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Arrangements for meeting-cum-luncheons between Legislative Council Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors

Purpose

This paper seeks Members' views on the arrangements for holding regular meetings between Members of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") and Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk in the current legislative term.

Background

2. Commencing from the first legislative session of the Second LegCo (i.e. the 2000-2001 session), meetings have been organized for LegCo Members to meet with Heung Yee Kuk Councillors on a regular basis to enhance communication and to exchange views on matters of mutual interest and concern.

3. In the Fifth LegCo, three meeting-cum-luncheons were held as Members were busily engaged in the business of LegCo before prorogation.

Proposed arrangements

4. For the Sixth LegCo, it is proposed that meetings between Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors should continue to be held. Having regard to the practical difficulties in arranging meetings during the last legislative session of the Fifth LegCo and the need to allow sufficient lead time for preparing and taking follow-up actions after the meetings, it is proposed that two to three meeting-cum-luncheons with Heung Yee Kuk are to be scheduled within the first to third legislative sessions of the current term, and no meeting-cum-luncheon will be arranged in the last legislative session. The

format of meeting-cum-luncheons and other related arrangements should follow those adopted in the past. The details are as follows -

- (a) *Format and duration of meeting*: a meeting of one and a half hours, to be followed by lunch;
- (b) *Date and time of meeting*: to be determined by the Chairman of the House Committee in consultation with the Chairman of Heung Yee Kuk;
- (c) *Agenda*: the Chairman of Heung Yee Kuk to be consulted on the discussion topics, and the agenda to be issued after clearance with the Chairman of the House Committee;
- (d) *Attendance*: interested LegCo Members and 15 Heung Yee Kuk Councillors to be nominated by Heung Yee Kuk;
- (e) *Convenor of meeting*: the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the House Committee to preside at the meeting;
- (f) *Venue of meeting and luncheon*: the meeting to be held in Conference Room 1, to be followed by luncheon in the Dining Hall;
- (g) *Information papers*: copies of the Administration's written replies on the discussion topics, where available, to be forwarded to Heung Yee Kuk Councillors prior to the meeting; and
- (h) *Press release*: a photo press release with a list of the topics discussed and a list of the attending Members to be issued after the meeting.

Advice sought

5. Members' views are sought on the proposed arrangements set out in paragraph 4 above. Subject to Members' views, the Secretariat will proceed to organize the first meeting between LegCo Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors in the Sixth LegCo, in consultation with the Chairman of the House Committee.