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**THIS WRITTEN STATEMENT** is submitted by Hon Kenneth Leung to the Investigation Committee established under Rule 49B(2A) of the Rules of Procedure in respect of the motion to censure Hon Holden Chow Ho-ding . (the "IC")

1. In response to the letter dated 28 February 2018 from the Clerk to the IC, I have the following points to make.
2. Mr. Chow and I graduated from the same university (London School of Economics and Political Science) and we read the same subject, economics, although at different times.
3. Mr. Chow is also a solicitor admitted to practise in the Hong Kong SAR.
4. Although we belong to different camps within the Legislative Council, our similar academic and professional background led to frequent conversations with each other inside and outside the chamber.
5. After the meeting of the Select Committee to Inquire into Matters about the Agreement between Mr. Leung Chun-ying and the Australian firm UGL Limited (the "**Select Committee**") dated 3 March 2017, we took the lift together to return to our office on the upper floors.
6. During the lift ride I asked Mr. Chow if he had any idea of how to revise the major areas of study drafted by the clerk to the Select Committee. I further asked if he could help brushing up the major areas of study and whether it could be done within a few days, I was quite surprised that he shrugged and told me that the re-drafting was quite complicated and he did not have any idea when it could be done.
7. During the meeting of the Select Committee held on 25 April 2017, there were quite detailed discussions on Mr. Chow's amendments to item 1(f) and item III. During a short break during the meeting, I approached Mr. Chow. We had a private conversation and I asked if he could make a



revision within a few minutes to retain just the essential features to his proposed amendments. I further said lawyers could be able to make such changes within a very short timeframe. I was surprised when he told me that he could not do so and again he told me the matter was complicated and would take a bit more time. His response was definitely not I would have expected from an experienced solicitor.

8. The incidents cited in 6 and 7 indicate that the proposed amendments may not be entirely under Mr. Chow's control.
9. Furthermore, Mr. Chow did affirm subsequent to the 25 April 2017 meeting that he had discussed the proposed amendments with Mr. Leung Chun-ying.

AND I make this statement solemnly believing the above to be true.

**KENNETH LEUNG**

**30 April 2018**

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