

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 5

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 25 October 2000 and
Thursday 26 October 2000 at 2:30 pm respectively

Members present:

President

The Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, GBS, JP

The Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP

The Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, JP

The Hon David CHU Yu-lin

The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Ir Dr the Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

The Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

The Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

The Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP (absent on 26.10.2000)

Dr the Hon David LI Kwok-po, JP (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP

Dr the Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP

The Hon NG Leung-sing

Prof the Hon NG Ching-fai (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon Margaret NG

The Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, JP

The Hon James TO Kun-sun

The Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

The Hon HUI Cheung-ching

The Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

The Hon CHAN Yuen-han

The Hon Bernard CHAN (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon CHAN Kam-lam (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP

The Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

The Hon SIN Chung-kai

The Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP

Dr the Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

The Hon WONG Yung-kan

The Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, JP

The Hon Howard YOUNG, JP

Dr the Hon YEUNG Sum

The Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

The Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

The Hon LAU Kong-wah

The Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

The Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, JP

The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP (absent on 26.10.2000)

The Hon CHOY So-yuk

The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

The Hon SZETO Wah

The Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP

The Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP

Dr the Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

The Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP

The Hon LI Fung-ying, JP

The Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS

The Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP

The Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

The Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

The Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP

Dr the Hon LO Wing-lok

The Hon WONG Sing-chi

The Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

The Hon IP Kwok-him, JP

The Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Member absent:

The Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP

Public officers attending:

On 25.10.2000 and 26.10.2000

The Honourable Mrs Anson CHAN, GBM, JP
The Chief Secretary for Administration

The Honourable Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, JP
The Financial Secretary

The Hon Michael SUEN Ming-yeung, GBS, JP
Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

Mr CHAU Tak-hay, JP
Secretary for Commerce and Industry

Mr Gordon SIU Kwing-chue, JP
Secretary for Planning and Lands

Mr Nicholas NG Wing-fui, JP
Secretary for Transport

Mr Dominic WONG Shing-wah, GBS, JP
Secretary for Housing

Dr YEOH Eng-kiong, JP
Secretary for Health and Welfare

Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yea, JP
Secretary for Security

Mr LEE Shing-see, JP
Secretary for Works

Mrs Carrie YAU TSANG Ka-lai, JP
Secretary for Information Technology and Broadcasting

Ms Sandra LEE Suk-yea, JP
Secretary for Economic Services

Mr Paul TANG Kwok-wai, JP
Secretary for the Environment and Food

Dr Edgar CHENG Wai-kin, JP
Head, Central Policy Unit

On 25.10.2000 only

The Honourable Elsie LEUNG Oi-sie, JP
The Secretary for Justice

Mr Joseph WONG Wing-ping, GBS, JP
Secretary for the Civil Service

Miss Denise YUE Chung-yea, JP
Secretary for the Treasury

Mr LAM Woon-kwong, GBS, JP
Secretary for Home Affairs

Mrs Fanny LAW FAN Chiu-fun, JP
Secretary for Education and Manpower

On 26.10.2000 only

Mr I G M WINGFIELD, JP
The Secretary for Justice

Mr Stephen IP Shu-kwan, JP
Secretary for Financial Services

Clerks in attendance:

On 25.10.2000

Mr Ricky FUNG Choi-cheung, JP, Secretary General

Mrs Justina LAM CHENG Bo-ling, Assistant Secretary General (2)

On 26.10.2000

Mr LAW Kam-sang, JP, Deputy Secretary General

Mr Ray CHAN Yum-mou, Assistant Secretary General (3)

Tabling of Papers

The following papers were laid on the table pursuant to Rule 21(2) of the Rules of Procedure:

<u>Subsidiary Legislation / Instruments</u>	<u>L.N. No.</u>
1. Fixed Penalty (Criminal Proceedings) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulation 2000 (gazetted on 20.10.2000)	282/2000
2. Fixed Penalty (Criminal Proceedings) (Amendment) (No.3) Regulation 2000 (gazetted on 20.10.2000)	283/2000
3. Financial Resources (Amendment) Rules 2000 (gazetted on 20.10.2000)	284/2000
4. Occupational Retirement Schemes (Recovery of Arrears) Rules (gazetted on 20.10.2000)	285/2000
5. Fixed Penalty (Criminal Proceedings) Ordinance — Resolution of the Legislative Council (L.N. 206 of 2000) (Commencement) Notice 2000 (gazetted on 20.10.2000)	286/2000

Other Papers

No.12	-	Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fund Report of the Board of Trustees for the period 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.13	-	Secretary for Home Affairs Incorporated Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.14	-	Statement of Accounts and Auditor's Report for the Vegetable Marketing Organization for the year ended 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.15	-	Statement of Accounts and Auditor's Report for the Fish Marketing Organization for the year ended 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.16	-	Marine Fish Scholarship Fund Report for the period from 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.17	-	Agricultural Products Scholarship Fund Report for the period from 1 April 1999 to 31 March 2000 (published on 20.10.2000)
No.18	-	Hongkong Post Annual Report 1999/2000 (published on 23.10.2000)

- No.19 - Office of the Telecommunications Authority
Trading Fund Report 1999/2000 (published on
24.10.2000)
- No.20 - Estate Agents Authority
Annual Report 1999/2000 (published on 24.10.2000)

Questions

Written replies to Questions 1 to 11 were tabled for Members' information.

Members' Motion

Motion of Thanks

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW moved the following motion and addressed the Council:

That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address.

Question on the motion proposed. The President stated that Hon LEE Cheuk-yan would move an amendment to the motion. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the motion and the amendment would be debated together in a joint debate.

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan moved the following amendment to Hon Mrs Selina CHOW's motion and addressed the Council:

To add “, and urges the Administration to: (a) take more positive measures to narrow the wealth gap and to help the poor to get rid of poverty; and (b) immediately review the political system with a view to achieving full democracy” after “That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address”.

Question on Hon LEE Cheuk-yan's amendment to Hon Mrs Selina CHOW's motion proposed.

31 Members spoke on the motion and the amendment.

The President suspended the meeting at 8:55 pm.

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The meeting resumed on 26 October 2000 and continued to debate the Motion of Thanks moved by Hon Mrs Selina CHOW and the amendment moved to the motion by Hon LEE Cheuk-yan.

24 Members spoke on the motion and the amendment.

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW moved that the debate be adjourned, and to resume on 1 November 2000.

Question on the motion proposed, put and agreed to.

Next Meeting

The President declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on 1 November 2000 at 2:30 pm.

The Council was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

(Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai)
President

Council Chamber
Hong Kong