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**Bills Committee on
Electronic Transactions Bill**

**Minutes of the ninth meeting
held on Tuesday, 30 November 1999 at 2:00 pm
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon CHAN Kwok-keung
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, JP
Hon Howard YOUNG, JP

Members absent : Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Ronald ARCULLI, JP
Hon FUNG Chi-kin

Public officers attending : **Information Technology and Broadcasting Bureau**

Mrs Jessie TING
Deputy Secretary for Information Technology and
Broadcasting

Mr Alan SIU
Principal Assistant Secretary

Department of Justice

Mrs N DISSANAYAKE
Senior Assistant Law Draftsman

Miss Leonora IP
Government Counsel

Information Technology Services Department

Mr Stephen MAK
Assistant Director (Infrastructure Services)

Mr H C PANG
Senior Systems Manager

Efficiency Unit

Mr W F YUK
Assistant Director (Special Duties)

Hongkong Post

Mr Michael CHUNG
Senior Manager, Electronic Services

Clerk in attendance : Miss Salumi CHAN
Chief Assistant Secretary (1)5

Staff in attendance : Miss Pauline NG
Assistant Secretary General 1

Miss Connie FUNG
Assistant Legal Adviser 3

Mr Matthew LOO
Senior Assistant Secretary (1)7

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- I. Discussion on the draft Committee Stage amendments**
(LC Paper No. CB(1)483/99-00(01) — Committee Stage amendments to be moved by the Administration (Third draft))

At the Chairman's invitation, Deputy Secretary for Information Technology and Broadcasting (DSITB) briefed members on the third draft of the Committee Stage

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amendments (CSAs) tabled at the meeting.

(Post-meeting note : The third draft of CSAs was circulated to members after the meeting.)

2. At members' suggestion, DSITB undertook to make some minor drafting changes to the CSAs to clauses 23(4), 27 and 27A(1)(a).

II. Matters arising from the eighth meeting

Setting up of advisory committee

3. DSITB advised that having regard to members' views expressed at the last meeting, the Administration agreed to set up an advisory committee to oversee the implementation of the Code of Practice and to consider appropriate amendments to be made in the light of operational experience. The Administration would also review the consultative mechanism for the Code 18 months after the enactment of the Electronic Transactions Ordinance.

Revised draft Code of Practice

4. DSITB advised that the Administration was discussing with the parties concerned on the proposed amendments to the draft Code of Practice and would forward the revised draft to the Bills Committee before the next meeting.

(Post-meeting note : The revised draft Code of Practice (LC Paper No. CB(1)559/99-00(07) was circulated to members on 9 December 1999.)

Date of resumption of Second Reading debate

5. DSITB advised that the Administration appreciated members' concern about the need for the Bills Committee to have more time to scrutinize the draft CSAs. In the circumstances, the Administration proposed that the date of resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill be postponed from 15 December 1999 to 5 January 2000. Members supported this arrangement.

6. The Chairman advised that the Bills Committee would report its deliberations to the House Committee on 17 December 1999 and the deadline for giving notice of CSAs was 22 December 1999.

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III. Any other business

Date of next meeting

7. Members agreed that the tenth meeting of the Bills Committee be held on Friday, 10 December 1999 at 2:30 pm.

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:30 pm.

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