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Panel on Security

Minutes of meeting
held on Tuesday, 16 October 2012, at 9:20 am
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present : Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, SBS, JP
Hon CHAN Hak-kan, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
Hon NG Leung-sing, SBS, JP
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming
Hon YIU Si-wing
Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP
Hon KWOK Wai-keung
Hon Dennis KWOK
Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, JP
Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Members absent : Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Hon WONG Yuk-man

Clerk in attendance : Miss Betty MA
Chief Council Secretary (2) 1

Staff in attendance : Miss Flora TAI
Assistant Secretary General 2

Ms Rita LAI
Senior Council Secretary (2) 1

Mr Raymond LAM
Senior Council Secretary (2) 7

Ms Mina CHAN
Council Secretary (2) 1

Ms Kiwi NG
Legislative Assistant (2) 1

Miss Lulu YEUNG
Clerical Assistant (2) 1

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I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the 2012-2013 session
(Appendices II and III to LC Paper No. CB(2)16/12-13)

Election of Chairman

Mr Albert HO, Member of the highest precedence in the Panel, presided over the election of Chairman of the Panel. Mr HO called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel. Mr IP Kwok-him was nominated by Mr CHAN Hak-kan and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Kam-lam, Mr WONG Kwok-kin and Dr LAM Tai-fai. Mr IP Kwok-him accepted the nomination.

2. As there was no other nomination, Mr Albert HO declared Mr IP Kwok-him elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session. Mr IP then took the chair.

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Election of Deputy Chairman

3. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel. Mr James TO was nominated by Ms Emily LAU and the nomination was seconded by Mr Albert HO, Ms Cyd HO and Mr Dennis KWOK. Mr James TO accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared Mr James TO elected as Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2012-2013 session

5. Members agreed that future regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm. As 1 January 2013 was a public holiday and 2 April 2013 was the day immediately after the Easter holidays, members agreed that the regular meetings in January and April 2013 would be held at 10:45 am on 4 January 2013 and 5 April 2013 respectively. A schedule of meetings for the 2012-2013 session would be issued to members after the meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The meeting schedule was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)24/12-13 on 17 October 2012.)

6. Members also agreed that a special meeting would be held on 29 January 2013 at 2:30 pm to receive a briefing by the Commissioner of Police on the crime situation in 2012.

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

7. Members noted the "List of issues suggested to be considered" and "List of follow-up actions", which were tabled at the meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The two lists tabled at the meeting were circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)26/12-13 on 16 October 2012.)

8. Members noted that the Independent Commission Against Corruption ("ICAC") and the Administration had proposed the following items for discussion at the next regular meeting to be held on 6 November 2012 -

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- (a) Creation of a supernumerary Assistant Director, Commission Against Corruption Post in the Independent Commission Against Corruption;
- (b) Proposal for a two-year extension of a supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade C Post in the Narcotics Division of the Security Bureau; and
- (c) Post-release supervision and support for rehabilitated offenders.

9. Ms Cyd HO suggested that the security arrangements for the National Day Flag Raising Ceremony on 1 October 2012 might be followed up by the Panel.

10. Mr Paul TSE said that measures to combat parallel trading activities by passenger couriers should be discussed by the Panel. His view was shared by the Deputy Chairman and Ms Emily LAU. Mr TSE added that the Panel might follow up measures to facilitate immigration clearance of visitors and recent media reports about theft of the belongings of taxi passengers by taxi drivers.

11. The Deputy Chairman considered that the report to be issued by the Independent Police Complaints Council on complaint cases arising from the visit by the Vice Premier Mr LI Keqiang should be discussed by the Panel.

12. Dr Elizabeth QUAT suggested that the issue of upgrading the Tseung Kwan O Police Division to a police district be added to the list of outstanding items for discussion by the Panel. Her view was shared by Ms Emily LAU.

13. Mr Albert HO suggested that the post-release supervision of inmates of drug addiction treatment centres, especially the arrangement of urine tests for such persons, be discussed by the Panel.

14. Mr Albert HO expressed concern about the use of force by staff of the Correctional Services Department against a Taiwan resident in custody, who subsequently died, at the Lai Chi Kok Reception Centre in 2009. He considered that the use of force by staff of the Correctional Services Department in penal institutions should be followed up by the Panel.

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15. Noting the number of issues suggested by members for follow-up by the Panel, the Deputy Chairman and Ms Cyd HO considered that a special meeting might be held in October 2012 to discuss the issues. Mr CHAN Kam-lam said that as the next regular meeting would be held in early November 2012, consideration could be given to holding a special meeting, if necessary, in November 2012. The Chairman said that in view of the number of issues raised by members, it would not be viable to deal with all the issues at a meeting. He would consider in consultation with the Deputy Chairman how the issues raised by members could be followed up.

16. At the suggestion of Ms Emily LAU, members agreed that ICAC should be requested to provide a paper explaining its appointment of a retired director of ICAC to succeed the Head of Operations who proceeded on pre-retirement leave on 19 July 2012.

17. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 9:35 am.

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