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**Proposed amendments to motion on
“Actively implementing complementary policies
for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and
Development of the Pearl River Delta”**

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 379/08-09 issued on 20 February 2009, Members are invited to note that:

- (a) with the permission of the President, the English translation of 《珠江三角洲地區改革發展規劃綱要》 has been changed from “Framework for Development and Reform Planning for Pearl River Delta Region” to “Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta” to reflect its latest English name; and
- (b) three Members (Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho, Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing and Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye) have respectively given notice of their intention to move separate amendments to Hon WONG Ting-kwong’s motion on “Actively implementing complementary policies for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta” scheduled for the Council meeting of 4 March 2009. As directed by the President, the respective proposed amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

2. To assist Members in debating the above motion and amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:

- (a) Hon WONG Ting-kwong moves his motion;

- (b) the President proposes the question on Hon WONG Ting-kwong's motion, and orders a joint debate;
- (c) the President calls on the three Members, who intend to move amendments, to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
 - (i) Dr Hon Samson TAM;
 - (ii) Hon Emily LAU; and
 - (iii) Hon Mrs Regina IP;
- (d) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) joint debate on the motion and the amendments follows thereafter;
- (f) the President gives leave to Hon WONG Ting-kwong to speak for the second time on the amendments;
- (g) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) again to speak;
- (h) in accordance with Rule 34(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the President has decided that he will call upon the three Members to move their respective amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above. The President invites Dr Hon Samson TAM to move his amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Dr Hon Samson TAM's amendment;
- (i) after Dr Hon Samson TAM's amendment has been voted upon, the President deals with the other two amendments; and
- (j) after all amendments have been dealt with, the President calls upon Hon WONG Ting-kwong to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Hon WONG Ting-kwong's motion, or his motion as amended, as the case may be.

3. For Members' ease of reference, the terms of the original motion and of the motion, if amended, are set out in the **Appendix**.

(Mrs Justina LAM)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion debate on
“Actively implementing complementary policies
for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and
Development of the Pearl River Delta”
to be held at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 4 March 2009**

1. Hon WONG Ting-kwong’s original motion

That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to expeditiously formulate corresponding complementary policies for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta (2008-2020) promulgated earlier by the Central Government, so as to facilitate Hong Kong’s closer co-operation with Guangdong Province and the Macao Special Administrative Region and promote Hong Kong’s economic and social development; such policies include:

- (a) expediting the planning and construction of the Hong Kong Section of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (“HZMB”) as well as the related connecting infrastructure works for HZMB, and at the same time actively studying the development of a bridgehead economy at the landing point of HZMB in Hong Kong and the implementation of “free flow of vehicles” between Guangdong and Hong Kong, so as to fully utilize HZMB;
- (b) expediting transport connection works between the airports in Guangdong and Hong Kong, and expeditiously implementing the proposal to construct a high-speed rail link connecting the airports in Hong Kong and Shenzhen;
- (c) actively discussing with the Government of Guangdong Province to clearly delineate the roles and division of work between the ports and terminals in Guangdong and those in Hong Kong, so that a new setting will be formed in the Pearl River Delta Region (“PRDR”) under which there is a clear demarcation of work among the ports, complementarity of edge and co-development;
- (d) strengthening co-operation among the exhibition and convention industries in PRDR, and capitalizing on Hong Kong’s edge to turn the territory into a capital of international exhibitions and sales;
- (e) strengthening co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong in improving the overall water quality in PRDR and reducing the overall volume of water pollution, and at the same time establishing a sound system for the monitoring and prevention of air pollution, as well as striving to solve the problem of atmospheric haze;

- (f) helping higher education institutions and education providers in Hong Kong to run education institutions independently in PRDR;
- (g) deepening the implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement by expediting mutual recognition of professional qualifications in Guangdong and Hong Kong as well as lowering the thresholds of practice in PRDR for Hong Kong professionals, so as to foster the expansion of Hong Kong's service industries into PRDR;
- (h) formulating focused facilitating measures to provide convenience for PRDR residents to invest in Hong Kong's stock market, and enhancing efforts in Guangdong Province to provide information on and publicize Hong Kong stocks, so as to prepare for launching the through train scheme for Guangdong's and Hong Kong's stock markets;
- (i) strengthening various services for Hong Kong residents working and residing in PRDR, and actively considering enhancing the functions of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government's Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong;
- (j) strengthening tourism co-operation among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and assisting Hong Kong's tourism enterprises in operating in PRDR; and
- (k) considering setting up a Guangdong/Hong Kong/Macao Leaders' Conference to strengthen co-operation among the three places.

2. Motion as amended by Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho

That, *as Hong Kong is being struck by the financial tsunami, the need for new economic restructuring has become more imminent*, this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to expeditiously *redefine the role and positioning of Hong Kong and* formulate corresponding complementary policies for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta (2008-2020) promulgated earlier by the Central Government, so as to facilitate Hong Kong's closer co-operation with Guangdong Province and the Macao Special Administrative Region and promote Hong Kong's economic and social development; such policies include:

- (a) expediting the planning and construction of the Hong Kong Section of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge ("HZMB") as well as the related connecting infrastructure works for HZMB, and at the same time actively studying the development of a bridgehead economy at the landing point of HZMB in Hong Kong and the implementation of "free flow of vehicles" between Guangdong and Hong Kong, so as to fully utilize HZMB;

- (b) expediting transport connection works between the airports in Guangdong and Hong Kong, and expeditiously implementing the proposal to construct a high-speed rail link connecting the airports in Hong Kong and Shenzhen;
- (c) actively discussing with the Government of Guangdong Province to clearly delineate the roles and division of work between the ports and terminals in Guangdong and those in Hong Kong, so that a new setting will be formed in the Pearl River Delta Region (“PRDR”) under which there is a clear demarcation of work among the ports, complementarity of edge and co-development;
- (d) *in line with the general requirement for a “Digital Pearl River Delta”, facilitating the sharing of online resources and interconnection and mutual access among the networks in Guangdong and Hong Kong, and jointly promoting co-operation of the two places in developing digital creative industries;*
- (e) strengthening co-operation among the exhibition and convention industries in PRDR, and capitalizing on Hong Kong’s edge to turn the territory into a capital of international exhibitions and sales;
- (~~e~~)(f) strengthening co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong in improving the overall water quality in PRDR and reducing the overall volume of water pollution, and at the same time establishing a sound system for the monitoring and prevention of air pollution, as well as striving to solve the problem of atmospheric haze;
- (~~f~~)(g) helping higher education institutions and education providers in Hong Kong to run education institutions independently in PRDR;
- (~~g~~)(h) deepening the implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement by expediting mutual recognition of professional qualifications in Guangdong and Hong Kong as well as lowering the thresholds of practice in PRDR for Hong Kong professionals, so as to foster the expansion of Hong Kong’s service industries into PRDR;
- (~~h~~)(i) formulating focused facilitating measures to provide convenience for PRDR residents to invest in Hong Kong’s stock market, and enhancing efforts in Guangdong Province to provide information on and publicize Hong Kong stocks, so as to prepare for launching the through train scheme for Guangdong’s and Hong Kong’s stock markets;
- (~~i~~)(j) strengthening various services for Hong Kong residents working and residing in PRDR, and actively considering enhancing the functions of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government’s Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong;

- ~~(j)~~(k) strengthening tourism co-operation among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and assisting Hong Kong's tourism enterprises in operating in PRDR; and
- ~~(k)~~(l) considering setting up a Guangdong/Hong Kong/Macao Leaders' Conference to strengthen co-operation among the three places.

Note: Dr Hon Samson TAM's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

3. Motion as amended by Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

That, *in order to implement the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta (2008-2020) promulgated earlier by the Central Government*, this Council urges *the Central Government and the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to expeditiously formulate corresponding complementary policies for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta (2008-2020) promulgated earlier by the Central Government*, so as to facilitate Hong Kong's closer co-operation with Guangdong Province and the Macao Special Administrative Region and promote Hong Kong's economic and social development; such policies include:

- (a) *respecting the right of the Chinese nationals in Hong Kong to freely travel to and from the Mainland, reinstating the right of those Hong Kong residents and Members of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong who have been barred from entering the Mainland to return to their hometown, issuing Hong Kong and Macao Residents Entry and Exit Permits to these people to enhance civilian and official exchanges between the Mainland and Hong Kong, so as to further promote the development of economic and social activities in the Pearl River Delta Region ("PRDR");*
- (b) expediting the planning and construction of the Hong Kong Section of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge ("HZMB") as well as the related connecting infrastructure works for HZMB, and at the same time actively studying the development of a bridgehead economy at the landing point of HZMB in Hong Kong and the implementation of "free flow of vehicles" between Guangdong and Hong Kong, so as to fully utilize HZMB;
- ~~(b)~~(c) expediting transport connection works between the airports in Guangdong and Hong Kong, and expeditiously implementing the proposal to construct a high-speed rail link connecting the airports in Hong Kong and Shenzhen;
- ~~(e)~~(d) actively discussing with the Government of Guangdong Province to clearly delineate the roles and division of work between the ports and terminals in Guangdong and those in Hong Kong, so that a new setting will be formed in ~~the Pearl River Delta Region ("PRDR")~~ under which there is a clear

demarcation of work among the ports, complementarity of edge and co-development;

- ~~(d)~~(e) strengthening co-operation among the exhibition and convention industries in PRDR, and capitalizing on Hong Kong's edge to turn the territory into a capital of international exhibitions and sales;
- ~~(e)~~(f) strengthening co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong in improving the overall water quality in PRDR and reducing the overall volume of water pollution, and at the same time establishing a sound system for the monitoring and prevention of air pollution, as well as striving to solve the problem of atmospheric haze;
- ~~(f)~~(g) helping higher education institutions and education providers in Hong Kong to run education institutions independently in PRDR;
- ~~(g)~~(h) deepening the implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement by expediting mutual recognition of professional qualifications in Guangdong and Hong Kong as well as lowering the thresholds of practice in PRDR for Hong Kong professionals, so as to foster the expansion of Hong Kong's service industries into PRDR;
- ~~(h)~~(i) formulating focused facilitating measures to provide convenience for PRDR residents to invest in Hong Kong's stock market, and enhancing efforts in Guangdong Province to provide information on and publicize Hong Kong stocks, so as to prepare for launching the through train scheme for Guangdong's and Hong Kong's stock markets;
- ~~(i)~~(j) strengthening various services for Hong Kong residents working and residing in PRDR, and actively considering enhancing the functions of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government's Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong;
- ~~(j)~~(k) strengthening tourism co-operation among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and assisting Hong Kong's tourism enterprises in operating in PRDR; and
- ~~(k)~~(l) considering setting up a Guangdong/Hong Kong/Macao Leaders' Conference to strengthen co-operation among the three places.

Note: Hon Emily LAU's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

4. Motion as amended by Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye

That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to expeditiously formulate corresponding complementary policies for the Outline of the Plan for the Reform and Development of the Pearl River Delta (2008-2020) promulgated earlier by the Central Government, so as to facilitate Hong Kong's closer co-operation with Guangdong Province and the Macao Special Administrative Region and promote Hong Kong's economic and social development; such policies include:

- (a) expediting the planning and construction of the Hong Kong Section of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge ("HZMB") as well as the related connecting infrastructure works for HZMB, and at the same time actively studying the development of a bridgehead economy at the landing point of HZMB in Hong Kong and the implementation of "free flow of vehicles" between Guangdong and Hong Kong, so as to fully utilize HZMB;
- (b) expediting transport connection works between the airports in Guangdong and Hong Kong, and expeditiously implementing the proposal to construct a high-speed rail link connecting the airports in Hong Kong and Shenzhen;
- (c) actively discussing with the Government of Guangdong Province to clearly delineate the roles and division of work between the ports and terminals in Guangdong and those in Hong Kong, so that a new setting will be formed in the Pearl River Delta Region ("PRDR") under which there is a clear demarcation of work among the ports, complementarity of edge and co-development;
- (d) strengthening co-operation among the exhibition and convention industries in PRDR, and capitalizing on Hong Kong's edge to turn the territory into a capital of international exhibitions and sales;
- (e) strengthening co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong in ~~improving the overall water quality in PRDR and~~ **areas such as water, air and climatic change to improve the overall environmental quality in PRDR, including** reducing the overall volume of water pollution, ~~and at the same time~~ establishing a sound system for the monitoring and prevention of air pollution, ~~as well as~~ **formulating a set of standardized air quality objectives for both places, setting the emission reduction targets beyond 2010 for PRDR,** striving to solve the problem of atmospheric haze, *etc*;
- (f) helping higher education institutions and education providers in Hong Kong to run education institutions independently in PRDR;
- (g) deepening the implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement by expediting mutual recognition of professional qualifications in Guangdong and Hong Kong as well as lowering

the thresholds of practice in PRDR for Hong Kong professionals, so as to foster the expansion of Hong Kong's service industries into PRDR;

- (h) formulating focused facilitating measures to provide convenience for PRDR residents to invest in Hong Kong's stock market, and enhancing efforts in Guangdong Province to provide information on and publicize Hong Kong stocks, so as to prepare for launching the through train scheme for Guangdong's and Hong Kong's stock markets;
- (i) strengthening various services for Hong Kong residents working and residing in PRDR, and actively considering enhancing the functions of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government's Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong;
- (j) strengthening tourism co-operation among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and assisting Hong Kong's tourism enterprises in operating in PRDR;
~~and~~
- (k) *taking all effective measures to expeditiously co-operate with Shenzhen to develop the Lok Ma Chau Loop, and strengthening co-operation with Shenzhen in the development of higher education, new and high technology as well as cultural and creative industries, so as to facilitate Hong Kong's restructuring towards a knowledge-based economy, broaden Hong Kong's economic structure and complement the North East New Territories New Development Areas; and*
- (l) considering setting up a Guangdong/Hong Kong/Macao Leaders' Conference to strengthen co-operation among the three places.

Note: Hon Mrs Regina IP's amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type*** or with deletion line.