

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

List of issues to be considered

1. Direct elections of Legislative Council (LegCo) Members and the Chief Executive

On 20 July 1998, Miss Christine LOH proposed to follow up on the motion debate which was held on 15 July 1998 calling for the adoption of universal suffrage for the next LegCo in 2000 and the Chief Executive in 2002. Members agreed that the Administration should provide a paper in due course to explain how it would determine the timeframe for the progress of democratisation.

2. Ministerial system of government

The item was proposed by the Chairman on 20 July 1998. The Secretary for Constitutional Affairs has responded that in view of the complexity of the matter, it would not be possible for the Administration to come to any views within a short period of time. Members may wish to decide on the appropriate timing to take up the matter with the Administration.