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**Panel on Constitutional Affairs**

**Minutes of meeting**  
**held on Thursday, 13 October 2011, at 12:30 pm**  
**in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

**Members present** : Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP (Chairman)  
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, GBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)  
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan  
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP  
Dr Hon Margaret NG  
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong  
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS  
Hon WONG Yung-kan, SBS, JP  
Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP  
Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP  
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP  
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP  
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP  
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP  
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP  
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH  
Hon LEE Wing-tat  
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP  
Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, GBS, JP  
Hon CHIM Pui-chung  
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan  
Hon CHAN Kin-por, JP  
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, JP  
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS  
Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP  
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP  
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP  
Dr Hon Samson TAM Wai-ho, JP  
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC  
Hon WONG Yuk-man

**Members absent** : Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS, JP  
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC  
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, BBS, JP  
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung

**Clerk in attendance** : Miss Flora TAI  
Chief Council Secretary (2)3

**Staff in attendance** : Miss Odelia LEUNG  
Assistant Secretary General 2

Mr Arthur CHEUNG  
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Miss Ivy LEONG  
Senior Council Secretary (2)3

Ms Wendy LO  
Council Secretary (2)3

Mr Ringo LEE  
Senior Legislative Assistant (2)1

Mrs Fanny TSANG  
Legislative Assistant (2)3

Ms CHAU Kwan-bing  
Legislative Assistant (2)9

Mr William LEE  
Legislative Assistant (2)10

Ms Avil MA  
Clerical Assistant (2)3

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**I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman**  
[Appendices V and VI to LC Paper No. CB(2)11/11-12]

Election of Chairman

Mr TAM Yiu-chung, the incumbent Chairman, called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs ("the Panel").

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Mr TAM Yiu-chung was nominated by Mr IP Kwok-him and the nomination was seconded by Mr Jeffrey LAM. Mr TAM Yiu-chung accepted the nomination.

2. Mrs Sophie LEUNG, the incumbent Deputy Chairman, took over from Mr TAM Yiu-chung to preside over the election. Mrs LEUNG called for other nominations. Mr LEE Wing-tat was nominated by Mr CHIM Pui-chung and the nomination was seconded by Mr Alan LEONG. Mr LEE Wing-tat accepted the nomination.

3. Mrs Sophie LEUNG announced that voting be conducted by secret ballot. After all members had cast their votes, Mrs Sophie LEUNG invited Mr IP Kwok-him and Mr CHIM Pui-chung who had nominated the two candidates to monitor the counting of votes.

4. Mrs Sophie LEUNG announced that 21 and eight members voted for Mr TAM Yiu-chung and Mr LEE Wing-tat respectively. Mrs Sophie LEUNG declared Mr TAM Yiu-chung elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2011-2012 session. Mr TAM then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

5. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel. Mrs Sophie LEUNG was nominated by Mr IP Kwok-him and the nomination was seconded by Mr WONG Yung-kan and Mr WONG Kwok-kin. Mrs Sophie LEUNG accepted the nomination.

6. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared Mrs Sophie LEUNG elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2011-2012 session.

**II. Schedule of meetings for the 2011-2012 session**

7. Members agreed that as in the last session, future regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the third Monday of each month at 2:30 pm. As regards the duration of regular meetings, Ms Miriam LAU suggested that regular meetings should be shortened from three to two hours in the future and be extended for another hour as appropriate if there were many items on the agenda. Mr IP Kwok-him and Mrs Sophie LEUNG agreed with the suggestion.

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8. Dr Margaret NG, however, said that given the large membership size of the Panel, members had agreed in the past that regular meetings of the Panel be scheduled for three hours so as to allow sufficient time for discussion. Mr LEE Wing-tat shared a similar view. He considered that as controversial and important issues would be discussed by the Panel, a three-hour meeting would be appropriate.

9. The Chairman advised that according to past experience, the duration of some regular meetings of the Panel were less than three hours. He suggested that the duration of future regular meetings of the Panel would be two hours, same as that of other Panels; and in case of a heavy agenda, the duration of the meeting could be extended for another hour. Members agreed.

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

[Appendices II and III to LC Paper No. CB(2)11/11-12]

10. The Chairman said that the next regular meeting of the Panel would be held on Monday, 17 October 2011 and the Panel was scheduled to receive a briefing from the Administration on the Chief Executive's 2011-2012 Policy Address. Members agreed that the Panel should also discuss at the meeting the item "Proposed Guidelines on Election-related Activities in respect of the Chief Executive Election issued by the Electoral Affairs Commission" as proposed by the Administration. Members further agreed that the regular meeting should be held from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

**IV. Any other business**

11. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:45 pm.