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**Panel on Commerce and Industry**

**Minutes of meeting**  
**held on Thursday, 15 October 2009 at 10:10 am**  
**in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building**

**Members present** : Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP (Chairman)  
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, BBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)  
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, SBS, JP  
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP  
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP  
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP  
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP  
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS, JP  
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC  
Hon CHIM Pui-chung  
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king  
Hon Tanya CHAN  
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP  
Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho, JP

**Members absent** : Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP  
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

**Clerk in attendance** : Ms YUE Tin-po  
Chief Council Secretary (1)3

**Staff in attendance** : Mrs Constance LI  
Assistant Secretary General 1

Ms Annette LAM  
Senior Council Secretary (1)3

Mr Joey LO  
Council Secretary (1)3

Ms Alice CHEUNG  
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1

Miss Queenie LAM  
Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2

Ms May LEUNG  
Legislative Assistant (1)6

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Action

**I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman**

Election of Chairman

Mr Vincent FANG, Chairman of the Panel in office, invited nominations for the chairmanship for the 2009-2010 session.

2. Mr Vincent FANG was nominated by Mr Tommy CHEUNG and the nomination was seconded by Mr Jeffrey LAM. Mr FANG accepted the nomination. Mr WONG Ting-kwong, the Deputy Chairman of the Panel in office, took over from Mr Vincent FANG to preside over the election. As there was no other nomination, Mr WONG Ting-kwong declared that Mr Vincent FANG was elected Chairman of the Panel for the 2009-2010 session.

Election of Deputy Chairman

3. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship. Dr LAM Tai-fai was nominated by Mr Fred LI and the nomination was seconded by Mr Jeffrey LAM. Dr LAM Tai-fai accepted the nomination. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared that Dr LAM Tai-fai was elected Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2009-2010 session.

**II. Schedule of meetings for the 2009-2010 session**

4. Members agreed to hold the regular meetings of the Panel for the 2009-2010 session on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm, except for 16 February 2010 which fell on the third day of the Lunar New Year. Members agreed that the meeting be rescheduled to Tuesday, 9 February 2009 at 4:30 pm. The schedule of Panel meetings in the 2009-2010 session would be issued to members after the meeting.

**III. Items for discussion at the next meeting**

(List of outstanding items for discussion — Appendix V to LC Paper No. CB(1)4/09-10

List of follow-up actions — Appendix VI to LC Paper No. CB(1)4/09-10)

Policy briefing on 20 October 2009

5. The Chairman reminded members that a meeting would be held on Tuesday, 20 October 2009 from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building to receive a briefing by the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (SCED) on the relevant policy initiatives featuring in the Chief Executive's 2009-2010 Policy Address.

Regular Panel meeting on 17 November 2009

6. Members agreed that the Panel would discuss the item "Copyright protection in the digital environment" proposed by the Administration at the next regular meeting to be held on 18 November 2009. He invited members to notify the Secretariat in writing if they wished to propose any other discussion items for the meeting.

Other issues

7. Members noted that the Administration would provide a progress report to the Panel on "Support measures for small and medium enterprises arising from the global financial turmoil" by 20 October 2009. On "Promoting the development of the testing and certification industry in Hong Kong", the Administration would provide an information note to report on the establishment of the Hong Kong Council for Testing and Certification in November 2009.

*(Post meeting note: The Administration's paper on progress update on the support measures for small and medium enterprises arising from the global financial turmoil was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)32/09-10(01) on 16 October 2009.)*

8. Members noted that Miss Tanya CHAN had written to the Panel on 11 September 2009 urging for early discussion of the progress of Phase 3 development of the Hong Kong Exhibition and Convention Centre (HKCEC) and the future development of Hong Kong's MICE industry. Miss CHAN's request had been relayed to the Administration which agreed to brief the Panel on the progress of Phase 3 development of HKCEC at the policy briefing given by SCED on 20 October 2009. Members also noted that the item "Update on Government's efforts in the promotion and development of MICE industry", including the proposed way forward for the public consultation on Phase 3 development of HKCEC, had been included in the "List of outstanding items for discussion".

*Duty visit to Taiwan*

9. On the previous proposal for the Panel to undertake an overseas duty visit to Taiwan, the Chairman invited members to notify the Secretariat in writing if they had any views on the proposed scope and programme of the visit so to facilitate Panel's discussion at the future meeting. In this connection, Mrs Regina IP suggested that the programme of the proposed visit should cover industrial estates, applied research institutes and facilities engaged in the production of electronic chips and semiconductors.

*HKSAR's participation in the World Exposition 2010 Shanghai China*

10. Referring to recent criticisms of the design of the HKSAR float taking part in the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary National Day parade, Miss Tanya CHAN opined that the Administration should be requested to brief the Panel on the progress of the HKSAR's participation in the World Exposition 2010 Shanghai China as early as possible, in particular, the latest development of the Hong Kong Pavilion. Sharing a similar view, Mr Jeffrey LAM considered that the Administration should explain the design specifications and restrictions imposed on the construction of the Hong Kong Pavilion. In this connection, Mr Andrew LEUNG suggested that the Administration should show to the Panel the two anniversary-themed short videos which were previously shown in the Tiananmen Square for the celebration of the National Day.

Work plan for the 2009-2010 session

11. The Chairman said that he and the Deputy Chairman would meet with SCED to discuss the work plan of the Panel for the 2009-2010 session. He invited members to notify the Secretariat in writing by 27 October 2009 if they wished to have any proposed discussion items for the Panel meetings to be held from December 2009 to July 2010.

**IV. Any other business**

12. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:25 am.