

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Relief measures and compensation policies
for the live poultry trades”
moved by Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 29 November 2006**

Wording of the Motion

“That, as the Government is determined to implement central slaughtering of live poultry, which will permanently damage the live poultry trades, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously discuss with the trades to formulate a scheme that enables exit from the trades with reasonable compensation, having regard to the circumstances of live poultry farmers, wholesalers, retailers, transporters and workers; furthermore, prior to the implementation of central slaughtering of live poultry, if there is a need to suspend the import of live poultry and birds from the Mainland in the event of an outbreak of avian influenza there, in order to prevent the trades from being severely hit, this Council urges the Government to introduce the following relief measures:

- (a) setting up an emergency relief fund to provide assistance or low interest loans to the trades, so as to tide them over the difficult times;
- (b) granting a rent waiver to tenants of the Government’s wholesale and retail markets; and
- (c) providing emergency financial assistance to workers who are not employed on a long-term basis.”