

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Measures to combat drink driving”
moved by Hon LAU Kong-wah
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 14 June 2006**

Motion as amended by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

“That, as many motorists are not alert to the danger of drink driving, serious traffic accidents caused by drink driving have occurred frequently in recent years, posing a serious threat to the safety of other road users, this Council urges the Government to step up publicity and education, review the deterrent effect of existing penalties for the drink driving offence, study amending legislation, including drawing on the practice in other countries of suspending the driving licences of drivers on first conviction of the offence, and making it a mandatory requirement that the offenders must attend a driving improvement course to improve their driving habits, as well as to pass a driving test before driving licences are re-issued to them, and to empower the Police to conduct random stop checks on vehicles and, where there is reasonable doubt, roadside screening breath tests on motorists, so as to strengthen its efforts in combating drink driving and enhance motorists’ alertness to the danger of drink driving, thereby reducing traffic accidents caused by drink driving and safeguarding public safety.”