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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 23

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 29 March 2000 and Thursday 30 March 2000 at 2:30 pm respectively

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Members present:

President
The Hon Mrs Rita FAN, GBS, JP

The Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP

The Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, JP

The Hon David CHU Yu-lin

The Hon HO Sai-chu, SBS, JP

The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (absent on 29.3.2000)

The Hon Edward HO Sing-tin, SBS, JP

The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

The Hon Michael HO Mun-ka (absent on 30.3.2000)

Ir Dr the Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

The Hon LEE Wing-tat

The Hon LEE Cheuk-yan (absent on 30.3.2000)

The Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

The Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP

The Hon LEE Kai-ming, SBS, JP

Dr the Hon David LI Kwok-po, JP

The Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP

Dr the Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP

The Hon NG Leung-sing

Prof the Hon NG Ching-fai

The Hon Margaret NG

The Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, JP

The Hon Ronald ARCULLI, JP

The Hon MA Fung-kwok

The Hon James TO Kun-sun

The Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

The Hon HUI Cheung-ching

The Hon Christine LOH

The Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

The Hon CHAN Yuen-han

The Hon Bernard CHAN

The Hon CHAN Wing-chan

The Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Dr the Hon LEONG Che-hung, JP

The Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, JP

The Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung (absent on 29.3.2000)

The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam, JP

The Hon SIN Chung-kai

The Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP

Dr the Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

The Hon WONG Yung-kan (absent on 30.3.2000)

The Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, JP

The Hon Howard YOUNG, JP

Dr the Hon YEUNG Sum (absent on 30.3.2000)

The Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

The Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

The Hon LAU Kong-wah

The Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP

The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

The Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, JP

The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

The Hon CHOY So-yuk

The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

The Hon SZETO Wah

The Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP (absent on 30.3.2000)

The Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP (absent on 30.3.2000)

The Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP

The Hon FUNG Chi-kin

Dr the Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

Public officers attending:

On 29.3.2000 and 30.3.2000

The Honourable Mrs Anson CHAN, GBM, JP
The Chief Secretary for Administration

The Honourable Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, JP
The Financial Secretary

The Honourable Elsie LEUNG Oi-sie, JP
The Secretary for Justice

Mr Michael SUEN Ming-yeung, GBS, JP
Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

Mr CHAU Tak-hay, JP
Secretary for Trade and Industry

Mr Nicholas NG Wing-fui, JP
Secretary for Transport

Mr Rafael HUI Si-yan, GBS, JP
Secretary for Financial Services

Miss Denise YUE Chung-yee, JP
Secretary for the Treasury

Mr David LAN Hong-tsung, JP
Secretary for Home Affairs

Mrs Lily YAM KWAN Pui-ying, JP
Secretary for the Environment and Food

Mr LEE Shing-see, JP
Secretary for Works

Mr Philip CHOK Kin-fun
Secretary for Education and Manpower

Ms Anissa WONG Sean-yee, JP
Secretary for the Civil Service

Ms Eva CHENG, JP
Secretary for Information Technology and Broadcasting

Mr Timothy TONG Hin-ming
Secretary for Security

Dr Edgar CHENG Wai-kin, JP
Head, Central Policy Unit

On 29.3.2000 only

Mr Gordon SIU Kwing-chue, JP
Secretary for Planning and Lands

Mr Dominic WONG Shing-wah, JP
Secretary for Housing

Mr Stephen IP Shu-kwan, JP
Secretary for Economic Services

Dr YEOH Eng-kiong, JP
Secretary for Health and Welfare

Clerks in attendance:

On 29.3.2000 and 30.3.2000

Mr Ricky FUNG Choi-cheung, JP, Secretary General

On 29.3.2000

Mr Ray CHAN Yum-mou, Assistant Secretary General (3)

On 30.3.2000

Mr LAW Kam-sang, JP, Deputy Secretary General

Tabling of Papers

The following papers were laid on the table pursuant to Rule 21(2) of the Rules of Procedure:

Subsidiary Legislation / Instruments	No.
1. Electoral Affairs Commission (Electoral Procedure) (Legislative Council) (Amendment) Regulation 2000 (gazetted on 17.3.2000)	L.N. 65/2000
2. Chinese Medicine (Fees) Regulation (gazetted on 24.3.2000)	L.N. 69/2000
3. Public Revenue Protection (Revenue) Order 2000 (gazetted on 24.3.2000)	L.N. 70/2000
4. Import and Export Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 3) Notice 2000 (gazetted on 24.3.2000)	L.N. 71/2000
5. Adaptation of Laws (No. 16) Ordinance 1999 (36 of 1999) (Commencement) Notice 2000 (gazetted on 24.3.2000)	L.N. 72/2000
6. Road Users' Code (gazetted on 24.3.2000)	G.N. 1754/2000

Other Papers

No.85 - Report No. 34 of the Director of Audit on the results of value for money audits - February 2000 (published on 29.3.2000)

Questions

Written replies to Questions 1 to 20 were tabled for Members' information.

Bill

Second Reading

Appropriation Bill 2000

The debate on the Second Reading which had been moved on 8 March 2000 resumed.

In accordance with Rule 67(2) of the Rules of Procedure, the Council resumed the debate on the Appropriation Bill 2000.

20 Members spoke on the motion.

At 5:56 pm, the President's Deputy took the chair during the temporary absence of the President.

Another nine Members spoke on the motion.

At 7:27 pm, the President resumed the chair.

Six further Members spoke on the motion.

The President suspended the meeting at 8:38 pm.

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The Council resumed at 2:30 pm on 30 March 2000 and continued to debate the second reading of the Appropriation Bill 2000.

16 Members spoke on the motion.

At 5:35 pm, the President's Deputy took the chair during the temporary absence of the President.

Another four Members spoke on the motion.

At 6:20 pm, the President resumed the chair.

Three further Members spoke on the motion.

Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung moved that the debate on the motion be adjourned to the meeting to be held on 5 April 2000.

Question on the motion proposed, put and agreed to.

Members' Motions

Proposed resolution under the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance

Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung moved the following motion and addressed the Council:

Resolved that the Road Traffic (Traffic Control) (Amendment) Regulation 2000, published as Legal Notice No. 39 of 2000 and laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 16 February 2000, be repealed.

Question on the motion proposed, put and agreed to.

Next meeting

The President declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on 5 April 2000 at 2:30 pm.

The Council was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

(Mrs Rita FAN)
President

Council Chamber
Hong Kong