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**Bills Committee on
Vocational Training Council (Amendment) Bill 2004**

**Minutes of the second meeting
held on Wednesday, 1 December 2004 at 10:45 am
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, S.B.St.J., JP (Chairman)
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP
Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP

Public Officers attending : Mr Edward YAU
Deputy Secretary for Education and Manpower

Mrs Carrie WILLIS
Executive Director
Vocational Training Council

Ms Phyllis POON
Government Counsel

Mr Gary AU
Assistant Secretary for Education and Manpower

Clerk in attendance : Mrs Sharon TONG
Chief Council Secretary (2)1

Staff in attendance : Miss Kitty CHENG
Assistant Legal Adviser 5

Miss Betty MA
Senior Council Secretary (2)1

I. Meeting with the Administration
(LC Paper No. CB(2)278/04-05(01))

The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

2. The Bills Committee requested the Administration to provide a response to the following -

- (a) to consider members' views regarding the financial arrangements for extra-territorial activities;
- (b) to provide the costing models for devising the "break-even point" test in assessing whether a programme would be financially self-sufficient and be undertaken by the Vocational Training Council (VTC);
- (c) to provide details of the views expressed by the staff unions concerned of the VTC on the proposed expansion of VTC's activities outside Hong Kong;
- (d) to give an undertaking that priority would be given to Hong Kong people when engaging new staff members for the expanded activities outside Hong Kong;
- (e) to clarify new section 6(3) in clause 4 of the Bill as amended by the proposed Committee Stage amendments; and
- (f) to review the drafting of new section 17(4) in clause 5 of the Bill.

3. Members agreed that the Bills Committee would also write to the staff unions of VTC and seek their views on the proposed expansion of the VTC's activities outside Hong Kong.

II. Date of next meeting

4. Members agreed that the Clerk would consult the Chairman on the date of the next meeting.

(Post-meeting note : The next meeting would be held on 11 January 2005 at 10:45 am.)

5. The meeting ended at 12:43 pm.

Council Business Division 2
Legislative Council Secretariat
17 December 2004

**Proceedings of the meeting of the
Bills Committee on
Vocational Training Council (Amendment) Bill 2004
on Wednesday, 1 December 2004 at 10:45 am
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 - 000535	Chairman Admin	Administration's response to issues raised by members at the last meeting [LC Paper No. CB(2) 278/04-05(01)]	
000536 - 000714	ALA5	ALA5's response to issues raised by members at the last meeting [LC Paper No. CB(2) 291/04-05(02)]	
000715 - 001028	Hon Howard YOUNG Admin	Containment of risk	
001029 - 001805	Hon LI Fung-ying Admin	Vocational Training Council (VTC) staff reaction and involvement in extra-territorial activities	
001806 - 002402	Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah Admin	Job attachments in the Mainland for youths; and maintenance of separate accounts for the extra-territorial activities.	
002403 - 003543	Hon WONG Kwok-hing Admin Chairman Hon Mrs Selina CHOW	Staff consultation on the proposed expansion of the VTC's activities outside Hong Kong; engagement of new staff members for the expanded activities.	Admin to give an undertaking that priority be given to Hong Kong people when engaging new staff members for the expanded activities outside Hong Kong
003544 - 003924	Hon Mrs Selina CHOW Admin	"Break-even point" test for VTC programmes	Admin to provide the costing models for devising the "Break-even point" test
003925 - 004903	Hon WONG Ting-kwong Admin	Liabilities for VTC in conducting its extra-territorial activities	

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004904 - 005006	Hon LI Fung-ying Chairman Admin	Staff consultation on the proposed expansion of the VTC's activities outside Hong Kong	Admin and the Bills Committee to seek views from staff unions of VTC
005007 - 011813	Hon CHAN Yuen-han Admin Hon Mrs Selina CHOW Hon WONG Kwok-hing Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong Chairman	Selection of staff to conduct the extra-territorial activities	
011814 - 014544	Hon WONG Ting-kwong Admin Chairman Hon Jasper TSANG Hon Patrick LAU	Proposed arrangement for the Deputy Chairman of VTC to sign statements of accounts	Admin to review the drafting of clause 5 of the Bill
014545 - 015948	Hon CHAN Yuen-han Admin Chairman	Performing functions outside by VTC through an agent	Admin to clarify the drafting of CSA to clause 4 of the Bill
015949 – 020122	Chairman	Date of next meeting	