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Motion on
"Post-office employment arrangements for
politically appointed officials"
moved by Dr Hon Margaret NG
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 12 January 2011

## Motion as amended by Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

That, as politically appointed officials have greater access to sensitive information and stronger influence on policy formulation than directorate civil servants, the control over the post-office employment of politically appointed officials should be very stringent; however, under the existing Code for Principal Officials under the Accountability System, the control over the post-office employment of politically appointed officials is less stringent than the existing control over the post-service work of directorate civil servants; although politically appointed officials are different from civil servants in that they do not enjoy any security of tenure, in order to avoid public concern about any possible conflicts between accountability officials' exercise of powers and responsibilities and their pursuit of private interests, and to maintain public confidence in the governance of the HKSAR Government, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously conduct a review of this issue.