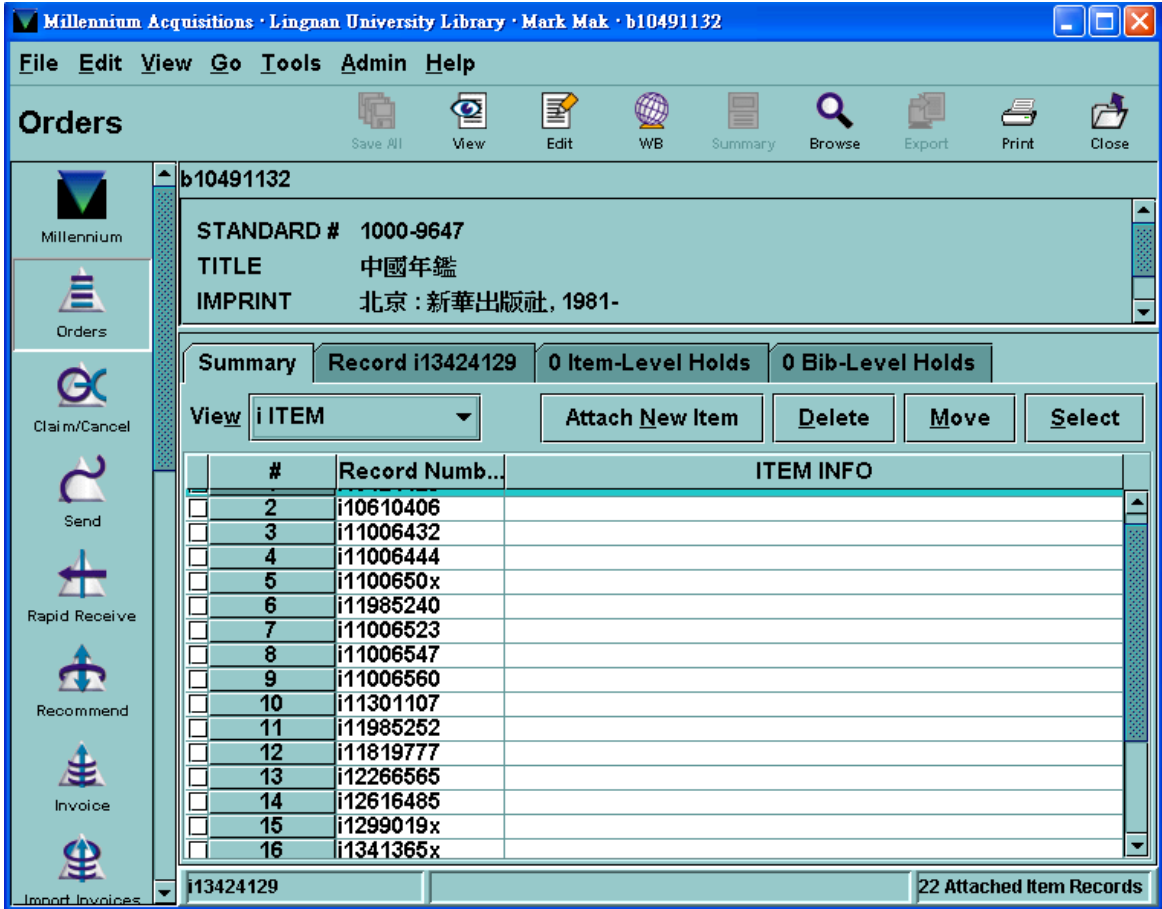
## **Brief Report on the HKIUG 2006 Acquisitions and Serials Panel Discussion Session**

At the HKIUG 2006 Acquisitions and Serials Panel Discussion, participants agreed that there had been a general reluctance of III libraries to use the MilAcq module for daily acquisitions processes. Though new functionalities have been added now and then to both the Acquisitions and Serials modules, it was quite surprisingly found that some useful features in the Telnet mode are not available in the Millennium version. To help fine-tune the system functions, member libraries did report all problems directly or via HKIUG to III for rectification over the past years. Some have been tackled but many of them are being left in the enhancement list pending for priority voting.

Members opined that III had been slow in responding to the reported issues. Despite the fact that III libraries can cast vote annually for the enhancement ballot, participants viewed its mechanism as disadvantageous to most IUG libraries outside the US because we are just like minority groups, and our concerns and interests, when different from those of the dominant US user libraries, will hardly be catered for. To ensure that III will accommodate some of our needs, the Discussion Panel therefore recommends III to fix 5 problems every year relating to the Acquisitions / Serials modules that have been reported by the HKIUG libraries.

Before the Discussion Session, member libraries already compiled a list of 55 problems (38 on Acquisitions and 17 on Serials). Participants were encouraged to prioritize these problems after the meeting in the hope of facilitating III's action. As consensus has been reached on the priority list, the Discussion Panel sincerely hopes that III will address the afore-mentioned recommendation and rectify the 5 issues as detailed below:

Acquisitions Module

| Request                  | Questions  |           |                |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |   |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |                          |    |           |
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| 1                        | <p>Could Millennium display more fields in the item summary? We need those fields such as call number, volume and barcode to facilitate moving items.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the Millennium Acquisitions interface for Lingnan University Library. The main window displays an order summary for record i13424129. The summary includes the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>STANDARD # 1000-9647</li> <li>TITLE 中國年鑑</li> <li>IMPRINT 北京：新華出版社，1981-</li> </ul> <p>Below the summary is a table of 16 items. The table has three columns: #, Record Numb..., and ITEM INFO. The items are listed as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>#</th> <th>Record Numb...</th> <th>ITEM INFO</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>2</td><td>i10610406</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>3</td><td>i11006432</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>4</td><td>i11006444</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>5</td><td>i1100650x</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>6</td><td>i11985240</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>7</td><td>i11006523</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>8</td><td>i11006547</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>9</td><td>i11006560</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>10</td><td>i11301107</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>11</td><td>i11985252</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>12</td><td>i11819777</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>13</td><td>i12266565</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>14</td><td>i12616485</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>15</td><td>i1299019x</td></tr> <tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>16</td><td>i1341365x</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The status bar at the bottom indicates 'i13424129' and '22 Attached Item Records'.</p> | #         | Record Numb... | ITEM INFO | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 | i10610406 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 | i11006432 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 | i11006444 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 | i1100650x | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 | i11985240 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 | i11006523 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 | i11006547 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9 | i11006560 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10 | i11301107 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11 | i11985252 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 12 | i11819777 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 13 | i12266565 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 14 | i12616485 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 15 | i1299019x | <input type="checkbox"/> | 16 | i1341365x |
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**Prioritized Enhancement Requests After the Acquisitions and Serials Panel Discussion at the 7<sup>th</sup> HKIUG 2006 Meeting**

| <b>Request</b> | <b>Questions</b>  |
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| 2              | The default foreign currency exchange rate can be overridden when inputting invoice. Staff can easily change the rate if they are inputting a batch of invoices with different currencies. It would be better to change the rate in "Invoice Settings". |
| 3              | Some information in the fields, such as MAT TYPE, ACQ TYPE, FUND, DATE, of the newly created record could not be carried over to the next record being created. Acquisitions Module of the telnet mode has this capability.                             |
| 4              | Rapid updating cannot be applied to "Fund code". Is it possible to add this option with password protection?  |

**Serials Module**

| <b>Request</b> | <b>Questions</b>  |
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| 5              | In Release 2006, the length of Payment Note has been reduced from 35 characters to 24 characters (12 characters if the invoice is in foreign currency). It is not enough especially for Serials order to note down the subscribed issue/period etc. |