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**Subcommittee on
Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2014**

**Minutes of meeting
held on Wednesday, 25 June 2014, at 9:00 am
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC

Public Officers attending : Item II

Mrs Millie NG KIANG Mei-nei
Principal Assistant Secretary for Security

Miss Emily NG Wing-shan
Assistant Secretary for Security

Mr Mark Foster
Chief Superintendent (Support)
Hong Kong Police Force

Ms Monica AU YEUNG Mun-yee
Superintendent (Licensing)
Hong Kong Police Force

Mr Patrick CHU Luk-hang
Treasury Accountant, Management Accounting Section
Hong Kong Police Force

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

Staff in attendance : Miss Carrie WONG
Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Mr Raymond LAM
Senior Council Secretary (2) 7

Ms Kiwi NG
Legislative Assistant (2) 1

I. Election of Chairman

Mr SIN Chung-kai was elected Chairman of the Subcommittee.

II. Meeting with the Administration

2. The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

3. The Subcommittee examined the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2014 ("the Amendment Regulation").

III. Any other business

4. The Chairman concluded that the Subcommittee had completed scrutiny of the Amendment Regulation. Members noted that the Subcommittee would make a verbal report on its deliberations to the House Committee on 27 June 2014. Members agreed that there was no need to extend the scrutiny period of the Amendment Regulation.

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 9:20 am.

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Time marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 - 000714	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Mr Alan LEONG Mr SIN Chung-kai	Election of Chairman.	
000715 - 001102	Chairman Admin	Briefing by the Administration on the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2014 ("the Amendment Regulation").	
001103 - 001315	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG Admin	Mr Tommy CHEUNG's question regarding whether the fee for a temporary liquor licence was calculated on a daily or weekly basis. Administration's response that the fee for a temporary liquor licence was calculated on a daily basis. In 2013, 205 temporary liquor licences had been granted, the majority of which covered events that lasted for one to two days. Temporary liquor licences were issued to holders of liquor licences for the retail sale of liquor at any public entertainment or public occasion of a temporary nature, such as the Hong Kong Sevens.	
001316 - 001415	Chairman Admin Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Chairman's question regarding whether any application for temporary liquor licence had been rejected in the past. Administration's response that 178 out of 185 applications for temporary liquor licences were approved in 2011, 208 out of 217 applications for temporary liquor licences were approved in 2012, and 205 out of 215 applications for temporary liquor licences were approved in 2013. Most of the unsuccessful applications were rejected due to the unsuitability of the venues which might create public safety concerns.	

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001416 - 001738	Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Mr Tommy CHEUNG's remark that he had no objection in principle to the proposed increase in temporary liquor licence fee. However, he did not support the Government's full-cost recovery policy for fees which did not directly affect people's livelihood. The fees for liquor licences, among other fees for government licences, were once frozen at the time of the two former municipal councils and the subsequent economic downturn, thereby the Government was currently unable to achieve full-cost recovery for the concerned licences. The Administration should take note of this background and the impact of the regular fee adjustments on the operation of the businesses concerned in proposing future fee revisions.	
001739 - 001832	Chairman	Chairman's expression of the Democratic Party's stance of supporting the principle of gradually bringing the fees for goods and services charged by the Government that did not directly affect people's livelihood to the full cost recovery level.	
001833 - 002024	Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG	Members' agreement that there was no need to hold a meeting with deputations and there was no need to extend the scrutiny period of the Amendment Regulation. Verbal report of the deliberations of the Subcommittee to the House Committee on 27 June 2014.	