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**Detailed arrangements for the debate on the Motion of Thanks
in respect of the Chief Executive's 2001 Policy Address**

The Chief Secretary has asked me to thank you for your letter of 8 October and to reply on his behalf on the proposed arrangements for the debate on the Motion of Thanks.

Having regard to the emphasis of the 2001 Policy Address, we would like to suggest to group the policy areas for the three-day debate under the following six themes -

	Debate Themes/ Policy Areas	Official Attendees
17 October 2001		
1 st Session	Addressing the SAR's economic challenges and exploiting her strengths in relation to the Pearl River Delta -	
	Commerce and Industry	SCI
	Economic Services	SES
	Financial Affairs	SFS
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	Debate Themes/ Policy Areas	Official Attendees
2 nd Session	Upgrading the SAR's hard and soft infrastructures - Security Transport Works	S for S S for T S for W
18 October 2001		
3 rd Session	Education and Employment - Education Manpower Information Technology and Broadcasting	SEM SITB
4 th Session	Environmental Protection Urban Redevelopment Housing – Environmental Affairs Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene Housing Planning, Lands	SEF S for H SPL
19 October 2001		
5 th Session	Social policy on families, youth, women, elderly, health and community Culture and Sports - Home Affairs Health Services Welfare Services	SHA SHW

	Debate Themes/ Policy Areas	Official Attendees
6 th Session	Governance, accountability system, public service, and upholding the rule of law -	
	Administration of Justice and Legal Services	SJ
	Constitutional Affairs	SCA
	Public Services	SCS

We note that Members have agreed that Members' speeches in the six debate sessions would be confined to the policy areas specified for the sessions. Other subjects not specifically mentioned in the 2001 Policy Address but fall within the purview of the attending officials of each session should also be dealt with in the same debate session.

I should be grateful if you could convey our proposal to Members for their consideration at the forthcoming House Committee meeting.

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