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**Bills Committee on
Hong Kong Arts Development Council (Amendment) Bill 1999**

**Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 6 January 2000 at 10:45 am
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building**

Members Present : Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam, JP

Members Absent : Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon Christine LOH Kung-wai
Hon CHOY SO-yuk
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

Public Officers Attending : Mr William SHIU
Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (Task Force)

Mr NGAI Wing-chit
Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (Culture)

Ms Phyllis POON
Government Counsel
Department of Justice

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Clerk in Attendance : Ms Doris CHAN
Chief Assistant Secretary (2) 4

Staff in Attendance : Mr Stephen LAM
Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Ms Joanne MAK
Senior Assistant Secretary (2) 4

I. Meeting with the Administration
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The Chairman referred to the above paper provided by the Secretary General of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (ADC) in response to the points raised by members at the last meeting and asked representatives of the Administration whether they had anything to add to the paper. Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (Task Force) (PASHA(TF)) said that as the response from the ADC was quite detailed, he only wished to inform members that the ADC's new term had started and the Administration hoped that the expanded membership could be implemented early to enhance community participation.

2. As members had no further questions, the meeting proceeded to examine the Bill clause by clause.

II. Clause-by-clause examination of the Bill

3. Members had no comments on clause 1. As regards clause 2, members noted that with the passage of the Provision of Municipal Services (Reorganization) Bill, section 3 (3) (b) and (c) of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance (Cap. 472) providing for two representatives from the former Provisional Municipal Councils had been deleted.

4. In reply to the Chairman's question on the effective date of the expanded membership, PASHA(TF) said that the Administration would implement the proposals as soon as possible.

III. Way forward

5. The Chairman said that since the Bills Committee had completed scrutiny of the

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Bill and members had no further questions, he would make a verbal report to the House Committee the following day to release a slot for activating the next Bills Committee on the waiting list. A written report would be made to the House Committee on 14 January 2000 to recommend resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill on 26 January 2000.

6. The meeting ended at 11:05 am.

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