

OFFICIAL REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS**Meeting of 10th February 1965****PRESENT**

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR (*PRESIDENT*)
SIR DAVID CLIVE CROSBIE TRENCH, KCMG, MC
HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR DENIS STUART SCOTT
O'CONNOR, KBE, CB
COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES
THE HONOURABLE EDMUND BRINSLEY TEESDALE, CMC, MC
COLONIAL SECRETARY
THE HONOURABLE MAURICE HEENAN, QC
ATTORNEY GENERAL
THE HONOURABLE JOHN CRICHTON McDOUALL
SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS
THE HONOURABLE JOHN JAMES COWPERTHWAITTE, CMG, OBE
FINANCIAL SECRETARY
THE HONOURABLE KENNETH STRATHMORE KINGHORN
DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES
THE HONOURABLE ALEC MICHAEL JOHN WRIGHT
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
DR THE HONOURABLE TENG PIN-HUI, OBE
DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
THE HONOURABLE WILLIAM DAVID GREGG
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
THE HONOURABLE PATRICK CARDINALL MASON SEDGWICK
COMMISSIONER OF LABOUR
THE HONOURABLE JOHN PHILIP ASERAPPA
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, NEW TERRITORIES
THE HONOURABLE DHUN JEHANGIR RUTTONJEE, CBE
THE HONOURABLE FUNG PING-FAN, OBE
THE HONOURABLE RICHARD CHARLES LEE, CBE
THE HONOURABLE KWAN CHO-YIU, CBE
THE HONOURABLE KAN YUET-KEUNG, OBE
THE HONOURABLE SIDNEY SAMUEL GORDON
THE HONOURABLE LI FOOK-SHU, OBE
THE HONOURABLE FUNG HON-CHU
THE HONOURABLE TSE YU-CHUEN, OBE
THE HONOURABLE KENNETH ALBERT WATSON, OBE
THE HONOURABLE WOO PAK-CHUEN, OBE
THE HONOURABLE GEORGE RONALD ROSS
MR ANDREW McDONALD CHAPMAN (*Deputy Clerk of Councils*)

ABSENT

THE HONOURABLE DAVID RONALD HOLMES, CBE, MC, ED
DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
THE HONOURABLE TANG PING-YUAN

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 20th January 1965, were confirmed.

PAPERS

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by Command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the table the following papers: —

<i>Subject</i>	<i>LN No</i>
Sessional Paper, 1965:—	
No 2 Annual Report by the Commissioner of Prisons for the year 1963-64.	
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**SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS FOR THE QUARTER
ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1964**

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY moved the following resolution: —

Resolved that the Supplementary Provisions for the Quarter ended 30th September 1964, as set out in Schedule No 2 of 1964-65, be approved.

He said:—Sir, The Schedule before Council is the second list of Supplementary provisions on the 1964-65 account. The total supplementary vote amounts to \$35½ M. Public Works Non-Recurrent, other than revotes, accounts for nearly \$28 M. of this. The introduction of new items and upgradings in the Public Works programme coupled with the accelerated progress on many of the projects under way having resulted in funds being applied for earlier than originally anticipated.

All the items in the schedule have been approved by Finance Committee and the covering approval of this Council is now sought.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

LEPERS (REPEAL) BILL 1965

DR TENG PIN-HUI moved the First reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to repeal the Lepers Ordinance.”

He said:—In 1935 Leprosy was made the subject of a special ordinance in Hong Kong; since that time, and particularly in recent years, there have been radical changes in the treatment and prognosis of leprosy which have markedly altered the medical and social approach to this disease.

It is now considered that the present Lepers Ordinance is outdated and unnecessary and that there is no reason why leprosy should not be controlled under the Quarantine and Prevention of Diseases Ordinance (Cap 141) in the same way as those other communicable and infectious diseases which are required to be notified to the Director of Medical and Health Services under existing legislation. It is therefore proposed to add leprosy to those infectious diseases which are listed in the Prevention of the Spread of Infectious Diseases Regulations 1955, under which all the necessary powers to deal with such diseases are provided.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a First time.

Objects and Reasons

The “Objects and Reasons“ for the Bill were stated as follows:—

This Bill is complementary to the proposed Prevention of the Spread of Infectious Diseases (Declaration of Leprosy) Notification 1965 which will enable leprosy to be dealt with under the Prevention of the Spread of Diseases Regulations 1955. This will make it no longer necessary to rely on the Lepers Ordinance, and thus allows the Ordinance to be repealed.

TELEPHONE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1965

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Telephone Ordinance 1951.“

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded

MESSRS R. C. LEE, F. S. LI, C. Y. KWAN and Y. K. KAN declared an interest and abstained from voting.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY:—Sir, I rise to move that Clause 1 be amended as set forth in the papers before honourable Members.

*Proposed Amendment**Clause*

1 Leave out the clause and substitute therefor the following—

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| “short
title and
commence-
ment.” | 1 (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Telephone (Amendment) Ordinance 1965.

(2) Sections 2 and 3 shall be deemed to have had effect as from the 1st day of January, 1964, and sections 4 and 5 shall be deemed to have had effect as from the 24th day of January, 1964.”. |
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Clause 1, as amended, was agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 4 were agreed to.

New Clause.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY:—I rise to move the addition of the new clause as set forth in the paper before honourable Members.

*Proposed Addition**Clause*

5 Add, after clause 4, the following new clause—

“Amendment of Schedule 5. The Schedule to the principal Ordinance is amended, in Parts I, II and IV, by the deletion of column 4.”.

Clause 5 was agreed to.

Council then resumed.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY reported that the Telephone (Amendment) Bill 1965 had passed through Committee with certain amendments and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

CONTRACTS FOR OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT BILL 1965

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled “An Ordinance to control contracts of employment entered into in the Colony by manual workers proceeding overseas for employment and the obtaining and supply of such workers and to provide for matters ancillary thereto”

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Clause 1 to 17 were agreed to.

Council then resumed.

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK reported that the Contracts for Overseas Employment Bill 1965 had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

**EMPLOYMENT OF YOUNG PERSONS AND CHILDREN
AT SEA (AMENDMENT) BILL 1965**

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Employment of Young Persons and Children at Sea Ordinance."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Clauses 1 and 2 were agreed to.

Council then resumed.

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK reported that the Employment of Young Persons and Children at Sea (Amendment) Bill 1965 had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

**FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS
(AMENDMENT) BILL 1965**

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance 1955."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 5 were agreed to.

Council then resumed.

M P. C. M. SEDGWICK reported that the Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Amendment) Bill 1965 had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

BOILERS AND PRESSURE RECEIVERS (AMENDMENT)

BILL 1965

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK moved the Second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Boilers and Pressure Receivers Ordinance 1962."

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a second time.

Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

Clauses 1 to 5 were agreed to.

Council then resumed.

MR P. C. M. SEDGWICK reported that Boilers and Pressure Receivers (Amendment) Bill 1965 had passed through Committee without amendment and moved the Third reading.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a Third time and passed into law.

DIRECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITIES SERVICE CENTRE INCORPORATION BILL 1965

MR FUNG PING-FAN moved the First reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the operations of the Universities Service Centre for the incorporation of the Director thereof and for other purposes connected therewith."

He said: Your Excellency, The Bill before Council follows the usual form of a bill of incorporation and its purpose is clearly set out in the statement of Objects and Reasons to which there is nothing I can usefully add.

MR RICHARD CHARLES LEE seconded.

The question was put and agreed to.

The Bill was read a First time.

Objects and Reasons

The "Objects and Reasons" for the Bill were stated as follows: —

The Universities Service Centre is concerned with the provision in Hong Kong of a centre or centres designed to provide assistance to scholars and research students engaged in post-graduate or other research being carried out in Hong Kong with the approval of the Director. Such assistance may include the provision of accommodation and library and other facilities for advanced study at little or no charge to the user.

2. Clause 1 of the Bill comprises the short title of the Corporation.
3. Clause 3 of the Bill defines the powers of the Corporation.
4. Clause 4 of the Bill provides for the vesting of the property in the successive Directors of the Universities Service Centre.
5. Clause 5 of the Bill makes provision for the execution -of documents by or on behalf of the Corporation.
6. Clause 6 of the Bill provides for the making of regulations for the management of Universities Service Centre and the registration thereof with the Registrar of Companies.
7. Clause 7 of the Bill provides for the appointment of new Directors of the Universities Service Centre and subsequent registration with the Registrar of Companies.
8. Clause 8 of the Bill contains provisions saving the rights of the Crown as required in the case of private bills by Article XXVII of the Royal Instructions.

ADJOURNMENT

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR:—That concludes the business for today, gentlemen. When is it your pleasure that we should meet again?

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL:—May I suggest Thursday, 25th February?

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR : —Council stands adjourned until Thursday, 25th February.