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LegCo Fun Day 2000-2001

Purpose

This paper seeks Members' advice on whether a Legislative Council (LegCo) Fun Day involving Members and LegCo Beat reporters should be held in the 2000-2001 session.

Background

2. The LegCo Fun Day was an annual event first organized in December 1987. It was held, except for the 1999-2000 session, at the Hong Kong Sports Institute at Shatin, with Members and LegCo Beat reporters as well as their families enjoying a day of fun and games. There were usually sports and recreational activities in the afternoon between Members' teams and reporters' teams, ending with riddle-guessing, karaoke and dinner.

3. At the House Committee meeting on 24 September 1999, Members discussed the format and approach for future Fun Days. Subsequently, the Fun Day Organizing Committee comprising Members, reporters and staff decided that the venue would be changed to the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley and new activities, including video games and horse riding, were brought in.

4. Feedback on this Fun Day can be summarized as follows:

(a) The facilities at the Hong Kong Jockey Club, e.g. football pitches, private box and the parade ring, at Happy Valley were scattered and too far apart. Participants had some difficulty in going from one spot to another, although transportation between spots had been arranged. The consensus was that the Hong Kong Jockey Club was not a suitable venue.

(b) The football match and the karaoke were the most popular events.

- (c) Some reporters felt the Fun Day has adopted the same format for many years, and some change is desirable.
- (d) Some reporters hoped that the event would not take a full day which is time consuming and may require them to take leave if they wish to participate.

Proposal

5. It is proposed that a LegCo Fun Day should continue to be held in the 2000-2001 session, and that an Organizing Committee comprising Members, reporters' representatives and Secretariat staff be formed to decide on the details of the event. If Members wish to retain the present format, it is suggested that the venue should revert to the Hong Kong Sports Institute at Shatin. On the other hand, Members may wish to take reporters' views into consideration and split the Fun Day into two events - a karaoke dinner at the Dining Hall on a Friday evening after a House Committee meeting, plus a football match held on a separate day.

Advice Sought

6. Members are invited to advise:
- (a) whether a LegCo Fun Day should be held in 2000-2001; and if so,
 - (b) whether
 - (i) it should be held in roughly the same format again in the Hong Kong Sports Institute at Shatin; or
 - (ii) a karaoke dinner be held in the Legislative Council Building, with a football match to be held on a separate day; and
 - (c) whether an Organizing Committee as proposed in paragraph 5 should be formed.

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