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Amendments to motion on "Reorganising the Government's structure to improve its policy implementation"

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 625/13-14 issued on 9 May 2014, three Members (Hon Emily LAU, Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT and Hon Charles Peter MOK) have respectively given notices of their intention to move separate amendments to Hon Kenneth LEUNG's motion on "Reorganising the Government's structure to improve its policy implementation" scheduled for the Council meeting of 21 May 2014. As directed by the President, the respective amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

- 2. The President will order a joint debate on the above motion and the three amendments. To assist Members in debating the motion and the amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:
 - (a) the President calls upon Hon Kenneth LEUNG to speak and move his motion;
 - (b) the President proposes the question on Hon Kenneth LEUNG's motion;
 - (c) the President calls upon the three Members who wish to move amendments to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:

- (i) Hon Emily LAU;
- (ii) Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT; and
- (iii) Hon Charles Peter MOK;
- (d) the President calls upon the public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) the President invites other Members to speak;
- (f) the President gives leave to Hon Kenneth LEUNG to speak for the second time on the amendments;
- (g) the President calls upon the public officer(s) to speak again;
- (h) in accordance with Rule 34(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the President has decided that he will call upon the three Members to move their respective amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above. The President invites Hon Emily LAU to move her amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Hon Emily LAU's amendment;
- (i) after Hon Emily LAU's amendment has been voted upon, the President deals with the other two amendments; and
- (j) after all amendments have been dealt with, the President calls upon Hon Kenneth LEUNG to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Hon Kenneth LEUNG's motion, or his motion as amended, as the case may be.
- 3. For Members' reference, the terms of the original motion and of the motion, if amended, are set out in the **Appendix**.

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Encl.

(Translation)

Motion debate on "Reorganising the Government's structure to improve its policy implementation" to be held at the Council meeting of 21 May 2014

1. Hon Kenneth LEUNG's original motion

That the current-term Government has repeatedly committed blunders in its policy implementation, and the policies as implemented are not in place and unable to respond to people's demands, coupled with the situations where a number of officials successively committed scandals and serious dereliction of duty, resulting in serious doubts about the Government's ability to govern and implement policies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to examine afresh its operating structure, and after consulting the Legislative Council and the public, to effect improvement, adjustment and division of labour in respect of the functions, objectives and policy portfolios of various policy bureaux, and to conduct structural reorganisation on a need basis for enhancing the quality and competence of various policy bureaux and the departments under their purview in policy formulation and execution, making the Government's policy implementation more open, closely follow public opinions, integrated and consistent.

2. Motion as amended by Hon Emily LAU

That, as the current-term Government has repeatedly committed blunders in its policy implementation, and the policies as implemented are not in place and unable to respond to people's demands, coupled with the situations where the Chief Executive, Members of the Executive Council and a number of officials successively had conflicts of interest and committed scandals and serious dereliction of duty, resulting in serious doubts about the Government's ability to govern and implement policies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to review and improve the system of declaration of interests by Members of the Executive Council and the Code for Officials under the Political Appointment System, to implement the various recommendations in the Report of the Independent Review Committee for the Prevention and Handling of Potential Conflicts of Interest, to examine afresh its operating structure, and after consulting the Legislative Council and the public, to effect improvement, adjustment and division of labour in respect of the functions,

objectives and policy portfolios of various policy bureaux, and to conduct structural reorganisation on a need basis for enhancing the quality and competence of various policy bureaux and the departments under their purview in policy formulation and execution, making the Government's policy implementation more open, closely follow public opinions, integrated and consistent.

<u>Note</u>: Hon Emily LAU's amendment is marked in **bold and italic type** or with deletion line.

3. Motion as amended by Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT

That the current-term Government has repeatedly committed blunders in its policy implementation, and the policies as implemented are not in place and unable to respond to people's demands, coupled with the situations where a number of officials successively committed scandals and serious dereliction of duty, resulting in serious doubts about, in the face of the complicated and volatile external environment and Hong Kong's development needs, the Government's governance structure should keep pace with the times for enhancing the Government's ability to govern and implement policies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to examine afresh its operating structure, and after consulting the Legislative Council and the public, to effect improvement, adjustment and division of labour in respect of the functions, objectives and policy portfolios of various policy bureaux, and to conduct structural reorganisation on a need basis, including expeditiously establishing an innovation and technology bureau, for enhancing the quality and competence of various policy bureaux and the departments under their purview in policy formulation and execution, making the Government's policy implementation more open, closely follow public opinions, integrated and consistent.

Note: Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

4. Motion as amended by Hon Charles Peter MOK

That the current-term Government has repeatedly committed blunders in its policy implementation, and the policies as implemented are not in place and unable to respond to people's demands; no thorough consideration is given to policies before they are launched, and an effective review mechanism is also lacking; in coping with the structural problems in Hong Kong's economic and social development, the Government often adopts short-term or interim measures, and delays the implementation of long-term planning; coupled with

the situations where a number of officials also do not have the experience that corresponds to their functions and even successively committed scandals and serious dereliction of duty, resulting in serious doubts about the Government's ability to govern and implement policies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to examine afresh its operating structure, the functions of accountability officials and the relevant entry requirements, to appoint people whose experience corresponds to the relevant functions as principal officials of the Government, to clearly set out the criteria for holding principal officials accountable for their faults, and after consulting the Legislative Council and the public, to effect improvement, adjustment and division of labour in respect of the functions, objectives and policy portfolios of various policy bureaux, to review the effectiveness of the accountability system for principal officials, and to conduct structural reorganisation on a need basis for enhancing; the Government should also improve the policy review mechanism, so as to enhance the quality, efficiency and competence of various policy bureaux and the departments under their purview in policy formulation and execution, making the Government's policy implementation more open, closely follow public opinions, integrated and consistent.

Note: Hon Charles Peter MOK's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.