

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 21

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7 March 2001 at 2:30 pm

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

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

Dr the Hon David LI Kwok-po, JP

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

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

The Hon CHAN Kam-lam

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

The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

The Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, JP

The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

The Hon CHOY So-yuk

The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

The Hon SZETO Wah

The Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP

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

The Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Members absent:

The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

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

Public officers attending:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mrs Lily YAM KWAN Pui-ying, JP
Secretary for the Environment and Food

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

Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, 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

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

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

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

Clerk in attendance:

Mr Ricky FUNG Choi-cheung, JP, Secretary General

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. Specification of Arrangements (Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Avoidance of Double Taxation on Shipping Income) Order (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	53/2001
2. Specification of Arrangements (Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands) (Avoidance of Double Taxation on Shipping Income) Order (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	54/2001
3. Immigration (Amendment) Regulation 2001 (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	55/2001
4. Waste Disposal (Refuse Transfer Station) (Amendment) Regulation 2001 (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	56/2001
5. Tax Reserve Certificates (Rate of Interest) (No. 3) Notice 2001 (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	57/2001
6. Securities (Miscellaneous) (Amendment) Rules 2001 (gazetted on 2.3.2001)	58/2001

Other Papers

No.67	-	The Lord Wilson Heritage Trust Annual Report 1999-2000 (published on 26.2.2001)
No.68	-	Employees Compensation Assistance Fund Board Annual Report 1998/99 (published on 26.2.2001)
No.69	-	Employees Retraining Board 1999-2000 Annual Report (published on 1.3.2001)
No.70	-	Draft Estimates for the year ending 31 March 2002; Volume IA and Volume IB - General Revenue Account (published on 2.3.2001)
No.71	-	Draft Estimates for the year ending 31 March 2002; Volume II - Fund Accounts (published on 2.3.2001)

Questions

Written replies to Questions 1 to 20 were tabled for Members' information.

Bill

First Reading

Appropriation Bill 2001

The Bill was read the first time and ordered to be set down for Second Reading pursuant to Rule 53(3) of the Rules of Procedure.

Second Reading

Appropriation Bill 2001

The Financial Secretary moved the Second Reading and addressed the Council.

Question on the Second Reading proposed. The President stated that in accordance with Rules 67 and 71 of the Rules of Procedure, the debate on the second reading of the Bill was adjourned and the draft Estimates were referred to the Finance Committee for examination before the debate on the Bill resumed.

Next Meeting

The President declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on 14 March 2001 at 2:30 pm.

The Council was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

(Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai)
President

Council Chamber
Hong Kong