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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Motion on
“Promoting the development of local football”**

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun has given notice to move the attached motion on “Promoting the development of local football” at the Council meeting of 4 June 2008. The President has directed that “it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in” on the Agenda of the Council.

(Mrs Justina LAM)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

Motion on
“Promoting the development of local football”
to be moved by Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 4 June 2008

Wording of the Motion

“That, as football, being a very popular sport in Hong Kong, is well liked and widely supported by the community, the Government should capitalise on this favourable condition to promote the development of local football and establish team brands, which will not only raise the standards of sports activities, but can also promote social integration and enhance social cohesion; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) immediately conduct a detailed study to position the development of local football, formulate an overall development plan, set long-term and short-term goals, and implement the relevant initiatives, etc;
- (b) develop football training schemes for local youngsters and enhance the training for young football players with potential, so as to lay a good foundation for the development of local football;
- (c) provide support to promote the professionalization of local football, such as assisting the football sector in drawing up a clear framework and targets for the development of professional football players as well as career paths for coaches and managers, etc to be promoted to the management of football teams, thereby encouraging more football players to take up the sport as their career and facilitating the enhancement of the professional standards of the sport;
- (d) provide support for football teams to conduct overseas training and participate in overseas matches, so as to encourage exchange of experience and learning, and become stronger teams; and
- (e) draw reference from successful examples in Europe and America to create a favourable environment for establishing local football team brands.”