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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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Motion on
“Reviewing the definition of and the support measures for
small and medium-sized enterprises and micro-enterprises”

Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai has given notice to move the attached motion on “Reviewing the definition of and the support measures for small and medium-sized enterprises and micro-enterprises” at the Council meeting of 6 June 2012. 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

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(Translation)

**Motion on
“Reviewing the definition of and the support measures for
small and medium-sized enterprises and micro-enterprises”
to be moved by Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai
at the Council meeting of 6 June 2012**

Wording of the Motion

That, as the European debt crisis is getting worse recently, which may affect the European and even the global economies, coupled with the fact that the United States economy has yet to bottom out and the Mainland economic growth is slowing down, Hong Kong as a small and open economy can hardly remain unaffected, with its export and re-export trades bearing the brunt; internally, the continuous soaring of property prices also poses potential threats to Hong Kong's economy and society; amid the many uncertainties and crises, it is expected that small and medium-sized enterprises ('SMEs') in Hong Kong will face an unstable and difficult business environment; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to plan ahead and roll out appropriate contingency measures to assist SMEs in coping with the challenges and riding out the plight; besides, the Government should review the current definition of SMEs, draw up afresh the definitions of SMEs and micro-enterprises having regard to the actual market conditions with a view to formulating dedicated support policies and measures which are geared to their actual needs, study introducing different levels of profit tax rates for micro-enterprises, SMEs and large enterprises, and set a tax rate lower than the existing level and offer more tax concessions for the former two, so as to support their sustainable operation and healthy development.