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Finance Committee of the Legislative Council

**Minutes of the 2nd meeting
held at the Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex
on Friday, 4 November 2011, 2:46 pm**

Members present:

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP (Chairman)
Prof Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBM, GBS, JP
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, SBS, JP
Dr Hon Margaret NG
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, GBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon WONG Yung-kan, SBS, JP
Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP
Hon LI Fung-ying, SBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP
Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, GBS, JP
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
Hon CHIM Pui-chung

Hon KAM Nai-wai, MH
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, BBS, JP
Hon CHAN Hak-kan
Hon Paul CHAN Mo-po, MH, JP
Hon CHAN Kin-por, JP
Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS
Hon IP Wai-ming, MH
Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP
Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou
Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon Tanya CHAN

Members absent:

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS
Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP
Hon LEE Wing-tat
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, JP
Hon WONG Sing-chi
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
Hon WONG Yuk-man

Clerk in attendance:

Mrs Constance LI

Assistant Secretary General 1

Staff in attendance:

Ms Annette LAM

Chief Council Secretary (1)7

Mr Daniel SIN

Senior Council Secretary (1)7

Mr Frankie WOO

Senior Legislative Assistant (1)3

Ms Christy YAU

Legislative Assistant (1)8

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Item No. 1 - FCR(2011-12)46

INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE RINGING OF THE DIVISION BELL AT MEETINGS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, ESTABLISHMENT SUBCOMMITTEE AND PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Chairman advised that members were invited to consider the proposed interim arrangements regarding the duration of the ringing of the division bell at meetings of the Finance Committee (FC) and its two subcommittees, namely, the Establishment Subcommittee (ESC) and the Public Works Subcommittee (PWSC).

2. At the invitation of the Chairman, the Clerk to FC briefed members on the proposed interim arrangements as set out in paragraphs 8 and 9 of the discussion paper. She explained that the relevant provisions in the FC Procedure, ESC Procedure and PWSC Procedure currently stipulated that where a division was ordered at a meeting of FC, ESC or PWSC, the division bell would be rung for two minutes. With the relocation of the Legislative Council to the new Legislative Council Complex (the Complex) which was four times the size of the old Legislative Council Building, it was necessary to extend the duration of the ringing of the division bell to five minutes, so that members who were not in the meeting venue but were within the Complex would have sufficient time to return to the meeting venue to vote. In the event that the division bell did not function or might not be rung, the Chairman of FC, ESC or PWSC would order the clerk to arrange for members of the respective committee or subcommittee within the precincts of the Complex to be notified

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of the division, and the division would be held 10 minutes after the order had been made. She added that the same arrangements were adopted for meetings of the Legislative Council, the House Committee and the other committees and subcommittees.

3. The Clerk further advised that, to implement the interim arrangements, relevant provisions in the FC Procedure, ESC Procedure and PWSC Procedure in respect of the ringing of division bells would have to be suspended with immediate effect, until FC decided to remove the suspension of the relevant provisions or to amend the relevant provisions in the Procedure of FC, ESC and PWSC. Meanwhile, the Committee on Rules of Procedure would examine whether and how the relevant rules in the Legislative Council Rules of Procedure should be amended to incorporate the above arrangements.

4. The Chairman put the item to vote. The Committee approved the proposed interim arrangements.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 pm.

Legislative Council Secretariat
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