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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 17 October 2012

Motion on
“Urging the Government to withdraw the curriculum guide of
Moral and National Education subject and requesting
the Secretary for Education, Mr Eddie NG, to step down”
and “Legislating for the regulation of working hours”

Members are invited to note that Hon IP Kin-yuen and Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che have given separate notices to move respectively the attached motions on “Urging the Government to withdraw the curriculum guide of Moral and National Education subject and requesting the Secretary for Education, Mr Eddie NG, to step down” and “Legislating for the regulation of working hours” at the Council meeting of 17 October 2012. The President has waived the required notice of the motions and directed that “they be printed in the terms in which they were handed in” on the Agenda of the Council.

2. In addition, the President has directed that the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, to the motions is **Friday, 12 October 2012**.

(Miss Odelia LEUNG)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Urging the Government to withdraw the curriculum guide of
Moral and National Education subject and requesting
the Secretary for Education, Mr Eddie NG, to step down”
to be moved by Hon IP Kin-yuen
at the Council meeting of 17 October 2012**

Wording of the Motion

That, given the Government’s introduction of the Moral and National Education subject in primary and secondary schools, despite the public’s strong queries about the objective of the subject being political indoctrination and brainwashing education, the Government still adamantly refuses to withdraw the curriculum guide of the Moral and National Education subject, this Council strongly condemns the Government for disregarding public opinion, and urges the Government to immediately withdraw the curriculum guide of the Moral and National Education subject; the Secretary for Education, Mr Eddie NG, has seriously mishandled the incident, including repeatedly refusing to have open dialogue with teachers, parents and students opposing the introduction of the Moral and National Education subject while selectively listening to supporters’ views only, and saying that the silent majority not participating in the parades are in support of national education, and the number of protesters is not important; Eddie NG’s acts and remarks in the incident have caused intense public discontent and indignation, leading to the continuous deterioration of the incident and confrontation between the Government and the public; in addition, a survey conducted by the Public Opinion Programme of the University of Hong Kong has shown that the net support rating of Eddie NG has dropped to minus 32%, which is the worst among the 12 Directors of Bureaux; Eddie NG lacks the commitment, credibility and competence that accountability officials should have; in this connection, this Council urges Eddie NG to bear political responsibility for the incident, take the blame and step down; in addition, given that the Chief Executive, Mr LEUNG Chun-ying, has mishandled the incident, failed to pro-actively respond to public opinion and triggered public resentment, this Council expresses regret at Mr LEUNG Chun-ying.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Legislating for the regulation of working hours”
to be moved by Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che
at the Council meeting of 17 October 2012**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council urges the Government to introduce a bill on the regulation of working hours within this legislative session, the contents of which must include the number of standard weekly working hours and overtime pay.