

**Chronology on the package of proposals for the methods  
for selecting the Chief Executive ("CE") in 2007 and for forming the  
Legislative Council ("LegCo") in 2008**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Key step/development in respect of the package of proposals for the methods for selecting CE in 2007 and for forming LegCo in 2008 ("the 2005 proposed package")</b>
15 April 2004	Upon the recommendation of the Constitutional Development Task Force in its Second Report, CE submitted a report to the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress ("NPCSC") recommending that the two electoral methods for 2007 and 2008 be amended, and requesting NPCSC to make a determination to that effect in accordance with the relevant provisions and principles in the Basic Law ("BL").
26 April 2004	NPCSC adopted the "Decision of NPCSC on issues relating to the methods for selecting CE of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") in the year 2007 and for forming LegCo of HKSAR in the year 2008" determining, among others, that the two electoral methods could be amended.
19 October 2005	<p>The Chief Secretary for Administration ("CS") made a statement at the Council meeting on the Fifth Report published by the Task Force on the same day.</p> <p>The Fifth Report put forth the 2005 proposed package and the draft motions to be put to LegCo concerning the relevant amendments to Annex I and Annex II to BL.</p>
21 October 2005	The House Committee ("HC") formed the Subcommittee to Study the Administration's proposals for the Methods for Selecting CE in 2007 and for Forming LegCo in 2008 ("the Subcommittee").
29 November 2005	The Subcommittee completed its deliberations and noted that the Administration would give notices to move the two motions to amend Annex I and Annex II to BL at the Council meeting on 21 December 2005.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Key step/development in respect of the 2005 proposed package</b>
6 December 2005	The Secretary for Constitutional Affairs gave notices of motions to amend Annex I and Annex II to BL 12 clear days before the day on which the motions were to be considered by the Council.
9 December 2005	The Subcommittee reported its deliberations to HC.
19 December 2005	The Administration briefed the Panel on Constitutional Affairs on its proposal of phased abolition of appointed DC seats as part of the overall 2005 proposed package, subject to the endorsement of the two motions by LegCo on 21 December 2005.
21 December 2005	<p>The Administration presented to LegCo for endorsement two motions to amend Annexes I and II to BL regarding the two electoral methods for 2007 and 2008 respectively.</p> <p>The motions did not receive the two-thirds majority support of all the LegCo Members.</p>

Council Business Division 2  
Legislative Council Secretariat  
12 May 2010