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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 14 October 2015

Motion on "Legislating for safety of drinking water"

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki has given notice to move the attached motion on "Legislating for safety of drinking water" at the Council meeting of 14 October 2015. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

> (Ms Dora WAI) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

Motion on "Legislating for safety of drinking water" to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki at the Council meeting of 14 October 2015

Wording of the Motion

That since the discovery of excess lead in drinking water at consumers' taps in some public rental housing estates in Hong Kong in early July this year, more and more cases of excess lead in drinking water samples have been uncovered, including samples taken from Home Ownership Scheme flats, private housing estates, hospitals and even schools, but the Government has shown its ineptitude in handling lead in drinking water incidents, thus shattering Hong Kong people's confidence in the safety of drinking water; in addition, the relevant legislation on water supply in Hong Kong is outdated and unable to effectively regulate the drinking water quality in Hong Kong; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to immediately legislate for the safety of drinking water, so as to ensure that Hong Kong people are able to consume safe and reliable drinking water.