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Paper for the House Committee meeting on 18 March 2016

Priority allocation of a debate slot for a motion debate on the Report of the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence

Purpose

This paper invites Members to consider the request of the Panel on Welfare Services ("the Panel") under rule 14A(h) of the House Rules ("HR") for the priority allocation of a debate slot for a motion debate on the Report of the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence ("Report of the Subcommittee") at the Council meeting of 18 May 2016.

Report of the Subcommittee

2. The Subcommittee was appointed by the Panel at its meeting on 21 January 2013 to study the strategy and measures to tackle family violence. While the Subcommittee was waiting for activation, the Panel agreed at its meeting on 10 November 2014 that the name of the subcommittee be changed to "Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence" and its terms of reference be revised accordingly.

3. The Subcommittee commenced work in December 2014 and held a total of 13 meetings to discuss with the Administration and gauge views from deputations on a number of issues of concern. Upon completion of its work, the Subcommittee has summarised its discussions and drawn up a series of recommendations as set out in its Report (LC Paper No. CB(2)1032/15-16(02)).

Motion debate

4. In view of public concern on the strategy and measures in place to tackle domestic and sexual violence, the Subcommittee has proposed that the approval of the House Committee be sought for the priority allocation of a debate slot under HR14A(h) for moving a motion for debate on the Report of the Subcommittee at a Council meeting. The debate will provide an opportunity for all Members to express their views on the subject and for the Administration to provide its response.

5. HR14A(h) provides that Panels, other committees and subcommittees of the Council may make a request for priority allocation of debate slots, which shall be put forward to the House Committee for consideration on a case-by-case basis. Having regard to the schedule of Council meetings in March and April 2016 and the anticipated businesses to be transacted, it has been proposed to hold the aforesaid motion debate at the Council meeting of 18 May 2016. It has also been proposed that in addition to the debate on the motion on the Report of the Subcommittee, only one other debate on a Member's motion not intended to have legislative effect should be held at the same Council meeting. At its meeting held on 14 March 2016, the Panel agreed to the above proposed arrangements.

6. Subject to the House Committee's agreement to allocate a debate slot, the Panel will designate Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Chairman of the former Subcommittee, to move the motion on the Report of the Subcommittee for debate at the Council meeting of 18 May 2016. The wording of the motion is in the **Annex**. Pursuant to HR14A(h), should the House Committee accede to the Panel's request to allocate a slot to Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG for moving the motion, the debate slot would not be counted as Dr CHEUNG's own slot.

Advice sought

7. Members are invited to consider the Panel's request for priority allocation of a debate slot under HR14A(h) as set out in paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

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(Translation)

Motion on "Report of the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence" to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG at the Council meeting of Wednesday, 18 May 2016

Wording of the Motion

"That this Council notes the Report of the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence."