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**Subcommittee on
Public Health (Animals and Birds) (Amendment) Regulation 2001,
Public Health (Animals and Birds) (Animals Traders) (Amendment)
Regulation 2001 and Food Business (Amendment) Regulation 2001**

**Minutes of Meeting
held on Wednesday, 7 November 2001 at 8:30 am
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Members Present :

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP (Chairman)
Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, JP
Hon WONG Yung-kan
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

Public Officers Attending :

Mrs Ingrid YEUNG
Principal Assistant Secretary for the Environment and Food (A)1

Dr Les Sims
Assistant Director (Agriculture, Quarantine & Inspection)
Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department

Dr Rhonda LO
Assistant Director (Operations) 3
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Miss Leonora IP
Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Clerk in Attendance : Mrs Constance LI
Chief Assistant Secretary (2)5

Staff in Attendance : Mr Arthur CHEUNG
Assistant Legal Adviser 5

Miss Betty MA
Senior Assistant Secretary (2)1

Action

I. Election of Chairman

Mr Fred LI was elected Chairman of the Subcommittee.

II. Meeting with the Administration

2. The Subcommittee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).
3. The Subcommittee took a vote on Mr Tommy CHEUNG's proposal that the Administration should be requested to withdraw or repeal the three Regulations. Five members excluding the Chairman were present during the voting. Ms Cyd HO, Mr WONG Yung-kan, Mr Albert CHAN and Dr LO Wing-lok voted against the proposal; Mr Tommy CHEUNG voted in favour of the proposal. The Subcommittee decided not to pursue Mr Tommy CHEUNG's proposal and continued examination of the three Regulations.
4. The Subcommittee requested the Administration to provide further information on the following -
 - (a) How to ensure that the legislative proposal would not have the effect of "killing" the live quail trade; and
 - (b) The considerations for granting a licence for quail farmer/wholesaler/retailer after the coming into effect of the proposed Regulations.
5. The Subcommittee agreed to invite representatives of quail farmers/wholesalers/retailers and the catering industry to present their views on the Regulations at the next meeting. To allow time for detailed scrutiny of the

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Regulations, the Subcommittee also agreed that the Chairman should move a motion to extend the scrutiny period of the three proposed Regulations to the Council meeting on 5 December 2001.

6. The Subcommittee agreed to hold the next meeting on 13 November 2001 at 8:30 am.

7. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:40 am.

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**Proceedings of the meeting of the Subcommittee on
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Time	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
0000 - 0101	Dr David CHU	Election of Chairman	
0102 - 0305	Hon Fred LI	Welcoming remarks	
0306 - 0947	Admin	Background and argument for the legislative proposals	
0948 - 1025	Chairman	Impact on the relevant industries - segregation of live quails from other birds	
1026 - 1355	Admin	"	
1356 - 1404	Chairman	"	
1405 - 1440	Admin	"	
1441 - 1736	Mrs Selina CHOW	"	
1737 - 1757	Chairman	"	
1758 - 2010	Admin	"	
2011 - 2235	Mrs Selina CHOW	"	
2236 - 2251	Chairman	"	
2252 - 2335	Admin	"	
2336 - 2622	Mr Albert CHAN	"	
2623 - 2821	Admin	"	
2822 - 2940	Mr Albert CHAN	"	
2941 - 2945	Chairman	"	
2946 - 3115	Admin	"	
3116 - 3130	Chairman	"	
3131 - 3204	Admin	"	
3205 - 4140	Mr WONG Yung-kan	Impact on the trade - segregation of live quails from other birds and requirement to pack and seal fresh offal of water birds	
4141 - 4240	Admin	"	
4241 - 4321	Mr WONG Yung-kan	Requirement to pack and seal fresh offal of water birds	
4322 - 4521	Admin	"	
4522 - 4726	Dr David CHU	Effect of the Regulations	
4727 - 4907	Admin	"	
4908 - 4929	Chairman	"	

4930 - 5315	Dr LO Wing-lok	Effectiveness of the Regulations	
5316 - 5503	Admin	Operational arrangements for the segregation	
5504 - 5923	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Effectiveness and proposed repeal of the legislative proposals	
5924 - 010007	Chairman	Licensing conditions for selling live quails	
010008 - 010207	Admin	"	
010208 - 010331	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	"	
010332 - 010351	Chairman	"	
010352 - 010533	Mr Michael MAK	Medical/veterinary advice on the proposed segregation	
010534 - 010655	Admin	"	
010656 - 010901	Mr TAM Yiu-chung	Arrangements for the trade	
010902 - 011029	Admin	"	
011030 - 011046	Mr TAM Yiu-chung	"	
011047 - 011310	Ms Cyd HO	Improvement measures to prevent avian flu	
011311 - 011605	Admin	"	
011606 - 011638	Ms Cyd HO	"	
011639 - 011656	Chairman	2 nd round of questions	
011657 - 011952	Mrs Selina CHOW	Proposal to repeal the Regulations	
011953 - 012003	Chairman	"	
012004 - 012224	Mr WONG Yung-kan	"	
012225 - 012235	Chairman	"	
012236 - 012526	Mr Albert CHAN	Proposal to repeal the Regulations, existing and future arrangement for retail sale of live quails	
012527 - 012739	Admin	Existing and future arrangements for retail sale of live quails	
012740 - 013112	Dr LO Wing-lok	Proposal to repeal the Regulations	
013113 - 013410	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	"	
013411 - 013421	Chairman	"	
013422 - 013431	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	"	
013432 - 013437	Chairman	"	
013438 - 013453	Mr Albert CHAN	"	
013454 - 013510	Chairman	"	
013511 - 013756	Admin	Effectiveness of rest day in poultry market	
013757 - 013802	Chairman	Avian flu in 1997	
013803 - 013805	Admin	"	
013806 - 013853	Mr Albert CHAN	Compensation for the trade	
013854 - 013950	Admin	"	
013951 - 014016	Mr Albert CHAN	Ways to ensure that the trade would not be "killed"	
014017 - 014119	Admin	Existing operation of the trade	

014120 - 014225	Mr Albert CHAN	Existing operation of the retail sale of quail	
014226 - 014351	Admin	"	
014352 - 014407	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Request to ask follow-up question	
014408 - 014413	Chairman	"	
014414 - 014534	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Requirement to pack and seal fresh offal of water birds and effectiveness of rest day in poultry market	
014535 - 014612	Admin	Effectiveness of rest day in poultry market	
014613 - 014631	Chairman	Requirement to pack and seal fresh offal of water birds	
014632 - 014746	Admin	"	
014747 - 014815	Ms Cyd HO	Effectiveness of rest day in poultry market	
014816 - 014919	Admin	"	
014920 - 014927	Ms Cyd HO	Proposal of central slaughtering of chickens	
014928 - 015053	Admin	"	
015054 - 015101	Ms Cyd HO	Effectiveness of the segregation policy for live chickens from other water birds	
015102 - 015119	Admin	"	
015120 - 015138	Chairman	"	
015139 - 015321	Dr LO Wing-lok	"	
015322 - 015412	Mr WONG Yung-kan	Considerations for granting a licence for quail farmer	
015413 - 015440	Admin	"	
015441 - 015511	Mr WONG Yung-kan Mr Albert CHAN	Considerations for granting a licence for quail farmer/wholesaler/retailer	
015512 - 015530	Admin	"	√ Admin to provide response
015531 - 015616	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Future policy for the sale of live quails	
015617 - 015713	Chairman	Future policy for the sale of live quails. Proposal for Administration to withdraw the Regulations	
015714 - 015721	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Proposal for Administration to withdraw the Regulations	
015722 - 015730	Chairman	"	
015731 - 015909	Ms Cyd HO	"	
015910 - 020032	Chairman	Vote on Mr Tommy CHEUNG's proposal. Extension of the scrutiny period at the Council meeting and invite deputations to the next meeting	√ Admin to provide response
020033 - 020040	Mr Albert CHAN	Request for response from the Administration on members' concerns and suggestions	

020041 - 020100	Chairman	Administration's response to review the arrangements for existing quail farmers, wholesalers and retailers	√ Admin to provide response
020100 - 020229	Chairman	Date of next meeting	
020230 - 020250	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Deputations to be invited	
020251 - 020716	Chairman	Legislative time-table	

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