

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 3

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14 October 2004 at 3:00 pm

Present:

The Hon TUNG Chee-hwa, JP
The Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Members present:

President
The Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, GBS, JP
The Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP
The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Ir Dr the Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, S.B.St.J., JP
The Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
The Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP
Dr the Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP
The Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP
Dr the Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP
The Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP
The Hon James TO Kun-sun
The Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
The Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP

The Hon Bernard CHAN, JP

The Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP

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

The Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

The Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP

Dr the Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS

The Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP

The Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP

Dr the Hon YEUNG Sum

The Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

The Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP

The Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP

The Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP

The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

The Hon CHOY So-yuk

The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

The Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP

The Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP

The Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP

The Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP

The Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP

The Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

The Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, JP

The Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

The Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP

The Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH

The Hon LEE Wing-tat

The Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH
Dr the Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long
The Daniel LAM Wai-keung, BBS, JP
The Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP
The Hon MA Lik, JP
The Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
The Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Dr the Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Dr the Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
The Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, SBS, JP
The Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
The Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
The Hon CHIM Pui-chung
The Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP
The Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG
The Hon KWONG Chi-kin
The Hon TAM Heung-man

Members absent:

The Hon Margaret NG
The Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP
The Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP

Public officers attending:

The Hon Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, GBM, JP
The Chief Secretary for Administration

The Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen, GBS, JP
The Financial Secretary

The Hon Elsie LEUNG Oi-sie, GBM, JP
The Secretary for Justice

The Hon Michael SUEN Ming-yeung, GBS, JP
Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Prof the Hon Arthur LI Kwok-cheung, GBS, JP
Secretary for Education and Manpower

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

Dr the Hon Patrick HO Chi-ping, JP
Secretary for Home Affairs

The Hon Stephen IP Shu-kwan, GBS, JP
Secretary for Economic Development and Labour

Dr the Hon Sarah LIAO Sau-tung, JP
Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

The Hon Frederick MA Si-hang, JP
Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

The Hon Stephen LAM Sui-lung, JP
Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

The Hon Ambrose LEE Siu-kwong, IDSM, JP
Secretary for Security

The Hon John TSANG Chun-wah, JP
Secretary for Commerce, Industry and Technology

Dr the Hon York CHOW Yat-ngok, SBS
Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

Prof LAU Siu-kai, JP
Head, Central Policy Unit

Clerk in attendance:

Mr Ricky FUNG Choi-cheung, JP, Secretary General

The Chief Executive's Question and Answer Session

The Chief Executive attended the Council.

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung rose to complain that he had been restrained by force by two men who identified themselves as bodyguards when he tried to present something to the Chief Executive at the entrance of the Legislative Council Building. He queried the true identity of the two men who had treated him rudely even though he was a Legislative Council Member, and who were now inside the Legislative Council Chamber.

The President said that she would deal with the complaint after the meeting.

Hon James TO raised a question on whether Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung felt threatened by some unidentified persons being inside the Legislative Council Building Chamber.

The President suspended the meeting at 3:12 pm, on the grounds that the meeting could not proceed to its business with the Members' interference.

The Council resumed at 3:20 pm.

The Chief Executive addressed the Council.

The President said that she noticed that Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung was wearing a T-shirt printed with some slogans. While members of public in the Public Gallery were not allowed to display slogans, the Rules of Procedure imposed no such restriction on Members. Yet in the light that Members were expected to display a higher standard of conduct than the general public, she would request Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung to cover up the slogans on his T-shirt. Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung replied that he wore such T-shirt on purpose for the Chief Executive to read the slogans and understand the people's wish. The President then said that she would refer the matter to the Committee on Rules of Procedure for follow-up.

The Chief Executive then took questions from Members.

17 Members asked questions and the Chief Executive replied.

Next Meeting

The President declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on 20 October 2004 at 2:30 pm.

The Council was adjourned at 4:35 pm.

(Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai)
President

Council Chamber
Hong Kong