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P R E S I D E N T ' S F O R E W O R D

The establishment of the Provisional Legislative Council in December 1996 was a major step towards the smooth transition of Hong Kong's reunification with China. Its historic mission was to ensure that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) would have a legitimate legislature after the handover, thus avoiding any legislative vacuum being created as a result of the dissolution of the last Legislative Council under the British colonial rule.

The original intention of the Basic Law of the HKSAR was to allow for Members of the last Legislative Council under British rule to sit on the first Legislative Council of the HKSAR if, inter alia, these Members were elected through methods which conform with the Basic Law and the relevant National People's Congress decision passed on 4 April 1990, i.e. the "through-train" arrangement. As the latter condition was not met, the term of the last Legislative Council of the British Colony ended on 30 June 1997.

The Provisional Legislative Council was established as the interim legislature for the HKSAR before the formation of the first Legislative Council. Being an interim law-making body with no precedent, it is not surprising that the Provisional Legislative Council encountered many challenges and difficulties. However, with clear objectives and through our joint effort, we have overcome all obstacles and fulfilled our mission.

Out of respect for the former British colonial government we held our meetings in Shenzhen before 30 June 1997. The primary purpose of our work in Shenzhen was to prepare the way for the

enactment of the Reunification Ordinance which was vital to the smooth transition of Hong Kong in legislative and judicial terms.

The days in Shenzhen, in retrospect, were indeed a unique experience. While Members travelled to Shenzhen every weekend to attend Council and committee meetings, staff had to commute daily. Despite logistical constraints and a tight schedule, Members as well as Secretariat staff carried out their duties effectively, and completed all the necessary tasks as scheduled. Those Members who were also Members of the last Legislative Council before the handover had to work doubly hard because they had to attend to Council business in Hong Kong at the same time, and the legislative experience they brought to the Provisional Legislative Council was invaluable. New Members also injected new ideas and expertise in their respective areas into the work of the Council. All their contributions and diligent work are deeply appreciated. Special recognition should be given to the handful of Secretariat staff who worked tirelessly putting in extra hours and efforts to ensure the Council operated smoothly.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to the Shenzhen Municipal Government and the management of the Huaxia Art Centre where our meetings were held. Without their help and support, the Provisional Legislative Council could not have operated so smoothly and efficiently in Shenzhen.

On 1 July 1997, following the establishment of the HKSAR, the Provisional Legislative Council held its first meeting in Hong Kong at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Extension. After that, all our meetings were held in the Legislative Council Building.

In order to enable members of the public to understand our work and to monitor our performance, all the Council meetings and most of the committee meetings were open to the public and the press. Furthermore, most Council and committee papers, including bills, and meeting records have been placed on the Internet, to which the public have easy access.

In addition, we organized for the first time ever an Open Day of the Legislative Council Building on 7 February 1998. The purpose of the event was to enhance public understanding of the legislature and our operation. A total of 2,372 people visited us on that day, including a 95-year-old lady. Comments from visitors were very positive.

Another new initiative that deserves mention is the hosting of regular luncheons for Consuls General in Hong Kong. At these luncheons, we briefed the Consuls General on our activities and they tell us about the general situation in their countries. Eight luncheons were held and were attended by 47 Consuls General and their representatives. This, I believe, enhanced the understanding of our work by the Consuls General, and through them, their governments.

The job of President of the Provisional Legislative Council was not an easy one, but I regard it a great honour to have been elected as President and be able to contribute to the smooth transition of Hong Kong in this capacity. I would like to thank all my colleagues for their support, wise counsel, and most valuable contributions towards the work of the Council over the past 18 months. I also wish to thank all staff of the Secretariat for their hard work and dedication to duty.

No one, even the harshest critic, would deny that the Provisional Legislative Council has played its part in the smooth transition of Hong Kong, setting a sound foundation on which future legislatures can build. Yet, it is merely the first step and much remains to be done. I earnestly wish the first

Legislative Council of the HKSAR every success, and firmly believe all Members will work towards the realization of the “One Country, Two Systems” concept, as well as a stable and prosperous Hong Kong.

CHAPTER 1 THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region stipulates that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) shall be vested with legislative power and the Legislative Council shall be the legislature of the Region. The Provisional Legislative Council is an interim legislature set up to enable the smooth functioning of the HKSAR before the first Legislative Council is established.

Articles 66 to 79 of the Basic Law provide for the formation, powers and functions of the Legislative Council, which are to enact laws, examine and approve the Government budget, and monitor the work of the Government. Unprecedented in the legislative history of Hong Kong, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR is also given the power to endorse the appointment and removal of the judges of the Court of Final Appeal and the Chief Judge of the High Court, as well as the power to impeach the Chief Executive.

Moreover, Articles 49 and 50 of the Basic Law state that if the Chief Executive considers a bill passed by the Legislative Council not compatible with the overall interests of the Region and returns it to the Legislative Council for reconsideration, and if the original bill is passed by the Legislative Council again by not less than a two-thirds majority, the Chief Executive must sign and promulgate it within one month, or dissolve the Legislative Council in accordance with Article 50 of the Basic Law. But if the original bill is passed by the new Legislative Council by a two-thirds majority of all the Members, the Chief Executive must sign it or resign. The new powers of the Legislative Council are to ensure that there are adequate checks and balances between the executive branch and the legislature of the Region.

The extent of autonomy of the Special Administrative Region in making its own laws is described in the Basic Law. Under Article 17 of the Basic Law, laws enacted by the legislature of the Region must be reported to the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress for the record. If the Standing Committee, after consulting the Committee for the Basic Law of the HKSAR under it, considers that any such law is not in conformity with the provisions of the Basic Law regarding affairs within the responsibility of the Central Authorities or regarding the relationship between the Central Authorities and the Region, the Standing Committee may return the law in question but shall not amend it. Any law returned shall immediately be invalidated, but the invalidation shall have no retrospective effect. This constitutional provision is different in effect from that under the Hong Kong Letters Patent where the British Crown reserved the "full power and authority to disallow" any laws passed by the Legislative Council and assented to by the Governor. The British Crown had also reserved for itself "the undoubted right to make all such laws as may appear necessary for the peace, order and good government of the Colony".

Under the Basic Law, the laws in force in the Special Administrative Region shall be the Basic Law, the laws previously in force in Hong Kong (as provided for in Article 8 of the Basic Law) and the laws enacted by the legislature of the Region. National laws shall not be applied in the Region except for those relating to defence and foreign affairs as well as other matters outside the limits of the autonomy of the Region as specified by the Basic Law. These arrangements are to reflect the principle of "Hong Kong people ruling Hong Kong".

THE NEED FOR THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The Basic Law also provides for the composition of the legislature of the Region. While the term of office of the Legislative Council shall be four years, the first term shall be two years. The intention was to allow Members of the legislature who came into office in 1995 under the British rule to become Members of the first Legislative Council of the Region on 1 July 1997 provided that certain criteria are met. These criteria are stated in the decision of the National People's Congress made on 4 April 1990, namely, that the composition of the last Hong Kong Legislative Council before the establishment of the HKSAR is in conformity with the relevant provision of that decision and the Basic Law, that Members must uphold the Basic law and pledge allegiance to the HKSAR, and that Members must meet the requirements of the Basic Law and be confirmed by the Preparatory Committee for the HKSAR.

This “through-train” arrangement envisaged above, however, failed to materialize because the election for the 1995 legislature was not conducted according to some of the fundamental principles laid down in the Basic Law, e.g. its requirement that only up to 12 Members can be of a nationality other than Chinese nationality or have the right of abode in foreign countries. Owing to the incompatibility of the 1995 legislature with the requirements of the Basic Law and the lack of any means to hold elections for the first Legislative Council of the Region before 1 July 1997, the Central Government of the People's Republic of China decided that it should determine its own method for the formation of the first legislature of the Region and make transitional arrangements for the smooth functioning of the Region after the handover.

In accordance with the Decision of the National People's Congress on the Method for the Formation of the First Government and the First Legislative Council of the HKSAR made on 4 April, 1990, a Preparatory Committee was established to handle matters relating to the preparation for the

establishment of the HKSAR. The Committee comprised 150 members -- 94 from Hong Kong and 56 from the mainland.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

On 24 March 1996, the Preparatory Committee decided that a Provisional Legislative Council should be established. According to the decision, the Provisional Legislative Council shall have 60 Members, who shall all be permanent residents of Hong Kong and up to 12 of the 60 Members could be of a nationality other than Chinese nationality or have the right of abode in foreign countries. The tasks of the Provisional Legislative Council are as follows:

- to enact laws needed to ensure the proper functioning of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in accordance with the Basic Law and to amend and repeal laws where necessary;
- to examine and approve budgets introduced by the government;
- to approve taxation and public expenditure;
- to receive and debate the policy address of the Chief Executive;
- to endorse the appointment of the judges of the Court of Final Appeal and the Chief Judge of the High Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region;
- participation of the President of the Provisional Legislative Council in the nomination of the six Hong Kong members of the Committee for the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region under the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress; and

- to deal with other matters which have to be dealt with by the Provisional Legislative Council before the formation of the first Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

The Preparatory Committee also decided that the Provisional Legislative Council shall start operation after the first Chief Executive of the HKSAR is elected and shall cease to operate after the first Legislative Council of the HKSAR is formed; and its term shall not extend beyond 30 June 1998. Any legislation passed by the Provisional Legislative Council before 1 July 1997 shall commence operation upon the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

The Committee also decided that all the 60 Members of the Provisional Legislative Council should be elected by the 400-member Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, which was to be formed for the election of the first Chief Executive. Candidacy for the Provisional Legislative Council and the Selection Committee should be totally open, and persons who met the basic requirements were free to participate.

On 2 November 1996, the Preparatory Committee elected the 400 members of the Selection Committee, composed entirely of permanent residents of Hong Kong. The 60 Members of the Provisional Legislative Council were then elected by the Selection Committee on 21 December 1996 from 134 candidates.

The Provisional Legislative Council convened its first meeting on 25 January 1997 in Shenzhen to elect a President for the Council. The Honourable Mrs Rita Fan Hsu Lai-tai was elected President.

On 1 February 1997, the Preparatory Committee further decided that the Provisional Legislative Council shall, before 30 June 1997 :

- determine its own rules of procedure and voting procedure in accordance with the Basic Law and pursuant to the previous decision of the Preparatory Committee;
- scrutinize and pass bills; and
- confirm the bills passed upon the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region before presenting to the Chief Executive for signing, promulgation and putting into effect.

At the Fifth Session of the Eighth National People's Congress held on 10 March 1997, Vice-Premier Mr Qian Qichen, Chairman of the Preparatory Committee, presented a report on the work of the Preparatory Committee, highlighting that the establishment of the Provisional Legislative Council was within the scope of power delegated to the Preparatory Committee by the National People's Congress. On 14 March 1997, the National People's Congress passed a resolution endorsing the report.

CHAPTER 2

PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Provisional Legislative Council normally meets every Wednesday whilst in session. The Council meetings are open to the public and may be conducted in either Putonghua, Cantonese or English, with simultaneous interpretation provided. They are broadcast live over the radio as well as cable television. The proceedings of the Council are well reported by the mass media and are also recorded verbatim in the *"Official Record of Proceedings of the Meetings of the Provisional Legislative Council"*.

The business transacted at a regular Council meeting comprises the tabling of subsidiary legislation and other papers and reports; questions for replies by the Government; the consideration of bills; and debates on motions. During the period from January 1997 to April 1998, the Council held 46 meetings and sat for 250 hours.

TABLING OF SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION AND OTHER PAPERS

Subsidiary legislation made by the relevant authorities is tabled in the Council for Members' scrutiny after publication of the subsidiary legislation in the Gazette. Members and public officers may address the Council on the subsidiary legislation and may, through the moving of motions in Council within a prescribed time limit, resolve to amend or repeal it where the Council considers appropriate. Other papers tabled in the Council include annual reports of public bodies and Government consultative documents, and reports of the Council's committees, such as panels and bills committees. The Members and public officers presenting the reports may address the Council on these other papers.

During the period from July 1997 to April 1998, 343 pieces of subsidiary legislation were tabled in Council. Of these, 303 pieces were passed without amendments; nine were passed with amendments by the Council; and 19 were repealed.

QUESTIONS

Members' concern for the well-being of the community may be reflected through questions asked at Council meetings. The questions are aimed at seeking information on Government actions on specific problems or incidents and on Government policies or actions. They are also raised for the purpose of monitoring the effectiveness of the Government.

Some questions originate from complaints handled under the Council's redress system; others are on problems that come to Members' attention in the course of their work outside the Council or through their contacts with the public.

During the period under report, Members asked 138 oral questions on a wide range of subjects at Council meetings, and followed up with 767 supplementary questions. Another 391 questions were also asked, to which the Government provided written replies.

STATEMENTS

Statements may be made by public officers on issues of public concern at Council meetings. No statement was made during the period under review.

BILLS

The Government is primarily responsible for proposing new legislation or amendments to existing legislation in the form of bills introduced into the Council. Broadly speaking, bills have one or more of the following purposes:

- to introduce new measures or policies, or to create new organizations or institutions;
- to extend the scope of existing legislation;
- to improve and update existing legislation;
- to modify or reform the machinery of Government; and
- to raise revenue.

A bill is normally published in the Gazette before it is introduced at a Council meeting. It has to be given three readings in order that it can be passed by the Council. The *first reading* is a formality with the short title of the bill being read by the Clerk at a Council meeting. The *second reading* provides Members with an opportunity to debate the general merits and principles of the bill. Normally, after the second reading has been moved, the debate is adjourned, with the bill referred to the House Committee to allow Members more time to study it, either in the House Committee or a bills committee set up specifically for it.

The debate on the second reading resumes after the bill has been studied. During the resumed debate at a Council meeting, Members present their views on the merits and principles of the bill and indicate whether they support the bill or otherwise. If the bill is given a second reading, the Council becomes a "Committee of the whole Council" at the committee stage during which it goes through the bill clause by clause, making amendments where necessary. After the bill has passed through the

Committee of the whole Council with or without amendments, it is reported back to the Council for the *third reading* stage.

If the motion for the second reading of a bill is negatived, the bill cannot proceed further. Where the Council considers that the passage of a bill is sufficiently urgent, it may allow the bill to go through all three readings at a single meeting.

Members of the Council may also introduce bills into the Council for consideration.

If passed, a bill becomes an ordinance after it has been signed by the Chief Executive and promulgated in the Gazette.

During the period from January 1997 to April 1998, the Council processed 63 bills, all of which were passed, with or without amendments proposed by the Government or Members. A list of the bills passed is in **Appendix 2**.

MOTIONS AND DEBATES

Motions are the mechanism through which most of the Council's business is transacted. The enactment of a bill is by way of a series of motions moved and agreed to by the Council. Amendments to bills and the approval of or amendments to some subsidiary legislation are also effected by way of motions.

In regard to subsidiary legislation which required the Council's approval by resolution, 47 motions were moved by public officers. Of these, 46 were passed without amendment and one was passed

with amendments. Members of the Council moved 39 motions in respect of subsidiary legislation which required the Council's approval. Of these, 36 were passed and three were negated by the Council.

Through debating motions, which do not have legislative effect, Members express their views on certain issues of public concern or call on the Government to take certain actions. During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, 49 such motions were debated, 47 of which were carried with or without amendments. The wording of the motions debated and the decisions of the Council on these motions are in **Appendix 3**.

POLICY ADDRESS DEBATE

The Chief Executive addresses the Council every year on various policy proposals for administering the HKSAR. At a meeting not less than 14 days after the Chief Executive has addressed the Council, a motion is moved to thank the Chief Executive for his Address. The debate which follows provides an opportunity for Members to comment on the Chief Executive's Address and for senior Government officials to respond to these comments. The Chief Executive delivered his Address on 8 October 1997 and the debate on the Motion of Thanks was held on 22, 23 and 29 October 1997.

BUDGET DEBATE

Shortly before a financial year ends in March, the Financial Secretary presents his Budget to the Council in the form of an Appropriation Bill and Draft Estimates, which is followed closely by legislative measures for implementing Government's revenue proposals. These set out the Government's annual revenue and expenditure proposals for the following financial year. After the

proposed estimates of expenditure have been examined by the Finance Committee at its special meetings, the Appropriation Bill is brought back into the Council for consideration and passage. The Financial Secretary introduced the Appropriation Bill 1998 on 18 February 1998. The debate on the 1998-99 Budget took place on 11, 12 and 18 March 1998. Like the debate on the Policy Address, the Budget Debate enables Members and senior Government officials to exchange views on the Budget. The Appropriation Bill 1998 was passed on 18 March 1998 and the bills and resolutions on the revenue proposals were passed at meetings held in March and April 1998.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSIONS

During the Chief Executive's Question and Answer Session, held as a meeting of the Provisional Legislative Council, Members may put questions to the Chief Executive on designated topics. Two Chief Executive's Question and Answer Sessions were held during the term of the Provisional Legislative Council.

CHAPTER 3 COMMITTEES

Through a system of committees Members perform the critical roles of scrutinizing bills, controlling public expenditure, and monitoring Government's performance. There are three standing committees, namely the Finance Committee, Public Accounts Committee, and Committee on Members' Interests. Moreover, the House Committee co-ordinates matters relating to the business to be considered at Council meetings and decides whether bills committees or subcommittees should be formed as appropriate. The scrutiny of bills which require in-depth study is done through bills committees which present reports to the Council after they have completed their tasks. Panels are committees which monitor and examine policy issues. The panels to be formed and their terms of reference are recommended by the House Committee to the Council for approval.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee consists of all Members of the Council except the President. The chairman and deputy chairman of the Committee are elected from among its members.

The Finance Committee is vested with the responsibility for scrutinizing public expenditure proposals. It holds special meetings after the introduction of the Appropriation Bill to examine the Draft Estimates of Expenditure for the coming financial year. It has regular meetings on most Fridays to consider proposals which entail changes to the approved Estimates each year, or note financial implications of new policies. All meetings of the Finance Committee and its subcommittees are open to the public.

During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, the Finance Committee held 21 regular meetings and examined a total of 113 items of financial proposals, including 17 items containing 167 proposals which had been considered and supported by its two subcommittees: the Establishment Subcommittee and the Public Works Subcommittee.

Apart from the meeting held in May 1997 to examine the Draft Estimates of Expenditure for 1997-98, the Finance Committee held six special meetings from 3 to 6 March 1998 to examine the Draft Estimates of Expenditure for the 1998-99 financial year. In addition to the 996 written questions raised by members prior to the special meetings, members also raised questions on points directly related to the Draft Estimates and on the contents of presentations given by Bureau Secretaries at the meetings. A total of 13 supplementary questions and 14 verbal questions on matters which were not dealt with at the meetings were subsequently forwarded to the Administration for written replies.

The Establishment Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Administration's proposals for the creation, redeployment, and deletion of permanent and supernumerary directorate posts, and for changes to the structure of civil service grades and ranks. During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, the subcommittee, consisting of 23 members, held 13 meetings and examined a total of 73 items of proposals put forward by the Administration.

The Public Works Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Administration's proposals for the upgrading of projects to, or downgrading from, Category A of the Public Works Programme, or changes to the scope and approved estimates of projects already in that Category. During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, the subcommittee, consisting of 27 members, held 12 meetings and examined a total of 100 items of proposals put forward by the Administration.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) is responsible for considering the reports of the Director of Audit on the accounts and the results of value for money audits of the Government and other organizations which are within the purview of public audit. The committee may call for explanation and obtain evidence from public officers, management personnel of public organizations and other relevant persons, if deemed necessary. The committee comprises seven members elected by Council Members and appointed by the President of the Council. The membership of the committee is in **Appendix 4**.

During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, the committee examined the Director of Audit's Report on the Accounts of the Hong Kong Government for the year ended 31 March 1997 and the Report on the Results of Value for Money Audits (Report No. 29). The conclusions and recommendations of the committee are contained in PAC Report No. 29, which was tabled in the Council on 11 February 1998.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS' INTERESTS

The committee considers matters pertaining to Members' declaration of interests and matters of ethics in relation to their conduct, and makes recommendations relating to Members' interests. It also examines arrangements for the compilation, maintenance and accessibility of the Register of Members' Interests. The membership of the committee is in **Appendix 4**.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The House Committee comprises all Members, except the President, who elect from among themselves the chairman and deputy chairman. While the Provisional Legislative Council was in session, the House Committee normally met weekly and meetings were open to the public.

The House Committee prepares for meetings of the Council and considers matters relating to the business of the Council. One important function of the House Committee is to scrutinize bills introduced into the Council but referred to the committee for detailed study, and subsidiary legislation tabled at Council meetings. The House Committee may form bills committees to scrutinize the bills, or appoint subcommittees to study some of the subsidiary legislation in greater detail. The House Committee then monitors progress and studies reports from the bills committees and subcommittees concerned in preparation for the debates on such bills and subsidiary legislation in Council.

Another function of the House Committee is to recommend the names and terms of reference of panels for approval of the Council. It may also refer to the relevant panels for consideration any policy matters relating to the business of the Council, and may request and receive reports from the panels on matters pertaining to their terms of reference.

The House Committee also serves as a focal point for establishing a formal and regular dialogue with the Administration. The chairman and deputy chairman of the House Committee meet the Chief Secretary for Administration on a regular basis to discuss matters of mutual concern.

During the Provisional Legislative Council term, a total of 42 House Committee meetings were held of which 10 took place in Shenzhen.

Subcommittees of the House Committee

Subcommittee on the Consultation Paper on Reunification Bill

The Reunification Bill sought to confirm the bills passed by the Council prior to 1 July 1997 and to deal with various transition-related matters including endorsing the appointment of certain judges and maintaining continuity of existing laws and legal system and process. Before formal presentation of the bill to the Council on 1 July 1997, the Chief Executive's Office presented a consultation paper to the Council on 21 June 1997 providing details of the draft bill. A subcommittee under the House Committee was then formed to study the content of the draft bill.

The question of retrospectivity of the Reunification Bill was of prime concern to the subcommittee. The Chief Executive's Office explained that during the small hours of 1 July 1997, the bill would be gazetted, introduced into the Council for three readings, and if passed, would be signed by the Chief Executive. The ordinance would then be published and come into operation at the beginning of the day in accordance with the provisions of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1).

Some members noted with concern the provision of the bill which stipulated that provisions conferring privileges on the United Kingdom or other Commonwealth countries or territories, except on the basis of reciprocity, shall have no further effect. The subcommittee was concerned about the meaning of the term "reciprocity" and its possible adverse effect on the existing reciprocal professional qualifications. The Chief Executive's Office clarified that the provision was in line with the decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress made on 23 February 1997 and that the term "reciprocity" did not mean equal treatment.

The subcommittee sought clarification on the provision which stipulated that all employment contracts of public officers which remained in force after 1 July 1997 would be subject to the terms of any executive order relating to the public service made by the Chief Executive. Members were assured that the Chief Executive did not have the authority to change the terms in the employment contracts unilaterally if this was not so provided for in the contracts, and that public officers who were employed on permanent and pensionable terms were subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Regulations, which would continue to be in force under the authority of appropriate executive orders.

In response to the subcommittee's concerns, the Chief Executive's Office proposed a number of amendments including, amongst others, specifying the appointment of judges as first-term appointment, and refining the drafting of various provisions of the bill in line with those of the Basic Law and the decisions of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress. The Reunification Bill, embodying the amendments suggested by the subcommittee, was passed on 1 July 1997.

Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee

A Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee was formed in November 1997 to provide overall co-ordination of all parliamentary liaison activities between the Council and other parliamentary organizations outside Hong Kong, consider proposals for setting up friendship groups with such organizations, and make recommendations to the House Committee. The membership of the subcommittee is in **Appendix 4**. During the reporting period, the subcommittee considered and recommended to the House Committee a proposal to send a delegation of Members on a visit to Singapore.

COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURES

The Committee on Rules of Procedure, which was formed in September 1997 to take over the functions of the former Working Group on Rules of Procedure, is responsible for reviewing the Rules of Procedure of the Council and proposing to the Council such amendments or changes as are considered necessary. The committee consists of a chairman, a deputy chairman and 10 members appointed by the President in accordance with the election procedure determined by the House Committee. The membership list of the committee is at **Appendix 4**. The President is invited to take part in the discussions of the Committee.

The Working Group, which was established during the early days of the Provisional Legislative Council, held 14 meetings between 22 February 1997 and 9 July 1997 to draw up the Rules of Procedure, the House Rules and the Finance Committee Procedure. It also studied the committee structure and the relationship between the Council and its committees.

The Committee on Rules of Procedure held nine meetings between 17 November 1997 and 31 March 1998. Major issues deliberated by the Committee included updating of the House Rules to reflect changes to the Rules of Procedure endorsed by the Council as well as current practices of the Council and its committees, and giving advice to the Secretariat on aspects which required elaboration in the draft Rules of Procedure of the first Legislative Council for compliance with the Basic Law.

BILLS COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES

The House Committee may allocate bills, except the Appropriation Bill and bills not referred to the House Committee by the Council, to bills committees for detailed scrutiny. All Members, other than the President, may join any bills committee. The chairman of each bills committee is elected from among its members. Government officials and members of the public may be invited to attend its meetings.

A bills committee considers the principles and merits of the bill concerned as well as its detailed provisions, and may propose amendments relevant to the bill. It may also appoint subcommittees for the purpose of assisting in the performance of its functions. After the completion of scrutiny of a bill, the House Committee is advised of the bills committee's deliberations in writing. The bills committee is dissolved on the enactment of the bill concerned or as decided by the House Committee.

During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, 29 bills committees and one subcommittee were formed to study 36 bills. There were also 25 subcommittees which considered 110 items of subsidiary legislation. The membership of these bills committees and subcommittees is in **Appendix 4**. Some of the bills and legislative proposals studied by bills committees and subcommittees are noted below :

Immigration (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill 1997

Introduced into the Council on 7 June 1997, the bill sought to implement by local legislation Article 24 of the Basic Law relating to permanent residents with the right of abode in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. As a constitutional provision, Article 24 merely sets out the fundamental criteria for a person to be classified as a permanent resident and domestic legislation providing for the necessary supplementary details had to be enacted. Recognizing the importance of the bill, the bills committee invited public views on the bill and met with interested organizations.

The principal concern of the bills committee was to ensure the consistency of the provisions of the bill with those of the Basic Law, particularly in regard to the legitimate right of citizens to obtain the right of abode provided for in Article 24 of the Basic Law and how the provision would be implemented. Members were concerned that children born in Hong Kong to new immigrants from China should be entitled to the right of abode at birth, irrespective of whether their fathers or mothers were settled in Hong Kong at the time of their birth or at any later time. The bills committee acknowledged that the relevant provision of the bill was fully consistent with the advice of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on how Article 24 of the Basic Law should be enforced and reflected the agreement reached by the Sino-British Joint Liaison Group. Nonetheless, the bills committee requested the Chief Executive's Office to review the existing administrative measures of imposing limits of stay on one-way permit holders with a view to permitting children born to new Hong Kong immigrants to qualify for the right of abode immediately at birth. Members noted that a task force had been set up to examine the issue of illegal entry of persons who claimed to have the right of abode in Hong Kong.

The bills committee noted in the provisions of the bill the differential treatment between a Chinese citizen born in Hong Kong and a person of Chinese nationality born outside Hong Kong to a Hong Kong permanent resident in respect of their right to obtain the right of abode at birth. Whilst the latter would qualify for the right of abode at birth, the former would not, unless his parent had settled in Hong Kong at the time of his birth or at any later time. To rectify this unfairness, the Chief Executive's Office accepted members' suggestion to amend the bill to provide for the right of abode at birth to a Chinese citizen born in Hong Kong to a permanent resident who had the right of abode in Hong Kong.

As an integral part of the statutory framework for the determination of a person's permanent resident status, the bills committee also examined in depth some key concepts such as "Chinese citizenship", "settled", "ordinarily resident", "parent and child", the manner of establishing permanent residence and transitional arrangements as set out in the bill. The bills committee was satisfied that the provisions of the bill were sufficiently clear for their intended purpose. Other major amendments moved by the Chief Executive's Office to address the bills committee's concerns included amending the items of information to be furnished to the Director of Immigration for the purpose of establishing permanent residence in Hong Kong.

The bill, as amended, was passed on 21 June 1997.

Provident Fund Schemes Legislation (Amendment) Bill 1997 and related subsidiary legislation

The bill, introduced into the Council on 26 November 1997, sought to amend the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (MPFSO) and 11 related ordinances. The bills committee scrutinized the bill together with the relevant draft subsidiary legislation setting out implementation details of the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) system. In the course of deliberations, the bills committee considered the views of 15 organizations.

A major proposal under the bill was the reconstitution of the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Authority (MPFA) as an independent corporation to be headed by an Executive Director. Given the absence of similar provisions for setting up a board of directors as for other statutory bodies, members were gravely concerned about the apparent lack of checks and balances on the wide decision-making powers to be vested with the Executive Director. The majority of members agreed in principle that the MPFA should be made up of a body of executive and non-executive directors, the former being

full-time senior management staff of the MPFA and the latter being representatives of employers, employees, persons with knowledge and experience in pension matters and related professionals. The Administration agreed to revise its legislative proposals broadly in line with members' suggestions. It also accepted members' suggestion of stipulating in the MPFSO the membership requirements of the proposed MPF Schemes Advisory Committee and the Industry Schemes Committee to be set up for providing advice to the MPFA.

Members noted the Residual Provident Fund Scheme (RPFS) currently provided for under the MPFSO as a last resort for eligible persons who could not join an MPF scheme in the market. The bill proposed to replace the RPFS with a requirement that a scheme trustee could not reject any eligible person from becoming a member of its scheme. While welcoming the no-rejection requirement, members reiterated the need for retaining the RPFS to cater for persons who might ultimately be unable to join an MPF scheme. The Administration finally agreed to retain the option of establishing the RPFS under the MPFSO if the no-rejection requirement did not work effectively.

Members had extensive discussions on the controversial capital preservation product (CPP) in connection with proposals relating to investment prescribed in the draft MPF Schemes (General) Regulation. After considering various measures including the feasibility of requiring every CPP to provide a guaranteed investment return, members accepted the Administration's revised proposal whereby a trustee could not charge administration fees if the investment return of the CPP for the month did not exceed the savings deposit interest rate, but the trustee might recoup losses in administration fees if investment income in future months exceeded that rate.

On proposed restrictions on investment activities, Members reviewed the minimum Hong Kong dollar currency exposure of MPF funds, the limitations on investment in shares not listed in

recognized stock exchanges and on transactions between fund managers and associated stock brokers and banks. The Administration took note of members' concern about fair competition among all future MPF market players and agreed to relax the proposed restrictions on the delegation of overseas investment management functions by local investment companies. The Administration also undertook to include the subject of stock lending, over which some members had expressed reservations, in its comprehensive review of financial services in Hong Kong.

As regards proposed interface arrangements for existing schemes under the Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance (ORSO) with the MPF system as set out in the draft MPF Schemes (Exemption) Regulation, members examined the proposed exemption of ORSO schemes set up on or before 15 October 1995 from MPF requirements. To keep benefits of ORSO schemes more closely in line with those of MPF schemes, members accepted an improvement reached after previous discussions with the Administration and employer groups that taking the implementation of the MPF system as the cut-off date, an employee's accrued benefits under an ORSO scheme up to his minimum MPF benefits would not be withheld by the employer even upon dismissal for cause.

The bill was passed on 25 February 1998 with amendments, including the amendment to the effect that the chairperson of the MPFA should be a non-executive director. A subcommittee was subsequently formed to take up outstanding issues arising from the bills committee's scrutiny of the draft subsidiary legislation. Apart from a number of investment-related issues, in particular the CPP, over which there was divergence of views, members were agreeable to the proposed provisions under the subsidiary legislation. Three motions on the MPF Schemes (General) Regulation, the MPF Schemes (Exemption) Regulation and the MPF Schemes (Amendment of Schedule 6) Notice 1998 were passed on 1 April 1998.

Housing (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill 1997

Introduced into the Council on 7 January 1998, the bill sought to remove the limit on the number of members of the Appeal Panel that might be appointed by the Secretary for Housing for hearing appeals against termination of leases for public rental housing and interim housing; to empower the Director of Housing to delegate his function to assess Prevailing Market Value of Home Ownership Scheme and Private Sector Participation Scheme flats; and to provide for an additional fine up to three times the amount of rent undercharged for supplying false particulars to the Housing Authority.

The bills committee agreed to remove the limit on the number of members of the Appeal Panel to give the Secretary for Housing flexibility to suitably expand membership to cope with the increased workload. In anticipation of an increase in the number of applications for selling or letting Home Ownership Scheme and Private Sector Participation Scheme flats in the open market after the ten-year resale restriction period, members also agreed to the proposal to empower the Director of Housing to contract out premium assessment work to qualified estate surveyors in the private sector. Members noted that the proposed delegation provision would save staff resources in scrutinizing the work completed by private estate surveyors in a case by case manner, but the ultimate responsibility for assessing Prevailing Market Value would still rest with the Director of Housing.

Members, however, held different views on the need to add a further fine for making false declarations to the Housing Authority, as there was no indication showing a trend of increase in such cases. The Administration explained that with the introduction of the policy on better-off tenants paying market rent on 1 April 1997, the number of tenants making false declarations would likely be increased, hence the need to raise the penalty to strengthen the deterrent effect. The proposed penalty provision, modelling on similar provisions in the Inland Revenue Ordinance, would reflect the relationship between the level of fine and the amount of rent undercharged. The absence of such a

provision would convey a wrong impression that making false declarations to the Housing Authority was not a serious offence and would invite further abuses of public housing resources. The bills committee could not reach a consensus on the proposal. The bill was debated and passed without amendment on 1 April 1998.

Legislative Provisions (Suspension of Operation) Bill 1997

The omnibus bill, introduced into the Council on 9 July 1997, sought to suspend until further notice the operation of seven Private Member's bills passed by the former Legislative Council at its last sitting in June 1997 in order for the Administration to assess fully the impact of the legislative changes on Government policies and operations .

Five of the enactments proposed to be suspended were labour-related ordinances. On the Employee's Rights to Representation, Consultation and Collective Bargaining Ordinance, which conferred on employees inter alia a statutory right to collective bargaining, members noted its controversial implications on employment relationships and supported its suspension to facilitate further examination by the Administration in consultation with the Labour Advisory Board.

Most members did not support the proposed suspension of the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) (Amendment) Ordinance 1997. They suggested including the improvements provided therein as part of the improvement package to be implemented following the Administration's comprehensive review of the Occupational Deafness Compensation Scheme.

Members did not hold a concerted view on the proposed suspension of the other three labour-related ordinances, namely the Employment (Amendment) (No.4) Ordinance 1997, the Trade Unions (Amendment) (No.2) Ordinance 1997 and the Employment (Amendment) (No.5) Ordinance 1997,

which dealt with employees' statutory right to reinstatement, relaxation of restrictions on certain trade union activities and the addition of 1 May as a statutory holiday respectively. They urged the Administration to consult employers and employees on the legislative provisions and take into consideration their views in formulating the way forward.

The bills committee noted the objection of a concern group to the proposed suspension of the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance, as well as the Administration's concern about uncertainties caused by the declarative principle of presumption against reclamation in the central harbour which might affect four major reclamation projects currently under planning. Members also took note of the Administration's proposal to suspend the Hong Kong Bill of Rights (Amendment) Ordinance 1997 on the grounds that the amending provisions might have the effect of extending the application of the Ordinance to inter-citizen actions, which was incompatible with the Government's policy intent.

Although members held different views on the proposed suspension of operation of the seven enactments, they agreed unanimously on the need to specify a suspension period in the bill to ensure that the Administration would complete its review and propose the way forward upon the expiry of the period. The Administration agreed to move amendments to provide for the suspension period up to 31 October 1997 and to specify that any further extension had to be approved by the Council.

The Council voted down the provisions concerning the suspension of the operation of the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) (Amendment) Ordinance 1997, the Employment (Amendment) (No.5) Ordinance 1997 and the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance and passed the bill with the Administration's amendments on 16 July 1997.

Societies (Amendment) Bill 1997

Public Order (Amendment) Bill 1997

The two bills were introduced into the Council by the Chief Executive's Office on 17 May 1997. The Societies (Amendment) Bill 1997 sought to reinstate the registration system for societies, which had been repealed in 1992, and provided that a local society (or its branch) to which the Societies Ordinance applied must apply to the Societies Officer for registration or exemption from registration within one month of its establishment. The Public Order (Amendment) Bill 1997 sought to modify the notification system introduced in 1995 for organizing public processions and provided that a public procession might take place if the Commissioner of Police was notified of the intention of holding such a procession.

The bills committee noted that the re-instated registration system as set out in the Societies (Amendment) Bill 1997 was in compliance with the decision of the National People's Congress, the provisions of the Basic Law and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights as applied to Hong Kong. The re-instated system could also strike a right balance between civil liberties and social order, and would enable the authority to prevent the establishment of triad societies. After studying the bill from the policy, legal and operational perspectives, the bills committee agreed with the underlying principle of the bill, and supported the proposed registration system.

The bills committee supported the Public Order (Amendment) Bill 1997 in principle. However, it held the view that the proposed threshold for triggering off intervention by the Commissioner of Police during meetings, processions and gatherings should not be lower than the existing standard as was prescribed in the principal ordinance. Also, the Commissioner of Police, in the exercise of power to prohibit notified public meetings, should be required to reasonably consider whether the interest of national security or the interest of public order or the protection of the rights and freedom of other

people could be safeguarded by the imposition of conditions. The Chief Executive's Office accepted members' suggestion to move amendments to the bill to achieve this effect.

In addition to introducing technical amendments to the two bills, the Chief Executive's Office also agreed to move amendments to ensure that the two principal ordinances as amended by the two bills would have continual legal effect on or after 1 July 1997. The bills, as amended, were passed on 14 June 1997.

Occupational Deafness (Compensation) (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 1997

Introduced into the Council on 15 October 1997, the bill sought to implement several improvement measures and reinstate the original scale of permanent incapacity for the purpose of compensation.

The bills committee proposed two amendments for the Administration's consideration : one to relax the service requirement in respect of the four very noisy occupations, and the other to raise the maximum degree of permanent incapacity by reference to hearing loss from the current 60% to 100%. After consideration, the Administration agreed to the first proposal but objected to the second one. It pointed out that the second amendment would increase the average compensation amount per case by about 60% and deplete the compensation fund at the end of the first year. The bills committee accepted the Administration's explanation.

The bill, with amendments moved by the Administration, was passed on 25 February 1998.

Hong Kong Bill of Rights (Amendment) Bill 1998

The bills committee examined in detail the Administration's proposal to repeal section 3(3) and (4) of the Hong Kong Bill of Rights Ordinance (BORO) which was added by an Amendment Ordinance enacted 1997.

In scrutinizing the bill, the bills committee received views of legal professionals regarding the Administration's argument that section 3(3) and (4), when read with section 7, would give rise to legal confusion about the applicability of BORO. Possibilities of amending or re-drafting section 3(3) and (4) or section 7 of BORO were also discussed. Members held divergent views as to whether section 3(3) and (4) should be retained as a general provision to regulate inter-citizen relations. While some members were in favour of retaining or amending the provisions, some other members pointed out that the original legislative intent of BORO was to restrict its application to Government and public authorities only. As regards the impact of the bill on human rights protection in Hong Kong, the Administration assured members that the Basic Law had provided for continued application of the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) in Hong Kong, and that specific legislation such as privacy protection and anti-discrimination laws had already been put in place to govern inter-citizen relations.

The bill was passed without amendment on 25 February 1998.

Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 1998

The bill, introduced into the Council on 4 March 1998, sought to give legal effect to the proposals in the 1998-99 Budget to increase the duties on tobacco, fuel and methyl alcohol by 6% and to make ancillary amendments to allow the granting of duty exemption to franchised bus companies in respect of buses operated under a hiring agreement or a hire-purchase agreement.

The bills committee had no objection to the proposed increase in duty on tobacco and the proposed duty exemption in respect of certain categories of buses. Members, however, were gravely concerned about the impact of the proposal to increase duties on fuel and methyl alcohol on the community and considered the Administration's explanations for the proposed increase unfounded. Members noted the absence of any statistical support for direct relationship between increase in petrol duties and decrease in the use of private vehicles. Given that there was at present no alternative to diesel oil for commercial vehicles, the proposed duty increase in diesel oil could not help reduce air pollution. The bills committee considered that the Administration should reduce the duty on unleaded petrol or introduce positive incentives to encourage the use of cleaner fuel instead of using a negative measure, i.e. by increasing the duty on leaded petrol, to achieve the purpose. Moreover, members were concerned that the proposed increase on fuel duties would aggravate the problem of illegal use of industrial diesel fuel as a substitute for light diesel oil in vehicles. Having regard to the recent economic downturn and the financial impact of the proposed increase in fuel duties on the operators and drivers in the taxi, public light bus and lorry trades, the bills committee unanimously agreed to move an amendment to freeze the fuel duties at the current rate.

As regards the proposed duty increase on methyl alcohol, the bills committee did not consider this an effective deterrent against its abusive use. In view of the application of methyl alcohol for industrial use, members also agreed to amend the bill to repeal the proposed increase.

The bill was passed with amendments to repeal duty increase in leaded and unleaded petrol and diesel oil on 25 March 1998.

Land (Compulsory Sale For Redevelopment) Bill

Introduced into the Council on 21 January 1998, the bill sought to enable persons who owned not less than 90% of the undivided shares in a lot to make an application to the Lands Tribunal for an order to sell all the undivided shares in the lot by public auction for the purposes of redevelopment of the lot. Whilst fully supporting the need to expedite urban renewal to improve the environment, the bills committee was concerned about the introduction of a mechanism for proper and fair compensation for lawful deprivation of private property rights.

The appropriateness of setting the minimum ownership level at 90% of the undivided shares in a lot as a condition for making an application for a compulsory sale order was vigorously debated by the bills committee. The bill also provided that the Chief Executive in Council might, by notice in the Gazette, lower this percentage to 80%. Taking note of the view of some deputations, the bills committee explored the desirability and viability of lowering the acquisition threshold to 75% of the undivided shares of four-unit buildings. However, noting the numerous number of owners holding 25% of undivided shares in a multi-storeyed ageing building and the dwindling number of four-unit ageing buildings due for redevelopment, the bills committee considered it inadvisable to reduce the lower threshold of 80% to cater for one specific situation.

The bills committee also examined whether owners holding an average of 90% of aggregate undivided shares in contiguous lots should be allowed to make an application to redevelop the lots as a package. As there was a possibility of the applicant not holding any shares in one of the lots, members considered it unjustified to compel all the owners of such a lot to sell their properties against their will. Members agreed that the ownership percentage should apply to each lot except where two buildings were served by a common staircase, in which case it would be the average of the undivided shares in the lots on which the buildings stood.

The bills committee agreed that compensation to owners, owner-occupiers and tenants affected by a compulsory sale order should be in monetary terms. To prevent the creation of spurious tenancies to defeat the object of the bill or to maximize benefits, the Administration accepted members' proposal that compensation to tenants should be paid out of the apportioned share of the proceeds of sale receivable by the tenants' landlord.

The Administration took on board members' suggestions to move a number of amendments to improve both the policy and technical aspects of the bill. The bill, as amended, was passed on 7 April 1998.

Legislative Council Bill

Introduced into the Council on 20 August 1997, the bill sought to provide for the constitution, convening and dissolution of the Legislative Council as well as for the election of its Members.

The bills committee studied the bill in detail and also considered the views received from 71 organizations/individuals and the various amendments proposed by individual Members. In response to the bills committee, the Administration made a number of significant amendments to the bill which included : firstly, providing a broad framework to facilitate the first Legislative Council of the HKSAR to elect its own President and to commence its business; secondly, putting in place arrangements which would trigger off the disqualification mechanism prescribed in the Basic Law; thirdly, specifying that except in the case of a Member of the 12 specified functional constituencies (FCs) who was allowed to change his/her foreign nationality to Chinese nationality, a Member would cease to hold office on the ground of a change of nationality or right of abode during his/her LegCo tenure; and fourthly, requiring ex-officio members of the Election Committee (EC) to be first registered as geographical constituency electors before they could exercise their right to vote in the

EC election and also allowing those who were also electors of FC a choice either to vote in the election of the EC or that of a FC.

The bill was passed with amendments at the Council meeting on 27 and 28 September 1997. In addition to the amendments moved by the Administration and the bills committee, two Members also successfully moved amendments to expand the electorate of the Social Welfare FC and the Textiles and Garment FC. To address implementation problems posed by these amendments, the Administration subsequently moved a motion to seek the Council's approval of an Amendment Order which was passed at the Council meeting on 29 October 1997.

Prevention of Copyright Piracy Bill

Introduced into the Council on 21 January 1998, the bill sought to introduce a licensing scheme for the manufacture of optical discs in Hong Kong.

The bills committee supported a proposal made by some deputations that the manufacturers' codes should be assigned, and not approved, as proposed in the bill, by the Commissioner of Customs and Excise, and that a standard coding system should be adopted. The purpose was to ensure the integrity of the source coding system and reinforce the protection of intellectual property rights. Although the Administration maintained that the scheme proposed in the bill would not prejudice any existing codes, it agreed to amend the bill.

The manufacturing industry's concern about the revocation or non-renewal of a licence on the basis of records of previously adjudged civil liabilities of copyright infringement was discussed by the bills committee. The Administration agreed that consideration to revoke or refuse to renew a licence should only be based on records of criminal convictions of copyright infringement and would move

an amendment. In addition, a provision would be added to the bill to make it a defence for the accused if he could show that he had taken all reasonable steps to avoid committing an offence under the bill.

In response to concern expressed by some members about the power of the Department of Customs and Excise to seal an optical disc manufacturing plant under the bill, the Administration agreed to specify in the bill that the period for which a place was sealed should not exceed 14 days and any application to extend the period should be made to a magistrate.

The bill, as amended, was passed on 25 March 1998.

Adaptation of Laws (Interpretative Provisions) Bill

Introduced into the Council on 25 February 1998, the bill sought to adapt the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance to bring it into conformity with the Basic Law and the status of Hong Kong as a Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

The bills committee deliberated in detail the definition of "State" in the bill which would replace the word "Crown" in provisions in the Ordinance which relate to the binding effect of ordinances. Members also sought clarification on what constituted "subordinate organs" within the meaning of the definition of "State". Members noted that the proposed definition of "State" included only bodies which corresponded to what was previously covered by the "Crown". After considering a number of other alternatives, the bills committee agreed with the Administration that the expression "State" and its definition remained the most appropriate term to reflect the position after the reunification, without changing the *status quo*. Noting the bills committee's concern and comments, the

Administration proposed amendments to improve the clarity and precision of the definition of “State”.

The Administration assured Members that the effect of the amendments was to maintain the legal position as it was immediately before and after the reunification. The definition of “State” was to identify those organs of the PRC that corresponded to the authorities that were previously within the meaning of the “Crown”. The definition of “State” included functional tests for deciding whether or not a subordinate organ of the Central People’s Government or Central Authority was within the definition, and in the final analysis, the courts would decide on its legal status and this judicial process would be no different from that which applied to the Crown.

The bill, with amendments proposed by the Administration, was passed on 7 April 1998.

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Passports Bill

Introduced into the Provisional Legislative Council on 9 July 1997, the bill sought to provide for the issue, amendment and cancellation of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) passports.

The bills committee was concerned about the retrospective effect of the bill. It questioned the legal basis on which the Director of Immigration could issue passports prior to the enactment of the bill, and whether in the absence of the retrospective clause, the validity of such HKSAR passports issued would be affected. The Administration explained that the authorization for the HKSAR Government to issue passports of the HKSAR was provided under Article 154 of the Basic Law which had come into force on 1 July 1997. The bill provided for the detailed implementation of this provision of the

Basic Law. There was no question about the validity of passports issued prior to the enactment of the bill.

To avoid legal arguments about the validity of passports already issued before the enactment of the bill and to provide for uniformity of implementation arrangements, the bills committee accepted the Administration's proposal that the bill should take retrospective effect from 1 July 1997.

In response to the bills committee's request, the Administration agreed to amend the bill to provide for an appeal mechanism regarding the decisions made by the Director of Immigration.

The bill, with amendments, was passed at the meeting on 23 July 1997.

Immigration (Amendment) (No.5) Bill 1997

The bill, introduced into the Provisional Legislative Council on 9 July 1997, sought to make detailed provisions for the application of Article 24 (2)(3) of the Basic Law.

Under the certificate of entitlement scheme, children who had the right of abode in Hong Kong under Article 24 (2)(3) of the Basic Law were required to produce a certificate of entitlement issued by the Director of Immigration. Some members were concerned that the scheme would deprive these children of their constitutional right under the Basic Law. The Administration took the view that the scheme provided an effective means to establish the right of abode of children born outside Hong Kong. The admission of eligible children in a planned and orderly manner was in line with Article 22 of the Basic Law.

The subcommittee was concerned that, if enacted, the bill (other than the provisions on criminal offences) would take retrospective effect from 1 July 1997. The Administration explained that the retrospectivity of the bill was necessary to provide the Director of Immigration with the legal power to remove children who came to Hong Kong before the date of enactment and who claimed for right of abode. Otherwise, it would be tantamount to granting an amnesty to those child illegal immigrants who surrendered themselves after 1 July 1997.

In view of the urgency and seriousness of the matter, the subcommittee accepted the Administration's proposal to complete the three readings of the bill at one Council meeting. The bill, with amendments, was passed on 9 July 1997. A Committee Stage Amendment moved by a Member to delete the clause providing for retrospectivity of the bill was negatived.

Food Business (Urban Council) (Amendment) Bylaw 1998

Food Business (Regional Council) (Amendment) Bylaw 1998

Public Health (Animals and Birds) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulation 1998

The main objective of the Regulation and the two amendment Bylaws, tabled in the Provisional Legislative Council on 4 March 1998 and 11 March 1998 respectively, was to implement the policy of segregating the trading of live water birds (including ducks and geese) from other live poultry at the import, wholesale and retail levels, and in the Western Wholesale Food Market.

While the subcommittee had no objection to the segregation policy from the public health point of view, members were concerned about the implementation arrangements, in particular the allocation of poultry stalls in the Western Wholesale Food Market to the wholesalers in the Cheung Sha Wan Temporary Wholesale Poultry Market. At the subcommittee's request, the Administration undertook

to further consult the wholesalers on their needs. The subcommittee urged the Administration to put in place a set of fair and unified guidelines in dealing with applications from wholesalers to seek further waiver or reduction of poultry stall rental. The Administration was requested to work out a long term policy on the establishment of additional slaughtering centres in Kowloon and the New Territories.

No amendment was made to the Regulation and the Bylaws.

Subcommittee on Telecommunication (Amendment) Regulation 1998 and Telephone (Repeal) Regulation 1998

The two pieces of subsidiary legislation were part of a series of arrangements for implementing the Agreement between the Government and Hong Kong Telecommunications Limited (HKT) for early surrender of the Hong Kong Telecommunication International (HKTI) licence on 31 March 1998.

The subcommittee noted that the Government had to pay a cash compensation of \$6.7 billion to HKT for the surrender of the HKTI licence in order to further liberalize the telecommunications market. Members welcomed the opening up of the market but were concerned about whether genuine and effective competition could be introduced in the industry so that consumers would benefit in the long run. In particular, members were concerned that the small number of Fixed Telecommunication Network Services (FTNS) operators allowed to supply non-exclusive external services from 1 January 1999 might form a cartel. The Administration assured the subcommittee that consumer protection measures and safeguards against anti-competitive practices had been incorporated in the terms and conditions of the FTNS licence, and contravention of these might lead to penalties on the licensee or even revocation of the licence.

As the Hong Kong Telephone Company Limited (HKTC) would be required to open up its already installed local access lines to give other FTNS licensees access to at least half of the residential exchange line customers by 1 January 1999, members were concerned about the mechanism for setting charges for access to HKTC's or other operators' networks, as these charges would have a direct bearing on the tariffs. The Administration pointed out the availability of existing guidelines to ensure that access charges, subject to negotiation between the parties concerned in a transparent and fair manner, were cost based. The Telecommunications Authority could also act as an arbitrator in case of disputes and take action against anti-competitive practices. Furthermore, as external telecommunications facilities-based competition would commence on 1 January 2000, relevant licensed service providers would be able to provide services over their own infrastructure, by-passing other operators' facilities. Notwithstanding these measures, the subcommittee held the view that the legislature should continue to monitor these access charges.

Noting that the issue of provision of additional telecommunications facilities operators would only be considered in the FTNS review scheduled for mid 1998, the subcommittee questioned the fairness of the proposed arrangement of giving the three new FTNS operators licensed in 1995 a head-start to supply non-exclusive external services from 1 January 1999. The Administration undertook to advance the FTNS review to April 1998 and to consult the trade on relevant issues including access charges, so that new licensees of external telecommunications services would be able to start operation at approximately the same time as the three new FTNS operators.

The two sets of subsidiary legislation in the form as proposed by the Administration were supported by the subcommittee and enacted.

Subsidiary Legislation relating to 1998 Legislative Council Election

A subcommittee was set up to scrutinize 11 items of subsidiary legislation relating to the 1998 Legislative Council elections made by the Administration and the Electoral Affairs Commission. The subsidiary legislation were related to the demarcation of constituency boundaries, arrangements and appeal procedures for registration of electors/voters/Election Committee (EC) members, distribution of EC members among six designated religious bodies, election expenses limits, subscribers, amount and forfeiture threshold of election deposit, Nominations Advisory Committees, procedures for conducting the 1998 LegCo elections and for lodging appeals against results of LegCo elections.

On the Legislative Council (Subscribers and Election Deposit for Nomination) Regulation, some members suggested that the threshold for forfeiture of election deposit of 2.5% for the EC subsector elections should be increased to 5% and that the basis should be the total number of valid ballot papers. In addition, in order not to discourage eligible persons from standing as candidates for the EC subsector elections, the amount of election deposit for nomination should be reduced from \$5,000 to \$1,000. The motion to so amend the Regulation was carried at the Council meeting on 21 January 1998.

Amendments were also made to the Electoral Affairs Commission (Electoral Procedure) (Legislative Council) Regulation which included : firstly, authorizing any one of the candidates on a geographical constituency list to serve the notice of appointment or revocation of appointment of agents, and secondly, allowing electors of the six special functional constituencies to cast all the votes that they were entitled to in the geographical constituency polling stations near to their place of residence. A revised candidate numbering system was also proposed for easy identification. The motion to amend the Regulation was carried at the Council meeting on 25 February 1998.

Subcommittees on Subsidiary Legislation relating to Fee Increases

Seven subcommittees were formed under the House Committee to study 57 items of subsidiary legislation relating to fee increases. The subcommittees supported 38 items, the majority of which involved proposals seeking to increase Government fees and charges for the issue of permits and licences under various ordinances. Two items seeking to increase fines to deter illegal parking as well as one item seeking to increase Lantau taxi fares to restore the financial position of Lantau taxi operators to a level comparable to their previous average income were also supported. The remaining 19 items of subsidiary legislation, which were introduced into the Council after mid-December 1997, were rejected on the ground that the Government should not seek to increase fees and charges at a time of economic downturn arising from financial turmoil in the region.

PANELS

Panels are committees of the Council tasked to monitor and examine Government policies. They serve as a forum for the exchange and dissemination of views on policy matters and issues of public concern. Each panel is headed by a chairman elected from amongst its members. The subjects for discussion can be brought up by members of the panel, referred to it by the House Committee, raised by other members following meetings with provisional district boards or upon receipt of complaints or representations, or at the request of the Administration. A panel may appoint subcommittees to study specific issues and present reports to the Council as it considers appropriate.

Eighteen panels were formed in the 1997-98 session to monitor policies of their corresponding Bureau Secretaries in the Government. Membership of the panels and their subcommittees is shown in **Appendix 4**.

Panel on Manpower

Tackling the aggravating unemployment problem was high on the agenda of the panel. The panel explored with the Administration ways to provide assistance to job seekers and to safeguard employment opportunities of the local workforce. Apart from urging the Administration to require contractors bidding for Government projects to give priority of employment to local workers, the panel stressed the importance of resolving the multi-faceted problem of unemployment by a high-level body and better co-operation among relevant departments and bureaux. Members also pointed out the need for adjusting the programmes of vocational training and employees retraining proactively to meet market needs.

The panel urged the Administration to be vigilant of changes in the economic and employment situations before launching the proposed Construction Labour Importation Scheme and stressed that priority must be given to local workers in filling job vacancies. The Administration subsequently deferred the Scheme. To attract new entrants and retain skilled workers in the construction industry, members saw the need for the trade to consider employing workers on fixed-term contracts or on monthly remuneration.

The panel continued to monitor closely the development of labour legislation, notably the implications of the suspension of three labour-related ordinances which provided for employees' right to collective bargaining, compulsory reinstatement of employees and relaxation of restrictions

on certain trade union activities. Members also reviewed improvements to compensation for occupational deafness and the proposed arrangements for statutory and general holidays.

On the front of occupational safety and health, members examined various new initiatives and highlighted the need for sustained education and enforcement, as well as tripartite co-operation among employers, employees and the Government in promoting safety and health at work.

Panel on Public Service

The Administration had assured the panel that in conducting the review on the system for declaration of interests by civil servants, it would maintain a right balance between civil servant's right of private investments and upholding a high standard of integrity and impartiality in the civil service.

On the revised criteria and arrangements for transfer from agreement to local permanent and pensionable terms in the civil service, most members agreed with the Administration that the Chinese language requirement was consistent with the long-term policy objective of developing a biliterate, trilingual civil service. Members urged the Administration to determine a required Chinese language standard for each grade having regard to operational needs.

As regards the creation of posts in the civil service, the panel had been assured by the Administration that existing mechanisms and established procedures provided the necessary checks and balances to ensure that additional posts were only created when functionally justified.

The panel was briefed on the mechanism for reviewing the pay scales of individual grades and a proposal to adjust the Junior Police Officers' pay scales. The panel was informed that any requests

from other disciplined services for adjustment of pay scales would be examined on their own merits under the established mechanism.

Panel on Broadcasting, Culture and Sport

The panel met deputations and the Administration to discuss ways to streamline procedures to overcome problems encountered by the film industry in applying for permission to use pyrotechnics during film-shooting. The Administration responded positively, and an inter-departmental working group was set up to review existing procedures.

Regarding the 1998 review of the television environment, the panel welcomed the Administration's proposal to open up the market to provide more choices to customers in the light of new technological developments which brought about the convergence of broadcasting, telecommunication and computing services.

To ensure fair competition in the provision of video-on-demand programme services, the panel had urged the Administration to resolve expeditiously the legal issues surrounding the award of the second licence to a company which was involved in litigation concerning the use of confidential business information in its application. The second licence was subsequently awarded in February 1998.

The panel expressed disappointment over the lack of co-ordination between the Government and the two municipal councils in the formulation of cultural policies and use of resources for cultural activities. Members urged the Administration to take a critical look at the existing constitutional and legislative framework with a view to rationalizing the policy formulation process and resource utilization for promoting arts and culture.

The panel also requested the Administration to speed up the construction of a major multi-sports venue and maintain closer liaison with private developers and the municipal councils on heritage protection.

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

An important area of concern to the panel was the use of Chinese in courts. Members discussed with the Administration resources available and the various steps taken by the Department of Justice and the Judiciary to facilitate the implementation. The panel was briefed on the setting up of a Committee on Bilingual Legal System to oversee the implementation of the policy of bilingualism in the legal system.

The panel was also briefed on the progress of localization in the Department of Justice. Members noted that with the help of three special localization schemes, the Department had made significant progress with localization in the past nine years.

The panel discussed the consultation paper on Legal Aid Policy Review 1997 with the Administration. The panel also discussed with the Judiciary Administrator and family law practitioners the relocation of the Family Court from the High Court Building to the Wanchai Law Court Building. At the panel's request, the Judiciary Administrator agreed to seek further improvements after the relocation in August 1998.

The panel held a special meeting to discuss the prosecution policy of the Department of Justice in the wake of public concern over the decision of the Secretary for Justice not to prosecute a named co-

conspirator in an ICAC case. Members requested for a full statement to be made on the case after the trial.

Panel on Home Affairs

The panel had discussed with the Administration the various measures adopted to protect the rights of women following the extension of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women to Hong Kong since October 1996. Members also sought and received briefings by the Equal Opportunities Commission on the progress in implementing anti-discrimination laws.

Following up on the motion on youth policy passed by the Provisional Legislative Council on 3 December 1997, the panel invited and received views from youth organizations. Members requested the Administration to revise the Charter for Youth and devise a more concrete youth policy in consultation with youth organizations and interested parties.

Members were concerned about the problems relating to building management and safety. The panel urged the Administration to adopt a proactive approach to assist owners of buildings in solving these problems. On the licensing of guesthouses in private buildings, members suggested that the Administration should further review the Building Management Ordinance to protect the interests of owners and tenants of private buildings.

Regarding the difficulties experienced by maintenance payees in recovering alimony, the panel had requested the Provisional Legislative Council Secretariat to study the effectiveness of overseas intermediary bodies in the collection and enforcement of maintenance payments. The study findings would provide the basis for further discussion by the Legislative Council.

Panel on Transport

The panel closely monitored the implementation of the priority rail projects identified in the 1994 Railway Development Strategy. In examining the recommendations in the engineering feasibility study of the Ma On Shan to Tai Wai rail link and the extension of the present East Rail line from Hung Hom to Tsim Sha Tsui, members studied, in particular, the interface with other rail links in the urban area and the impact on the existing lines. The panel also deliberated on the Administration's proposal to inject an equity of \$29 billion into the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (KCRC) for West Rail Phase I works and examined the proposed financial arrangement and the impact of the West Rail on the fare levels for existing lines.

Following the announcement of non-renewal of the franchise of China Motor Bus Company Limited and invitation of tenders to operate 88 franchised bus routes, the panel urged the Administration to implement measures to ensure a smooth transition and continued provision of satisfactory bus services in the interim. Members also stressed the importance of safeguarding the interest of the redundant staff and urged employment of these staff by the new franchisee. To enhance the safety of bus operation, members suggested that the roster systems of bus companies be reviewed with a view to minimizing stress and fatigue of bus drivers.

On taxi related issues, the panel studied the Transport Advisory Committee's consultation paper on the taxi licensing system. Members considered it important to preserve the livelihood of taxi drivers when assessing the different options proposed in the paper.

The panel also studied ferry services, and urged the Administration to expedite franchise negotiations and finalization of the Pier Development Package with the ferry companies concerned. Members

also considered a comprehensive study on the role of waterborne transport essential in addressing traffic congestion problems.

Noting the pledge in the Chief Executive's Policy Address for the production of 85,000 residential units per year from 1999 onwards, in conjunction with the Panel on Housing, the panel monitored the development of the infrastructure, particularly the transport infrastructure, in facilitating the meeting of the flat production target.

Panel on Housing

The panel examined various new initiatives including the new Home Starter Loan Scheme to provide financial assistance to first-time home buyers, the Tenants Purchase Scheme and its impact on the sale of Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) flats. Taking note of the White Paper on Long Term Housing Strategy, members urged the Administration to consider the actual housing needs in implementing a flexible land disposal programme for the private sector.

Noting the defects in a number of HOS flats, the panel passed a motion urging the Administration to conduct a comprehensive review of the mechanism in monitoring the construction quality and maintenance works of HOS flats and to shoulder the costs of works for rectifying building defects attributed to negligence of contractors. In the wake of the incident of a fallen glass panel in Ping Tin Shopping Centre, members called for close scrutiny of the work supervision system in respect of construction of public rental housing flats to ensure quality compliance with the stipulated standards.

The panel continued to exert pressure on the Administration to implement the provisions of the Housing (Amendment) Ordinance 1997 to enable the review of rent for public rental housing flats to be carried out every three years and to confine the rate of rent increase to not exceeding 10% of the

median rent-to-income ratio. The Administration subsequently agreed to bring these provisions into effect in March 1998. The panel also deliberated on the clearance policy of Temporary Housing Area, development of interim housing, redevelopment of flatted factory estates and issues related to public rental housing flats including installation of air-conditioners, triad infiltration in the decoration of new estates, and rehousing policy .

Panel on Security

While supporting the Administration's decision to abolish the port of first asylum policy for Vietnamese boat people, the panel requested the Administration to step up efforts to deter Vietnamese illegal immigrants from entering the territory and to reach an early agreement with Vietnam for speedy repatriation of Vietnamese illegal immigrants. The Administration was also asked to continue to urge the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to arrange resettlement of the Vietnamese refugees presently stranded in Hong Kong and to settle the outstanding debt.

Given the serious implications of the cases before the Court of Appeal relating to right of abode, the panel urged the Administration to consider contingent measures to ensure speedy and orderly admission of eligible children from the Mainland who had the right of abode in Hong Kong under the Basic Law.

Concern was expressed by the panel about the management of police officers with psychological problems. The Administration had informed members that the adequacy of psychological counselling services provided to police officers in need would be examined in a full review of the management of officers who had encountered psychological problems.

Members noted that following a review, the Administration had confirmed the need to retain the Closed Area as a buffer zone to facilitate effective operations against illegal immigration, smuggling and other cross-boundary crimes. The panel called upon the Administration to re-examine the coverage of the Closed Area with a view to achieving an effective use of land resources.

The panel noted the three-pronged approach adopted to tackle the problem of domestic violence. The Administration was requested to consider ways of shortening the prosecution time taken against the offenders and also strengthen related training to front-line police officers.

A subcommittee was tasked to examine possible ways to resolve the problem of overcrowding in penal institutions. Members urged the Administration to expedite efforts to increase the supply of penal places.

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

The panel received regular briefings on matters relating to the 1998 Legislative Council (LegCo) elections. Members expressed concern about the unsatisfactory voter registration rate and urged the Administration to step up its publicity efforts. The panel also urged the Administration to take into account the findings of past analyses on non-voting behaviour in devising a targeted and effective publicity strategy to promote the LegCo elections. Regarding the guidelines on election-related activities in respect of the 1998 LegCo elections, some members expressed reservations about the decision of the Electoral Affairs Commission not to allow photographs of candidates to be printed on the ballot paper. On the election-related subsidiary legislation, a few members raised strong objection to the proposed election expenses limits, in particular to the increase in the limit for the geographical constituency elections.

The panel was briefed on the Administration's proposal to establish an office in Beijing as a step to further enhance liaison and communication of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) with the Central People's Government and other provincial/municipal authorities. While members supported the proposal in principle, concern was expressed about the need to pitch the post of the Director of the Beijing Office at Director of Bureau (D8) level.

The panel also discussed the provision of assistance to HKSAR residents encountering problems in the Mainland. The panel urged the Administration to publicize the type of assistance, albeit limited, available to HKSAR residents in distress in the Mainland.

Regarding the review on district organizations, i.e. the municipal councils and district boards, as announced in the Chief Executive's Policy Address in October 1997, the panel was briefed by the Administration on the feedback received during the informal consultation and its progress in preparing the public consultation document to be issued in June 1998. The panel made a number of suggestions on the content and presentation of the consultation document.

Panel on Financial Affairs

Following the financial turmoil in Asia, the panel continuously sought updates on the developments in the local and Asian financial markets and urged close monitoring of the banking and financial sectors against excessive exposure and manipulation. Members exchanged views with the Administration and the authorities concerned on the appropriate degree of Government intervention in the money market and the reliance on the interest rate as the weapon to fend off speculation and maintain the stability of the Hong Kong dollar. Noting the speculative elements of derivatives, members called on the Administration to review their operation and convey to the Hang Seng Index Services Limited suggestions of reviewing the constituent stocks of the Hang Seng Index. In view of

the knock-on effect of high interest rates, the panel urged the Administration to take immediate steps to restore public confidence in the economy and alleviate the impact of the economic downturn on the community.

The panel reviewed the existing legislation in regulating subsidiaries of securities companies pursuant to the default of the CA Pacific Group and urged early introduction of legislative amendments to subject broker-related finance companies to appropriate regulation. In examining the problem of fraudulent and deceptive activities in relation to trading on Loco London Gold, the panel noted that the majority victims were job seekers who were lured into investing or deceived into authorizing the company concerned to trade on their behalf. Apart from strengthening public education, members considered it necessary to regulate London gold trading by conferring the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society with such a statutory authority.

Noting the inconvenience caused by frequent shortage of coins to the community, the panel took the issue up with the Hong Kong Monetary Authority and urged improvements to the re-allocation and re-distribution mechanism. In addition to negotiating with the mints on speeding up the minting and delivery of new coins, the Authority undertook to discuss with major relevant parties with a view to working out more equitable arrangements for re-distribution of coins in circulation.

Panel on Education

The panel continued to monitor closely the development of key educational issues. Following the announcement of the approval for 100 schools to use English as the medium of instruction and the appeal by 20 schools against the decision of the Vetting Committee to require them to teach in Chinese, members sought explanation on the vetting criteria and procedures to ensure their

impartiality and transparency. The Administration was urged to take active measures to assure the community of the merits of mother-tongue teaching, and to provide more resources to schools adopting Chinese as the medium of instruction.

On the proposed Native-speaking English Teacher (NET) Scheme which sought to improve the English proficiency of secondary students, members raised questions on the extent of assistance of NETs in developing school-based curriculum and strengthening training on English teaching for local teachers. Members were also concerned about the proposed monthly housing allowance and end-of-contract gratuity for NETs and urged the Administration to align as far as possible the employment terms between local and expatriate teachers. The levels of allowance and gratuity were subsequently adjusted in view of members' concern.

The panel also monitored closely the progress in promoting information technology in education, in particular the formulation of the five-year information technology education strategy, and stressed the need to equip teachers with the necessary training and to provide adequate supporting resources to schools.

Regarding the target of raising the percentage of primary pupils in whole-day schools from 40% to 60% by the 2002 school year, the panel cautioned the Administration against compromising the quality of education in seeking to expedite implementation of whole-day schooling.

The panel also examined the proposed recurrent funding for the 1998-2001 triennium for the eight institutions funded by the University Grants Committee and called for assurances that the quality of tertiary education would not be affected by the 10% reduction in student unit cost.

Panel on Planning, Lands and Works

The panel was consulted on the proposed mandatory Building Safety Inspection Scheme to address the chronic problems of poor maintenance of ageing buildings. Taking into account members' views and after public consultation, the Administration modified the Scheme so that owners of buildings of 30 years or above and assessed to require detailed investigation would be invited to participate voluntarily in the Scheme, and a \$500 million loan was set up for the purpose.

On slope safety, members noted the concentration of the current 5-year Accelerated Landslip Preventive Measures Programme on man-made slopes in the existing Slope Catalogue which was compiled in 1977-78 and urged the Administration to expeditiously update the Catalogue to include all sizeable man-made slopes in the territory and to identify the maintenance responsibility of registered slopes.

Of equal concern to members was the need to control and prevent floods. Given the El Nino effect of weather conditions, members urged the Administration to upgrade or construct where practicable the drainage systems capable of withstanding rainstorms of a return period of 200 years.

To safeguard against recurrence of failure of contractors to complete tunnelling works under the Strategic Sewage Disposal Scheme Stage I, members supported the measures adopted by the Administration in the selection of contractors for the completion contracts and noted some delay in one of the tunnelling works.

In deliberating on the Final Executive Report of the Territorial Development Strategy Review and the progress of the Study on Sustainable Development for the 21st Century, members stressed the need to take account of development trends in South China, especially in the Pearl River Delta, in planning

strategic development beyond 2011 and to develop measurable sustainability indicators appropriate to Hong Kong's situation.

Panel on Trade and Industry

Government support for the development of manufacturing and service industries in Hong Kong was a subject of major concern to the panel. The panel supported the financial proposals put forth by the Administration for implementing various initiatives in this area including the establishment of a Science Park, the setting up of the Credit Guarantee Scheme, and the enhancement of the Applied Research & Development Scheme and the Co-operative Applied Research & Development Scheme.

To increase Hong Kong's competitiveness in the international market, members urged the Administration to make extra effort in supporting the manufacturing industries, in particular, the small and medium enterprises. Members were concerned about the increase in the operating costs of enterprises in complying with the requirements stipulated under various regulations. Apart from examining the Administration's measures to assist various industries, members expressed views on the proposal to admit service industries into the industrial estates.

The subject of protection of intellectual property rights was also high on the agenda of the panel. Members supported the Administration's strategy to combat piracy activities at source and welcomed the introduction of the Prevention of Copyright Piracy Bill in this regard.

In examining the report entitled "Competition Policy for Hong Kong", the panel took note of the Administration's intention of establishing a Competition Policy Advisory Group comprising Government officials to monitor the degree of compliance and the progress of reviews on trade practices in different sectors and to assess the feasibility of new initiatives. Members stressed the

need to appoint non-official members to the Group. Whilst noting the justification for retaining the rice control scheme as rice remained the staple diet of the local population, the panel supported the Administration's proposal to conduct an overall review on the trade to ensure fair competition.

Panel on Economic Services

Following the Government's decision to slaughter all chickens in local farms and all poultry in Government wholesale markets and at all retail outlets to prevent the spread of influenza A H5N1, the panel examined the compensation package and the arrangements to tide operators over. Having considered members' views, the Administration revised the compensation package to provide higher compensation rates and make available low-interest loans to operators to improve hygiene in the facilities.

In the deliberation on the Administration's proposal to expand the Mainland Fisherman Deckhands Scheme to relieve the manpower shortage in the fishing industry, members urged the Administration to carry out a comprehensive review on the manpower requirements of the fishing industry, giving due regard to changes in modes of operation and circumstances surrounding the industry.

The panel sought regular progress reports on the New Airport project. Following the announcement of the deferment of the opening of the New Airport, the panel reviewed with the Administration the cost of the delay to the community. Members considered the issues of safety and efficiency of paramount importance, and urged concurrent commencement of operation of the New Airport with other supporting facilities, including the Airport Railway.

Members debated intensively on the terms and conditions of the Agreement reached between the Government and Hong Kong Telecom International Limited for the company to surrender its licence

with exclusive rights for certain external circuits and telephone services. Whilst reckoning the benefits of liberalization of the external telecommunications market to consumers, members were concerned about the value-for-money aspect of the \$6.7 billion cash compensation to the company, the impact on local exchange line tariffs which were allowed to be raised on 1 January 1999, and fair competition among local telecommunications operators. The panel critically assessed the compensation package and how far the competitiveness of Hong Kong's telecommunications fed into the overall competitiveness of Hong Kong's economy.

Panel on Information Policy

The development of information technology (IT) was a major issue discussed at several meetings and on which views had been received from 22 deputations from the IT industry and educational institutions. Regarding the implementation of the various IT initiatives announced in the Chief Executive's Policy Address, the panel stressed that there should be advance preparation and careful planning. The panel urged the Administration to formulate strategies for IT development and set up a dedicated bureau and a high level steering committee to lead Hong Kong into an information age. Subsequently, the panel was consulted on the establishment of the Information Technology and Broadcasting Bureau for the co-ordination of all IT-related matters including telecommunications and broadcasting.

The panel had requested the Administration to open up the market of telecommunications and also ensure effective and fair competition. The Government subsequently reached an agreement with the Hong Kong Telecommunications Ltd. on the early resolution of its exclusivity of certain external circuits and telephone services on 31 March 1998.

Addressing a concern that press freedom might decline after the transfer of sovereignty, the panel sought assurance from the Secretary for Home Affairs that the Government was committed to maintaining an environment in which a free and active press could operate under the minimum regulation.

Other issues discussed by the panel included the protection of personal data privacy, the implementation of the Code on Access to Information in Government departments, and newspaper reports on triad activities.

Panel on Welfare Services

Members discussed with the Administration the implementation of the recommendations of the Working Group on Care for the Elderly and the study on elderly recipients of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) conducted by the University of Hong Kong. The panel urged the Administration to commence the additional monthly payment for elderly CSSA recipients, announced in the Chief Executive's Policy Address in October 1997, with immediate effect.

The panel was concerned about the supply of subvented residential care places for the elderly. The panel had discussed with the Administration its plans to increase the supply of residential care places and the outcome of two separate reviews : one on community centres and the other one on sites reserved for development of such centres. Members urged the early release of premises and land for development into welfare facilities.

The panel considered that the Administration had failed to address the concerns raised by members and deputations regarding, firstly, the lack of retirement protection for the elderly, housewives and people with a disability under the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme, and secondly, the increasing

financial burden caused to the society by CSSA payments. The panel requested the Administration to further study these issues and explore the various proposals put forward by members and deputations at the meeting.

The panel also noted with concern the shortage of Social Security Assistants at a time when the number of CSSA cases was continuing to increase. Members were worried that easement measures would lead to more abuse of the system and urged the Administration to review the CSSA application and investigation procedures.

Panel on Health Services

The panel met representatives of the Hospital Authority (HA) to express its concern over the series of medical incidents at public hospitals and discuss the remedial measures to be taken. Members urged the HA to do its best to assure quality of care and enhance professional accountability.

Following the outbreak of influenza A H5N1 virus cases, members urged the Administration to set up a special task group to publicize up-to-date information and to educate the public on precautionary measures against infection. Members also expressed their concern over the way in which the chicken slaughtering operation was conducted and requested the Administration to draw up a contingency plan in the event of an epidemic.

The panel also discussed with the Administration the legislative control for pharmaceutical products and radioactive substances. Members urged the Administration to improve co-ordination between the two licensing bodies and also ensure that importers of pharmaceutical products were fully aware of the licensing requirements.

Members expressed their dissatisfaction with the present arrangement under which the Department of Health had to work with the two municipal councils and two other Government departments in order to carry out its responsibility for the prevention and control of infectious diseases. Members considered that there was a need to review such an arrangement with a view to strengthening infectious diseases surveillance work.

The panel also commissioned research projects on Health Care for Elderly People, Long Term Health Care Policy and Health Care Expenditure and Financing in Hong Kong and studied the findings of such researches with the Administration.

Panel on Environmental Affairs

Members exchanged views with the Administration on the management of different types of wastes. Noting the Administration's intention of utilizing the Chemical Waste Treatment Centre at Tsing Yi for treating clinical wastes, members urged the Administration to consult the relevant parties and study the environmental and financial assessments before making a final decision. Given the difficulties in identifying new sites for landfills for disposal of wastes, members agreed that waste-to-energy incineration and waste reduction should be the way forward.

In the light of the interim findings of the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Taxi Trial Scheme, which showed that LPG taxis were technically practicable and commercially viable, members urged the Administration to formulate plans to introduce LPG taxis on a large scale and consider extending the use of LPG to other types of vehicles.

Noting a projected substantial operating deficit of the Sewage Services Trading Fund, members supported winding up the Fund but stressed the need to critically review the experience. The panel

urged the Administration to expedite Phase I of the Environmental Impact Assessment Study for Stage II of the Strategic Sewage Disposal Scheme and to consult members on its outcome.

In the wake of the spate of sewage leaks which resulted in the temporary closure of some beaches, the panel deliberated with the Administration on the effectiveness of the emergency response plan and urged further improvement in communication among Government departments.

Given that pollution was no respecter of administrative boundaries, the panel called for strengthened co-operation with the Mainland authorities in addressing environmental issues of mutual concerns and enhanced transparency of the Hong Kong-Guangdong Environmental Protection Liaison Group.

CHAPTER 4 REDRESS SYSTEM

The Council operates a redress system under which the public can make representations on or seek solutions to problems arising from Government policies, decisions and procedures. Under the system, Members provide assistance, where justified, to members of the public who are aggrieved by Government actions or policies. They also deal with public representations on Government policies and legislation as well as other matters of public concern.

In groups of six, Members take turns to be on duty each week to oversee the system and to receive petitions as well as representations made by deputations. In addition, they take turns to be on "ward duty" during their duty week to meet individual complainants and to give guidance to staff in processing cases. Staff of the Secretariat provide full-time support service to Members in the operation of the system.

With the establishment of more grievance redress channels, the redress system maintains its primary target towards representations that raise wide policy issues and matters of public concern, while the ambit of service to the public remains unchanged.

During the term of Council, 961 new cases were received. Of these new cases, 163 were group representations and 798 cases were brought up by individual members of the public. Out of the 996 cases completed within the period, Members directly handled 271 cases which constituted 27.2% of the caseload. The remaining 725 cases were handled by Secretariat staff on behalf of Members. In view of the increased complexity of the cases and the increasing awareness of public rights, the qualitative demand on the services grew considerably. In order to resolve some cases expeditiously,

Members held 28 case conferences with representatives of the Administration. In addition to cases, over 1793 telephone enquiries were handled during the period.

Appendix 5 illustrates the nature and outcome of the cases completed. **Appendix 6** is a breakdown of these cases by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and non-Government organizations.

ANALYSIS OF SIGNIFICANT CASES DEALT WITH

Some of the more common and significant cases dealt with under the redress system are as follows :

Housing Cases

Housing attracted the highest number of cases, totalling 161. More than half of the complaints lodged by individual complainants were about estate management. Other more common complaints were about public rental housing (PRH) applications. The rest of the complaints were about applications for transfer, addition of family members to tenancy, over-crowding relief and split of tenancy, termination of tenancy, sale and purchase of Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) flats, squatter control etc.

The 20 group representations in this category were about redevelopment of old PRH estates, clearance of temporary housing areas, rent policy and redevelopment arrangements for Housing Authority flatted factory estates, regulations on installation of air-conditioners in PRH flats and the Approved Decoration Contractors System for PRH and HOS flats etc. Representations were received from owners of HOS flats on the poor construction quality and maintenance works of these flats. The significant cases included the site settlement problem at On Ning Garden, miscalculation in saleable

areas at Verbena Heights and flooding/landslip at Mei Chung Court. In some of these cases, site visits were conducted by Members followed by case conferences with Government officials at the site. Some issues were resolved while those requiring a change in policy or in law were referred to the Panel on Housing for further deliberation.

Immigration Cases

Immigration cases, totalling 108, were the second largest category of cases handled during the period. Requests for assistance and enquiries on the acquisition of the right of abode in Hong Kong in relation to Article 24 of the Basic Law, which provides for the definition of permanent residents of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, constituted over 58% of the immigration cases processed. A considerable number of complainants of these cases, who had been granted leave for judicial review regarding their claim for right of abode, also solicited assistance to reduce their frequency of reporting to the Immigration Department and to take up study courses during their temporary stay in Hong Kong. With Members' support, many cases were sympathetically considered by the Government.

Other immigration cases encompassed requests for family members' permanent stay or extension of stay in Hong Kong for the purpose of family reunion or on other compassionate grounds. Enquiries and requests for assistance were also received from members of the public regarding the issue of identity cards and applications for HKSAR or British National (Overseas) passports.

Social Welfare Cases

Social welfare cases, totalling 57, were the third largest category of cases handled during the period. The majority of these were individual cases mainly relating to applications for social security. They included enquiries on the eligibility for assistance under the Comprehensive Social Security

Assistance (CSSA) Scheme and Social Security Allowance (SSA) Scheme, the progress of applications for these Schemes, requests for cancellation of the absence restriction under the SSA Scheme and delay in payment of the CSSA.

Other cases related to enquiries on the progress of applications for compassionate rehousing in PRH estates, complaints/views on residential care homes for the elderly, requests for more assistance to street sleepers, and requests for assistance in private housing arrangements etc.

Police Cases

The Hong Kong Police Force attracted the fourth highest number of cases, totalling 56. The most common topics of the complaints related to complaints against police officers for impolite manner, unfair treatment and improper action.

Nearly 20% of these cases were complaints about the arrangements for the issue of Closed Area Permits (CAP) lodged by a group of Sha Tau Kok and Ta Kwu Ling residents. They petitioned Members about the alleged change in policy on the issue of CAP, as well as the inconsistency and disparity in treatment by different police officers on their applications for CAP. A case conference was held with the Government at which it undertook to revise the CAP system with a view to increasing transparency and providing a review mechanism for rejected cases. The issue was taken further by the Panel on Security in conjunction with the proposal to review the general policy on closed areas.

Transport Cases

The most common topics of the 48 cases in this category concerned road safety, and bus and ferry services.

Motorists complained about the inconvenience caused by the two incompatible automatic toll collection systems, namely the Autopass System and Electronic Toll System, adopted by different tunnels and toll roads. Moreover, they had to pay deposits for both systems. The Government subsequently proposed to set up a new joint venture company which would merge the two systems into a single clearing house.

Shortage of coins in the period had also caused much grievance, especially among bus passengers who were not given change for their bus fares. They strongly urged that the use of common stored value tickets be extended to all bus services. The Government requested the public transport operators to speed up the installation of the Octopus system in all franchised buses.

Other Significant Cases

Subsequent to the announcement of the legislative proposal to increase revenue relating to dutiable commodities in the 1998-99 Budget, representatives from the taxi, minibus and lorry trades petitioned Members to raise objection to the proposed six percent increase in duties on fuel, in particular that of light diesel oil. Members were sympathetic to their plight. Their petition was referred to the bills committee on the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 1998 for consideration. After deliberation, the bills committee unanimously agreed to freeze, inter alia, the proposed increase in duties on fuel. The Bill was passed with this and other amendments.

In the wake of the influenza A H5N1 infection in both chickens and human beings, the Government ordered the slaughter of some 1.5 million birds in local farms, Government wholesale poultry markets and retail outlets. Poultry farmers, wholesalers, retailers and transport operators affected by the operation were dissatisfied with the initial compensation package proposed by the Government. Members were sympathetic to their petition. The policy aspects of the issue was further examined by

the Panel on Economic Services. Consequently the Finance Committee approved an enhanced compensation/financial assistance package to the affected operators.

The influenza A H5N1 virus incident had allegedly also cast undesirable impact on the quail trade. Numerous quail farmers petitioned Members for compensation and financial assistance from the Government. Following a case conference with the Government, the case was satisfactorily resolved with appropriate financial assistance in the form of loans to the quail farmers.

Representations were received from the Hong Kong Private Nursing Home Owners Association and Owners' Corporations of private buildings regarding the issue of licences for residential care homes for the elderly and guesthouses in private buildings respectively. The former petitioned that they faced difficulties in operating these homes in either commercial or residential premises. They requested the Government to specify the nature of these homes, viz commercial or residential, so that they could avoid possible legal action by owners of the buildings. They also requested the Government to specify certain parts of buildings for use of these homes in future land grants. The Owners' Corporation objected most strongly to the operation of guesthouses in residential buildings. They requested the Government to review the procedures thereby specifying compliance with the Deed of Mutual Covenant of the building concerned a pre-requisite for the issue of guesthouse licences. Members supported their petitions.

Several petitions were received against the Land Development Corporation (LDC). Owners/residents of the Tsuen Wan "Seven Streets" and Kennedy Town "Five Streets" were dissatisfied with the compensation and rehousing arrangements proposed by LDC in connection with the redevelopment of their areas. Owners/residents of the Hanoi Road redevelopment project complained about LDC's delay in offering the compensation and rehousing package and the lack of transparency in its work. The representations were referred to the Government and the matter was

also discussed at the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works. With regard to the redevelopment project in Tsuen Wan and Kennedy Town, LDC subsequently announced a more favourable Home Purchase Allowance for tenanted area of resumed properties and improved the assessment basis for the allowance to enable owners to purchase a one- to 5-year old instead of a 10-year old replacement flat. Individual owners who disagreed with LDC's valuations were advised to appeal to the Lands Tribunal. With regard to the Hanoi Road project, LDC made the offer and held a briefing with the owners/residents.

The Joint Committee of Hong Kong Fishermen's Organizations, Coalition of Hong Kong Fishing Industry and Hong Kong Fishing Vessel Owners Association petitioned on the Mainland Fishermen Deckhands Scheme introduced in 1995 to allow a maximum of 3500 mainland fishermen deckhands employed on distant water fishing fleet to enter Hong Kong to assist fishermen to land catches in Hong Kong. The deputations complained about the insufficient quota of 3500. They also complained that the scheme applied only to vessels of not less than 25 metres in length and with an engine power of not less than 400 horsepower. The Government subsequently agreed to increase the quota of the scheme to 5500 and relax the application of the scheme to vessels of not less than 20 metres in length or with an engine power of not less than 200 horsepower.

Representatives of the Parents' Association of Pre-School Handicapped Children enlisted Members' assistance for the early reprovisioning of Buddhist Po Kwong School at Fanling and Hong Chi Morninghope School at Tuen Mun in view of the poor conditions and sub-standard facilities of the existing premises. Reprovisioning of these schools would also provide additional places for mentally handicapped children in North District. Following a visit to the schools, Members held a case conference with Government officials. The reprovisioning for Buddhist Po Kwong School would be advanced by one year while advancement of the project for the other school was being examined.

Pending the reprovisioning, the Government undertook to take necessary measures to improve the existing environment and facilities of the schools.

CHAPTER 5 **LIAISON**

LIAISON WITH SHENZHEN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Before the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, the Provisional Legislative Council conducted its business in Shenzhen. From February to June 1997, the Council was serviced by a 20-member Secretariat which also operated in Shenzhen. All open meetings of the Council and its committees were held at Huaxia Arts Centre where a temporary office was fitted out to provide support to the business of the Council.

In making logistical arrangements for meetings, the Secretariat was given much support from various departments of the Shenzhen Municipal Government in aspects such as local transportation and immigration clearance. The Huaxia Art Centre also rendered assistance in setting up the facilities for open meetings and providing guarding service. Through the help of the Shenzhen Television Station, live broadcast of the proceedings of Council meetings was made available to the members of the public in Hong Kong.

OVERSEAS VISITS BY MEMBERS

From 12 to 15 February 1998, a nine-member delegation of the Provisional Legislative Council visited Singapore at the invitation of the Singapore Parliament's Hong Kong-Singapore Parliamentary Friendship Group. During the four-day visit, the delegation held meetings with Singaporean parliamentarians, ministers, officials of various ministries and Government-funded agencies, and community leaders. The delegation received briefings on a variety of subjects, and discussed with their hosts issues of common interest.

LUNCH WITH CONSULS GENERAL

To enhance closer contacts between Members and the diplomatic community in Hong Kong, regular lunches were organized to provide opportunities for Members to make acquaintance and to exchange views with consular officials on the work of the Council as well as matters of mutual concern. During the year under review, eight such lunches were held, which were attended by a total of 47 consular officials.

CONTACT WITH PROVISIONAL MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND PROVISIONAL DISTRICT BOARDS

During the term of the Provisional Legislative Council, Members of the Council held on a roster basis a round of meetings with members of each of the 18 provisional district boards to exchange views on matters of mutual concern. These meetings were followed by a luncheon attended by the President and other interested Members. Issues on matters of policy raised at the meetings were referred to the relevant panels for more in-depth study, while individual cases were taken up by the Complaints Division for follow-up with the Administration.

VISITORS

Between July 1997 and June 1998, Members held a total of 69 meetings with visitors from outside Hong Kong and took the opportunity to brief them on the latest developments in Hong Kong. Among

the visitors were members of other legislatures, political and business leaders, Government officials and prominent persons from various territories. A list of the visitors received during the session is in **Appendix 7.**

THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

The Provisional Legislative Council Commission was a statutory body established under The Legislative Council Commission Ordinance (Cap 443) to direct the operation of a secretariat to service the Provisional Legislative Council. Chaired by the President of the Council and comprising 12 other Members, the Commission exercised managerial and financial autonomy in providing administrative support and facilities to the Council. There were three committees under the Commission to carry out certain delegated functions. Membership of the Commission and its committees, and their terms of reference are set out in **Appendix 8**.

Prior to the establishment of The Provisional Legislative Council Commission on 1 July 1997, the supervision of the Secretariat to provide service to the Council in Shenzhen was undertaken by the Working Group on Administrative Matters composed of 12 members. The Working Group was dissolved on 1 July 1997 and its members continued to serve as members of The Provisional Legislative Council Commission.

THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

Headed by the Secretary General, the Provisional Legislative Council Secretariat comprised nine divisions. Staff of the Secretariat were directly appointed by the Commission. As at 30 June 1998, there were 308 staff in the Secretariat. The organization chart is shown in **Appendix 9**.

Council Business Divisions

Servicing of Council and committee meetings was undertaken separately by three divisions: Council Business Divisions 1, 2 and 3. Their respective responsibilities are described below :

Division 1

The division provided secretariat and support services to the Finance Committee and its two subcommittees, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, as well as nine panels and any bills committees/subcommittees on bills or other Council business relating to the same policy areas. The division was also responsible for co-ordination work in respect of panels and Members' regular meetings with provisional district boards.

Division 2

The division serviced the House Committee, and nine panels and any bills committees/subcommittees on bills or other Council business relating to the same policy areas. The division also co-ordinated the scrutiny of bills and subsidiary legislation introduced into the Council.

Division 3

The division serviced the regular meetings of the Council as well as the Public Accounts Committee and the Committee on Members' Interests. In addition, it assisted Members in receiving overseas visitors and serviced parliamentary liaison activities.

Legal Service Division

Headed by the Legal Adviser, the division prepared legal reports on bills and subsidiary legislation, and advised committees of the Council on legal matters relating to proceedings of committees. The

Legal Adviser was also the Counsel to the Provisional Legislative Council, advising the President and the Clerk to the Provisional Legislative Council on legal matters in respect of Council proceedings.

Research and Library Services Division

The division provided a research service to the Council and its committees. It also managed the Council library which was open to Members and staff of the Secretariat. Members of the public were allowed access to records of open meetings of the Council and its committees and related papers.

Complaints Division

The division assisted Members in handling complaints and representations from members of the public. It serviced Members' meetings with complainants and case conferences with Government officials.

Public Information Division

The division was responsible for the development and implementation of a public information and education programme on the Council.

Translation and Interpretation Division

The division was responsible for the production of the Hong Kong Hansard - Official Record of Proceedings of the meetings of the Provisional Legislative Council. It also provided translation service in respect of questions, motions, papers, minutes and other Council and committee papers.

Administration Division

The division provided secretariat service to The Provisional Legislative Council Commission and internal administrative support to other divisions of the Secretariat. It also administered Members' remuneration and allowances.

Appendix 1

MEMBERS' BIOGRAPHIES

FAN HSU Lai-tai, Rita, JP

President of the Provisional
Legislative Council

Date of Birth : 20 September 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications

1970-73 University of Hong Kong
Master of Social Science (in Psychology)

1969-71 University of Hong Kong
Certificate in Personnel Management

1964-67 University of Hong Kong
Bachelor of Science
(in Chemistry & Physics)

1952-64 St. Stephen's Girls' College

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of
the People's Republic of China

Vice Chairman of the Board of Convenors of the Association for Celebration of
Reunification of Hong Kong with China

Chairman of the Board of Trustee of the Association for Celebration of
Reunification of Hong Kong with China Charitable Trust Fund

Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association for
Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China

Honorary Adviser of the Hong Kong Federation of Women

Honorary Adviser of the Pok Oi Hospital

Adviser of the 11th Rehabilitation International Asia & the Pacific

Regional Conference Cum Campaign 1998 for the Asian and Pacific Decade of
Disabled Persons

Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong
Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Convenor of the Celebration Activities Subcommittee of the Preparatory
Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region(1995-97)

Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)

Convenor of the Social & Security Subgroup of the Preliminary
Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)

Member of the Executive Council (1989-92)

Member of the Legislative Council (1983-92)

Chairman of the Education Commission (1990-92)

Chairman of the Board of Education (1986-89)

Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Women (1993-96)
Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Family Planning Association (1995-97)

LEONG Che-hung, JP

President's Deputy
Date of Birth : 23 April 1939
Education and Professional Qualifications
M.B.B.S. (Hong Kong)
F.R.C.S. (England)
F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh)
F.R.A.C.S.
F.A.C.S.
F.H.K.A.M. (Surgery)

Occupation

Medical Doctor

Public Service

Chairman, House Committee, Provisional Legislative Council
Deputy Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Legislative Council (Functional Constituency - Medical)(1988-97)
Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member, Hospital Authority
Vice-President (General Affairs),
 Hong Kong Academy of Medicine
Chairman (Hong Kong), Mainland-Hong Kong Committee on AIDS
Chairman, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation
Chairman, Tuen Mun Hospital Governing Committee
Vice-President, Independent Police Complaints Council
Member, Advisory Council on the Environment
Member, Preparatory Committee on Chinese Medicine
Member, Provisional Council on Reproductive Technology
Chairman, Hong Kong Kidney Foundation
Chairman, Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care
Council Member, Family Planning Association of Hong Kong
Member, Executive Committee, Hong Kong Anti-Cancer Society

WONG Siu-ye

Date of Birth : 4 July 1953
Education and Professional Qualifications
Post-secondary

Occupation

Merchant

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong
Special Administrative Region
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Kowloon City Provisional District Board Member
Honorary Chairman, Kowloon City District Resident Association
Chairman of Homantin Residents Association
Adviser, The Federation of Hong Kong, Kowloon & New Territories
Public Housing Estates Resident and Shopowner Organisations
Urban Councillor (1991-94)

TIEN Pei-chun, James, JP

Date of Birth : 8 January 1947
Education and Professional Qualifications
San Jose State University graduate 1970 (M. Sc. in Chemical Engineering)
University of Illinois graduate 1968 (B. Sc. in Chemical Engineering)
Diocesan Boys' School graduate 1964

Occupation

Chairman, Manhattan Holdings Limited
Chairman, Manhattan Garments (Int'l) Ltd

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member, Securities & Futures Appeals Panel
Chairman, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
Chairman, Yan Chai Hospital Advisory Board
Council Member, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
Court Member, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Council Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council
Council Member, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (up to 25 November 1997)
Member, Advisory Committee on Venture Board, The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

CHU Yu-lin, David

Date of Birth : 5 March 1944
Education and Professional Qualifications
Electrical Engineering Degree - Northeastern University, USA
Management Degree - Northeastern University, USA
M.B.A. Degree - Harvard University, USA

Occupation

Managing Director of Wah Tak Fung Holdings Limited

Public Service

Executive Committee Member of Helping Hand (12/97 - present)
Member of the Election Council for the Hong Kong Deputy to the

Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (11/97)
 Honorary President of the Junior Police Officers' Association of the
 Hong Kong Police Force (1/97 - present)
 Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
 Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
 Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
 Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)
 Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
 Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1992-97)
 Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport
 and Related Projects (1991 - present)
 Member of the Hong Kong War Memorial Pensions Appeal Board (1991 - present)
 Member of the Action Committee Against Narcotics(1990-92)
 Representative of Advisory Council on AIDS (3/90 - 2/92)
 Lecturer of MED Programme, Chinese University of Hong Kong (1985-89)
 Lecturer of Management Programme, Jiao Tong University, Shanghai (1985-89)
 Member of the Special Committee on Noise, Environmental
 Protection Advisory Committee (7/83 - 6/84)
 Member of the Hong Kong Pistol Shooting Team (1983-85)
 Hong Kong Auxiliary Police Officer (1982-85)
 The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS):
 - Trustee of the HKCSS Trust Fund (1990 - present)
 - Member of the Executive Committee (1992-93)
 - Chairman of the Committee on Hong Kong - Mainland China Exchange
 in Social Welfare (1991-95)
 - Chairman of the Management Committee (1989-92)
 - Chairman of the Executive Committee (1989-92)
 - Chairman of the Finance Sub-Committee (1/89 - 10/89)
 - Honorary Treasurer (1988-89)
 Christian Family Service Centre:
 - Convenor of the Fund Raising Sub-Committee (1989 - present)
 - Member of the Board of Directors (1987 - present)
 - Member of the Finance & Personnel Sub-Committee (1987-88)
 Community Chest of Hong Kong:
 - Vice Patron (1992/93 - present)
 - Former Director Committee Member (1992/93 - present)
 - Corporate Contribution Programme Organizing Committee Member (1992/93 - present)
 - Board Member (1981-87, 1990-92)
 - Admissions, Budgets & Allocations Committee Member (1984 -87, 1990-92)
 - Fourth Vice President (1989-90)
 - Admissions, Budgets & Allocations Committee Chairman (1989-90)
 - Executive Committee Member (1989-90)
 - Admissions, Budgets & Allocations Committee Deputy Chairman
 (1987/88 - 1988/89)
 - Campaign Committee Member (1984-86)

HO Sai-chu, JP

Date of Birth : 6 June 1937

Education and Professional Qualifications

Graduate of the Wah Yan College, Hong Kong

Graduate of the Hong Kong Technical College

(now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University)

Occupation

Director and General Manager of the Fook Lee Group of Companies

Public Service

Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference

Treasurer and Former Vice President, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce

Board Member, Airport Authority

Member, Labour Advisory Board

Member, Employees Retraining Board

Member, Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund Board

Permanent Supervisor, Hong Kong Construction Association

Director, Confucian Ho Kwok Pui Chun College

Director, Wanchai Kai-Fong Welfare Association School

Director, Ho Yiu Kwong Charity Foundation Limited

Chairman, Guangzhou Friendship Liaison Association

Member of the Legislative Council (1985-91)

Member, The Mass Transit Railway Corporation (1989-95)

Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Council (1988-91)

Member, Education Commission (1989-91)

Member, Transport Advisory Committee (1989-95)

Member, Trade Advisory Board (1985-91)

HO Sing-tin, Edward, JP

Date of Birth : 2 December 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications

Bachelor of Architecture, University of Hong Kong

Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Architects

Associate, Royal Institute of British Architects

Registered Architect, Hong Kong Authorized Person, List 1

Registered Architect, Architects Registration Council of the UK

Registered Architect, National Council of Architectural Registration Boards of the USA

Registered Architect, State of California

Registered Architect, State of Texas

Registered Architect, Board of Architects of Singapore

Registered Interior Designer, State of Texas

Honorary Member, Hong Kong Institute of Planners

Honorary Member, Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects

Honorary Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Housing

Member, Institute of Directors

Advisory Professor, Shanghai Tongji University

Advisory Professor, Hunan Yueyang University

Occupation

Managing Director, Wong Tung & Partners Limited

Partner, Wong Tung & Partners

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Planning, Lands & Work, Provisional Legislative Council

Chairman, Council of the Lord Wilson Heritage Trust

Member, Board of Trustees of the Lord Wilson Heritage Trust

Member, Port Development Board

Chairman, Board of the Hong Kong Industrial Estates Corporation

Member, Board of the Mass Transit Railway Corporation

Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Society for Child Health and Development

Chairman, Business and Professionals Federation of Hong Kong

Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Member of the Legislative Council (1987-97)

Chairman, Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council (1995-97)

Member, Central Committee of the Liberal Party

HO Chung-tai, Raymond, JP

Date of Birth : 23 March 1939

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.Sc. (Eng.), Hong Kong University

D.A.S.E., University of Manchester, UK

Ph.D., City University of London, UK

Occupation

Engineer

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council

Ex-officio Member, Election Committee for the First Legislative Council of the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Member, Election Council for the Hong Kong Deputies to the

Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Justice of the Peace

Chairman, Association of Engineers in Society

Advisory Professor, Shanghai Tongji University

Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects

Deputy Chairman, Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Plant Safety Consultative Committee

President, Hong Kong Institute of Engineers (1987-88)

Member, Basic Law Consultative Committee (1986-90)

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-97)
Council Chairman, City University of Hong Kong/City Polytechnic of
Hong Kong (1992-94)
Chairman, Transport Advisory Committee (1995-97)
Chairman, Hong Kong Technology Committee (1992-94)
Member, Industry and Technology Committee (1992-94)
Chairman, Executive Committee of the Hong Kong Council for
Academic Accreditation (1990-91)
Member, Occupational Safety & Health Council (1988-95)
Member, Construction Industry Training Authority (1981-93)

NG Leung-sing

Date of Birth : 11 July 1949
Education and Professional Qualifications
Heung To Middle School
Diploma, University of East Asia, Macau

Occupation

Executive Director of the China & South Sea Bank Limited
General Manager of the China & South Sea Bank Limited Hong Kong Branch

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Establishment Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council
Chinese Representative of the Sino-British Land Commission (1988-97)
Trustee of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government Land Fund (1988-97)
Member of the Hong Kong Housing Authority
Member of the Corporate & Employee Contribution Programme Organizing Committee
of the Hong Kong Community Chest
Director of Bank of China Group Charitable Foundation Limited

NG Ching-fai

Date of Birth : 20 November 1939
Education and Professional Qualifications
B.E. (Chemical), University of Melbourne, Australia
M.Sc. (Chemistry), University of Melbourne, Australia
Ph.D. (Chemistry), University of British Columbia, Canada

Occupation

Dean of Science and Chair Professor in Chemistry, Hong Kong Baptist University

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Education, Provisional Legislative Council
Member, Research Grants Council, University Grants Committee (UGC)
Member, Panel on Physical Science and Engineering, Research Grants Council, UGC (1991)
Chairman, Physical Science Panel, The First Research Assessment
Exercise, Research Grants Council, UGC (1994)

Co-Convenor, Physical Science Panel, The Second Research
Assessment Exercise, Research Grants Council, UGC (1996)
Member, Committee on Technical Education, Vocational Training Council
Member, Advisory Committee, Hong Kong Institute of Biotechnology
Member, Court and Council, Hong Kong Baptist University

LI Ka-cheung, Eric, JP

Date of Birth : 23 May 1953
Education and Professional Qualifications
St. Paul's Co-educational College
Warwick School, U.K.
B.A. (Econ.) Hons, University of Manchester, U.K.
Fellow, Hong Kong Society of Accountants
Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
Fellow, Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators
Certified Public Accountant
Honorary Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Housing

Occupation

Senior Partner, Li, Tang, Chen & Co. Certified Public Accountants

Public Service

Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Provisional Legislative Council
Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Deputy Chairman, Panel on Financial Affairs, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Preparatory Committee
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Chairman, Commission on Youth
Chairperson, Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Vice-Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council
Member, Deposit-taking Companies Advisory Committee
Member, Inland Revenue Department User's Committee
Council Member, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Non-Employer Trustee, Chinese University of Hong Kong Staff
Superannuation Scheme (1983)(1985)
Non-Employer Trustee, Chinese University of Hong Kong Terms of
Service "C" Staff Terminal Gratuity Scheme
President, Hong Kong PHAB Association
Honorary President, Hong Kong Kindergarten Association
President, Hong Kong Sports Association for the Mentally Handicapped
President, Eastern District Junior Police Call Activities Committee
Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation
Promoter & Director, Gifted Education Foundation Limited
Hong Kong Director, International Bureau for Children's Rights
Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Association
Executive Committee Member, Business and Professional Federation of Hong Kong
Honorary Auditor, Hong Kong Medical Association
Honorary Auditor, Hong Kong Dental Association

Honorary Auditor, Hong Kong Sino-British Fellowship Trust Scholars' Association
Honorary Auditor, Hong Kong Special Schools Council
Member, Television Broadcasts Limited - Children Programming Consultative Committee
Chairman, Hong Kong Chinese University - Advisory Board on Accounting Studies
Chairman, Hong Kong Polytechnic University - Steering Committee
for Area of Excellence in Accountancy

LI Kwok-po, David, JP

Date of Birth : 13 March 1939

Education and Professional Qualifications

M.A. (Economics and Law), University of Cambridge

Fellow, Chartered Institute of Bankers

Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Fellow, British Computer Society

Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, England

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Law, University of Cambridge

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, University of Warwick

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, University of Hong Kong

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, Lingnan College

Occupation

Banker (Chairman and Chief Executive, The Bank of East Asia Limited)

Public Service

Chairman, The Chinese Banks' Association, Limited

Member, Hong Kong Association of Banks Committee

Member, Consultative Council, Hong Kong Association of Banks

Member, Banking Advisory Committee

Member, Exchange Fund Advisory Committee

Member, Land Fund Advisory Committee

Vice Chairman, One Country Two Systems Economic Research Institute

Chairman, Executive Committee and Council, Hong Kong Management Association

Chairman, Executive Committee and Honorary Treasurer,

Finance Council of the Friends of Cambridge University in Hong Kong

Chairman, Executive Committee of St. James' Settlement

Life Patron, The Hong Kong Ballet

Governor, Asian Institute of Management

Treasurer and Vice-Chairman, Council of University of Hong Kong

Member, Court of University of Hong Kong

Honorary Treasurer, University of Hong Kong

Chairman, Finance Committee, University of Hong Kong

Chairman, Universities Joint Committee on Salaries, University of Hong Kong

Member, Honorary Degree Committee, University of Hong Kong

Member, Hong Kong Red Cross Advisory Council

Member, Pacific Rim Bankers Program Advisory Board

Trustee, University Graduates Association Scholarship Fund

Vice Patron, Community Chest of Hong Kong

Founder Member, Friends of The Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race

Member, The Asia Society International Council
 Member, A Commission on a New Asia
 Trustee, Board of Trustees, American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird)
 Trustee, The Cambridge Foundation
 Member, Council of Governors, Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care
 Honorary Patron, Sincere Charitable Foundation
 Non-official Justice of the Peace
 Patron, Festival Fringe
 Honorary Member, The Hong Kong Aviation Club
 Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Arts Festival Society Limited
 Honorary Patron, Mandarin Golf & Country Club
 Member, American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong
 Chairman, East Asian History of Science Foundation
 Honorary Adviser, Overseas Graduates Association
 Special Adviser, Shimizu Corporation
 Member, The Avon International Advisory Council
 Member, SEI Center for Advanced Studies in Management Board,
 The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
 Member, Daimler Benz International Advisory Board
 Member, Gulfstream South East Asia Advisory Board
 Member, Advisory Committee of ING Beijing Investment Company Limited
 Fellow, McKinsey Global Institute
 Member, Powergen (International) Advisory Board
 Member, The Asia Society Hong Kong Centre Advisory Committee
 Member, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
 International Capital Markets Advisory Committee
 Member, IBM Asia/Pacific Group Advisory Board
 Member, IBM Greater China Advisory Board
 Member, Jardine Fleming Asian Property Company Advisory Council
 Member, Rolls-Royce South East Asia Advisory Board
 Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1992-97)
 Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
 Vice-Chairman, Basic Law Drafting Committee (1985-90)
 Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
 Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)
 Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1982-85)
 Member of the Legislative Council (Functional Constituency - Finance) (1985-97)
 Chairman, Banking Training Board of the Vocational Training Council (1985-93)
 Member, Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation Managing Board (1982-91)
 Chairman, Hong Kong Festival Fringe (1982-86)
 Chairman, Appointments Board of Chinese University of Hong Kong (1986-87)
 Honorary Adviser, Japan Airlines Hong Kong Office (1991-92)
 Governor, The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong (1990 -91)
 Member, Institutes of Biotechnology at The Chinese University of Hong Kong and
 The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Board of Overseers)
 (1989-95)
 The Community Chest of Hong Kong:
 - Member, Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee (1977-79)

- Deputy Chairman, Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee (1979-81)
 - Fourth Vice President and Chairman of the Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee, and Executive Committee Member (1981-83)
 - First Vice President and Chairman of the Executive Committee (1983-85)
 - Board Member (1981-87)
- The Hong Kong Ballet:
- Chairman, Board of Governors (1987-92)
 - Vice Patron (1992-96)
- Chairman, Advisory Committee on Graduate Employment of Hong Kong Polytechnic (1983-85)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Polytechnic Advisory Committee on Business and Management Studies (1989-93)
- Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-97)
- Convenor, Investment Committee of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government Land Fund Trust (1986-97)
- Member, Bank Austria International Advisory Board (1992-98)
- Member, Bank of Montreal International Advisory Council (1992-98)
- Member, Caterpillar Asia/Pacific Advisory Council

LEE Kai-ming

Date of Birth : 11 October 1937

Education and Professional Qualifications

Secondary Level

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Provisional Legislative Council
- Chairman of the Federation of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Unions (1995-99)
- Secretary General of the Federation of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Unions (1984-95)
- Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
- Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
- Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996 - present)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-97)
- Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Council (1995-98)
- Member of the Mandatory Provident Fund Advisory Board (1996 - present)
- Obscene Articles Tribunal Adjudicator (1987-99)
- Vice Chairman of the Basic Law Advisory Committee of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1985-90)

LEE Peng-fei, Allen, JP

Date of Birth : 24 April 1940

Education and Professional Qualifications
B.S. (Engineering Mathematics), University of Michigan

Occupation

Chairman, Jada Electronics Limited

Public Service

Founding Member, Court of Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Advisory Board Member, Hong Kong Red Cross
Member, Hong Kong/Japan Economic Co-operation Committee
Executive Member, Pacific Basin Economic Council
Chairman, Liberal Party
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of
the People's Republic of China

TU, Elsie, GBM

Date of Birth : 2 June 1913
Education and Professional Qualifications
B.A., Durham University, U.K.
Teaching Diploma, Durham University
Honorary Dr., Soc. Sci., University of Hong Kong
Honorary Dr., Laws, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Honorary Dr., Soc. Sci., Open Learning Institute
Honorary Dr., Civil Law, University of Durham
Honorary Dr., Civil Law, University of Newcastle-on-Tyne

Occupation

Supervisor, Mu Kuang English School

Public Service

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member, Legal Aid Services Council
Adviser, International Women's Forum (Hong Kong)
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-97)
Kwun Tong District Board Member (1981-89)
Member of the Urban Council (1963-95)
Member of the Legislative Council (1988-95)
Member of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (1973-85)
Member of the Transport Advisory Committee (1965-82)
Member of the Basic Law Consultative Committee (1985-90)

CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, Selina, JP

Date of Birth : 25 January 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications

St. Paul's Co-Educational College, Primary & Secondary University of Hong Kong, BA
in English

Rose Bruford College of Speech & Drama (UK) Post Graduation Diploma

A.D.B., L.R.A.M. in Drama (Teacher & Performer)

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Provisional Legislative Council

Chairman, Panel on Security, Provisional Legislative Council

Honorary Adviser, Against Child Abuse (since 1981)

Member, Hong Kong Housing Society

Honorary Adviser, Retail Management Association

Honorary Adviser, Association of Retailers & Tourism Services Limited

Member, Small and Medium Enterprises Committee (since 1996)

Director, Hong Kong Intellectual Property Society (since 1996)

Member of the Legislative Council (1981-97)

Member, Executive Council (1991-92)

President, Zonta Club of Hong Kong (1976-77)

Member, Fight Crime Committee (1976-81)

Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1980-84)

Executive Member, Hong Kong Housing Society (1981-84)

Member, Council for the Performing Arts (1982-86)

Member, Council of the Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts (1984-88)

Council Member, Family Planning Association of Hong Kong (1984-85)

Chairman, Consumer Council (1984-88)

Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1986-88)

Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption, Independent Commission Against Corruption
(1986-88)

Member, Education Commission (1990-92)

LAM PEI, Peggy, JP

Date of Birth : 2 May 1928

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.A., University of Shanghai, China

Certificate of Family Planning of University of Chicago, U.S.A.

Certificate of Public Health Administration of University of Michigan, U.S.A.

Fellow, Family Planning - The American University, U.S.A.

Occupation

Legislator & School Supervisor

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
 Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
 Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
 Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (1988 - present)
 Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-97)
 Member of the Legislative Council (1988-95)
 Chairman, Wanchai Provisional District Board (1985 - present)
 Board Member, Board of Education (1981-87)
 Member, Environmental Pollution Advisory Committee (1988-94)
 Board Member, Social Welfare Advisory Board (1988-91)
 Member, Transport Advisory Committee (1988-91)
 Member & Vice Chairman, Police Complaint Committee (1988-93)
 Board Member, Island Regional Advisory Committee of the Hospital Authority
 (1993 - present)
 Board Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics (1991-94)
 Council Member, Advisory Council on AIDS (1990-93)
 Council Member, Supplementary Medical Professions Council (1981-86)
 Member, Committee on Scientifically Assisted Human Reproduction (1987-91)
 Adjudicator, Immigration Tribunal (1984-88)
 Director, Surviving Spouses' & Children's Pensions Scheme (1989-93)
 Member, Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee (1990-93)
 Lay Assessor, Magistrates Court
 Assessor, Money Lenders Ordinance Licensing Court of Hong Kong (1980-88)
 Member, Wanchai District Fight Crime Committee (1982-85, 1988-89, 1993 - present)
 Member, Equal Opportunity Commission (1996 - present)
 Board Member, Town Planning Appeal Board (1996 - present)
 Member, Land Development Corporation Appeals Panel
 Adviser, Heung Yee Kuk, New Territories (since 1998)
 Executive Director, Hong Kong Family Planning Association (1961-88)
 Court Member, University of Hong Kong (1991-94)
 School Supervisor, Fung Yiu King Memorial Secondary School (1991 - present)
 School Supervisor, Wanchai School (1992 - present)
 School Supervisor, Shanghai Alumni Primary School (1987 - present)
 Founding Chairman, Hong Kong Girl Guides Wanchai Association (1983-92)
 President, Hong Kong Girl Guides Wanchai Association (1992 - present)
 Founding Chairman, Hong Kong Federation of Women (1993 - present)
 Founding Chairman, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation (1991-94)
 Board Member, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation (1994 - present)
 Board Member, The Hong Kong Tuberculosis, Chest & Heart
 Diseases Association (1988 - present)
 Founding Chairman, Environment Campaign Committee (1990-95)
 Member, Environment Campaign Committee (1996 - present)
 Chairman, Wanchai Kai-fong Welfare Association (1988 - present)
 Chairman, Infoline Programme Complaints Advisory Committee (1991 - present)
 Board Member, Salvation Army Advisory Board (1988 - present)
 Vice-President, Friends of Hong Kong Association Limited (1996 - present)
 Board Member, Soong Ching Ling Foundation, China (1990 - present)

WU King-cheong, Henry

Date of Birth : 23 August 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications

Master of Applied Science, University of Toronto

Occupation

Executive Director, Lee Cheong Gold Dealers Limited

Investment Adviser, H & A Investment Company

Non-Executive Director, Yau Lee Holdings Limited

Non-Executive Director, China Apollo Holdings Limited

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Finance Committee, Provisional Legislative Council

Honorary President, Association of the Hong Kong Central & Western District Limited

Chairman of Management Sub-Committee, Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong

Vice-Chairman, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce

Honorary Permanent President, Chinese Gold & Silver Exchange Society

Member, Court of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Director, Friends of Hong Kong Association

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

Member, Standing Committee, Hong Kong Pei Hua Education Foundation

Permanent Honorary President, Hong Kong Stockbrokers Association

Member, Board of Management, Hong Kong Tourist Association

Deputy Chairman, Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Plant Safety Consultation Committee

Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

NGAI Shiu-kit, JP

Date of Birth : 14 November 1924

Education and Professional Qualifications

Wah Yan College

B.A. in Economics, Lingnan University, Guangdong

Occupation

Company Chairman

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Trade & Industry, Provisional Legislative Council

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Honorary President, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong

Member of the Legislative Council (1985-97)

Chairman, Legislative Council Panel on Trade & Industry (1995-97)

Member of the Preparatory Committee for the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1993-97)

Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory

Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
President, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong (1978-85)
Member, Hong Kong Industry Development Board (1982-88)
Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council (till 1985)
Deputy Chairman, Hong Kong Vocational Training Council (1989-91)

TANG Ying-yen, Henry, JP

Date of Birth : 6 September 1952
Education and Professional Qualifications
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, University of Michigan

Occupation

Managing Director, Peninsula Knitters Limited
Director, Meadville Limited

Public Service

Member of the Legislative Council (1991-97)
Member of the Executive Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Shanghai Committee
Council Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council
Member, Executive Committee, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
Steward, Hong Kong Jockey Club

Ronald Joseph ARCULLI, JP

Date of Birth : 2 January 1939
Education and Professional Qualifications
St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong (1948-58)
Lincoln's Inn, London (1959-61)
Called to the English Bar in June 1961
Called to the Hong Kong Bar in 1961
Admitted as solicitor in England & Hong Kong in 1976
Admitted as barrister and solicitor in Victoria, Australia in 1982

Occupation

Partner, Woo Kwan Lee & Lo, Solicitors

Public Service

Chairman, Finance Committee of the Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Legislative Council (1988-97)
Deputy Chairman, House Committee of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
Chairman, Establishment
Sub-committee of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council (1995-97)

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
 Convenor, Executive Committee of the Association for Celebration of
 Reunification of Hong Kong with China and Convenor, Patent Rights Task Force
 Member, Board of Directors, The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Ltd
 Member, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries & Conditions of Service
 Chairman, General Disciplined Services Subcommittee, Standing Committee on Disciplined
 Services Salaries & Conditions of Service
 Member, Air Transport Licensing Authority
 Member, Ocean Park Corporation Board
 Chairman, Council of the Hong Kong Award For Young People
 Chairman, Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fund Council
 Member, Disciplinary Committee Panel, Law Society of Hong Kong
 Member, Manpower Planning Committee, Law Society of Hong Kong
 Vice-Chairman, Liberal Party
 Member, Executive Committee, Liberal Party
 Member, Central Committee, Liberal Party
 Steward, Hong Kong Jockey Club
 Non-Executive Director, The Securities & Futures Commission

YUEN Mo

Date of Birth : 18 November 1941
 Education and Professional Qualifications
 Heung To Middle School
 Moral Training English College

Occupation

Executive Director & Vice President, China Merchants Holdings Company Limited

Public Service

Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the
 People's Republic of China
 Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
 Member of the Selection Committee for the
 First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
 Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
 Executive Director, The Hong Kong Chinese Enterprises Association
 Honorary Adviser, The Association of the Hong Kong, Central and Western District Limited
 Shipping Adviser, Hong Kong Cargo-Vessel Trader's Association Limited
 Permanent Honorary Chairman, Quarry Bay Residence Association

MA Fung-kwok

Date of Birth : 2 July 1955
 Education and Professional Qualifications
 Post-Secondary

Occupation

Managing Director, Media Asia Group

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Broadcasting, Culture & Sport,

Provisional Legislative Council

Founding Member and Vice Chairman of Hong Kong, Kowloon & New Territories

Motion Picture Industry Association Limited (MPIA) (1987-98)

Invited Member, All China Youth Federation (1988-98)

Consultant, Hong Kong United Youth Association (1995-98)

Director, The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' & Exporters' Association (1994-98)

Member, Association for Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China (1996)

Member, Hong Kong Artist Association for Celebration of

Reunification of Hong Kong with China (1996)

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996)

Member, Copyright Tribunal (1997-98)

Member, Film Services Advisory Committee (1998)

Co-opted Member, Film and Media Arts Committee of

Hong Kong Arts Development Council (1998)

Member, Hospital Governing Committee of Gratham Hospital (1997-98)

Vice President, Hong Kong Polytechnic Students' Union (1974-77)

President, Hong Kong Federation of Students (1977-78)

Deputy Secretary General, Asian Students Association (1978-80)

Secretary, Association for Betterment of Hong Kong (1989-90)

Vice Chairman, Hong Kong United Youth Association (1993-95)

CHEUNG Hon-chung

Date of Birth : 25 May 1958

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.Sc. (Hons), University of London

M.A. (Status 1983), Cambridge University

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Transport, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, North District Board (1985-88)

Member of the Provisional Regional Council

Member, Appeal Board Panel (Electricity)

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

TSO WONG Man-yin

Date of Birth : 30 October 1944

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.Sc., Chung Chi College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

M.Sc., University of Miami, U.S.A.

Ph.D., University of Wisconsin - Madison, U.S.A.

Post-Doc., Medical Centre, Stanford University, U.S.A.

FRSC, CChem., Fellow of Royal Society of Chemistry, Chartered Chemist, U.K.

Occupation

Director, Radioisotope Unit, University of Hong Kong

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Radiation Board of the Hong Kong Government

Member, Radiological Advisory Group of the Hong Kong Government

Chairperson, Hong Kong Radiation Protection Society

Treasurer, Board of Trustees, The True Light Middle School of Hong Kong

Honorary Adviser, The Hong Kong Wanchai District Association

Chairperson, Assessment Panel of Science Symposium and the

First Hong Kong Competition of Scientific Inventions by Teenagers

Member, Standing Committee of the 8th Chinese People's Political

Consultative Conference of Guangdong Province

Honorary Investigator, China Institute of Radiation Protection

Member, Standing Committee of the Fund for the Advancement of

Science and Technology of Guangzhou

Member, Assessment Panel of Science Symposium and the Ninth

Chinese Competition of Science Inventions by Teenagers

Vice-President, The Hong Kong Association for the Advancement

of Science and Technology (1988-90)

Chairman, External Affairs Committee, The Hong Kong Association

for the Advancement of Science and Technology (1987-89)

Adviser, Working Group on Publicity for Radiation, Government

Information Services Department (1987-90)

Executive Committee Member, Speaker and Chairlady of the

Training Sub-Committee for Interpreters, Nuclear Technology Exhibition (1986)

Founding Chairperson, Hong Kong Radiation Protection Society (1996-97)

Chairperson, Board of Trustees,

The True Light Middle School of Hong Kong (1991-97)

Member, Committee of Youth Work & Community Service Department, YWCA (1991-94)

Member, Committee of the 6th Chinese People's Political

Consultative Conference of Guangdong Province (1988-89)

Member, Standing Committee of the 6th and 7th Chinese People's Political

Consultative Conference of Guangdong Province (1989-97)

LEUNG Chun-ying, JP

Date of Birth : 12 August 1954

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.Sc. in Valuation and Estate Management, Bristol Polytechnic, U.K.

Occupation

Surveyor

Public Service

Member of the Executive Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
(2/97 - present)

Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (4/91 - present)

Member, Home Ownership Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority (4/93 - present)

Honorary Secretary, One Country Two Systems Economic
Research Institute (9/90 - present)

Founding Member, The Court, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (5/95 - present)

Honorary Adviser, Leading Group, Shanghai Government on Land Reform, PRC

Honorary Consultant, Pudong Development Leading Board, Shanghai Government, PRC

Honorary Adviser, Shenzhen Government on Land Reform, PRC

Honorary Adviser, Tianjin Government on Land Reform, PRC

Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Group Leader, Political Sub-Group of the Preliminary Working
Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (3/92 - 1997)

Secretary General, Basic Law Consultative Committee (1988-90)

President, Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (11/95 - 11/96)

Chairman, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Hong Kong Branch) (11/95 - 11/96)

Member, Surveyors Registration Board (12/93 - 11/96)

Member, Advisory Committee on Private Building Management (11/88 - 10/91)

Convenor, Sub-Committee on Land and Related Development,
Airport Consultative Committee (11/93 - 10/95)

Member, Ad hoc Committee on Sale of Flats to Sitting Tenant,
Hong Kong Housing Authority (6/89 - 3/91)

Member, Ad hoc Committee to Review The Policy on Housing
Subsidy, Hong Kong Housing Authority (9/91 - 3/93)

Member, Building Committee of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (4/87 - 3/93)

Board Member, Hong Kong Industrial Estate Corporation (1/92 - 12/93)

Member, Land and Building Advisory Committee (12/90 - 12/92)

Member, Provisional Board, Land Development Corporation (9/86 - 12/87)

Member, Managing Board, Land Development Corporation (1/88 - 1/96)

LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, Sophie, JP

Date of Birth : 9 October 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications

Bachelor of Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Illinois, USA

Occupation

Director, Golden Harvest Dyeing & Weaving Fty Limited

Director, Bay Apparel Limited

Director, Fong Shing Cotton Mill (Hong Kong) Limited

Director, Tai Fong Dyeing & Weaving Factory Limited

Director, Golden Emblem Investment Company Limited

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Provisional Legislative Council
Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers (1998 - present)
Member, Regional Advisory Committee, Queen Mary Hospital (4/98 - 3/2000)
Council Member and Director,
 The Hong Kong Institute of Directors Limited (5/97 - present)
Director, Queen Mary Hospital Charity Limited (11/97 - present)
Member, Hospital Authority (1990-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Plenary Meeting (1990-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Finance Committee (1990-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Medical Services Development Committee (1990-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Public Meeting (1990-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Planning Committee (1995-99)
Member, Hospital Authority Audit Committee (1995-99)
Chairman, Hospital Authority New Territories Regional Advisory Committee (1996 - 2000)
Trustee, Hospital Authority Charitable Foundation (1996-98)
Permanent Adviser, Yan Chai Hospital (1986 - present)
Chairman, Human Organ Transplant Board (1996 - 2000)
Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Queen Mary Hospital (1997-99)
Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Tsan Yuk Hospital (1994-99)
Honorary Treasurer & Executive Committee Member,
 Maryknoll Medical & Welfare Association (1982 - present)
Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital (1991-97)
Voting Member, Board of Governors, Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital Limited (1988 - present)
Permanent Member, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce (1997- present)
Member, Textiles Advisory Board (1989-99)
Member, General Committee, Textiles Council of Hong Kong Limited (1991 - present)
Member, Industry & Technology Development Council (1993-99)
Patron Member, Textile Institute Hong Kong Section (1995 - present)
Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club (1987 - present)
Honorary Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Federation of Women (1993 - present)
Member, Administrative Appeals Board (1994 - 2000)
Vice-Chairman & Member, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) (1986 - present)
Chairman, Chi Lin Trust Fund for the Aged Committee (1993 - present)
Member, Chi Lin Elderly Service Meeting Committee (1993 - present)
Member of Court & Council, Hong Kong Baptist University (1996-98)
Member, Personnel Committee, Hong Kong Baptist University (1996-98)

Founding Senior Member, The University of Hong Kong Foundation for Educational
 Development and Research (1996 - present)
Member, Human Resources Committee, Housing Authority (1996 - present)
Founder, Elementary Charitable Foundation (1986 - present)
Permanent Honorary President,
 Friends of Hong Kong Association Limited (1996 - present)
Member, Assessment Panel on Energy Efficient Building Award Scheme (1997)
Chairman, Hong Kong Regional Advisory Committee of Hospital Authority (1996-97)
Member, Provisional Hospital Authority (1988-90)
Chairman, Hospital Authority Human Resources Committee (1990-94)
Chairman, Hospital Authority Supporting Services Development Committee (1994-95)

Member, Hospital Authority Standing Committee (1990-95)
Director, Yan Chai Hospital (1983-84)
Vice-Chairman, Yan Chai Hospital (1984-85)
Chairman, Yan Chai Hospital (1985-86)
Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Castle Peak Hospital (1994-97)
Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital (1991-97)
Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Tsan Yuk Hospital (1993-94)
Chairman, Maryknoll Medical & Welfare Association (1987-88)
Adjudicator, Immigration Tribunal (1986-94)
Member, Central Policy Unit (1993-95)
Adjudicator, Registration of Persons Tribunal (1987-88)
Member, Regional Services Appeals Board (1990-96)

MOK Ying-fan

Date of Birth : 15 January 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications

Fudan College of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Chinese Academy of Medicine, Acupuncture and Moxibustion (Medicine)

Certificate in Traditional Chinese Medicine for Practitioners,

School of Professional and Continuing Education,

University of Hong Kong

Diploma in Social Studies, School of Professional and Continuing Education,

University of Hong Kong

Certificate in Sphygmology Course, Chinese Herbalists' Association of Kowloon

Occupation

Chinese Herbalist

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Broadcasting, Culture & Sport, Provisional Legislative Council

Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong People's Council on Public Housing Policy (1985-93)

Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Association for Democracy

and People's Livelihood (1988-94)

Member, Hong Kong Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood

Executive Committee Member, Tung Tau Residents Association

Executive Committee Member, Wong Tai Sin Development Service Centre

Member, Tung Tau Area Committee

Member, Wong Tai Sin Provisional District Board

Member of the Provisional Urban Council

Member, Chinese Temples Committee (1995-96)

Member, Antiquities Advisory Board

Member, Endangered Species Advisory Committee

HUI Yin-fat, JP

Date of Birth : 28 April 1936

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.A. (Hon), University of Hong Kong (1960)
Dip. (Social Studies), University of Hong Kong (1961)
M.Sc. in Social Administration, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, USA (1967)

Occupation

Director, Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Public Service

Chairman, Advisory Committee to the Social Work Course, Hong Kong Baptist University
Chairman, Advisory Board, Hong Kong Shue Yan College
Member, Advisory Committee of Department of Social Work and Social Administration,
University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Member, Court of University of Hong Kong
Honorary Consultant, Pok Oi Hospital
Vice President of the International Federation of Ageing
Member, International Advisory Board, International Council on Social Welfare
Member, Advisory Council on AIDS
Vice-Chairman of the Apple Daily Charitable Foundation Limited
Member, Community Partnership Committee of Ruttonjee Hospital
Member, Elderly Commission

CHAN Choi-hi

Date of Birth : 15 January 1956
Education and Professional Qualifications
University of Toronto (Major in Sociology)

Occupation

Company Director

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member, Provisional Urban Council
Member, Tsan Yuk Hospital Governing Committee
Member, Central & Western Provisional District Board
Member, Central & Western Area Committee
Member, Central & Western District Fight Crime Committee
Member, Central & Western District Development & Research Centre
Director, Hong Kong Swatow Merchants Association Limited
Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
Director, Produce Green Foundation
Founding Member, Meeting Point Foundation

CHAN Yuen-han

Date of Birth : 15 November 1946
Education and Professional Qualifications

Hoi Luk Fung School
San Kiu Middle School
Chack Kwan Middle School
Hong Kong Polytechnic University & Hong Kong Business Management Society (High Diploma)
B.A. in Philosophy, Guangdong Science & Research University
University of Warwick

Occupation

Labour Service

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Housing, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Selection Committee for the
 First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member, Eastern District Board (1988-91)
Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
Member, Central Standing Committee, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
Chairman, Hong Kong Department Stores & Commercial Staff General Union
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Director, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions Women Affairs Committee (up to 1997)
Director, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions Social Affairs Committee (up to 1997)
Director, Education Advancement Society for Workers in Hong Kong & Kowloon
Honorary Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong, Kowloon &
 New Territories Public Housing Estate Residents and Shopowners Organization
Member, Hong Kong Productivity Council (1994-95)
Representative by Special Invitation of the China National Women Alliance

CHAN Wing-chan

Date of Birth : 7 July 1935
Education and Professional Qualifications
Secondary Level

Occupation

Chairman, Eating Establishment Employees General Union

Public Service

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
Chairman, Eating Establishment Employees General Union
Chairman, Catering Trade Administrative Employees Association
Honorary Chairman, The Association for Hong Kong Catering Services Management
Member, Standing Executive Committee, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
Deputy Director, Social Affairs Committee, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
Vice-Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Committee,
 The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Member, Occupational Safety and Health Council (1993-95)
Member, Catering Trade Safety and Health Committee (1992-95)
Member, Labour Department Panel on Catering Industry
Member, Joint Meeting of Catering Unions and Labour Unions
Adviser, Hotels, Food and Beverage Employees Association

CHAN Kam-lam

Date of Birth : 22 January 1949
Education and Professional Qualifications
Hong Kong Polytechnic (1971)

Occupation

Shipping Management Director

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Provisional Legislative Council
Member, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member, Kwun Tong Provisional District Board
Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
Member, Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee
Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
General Secretary, Kowloon Association for Celebration of
Re-Unification of Hong Kong with China
Vice President, Kwun Tong Resident Union
Director, Kowloon City, Kwun Tong & Wong Tai Sin Residents Association Company Limited
Standing Committee Member, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong

TSANG Yok-sing

Date of Birth : 17 May 1947
Education and Professional Qualifications
B.A., University of Hong Kong (1968)
Cert. Ed., University of Hong Kong (1981)
M. Ed., University of Hong Kong (1983)

Occupation

Supervisor, Pui Kiu Middle School

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Council Member, Open University of Hong Kong
Member, Standing Committee on Language Education & Research

CHENG Kai-nam, Gary

Date of Birth : 29 May 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications

Pui Kiu Middle School

B.A. Degree in Education, University of East Anglia in UK

Diploma of Education, University of Hong Kong

Occupation

Public Relations Consultant

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Security, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Steering Committee on Promotion of the Basic Law

Member, Estate Agents Authority

Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority

Member, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and

Conditions of Service

Member, Independent Police Complaints Council

Member, Preventive Education & Publicity Subcommittee of the
Action Committee Against Narcotics

FUNG Kin-kee, Frederick

Date of Birth : 17 March 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications

Bachelor of Arts in Social Policy and Public Administration,
Bradford University, UK

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Legislative Council (1991-97)

Vice Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (1995-97)

Member, Urban Council (1983-95)

Chairman, Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood

President, Sham Shui Po Residents' Livelihood Concern Group

Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

Member, Sham Shui Po District Board (1983-91)

Director, Hong Kong People's Council on Public Housing Policy (1982-88)

Community Organizer, Society for Community Organization (1976-79)

Member, Preparatory Committee for the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

WONG Wang-fat, Andrew, JP

Date of Birth : 11 December 1943

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.A. (Hons), University of Hong Kong

M.P.A, Syracuse University, USA

Occupation

Lecturer in Government & Public Administration,
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council

Elected, President of the Legislative Council (1995-97)

President of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association,
Hong Kong Branch (1995-97)

Re-elected, Member of the Legislative Council
(for New Territories South-East) (1995-97)

Elected Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council (1994-95)

Appointed, Member of the Executive Council (1991-92)

Re-elected, Member of the Legislative Council
(for New Territories East) (1991-95)

Re-elected, Member of the Legislative Council
(for New Territories East) (1988-91)

Convenor, Constitutional Development Panel, Legislative Council (1986-94)

Elected, Member of the Legislative Council
(for New Territories East) (1985-88)

Chairman, Finance Committee, Shatin District Board (1982-91)

Appointed, Member, Shatin District Board, Hong Kong (1981-94)

Appointed, Member, Shatin District Advisory Board (1979-81)

Chairman, Insurance Agents Registration Board,
The Hong Kong Federation of Insurers (1997)

Member, Fisheries Development Loan Fund Advisory Committee (1997)

Member, Court of University of Hong Kong (1995)

Justice of the Peace (1989)

Ex-officio Executive Committee Member, Heung Yee Kuk (1988)

Member, Convocation Standing Committee, University of Hong Kong (1983)

Chief Editor, Convocation Newsletter, University of Hong Kong (1980)

WONG Yu-hong, Philip

Date of Birth : 23 December 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications

M.Sc. (Engineering), University of California, USA

J.D. (Law), Southland University, USA

Ph.D. (Engineering), California Coast University, USA

Occupation

Managing Director, Tai Cheng International (Holdings) Limited

Managing Director, Winco Paper Products Company Limited

Public Service

Chairman, Establishment Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

Member of the Preparatory Committee for the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Vice-Chairman, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong

Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council

Member of the Airport Authority

Adviser, Chinese Expert Team on Budget

Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China

WONG Ying-ho, Kennedy

Date of Birth : 23 February 1963

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.A. (Hons), Law, University of Kent, England (1984)

Occupation

Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Administration of Justice &

Legal Services, Provisional Legislative Council

Standing Committee Member of Sichuan Provincial Council

of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference

Member of All-China Youth Federation

President of Hong Kong Young Legal Professionals Association

First Vice Chairman of Hong Kong United Youth Association Limited

Chairman of the Sub-committee on Description of

Flats on Sale of The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong

Member of Commission on Youth

YOUNG, Howard, JP

Date of Birth : 30 March 1948

Education and Professional Qualifications

B.Sc. (Economics) Part I,

London University

British Diploma in Marketing

Member, Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK)

Occupation

General Manager, Industry & Hong Kong Affairs, Cathay Pacific Airways

Public Service

Member of the Legislative Council (1991-97)
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
Member of the Election Committee for the
First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Advisory Committee on Travel Agents
Member of the Vocational Training Council
Member of the Rehabilitation Advisory Committee
Member of the Complaints Committee of the Independent Commission Against Corruption
Member of the Town Planning Appeals Board
Member of the Executive Committee, Outward Bound Trust
Member of the Central Committee, Liberal Party

YEUNG Chun-kam, Charles

Date of Birth : 1947
Education and Professional Qualifications
Honorary Doctorate Degree by the China Textile University
Advisory Professor of the China Textile University
Advisory Professor of the Tianjin Institute of Textile Science and Technology
Visiting Professor of the Northwest Institute of Textile Science and Technology

Occupation

Chairman of The Glorious Sun Holdings Limited
Chairman of The Glorious Sun Enterprises Limited

Public Service

Deputy Chairman of the Panel on Trade & Industry, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Vice Chairman of The Hong Kong Progressive Alliance
Standing Committee Member of The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce
President of Hong Kong Young Industrialists Council
Honorary President of Hong Kong Kwun Tong Industries & Commerce Association
Honorary President of Kowloon East District Union
Former Vice Chairman and Director of Yan Chai Hospital
Honorary President of Hong Kong Association of Traditional Chinese Medicine
Honorary President of The Scout Association of Hong Kong - East Kowloon Region
Honorary President of Hong Kong Society of Asia and Pacific 21
Member of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Vice President of China Association of Enterprises with Foreign Investment
President of Guangdong Association of Overseas Investors
Senior Economic Adviser to Hebei Provincial People's Government
Vice President of Guangdong Overseas Friendship Association
Honorary Chairman of Guangdong Helping Poor Fund Association
Vice Director of Guangdong Glamorous Career Committee
Honorary President of the Guangdong Research Society of Chinese National Cohesion
Honorary President of Guangzhou Zhongjing Prize Foundation of
Traditional Chinese Medicine

Vice President of Guangdong Public Relations Association
Honorary Vice President of Athletic Association of the PRC
Board Chairman of Glorious Sun School of Business and Management of
China Textile University
Board Chairman of Northwest Institute of Textile Science and Technology (Huizhou)
President of Guangdong Chinese Culture Promotion Society (Huizhou)

YEUNG Yiu-chung

Date of Birth : 7 November 1951
Education and Professional Qualifications
Chinese Y.M.C.A. College
B. Soc. Sci., The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1975)
Education Dip., The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1981)

Occupation

Principal, Heung To Middle School

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Education, Provisional Legislative Council
Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
President, Hong Kong Federation of Education Workers
Member, Hong Kong Education Commission
Member, Preparatory Committee of General Teaching Council
Chairman, Sham Shui Po School Liaison Committee
Chief Secretary, Organizing Committee of Hong Kong Education Circle of
Celebrating the National Day of PRC
Honorary President, The Hong Kong Association of Culture,
Education and Communication
Director, Project Hope - Return to School
Chairman, Civil Education Fund of Hong Kong Federation of Education Workers
Vice-Chairman, Gala of Hua-xia Teachers
Vice-Chairman, The Basic Law Promotion Committee of Kowloon Region Educators
Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Private Schools Association

IP Kwok-him

Date of Birth : 8 November 1951
Education and Professional Qualifications
Hon Wah Middle School
South China Normal University

Occupation

Principal Assistant

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, House Committee, Provisional Legislative Council
Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Provisional Legislative Council
Convenor, Provisional Legislative Council Caucus,
Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
Member, Central & Western Provisional District Board

Member, Central Committee & Standing Committee,
Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
Member, Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
Chairman, Panel on Public Services, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member, The Legislative Council Commission (1995-97)
Court Member, University of Hong Kong
Member, Association for Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China
Vice-Chairman, Association of Hong Kong Central & Western District Limited
Vice-Chairman, Kennedy Town Kaifong Welfare Association Hong Kong Limited
Vice-Chairman, Mount Davis Kaifong Welfare Association of Hong Kong
Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Kwun Lung Lau Residents Association

CHIM Pui-chung

Date of Birth : 24 September 1946
Education and Professional Qualifications
Secondary Level

Occupation

Company Director

Public Service

Member of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Panel on Financial Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Panel on Trade and Industry, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Legislative Council (1991-97)
Member of the Panel on Financial Affairs, Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member of the Panel on Economic Services, Legislative Council (1995-96)
Member of the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council (1995-96)
Deputy Chairman of the Panel on Trade and Industry, Legislative Council (1995-96)
Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Chiu Chow Chamber of Commerce
Honorary President and Director, Hong Kong Swatow Merchants Association
Honorary President, Hong Kong Football Referees Association
Honorary President, Hong Kong Chinese Football Referees Association
Honorary President, Chao Zhao Natives Association, Macau
Honorary President, Teo Chew Society of Toronto, Canada
Honorary President, Teo Chew Society of Vancouver, Canada
Honorary President, Teo Chew Society of Calgary, Canada

LIU Sing-lee, Bruce

Date of Birth : 8 October 1958

Education and Professional Qualifications

Post-Graduate Certificate in Laws (P.C.LL.), University of Hong Kong

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), City University of Hong Kong

Post-Graduate Diploma in Management Studies, City University of Hong Kong

Bachelor of Social Science (B.S.Sc.), The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Occupation

Solicitor, Messrs. Yip, Tse & Tang, Solicitors

Public Service

General Secretary, Hong Kong Association for Democracy & People's Livelihood

Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1994-97)

Member, Wong Tai Sin District Board (1985-94)

Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)

Vice-Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council (1997-99)

Member, AIDS Services Development Committee of the
Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS (1997-98)

LAU Kong-wah

Date of Birth : 22 June 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications

St. Paul's College

Sir Robert Black College of Education

B. Phil., University of Exeter, U.K.

M. Phil., City Polytechnic of Hong Kong

Occupation

Administration Manager

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Shatin Provisional District Board Security Panel Spokesman,

Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong

Convenor of Civil Force

Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport & Related Projects

Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

LAU Wong-fat, JP

Date of Birth : 15 October 1936

Education and Professional Qualifications

Ling Shan College

Occupation

Chairman, Wing Tung Yick (Holdings) Limited

Public Service

Member, The Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Chairman, Heung Yee Kuk
Chairman, Provisional Regional Council
Chairman, Tuen Mun Provisional District Board
Chairman, Tuen Mun Rural Committee
President, The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association, Tuen Mun District
President, The Scout Association of Hong Kong, Tuen Mun District
Member, Legislative Council (1985-97)
Member, Yan Oi Tong Advisory Board

LAU Kin-ye, Miriam, JP

Date of Birth : 27 April 1947
Education and Professional Qualifications
BA (Hons), University of Hong Kong
Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
Solicitor, Supreme Court of England
Barrister and Solicitor, Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia
Diploma in Chinese Law, University of East Asia

Occupation

Solicitor and Notary Public
China-Appointed Attesting Officer

Public Service

Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Provisional Legislative Council
Chairman, Panel on Transport, Provisional Legislative Council
Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (1991-97)
Member of the Legislative Council (1988-97)
(Transport & Communication Constituency 1995-97)
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Chairman, Security and Guarding Services Industry Authority
Chairman, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and
Conditions of Service
Chairman, Correctional Services Children's Education Trust Committee
Member, Fight Crime Committee
Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1990-96)
Chairman, Subcommittee on Guardianship and Custody of the
Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
Member, Regional Council (1986-91)
Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Kowloon Hospital

LAU Hon-chuen, Ambrose, JP

Date of Birth : 16 July 1947
Education and Professional Qualifications
Bachelor of Laws (Hons), University of London
Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong
Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales
Notary Public

Occupation

Solicitor & Notary Public

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Administration of Justice & Legal Services,
Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Justice of the Peace
Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects
Member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
China-Appointed Attesting Officer
Member of the Managing Board of the Land Development Corporation
Chairman of the Board of Review on Education
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1993-97)
Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)
President of the Law Society of Hong Kong (1992-93)
Chairman of Central & Western District Board (1988-94)
Member of the Advisory Committee on Legal Education (1991-95)
Member of the Board of Review on Inland Revenue (1985-96)
Member of the Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee (1988-97)

CHOY Kan-pui, JP

Date of Birth : 5 August 1929
Education and Professional Qualifications
Secondary Level

Occupation

Chairman, Holti-Trend Development Company Limited
Managing Director, Ocean Skill Limited
Chairman & Director, Keepland Development Limited

Public Service

Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Chairman, Shatin Provisional District Board
Honorary President, Scout Association of Hong Kong, Shatin District Headquarters

Executive Member, Shatin Rural Committee
Vice-President, Shatin Sport Association
Supervisor, Tin Sum Valley Public School
President, New Territories Schools Sports Association (Shatin Branch)
Executive Member, Heung Yee Kuk
Vice-President, Shatin Arts Association
President, New Territories East Sports Association

CHENG Ming-fun, Paul, JP

Date of Birth : 19 October 1936
Education and Professional Qualifications
M.B.A., Wharton Graduate Business School, University of Pennsylvania
B.A., Lake Forest College, Illinois

Occupation

Company Chairman

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Financial Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Legislative Council
(Functional Constituency - Commercial (First)) (1995-97)
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member, Executive Committee of the Business and Professionals Federation
Member, Council of the Chinese University of Hong Kong
Founding Member, Court of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

CHENG Yiu-tong

Date of Birth : 14 October 1948
Education and Professional Qualifications
Post-Secondary

Occupation

Labour Service

Public Service

Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China
Member of Commission on Strategic Development (1998-2000)
Chairman, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport & Related Projects
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
Member of the Legislative Council (1995-97)
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1992-97)
Executive Committee Member, Basic Law Consultative Committee (1985-90)
Employee Representative, Labour Advisory Board (1987-88)

TANG Siu-tong, JP

Date of Birth : 26 September 1942
Education and Professional Qualifications
M.B.B.S., Adelaide University of Australia
F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh, U.K.)
F.R.C.P.S. (Glasgow, U.K.)
F.H.K.A.M. (Surgery)

Occupation

Medical Practitioner

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Legislative Council (1992-95)
Member of the Provisional Regional Council
Member of the Regional Council (1986-88)
District Board Member (1980-91)
Member of Administrative Appeal Board
Member of Tuen Mun Hospital Governing Committee
Permanent Adviser of Pok Oi Hospital
Hong Kong Affairs Adviser

FOK Tsun-ting, Timothy

Date of Birth : 14 February 1946
Education and Professional Qualifications
University of Southern California, USA

Occupation

Merchant

Public Service

Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
President, Amateur Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China
President, Hong Kong Football Association
Vice Chairman, Hong Kong Sports Development Board
President, Hong Kong Sports Press Association

KAN Fook-ye

Date of Birth : 14 June 1936

Education and Professional Qualifications

Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Fellow, Royal Institution of Charter Surveyors

Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Occupation

Chairman, Executive Board - Knight Frank

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Planning, Lands & Works, Provisional Legislative Council

Director of the Hong Kong Industrial Estate Corporation Board (1985-91)

Member, Town Planning Board (1984-88)

Member, Special Committee on Clearance of Kowloon Walled City

Chairman, The Assessment Review Board of Special Committee on
Clearance of Kowloon Walled City

Member, Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance Appeal Board

Member, Hotel & Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance
Appeal Board

Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport & Related Projects

Member, The Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (1986-93)

Hong Kong Deputy to the Eighth National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China

Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the
People's Republic of China

NGAN Kam-chuen

Date of Birth : 12 December 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications

Secondary Education

Occupation

Senior Manager, Kwangtung Provincial Bank Hong Kong

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Financial Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council

Member, Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee

Member, Legislative Council (1995-97)

Member, Provisional Regional Council

Member, Regional Council (1989-97)

Member of the Selection Committee for the First Government of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Director, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited

Member, Central and Standing Committee,
Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong

Chairman, New Territories West Office, Democratic Alliance for
 Betterment of Hong Kong
 Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1995-97)
 Member, Yuen Long District Committee, Provisional Regional Council
 Member, Tuen Mun District Committee, Provisional Regional Council
 Member, Yuen Long District Fight Crime Committee
 Life President, New Territories Newspaper Dealers Association
 President, Federation of New Territories Youth
 President, Yuen Long Residents Association
 President, Federation of Yuen Long Youth
 Vice-President, New Territories Commercial and Industrial General
 Association Limited, Yuen Long Branch
 Vice-President, Yuen Long Commercial Association Limited
 Honorary President, Government Municipal Staff General Union, Yuen Long Branch
 Honorary President, Urban Services Department Staff General
 Association, Yuen Long Branch
 Honorary Adviser, Pok Oi Hospital
 Vice Chairman and Treasurer, Yuen Long District Sport Association Limited
 President, Youth of Basketball Association
 Member and Hon Treasurer, Board of Directors, Yuen Long Town Hall
 Management Committee Limited
 Chairman, Keep Hong Kong Clean Steering Committee (1995-96)
 Vice Chairman, Yuen Long District Committee, Regional Council (1989-95)

LO Suk-ching

Date of Birth : 22 June 1950
 Education and Professional Qualifications
 Diploma in Political Science, Guangdong Social Science University
 Diploma in Sociology, Adult Education College, Jinan University
 Diploma in Integrated Social Science, Extra-mural Department,
 University of Hong Kong
 Diploma in Social Administration and Bachelor of Social Science,
 University of Hong Kong (School of Professional and Continuing
 Education) and Jinan University

Occupation

Societies Executive

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Provisional Legislative Council
 Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Graziers Union
 Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory
 Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-95)
 Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)
 Member of the Selection Committee for the
 First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
 Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the

People's Republic of China
Chairman, New Territories Association of Societies
Chief Secretary, New Territories People's Association
Affairs Consultant, Sai Kung Rural Committee
President, Sai Kung Cultural Centre
Officer, Federation for the Stability of Hong Kong
Honorary Consultant, Federation of Hong Kong, Kowloon and
New Territories Public Housing Estates Resident and Shopowner Organizations
Vice-President, China Star Light Charity Fund Association
Member, Fisheries Development Loan Fund Advisory Committee
Member, Association for Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China

LAW Cheung-kwok

Date of Birth : 26 September 1949
Education and Professional Qualifications
Bachelor Degree of Social Science (Economics)
Master Degree in Economics
Ph.D. (Economics)

Occupation

Full-time Legislator

Public Service

Deputy Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
Member, Sai Kung Provisional District Board
Member, Legal Aid Services Council
Member, Council of the Chinese University of Hong Kong
Member, Consumer Council (1992-95)

TAM Yiu-chung, JP

Date of Birth : 15 December 1949
Education and Professional Qualifications
Australia National University, Centre for Continuing Education,
studied "Adult Education"
London School of Economics and Political Science University of London,
studied "Trade Union Studies"
Institute of Commercial Management England Honorary Life Fellow

Occupation

Trade Union Officer

Public Service

Member of the Executive Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Member of the Preparatory Committee for the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-97)

Vice-Chairman, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
Chairman, Employees Retraining Board
Chairman, Elderly Commission
Member, Vocational Training Board
Member, Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service
Member, Independent Commission Against Corruption Complaints Committee

CHOY So-yuk

Date of Birth : 10 October 1950
Education and Professional Qualifications
Bachelor of Science (Hon), University of Hong Kong (1974)
Master of Philosophy, University of Hong Kong (1978)

Occupation

Merchant

Public Service

Chairman, Panel on Information Policy, Provisional Legislative Council
Member of the Selection Committee for the
First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
Central Committee Member of the Hong Kong Progressive Alliance
Political Consultative Member of Quanzhou and Jinjiang Municipalities
Deputy Secretary General of Board of Directors, Overseas Chinese University of China
Permanent Honorary Chairman of South China Athletics Association
Honorary Vice President of Hong Kong Federation of Women
Honorary Chairman of Hong Kong Eastern District Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Director of Fujian Middle School
Vice Chairman of The Fukieness Association
Permanent Honorary Chairman of Gee Tuck General Association Hong Kong Limited
Vice Chairman of Jinjiang Clans Association of Hong Kong
Executive Director of The Hong Kong Overseas Chinese General Association
Honorary Chairman of Hong Kong Youth Association

Appendix 2

BILLS PASSED

BILL TITLE	ADVERTISED/ GAZETTED	1ST READING	2ND & 3RD READING
ADVERTISED			
1. Holidays (1997 and 1998) Bill	10.4.97	12.4.97	10.5.97
2. Urban Council (Amendment) Bill 1997	15.5.97	17.5.97	7.6.97
3. Regional Council (Amendment) Bill 1997	15.5.97	17.5.97	7.6.97
4. District Boards (Amendment) Bill 1997	15.5.97	17.5.97	7.6.97
5. The Legislative Council Commission (Amendment) Bill 1997	30.5.97	31.5.97	7.6.97
6. National Flag and National Emblem Bill	1.5.97	3.5.97	14.6.97
7. Regional Flag and Regional Emblem Bill	1.5.97	3.5.97	14.6.97
8. Societies (Amendment) Bill 1997	15.5.97	17.5.97	14.6.97
9. Public Order (Amendment) Bill 1997	15.5.97	17.5.97	14.6.97
10. Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (Amendment) Bill 1997	6.6.97	7.6.97	21.6.97
11. Judicial Service Commission (Amendment) Bill 1997	6.6.97	7.6.97	21.6.97
12. Immigration (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 1997	6.6.97	7.6.97	21.6.97
13. Oaths and Declarations (Amendment) Bill 1997	13.6.97	14.6.97	21.6.97
GAZETTED			
14. Hong Kong Reunification Bill	1.7.97	1.7.97	1.7.97
15. United Nations Sanctions Bill	8.7.97	9.7.97	16.7.97
16. Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Passports Bill	8.7.97	9.7.97	23.7.97
17. Immigration (Amendment) (No.5) Bill 1997	8.7.97	9.7.97	9.7.97
18. Chinese Nationality (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill	8.7.97	9.7.97	23.7.97
19. Legislative Provisions (Suspension of Operation) Bill 1997	8.7.97	9.7.97	16.7.97
20. Electoral Affairs Commission Bill	11.7.97	23.7.97	27.8.97

BILL TITLE	GAZETTED	1ST READING	2ND & 3RD READING
21. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 1997	18.7.97	23.7.97	27.8.97
22. Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 1997	18.7.97	23.7.97	27.8.97
23. Legislative Council Bill	15.8.97	20.8.97	28.9.97
24. Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 1997	15.8.97	20.8.97	3.9.97
25. Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 1997	5.9.97	10.9.97	27.9.97
26. Employment and Labour Relations (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 1997	9.10.97	15.10.97	29.10.97
27. Employment (Amendment) (No.5) Bill 1997	9.10.97	15.10.97	3.12.97
28. Occupational Deafness (Compensation) (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 1997	9.10.97	15.10.97	25.2.98
29. Sex Discrimination (Amendment) Bill 1997	17.10.97	29.10.97	12.11.97
30. Cross-Harbour Tunnel (Cross-Harbour Tunnel Regulations) (Amendment) Ordinance 1997 (Amendment) Bill 1997	14.11.97	26.11.97	10.12.97
31. Tate's Cairn Tunnel (Tate's Cairn Tunnel Regulations) (Amendment) Ordinance 1997 (Amendment) Bill 1997	14.11.97	26.11.97	10.12.97
32. Provident Fund Schemes Legislation (Amendment) Bill 1997	14.11.97	26.11.97	25.2.98
33. Mass Transit Railway Corporation (Amenemdnt) Bill 1997	28.11.97	10.12.97	14.1.98
34. Protection of the Harbour (Amendment) Bill 1997	5.12.97	17.12.97	4.3.98
35. Housing (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill 1997	19.12.97	7.1.98	1.4.98
36. Immigration (Amendment) Bill 1998	9.1.98	14.1.98	4.3.98
37. Housing (Amendment) Bill 1998	9.1.98	14.1.98	25.2.98
38. Hong Kong Bill of Rights (Amendment) Bill 1998	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.2.98
39. Land (Compulsory Sale for Redevelopment) Bill	16.1.98	21.1.98	7.4.98
40. Prevention of Copyright Piracy Bill	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.3.98
41. Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) (Amendment) Bill 1998	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.3.98

BILL TITLE	GAZETTED	1ST READING	2ND & 3RD READING
42. Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill 1998	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.2.98
43. Foreshore and Sea-bed (Reclamations) (Amendment) Bill 1998	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.3.98
44. Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) (Amendment) Bill 1998	16.1.98	21.1.98	25.3.98
45. Road Traffic (Validation of Collection of Fees) Bill	23.1.98	11.2.98	4.3.98
46. Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.1.98	11.2.98	25.3.98
47. Building Management (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.1.98	11.2.98	18.3.98
48. Adaptation of Laws (Courts and Tribunals) Bill	27.1.98	11.2.98	7.4.98
49. Adaptation of Laws (References to Foreign Country, Etc.) Bill	27.1.98	11.2.98	1.4.98
50. Merchant Shipping (Registration) (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.1.98	11.2.98	18.3.98
51. Adaptation of Laws (Crown Land) Bill	27.1.98	11.2.98	7.4.98
52. Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.1.98	11.2.98	7.4.98
53. Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.1.98	11.2.98	25.3.98
54. Appropriation Bill 1998	13.2.98	18.2.98	18.3.98
55. Adaptation of Laws (Interpretative Provisions) Bill	13.2.98	25.2.98	7.4.98
56. Adaptation of Laws (Nationality Related Matters) Bill	13.2.98	25.2.98	7.4.98
57. Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	7.4.98
58. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	7.4.98
59. Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	25.3.98
60. Stamp Duty (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	7.4.98
61. Estate Duty (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	25.3.98
62. Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	25.3.98
63. Air Passenger Departure Tax (Amendment) Bill 1998	27.2.98	4.3.98	25.3.98

Appendix 3

MOTION DEBATES HELD

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Subject of Motion and Mover</u>	<u>Wording of Motion and Result</u>
10 May 1997	“Consultation Document on Civil Liberties and Social Order” moved by Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee amendments proposed by Hon Mrs Elsie TU Hon CHAN Choi-hi amendment to amendment proposed by Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee	The motion as amended by Hon Mrs Elsie TU: “That with the publication of the ‘Consultation Document on Civil Liberties and Social Order’ by the Chief Executive’s Office to invite public comments, this Council urges the Chief Executive’s Office to seriously consider and accord due respect to the views of the public and that any amendments to the Societies Ordinance and the Public Order Ordinance shall be made according to the following principles: 1. the provisions of the Basic Law should be complied with; 2. the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights as applied to Hong Kong should be observed; and 3. a right balance between civil liberties and social order should be maintained.” was carried.
9 July 1997	“Increasing the standard rate under the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme for the elderly” moved by Hon CHAN Choi-hi amendment proposed by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee	The motion as amended by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee: “That with the present Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) payments to the elderly in the territory barely enough to provide them with a reasonable and dignified standard of living, this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to increase, under social welfare expenditure, the standard monthly rate under the CSSA Scheme for the elderly by not less than \$300 as soon as possible upon its establishment.” was carried.

16 July 1997	“Resolving the problems left by the British Hong Kong Government which affect the livelihood of the populace” moved by Hon CHAN Yuen-han amendment proposed by Hon KAN Fook-yee	The original motion: “That this Council urges Mr TUNG Chee-hwa, the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, to honour the pledges made at his election campaign by formulating fair and reasonable policies so that those problems left behind by the British Hong Kong Government which affect the livelihood of the populace, in areas such as housing, employment, retirement protection, education and disparity between the rich and the poor in society, could be resolved in earnest.” was carried.
23 July 1997	“Reduction of rates percentage charge” moved by Hon NGAN Kam-chuen	The motion: “That this Council urges the Special Administrative Region Government to pay a fiscal dividend to the people of Hong Kong by expeditiously reducing by 40% the overall rates percentage charge from 5% to 3%.” was carried.
23 July 1997	“Reduction of taxes” moved by Hon Ronald ARCULLI amendments proposed by Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok Hon CHAN Choi-hi	The original motion: “That this Council urges the Government to reduce profits and salaries taxes as well as consider implementing other revenue measures that may be proposed by Members of this Council for the 1998-99 Budget so as to strive to achieve fiscal balance.” was carried.
23 July 1997	“Review of education” moved by Hon David CHU Yu-lin amendment proposed by Hon CHAN Choi-hi amendment to amendment proposed by Prof Hon NG Ching-fai	The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Choi-hi and further amended by Prof Hon NG Ching-fai: “That this Council requests the Special Administrative Region Government to conduct a comprehensive and extensive review of education in the territory to enable local students to attain an overall improvement in the areas covering ethics, intellect, physical well-being, team spirit and aesthetics, and to strengthen their sense of civic responsibility, and nationalism, and to broaden their international vision so as to enhance the quality and competitiveness of our students in resonance with the needs of Hong Kong’s development in the 21st century.” was carried.

20 August 1997	“Vietnamese boat people” moved by Hon Mrs CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee amendments proposed by Hon LAU Kong-wah Hon CHOY So-yuk	The motion as amended by Hon LAU Kong-wah: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to immediately repatriate all Vietnamese boat people and illegal immigrants stranded in Hong Kong, abolish the port of first asylum policy, sign an agreement with the Vietnamese Government for the repatriation of Vietnamese illegal immigrants upon arrest, as well as expeditiously recover from the United Nations High Commission for Refugees the \$1.1 billion advances made by Hong Kong.” was carried.
27 August 1997	“Assisting Hong Kong’s farming and fishing industries” moved by Hon LO Suk-ching	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to formulate a long-term farming and fishing policy, so as to support the development of farming and fishing industries in the territory.” was carried.
27 August 1997	“Resolving the flooding problem in the Northwest New Territories” moved by Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong	The motion: “That, as the flooding problem in the northwest New Territories has remained very serious in recent years, this Council urges the Government to: (1) speed up the progress of drainage improvement works in the northwest New Territories; (2) provide adequate resources for the stepping up of maintenance and clearance works of watercourses and other drainage systems at flooding blackspots before the rainy season; and (3) communicate closely with the Shenzhen authorities on the early notification to the territory of the time of flood-discharges, so that residents can make adequate preparation, thereby reducing loss in lives and property.” was carried.
3 September 1997	“Setting up of ‘Senior citizen’s Paradise’” moved by Hon WONG Siu-yee	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to consider setting up of ‘Senior citizen’s Paradise’, so as to provide the elderly with the opportunity to develop their potential, and enable them to receive higher quality and more comprehensive geriatric care.” was carried.

3 September 1997	“Supervising Hong Kong railways” moved by Hon LAU Kong-wah amendments proposed by Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung Hon CHAN Choi-hi	The motion as amended by Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee and revised by Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung: “That as the railways in Hong Kong will soon launch vast development projects, this Council urges the Government to undertake a comprehensive review for the purposes of strengthening the planning and coordination of each development project and the ticketing and fare systems of each of the railways; and also requests the two railway companies to increase their transparency and accountability, so as to attain the targets of meeting public’s interests and adhering to the principle of prudent commercial operations; the Government should also expand the composition and terms of reference of the Transport Advisory Committee, so as to enable the Committee to strengthen the supervision of the service and ticketing systems of each of the railways and examine their fares.” was carried.
10 September 1997	“Designating Teacher’s Day” moved by Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to designate 10 September every year as ‘Teacher’s Day’, so as to foster respect for the teaching profession and attach importance to education in the community, thereby raising the status of teachers and advancing the development of education in Hong Kong.” was carried.
10 September 1997	“Review of district administration” moved by Hon CHAN Choi-hi amendments proposed by Hon CHENG Kai-nam Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee	The motion as amended by Hon CHENG Kai-nam and revised by Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee: “That this Council proposes that the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region should consult the public extensively and openly in conducting a comprehensive review of district administration, including the roles, functions, division of labour and resource allocation of the Urban Council, the Regional Council and the District Boards, so that district administration can better complement the development of society; and at the same time, the Government should examine the feasibility of streamlining the existing two-tier system of the district organizations or of merging the two tiers into a single tier system.” was carried.

15 October 1997	“Request for reduction and review of medical blunders” moved by Hon MOK Ying-fan amendment proposed by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung	The motion as amended by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung: “That, in view of the recent series of blunders made by medical staff in the discharge of their duties, thereby causing psychological or physical traumas and even death to members of the public, this Council urges the Government to request the Hospital Authority to formulate and implement measures aimed at reducing medical blunders, immediately review the existing mechanism for handling complaints about medical blunders, and enhance the transparency and representativeness of this mechanism by including more people who are not members of the Hospital Authority or of the medical and health care professions, so as to ensure that complaints lodged will be adjudicated fairly and safeguard the legitimate rights of the public when receiving medical services.” was carried.
15 October 1997	“Speeding up the pace of democratization in Hong Kong” moved by Hon CHAN Choi-hi amendment proposed by Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho	The motion as amended by Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to strengthen education across the board so as to enhance residents’ civic awareness and political knowledge, thereby matching the gradual and orderly pace of democratization in Hong Kong in accordance with the Basic Law, and making proper preparation for possible amendments to the methods for the election of the Chief Executive and for the formation of the Legislative Council after the year 2007 as stipulated in the Basic Law, thus advancing towards the target of returning the Chief Executive and all Members of the Legislative Council by direct election.” was carried.
22 October 1997	“Motion of Thanks” moved by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung amendment proposed by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee	The original motion: “That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address.” was carried.

5 November 1997	“Formulating and implementing Hong Kong information policy” moved by Hon CHOY So-yuk	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to expeditiously study and formulate a set of more forward-looking, comprehensive and feasible policy and implementation blueprint for developing a “Hong Kong Information Society” and, to this end, to establish a high-level independent body with corresponding advisory committees and action groups to actively work out and implement the details of such policy and blueprint; provide community-wide coordination; encourage the participation of the information technology organizations in the public and private sectors by utilizing their resources and professional staff; and propel the whole community into information projects which straddle the next century, so as to bring Hong Kong to the forefront of the ‘Global Information Society’.” was carried.
5 November 1997	“Opposing the expansion of the labour importation schemes” moved by Hon CHAN Kam-lam amendments proposed by Hon WONG Siu-yee Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun	The original motion: “That, to ensure that local workers are given priority in employment, this Council opposes the expansion of the labour importation schemes, and urges the Government to enhance the training and re-training programmes for local workers and, at the same time, by merging the employment-related offices of the Labour Department and the Employees Retraining Board, set up an ‘Employment and Training Board’ to provide overall co-ordination of the work relating to job-matching and training.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.
12 November 1997	“Recruiting native English-speaking teachers of English for Hong Kong secondary schools” moved by Hon Mrs Elsie TU	The motion: “That this Council requests the Government to take into consideration the views of Members of the Provisional Legislative Council on the proposal to provide more than 700 additional native English-speaking teachers of English for Hong Kong secondary schools.” was carried.

12 November 1997	“The Building Safety Inspection Scheme” moved by Hon TSANG Yok-sing amendments proposed by Hon Edward HO Sing-tin Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee	The original motion: “That, in view of the fact that a large number of private property owners will be affected by the mandatory Building Safety Inspection Scheme to be implemented by the Buildings Department, this Council urges the Government to undertake the responsibility for the inspection of buildings, and to establish a building maintenance fund to provide assistance to building owners having difficulty meeting the repair costs; furthermore, the implementation of the Scheme should first be targeted at the oldest or the most dangerous buildings.” was carried.
19 November 1997	“Concern for environmental problems in Hong Kong” moved by Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin	The motion: “That, as the environmental pollution problems in Hong Kong have become increasingly serious in recent years, this Council urges the Government to: (a) adopt effective measures to ensure that the various environmental protection programmes will not be delayed, so as to safeguard public health; (b) set up an incentive mechanism to facilitate the development and introduction of cost-effective environmental protection technologies; (c) extensively consult the public and expeditiously formulate long-term, concrete and progressive environmental protection strategies, so as to ensure that a balance is struck between economic development and environmental protection; and (d) enhance the function and transparency of the Hong Kong/Guangdong Environmental Protection Liaison Group and promote co-operation with the Mainland in cross-region environmental protection programmes relating to waste disposal, water and air quality, etc.” was carried.

19 November 1997	“Increase of bus fares” moved by Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung amendment proposed by Dr Hon HO Chung-tai	The motion as amended by Dr Hon HO Chung-tai: “That, in order to properly resolve the opposing views arising from the fare increase applications made by the China Motor Bus Company Limited, the Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited and the Citybus Limited, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously set up a mechanism to ensure that future fare increase applications can meet the interests of all parties.” was carried.
26 November 1997	“Review of the operating mechanism of Hong Kong’s financial market” moved by Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen	The motion: “That, in view of the recent international financial turmoil, this Council urges the Government, under the principle of maintaining a free and open market, to expeditiously review the operating mechanism of the local financial market, including the chain relationship between the stock, foreign exchange and index futures markets, and in particular to properly regulate stock lending and short selling of index futures, with a view to strengthening the Government’s responsiveness to unforeseeable speculative activities and financial crises; furthermore, the Government should adopt effective measures to enhance the general stock buyers’ understanding of the operation of the stock market and financial derivatives.” was carried.

26 November 1997 “Sale of Flats to Sitting Tenants Scheme” moved by
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

amendments proposed by
Hon Allen LEE Peng-fei
Hon CHENG Kai-nam

The motion as amended by Hon CHENG Kai-nam: “That, in view of the Government’s intention to introduce the Sale of Flats to Sitting Tenants Scheme, this Council urges the Government to adopt the following specific policies:

- (1) the construction cost of redeveloping the public rental housing (PRH) flats at the time of sale, offset by a rate of depreciation, be used as the base for setting the selling price of the flats;
- (2) the Housing Department should take up the responsibility for assisting the PRH flat owners in setting up Owners’ Corporations if the number of sold PRH flats reaches a specified proportion of the total number of available PRH flats, and should continue to be responsible for the management of both the sold and unsold PRH flats if the number of sold PRH flats fails to reach the specified proportion;
- (3) the Housing Department should set aside a certain proportion of the proceeds from the sale of PRH flats as the principal of a maintenance fund be established for carrying out the maintenance and improvement works on the housing blocks;
- (4) three years after purchasing the PRH flats, owners should be allowed to re-sell their flats to other PRH flat owners, PRH tenants and applicants on the General Waiting List or to sell their flats freely in the market after repayment of the land premium; and
- (5) PRH flat owners, who have genuine financial difficulties, be allowed to re-sell their flats to the Housing Authority and to revert to the status of PRH tenants.” was carried.

3 December 1997	“Promoting Hong Kong’s tourism industry” moved by Hon Howard YOUNG	The motion: “That, in view of the recent downturn in the number of visitors to Hong Kong, this Council urges the Government to review the situation and implement short, medium and long-term measures to promote and develop Hong Kong’s tourism industry, so as to maintain Hong Kong’s position as an Asian tourism centre.” was carried.
3 December 1997	“Youth policy” moved by Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to expeditiously formulate a more concrete ‘youth policy’, revise the ‘Charter for Youth’ as well as enhance the education of young people about the state of the nation, so as to prepare Hong Kong and the Mainland for attaining the macro-development objectives in the 21st century; and to review the role of the Commission on Youth, consider strengthening its functions and providing it with more resources, so that it can more effectively promote and implement the various tasks involved.” was carried.
10 December 1997	“Speeding up the pace of urban renewal” moved by Hon IP Kwok-him amendment proposed by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee	The original motion: “That this Council urges the Special Administrative Region Government to expeditiously set up an Urban Renewal Authority, so as to speed up the pace of urban renewal, improve the environment of the urban areas and increase community facilities from an overall planning perspective, review afresh the formula for calculating compensation for the property owners and commercial tenants affected by the renewal and, together with the Housing Authority and the Housing Society, make a pledge to rehouse tenants in private residential property in the renewal areas within the same district; furthermore, the Urban Renewal Authority must have adequate representativeness, accountability and transparency and ensure that its powers and resources are used in a reasonable manner.” was carried.

10 December 1997	“Review of social welfare subvention system” moved by Hon HUI Yin-fat amendment proposed by Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee	The motion as amended by Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee: “That, in view of the fact that the Government has all along been delivering most of the social welfare services through subvention to social welfare organizations so as to fulfil its obligation and commitment as a service provider to the community, this Council urges the Government to respect the views of organizations and workers in the sector in its review of the social welfare subvention system and ensure that social welfare organizations will have adequate resources to sustain their development and maintain the quality of their services in future.” was carried.
17 December 1997	“Developing the territory’s high value-added industries” moved by Prof Hon NG Ching-fai	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to implement the commitments made in the Chief Executive’s Policy Address on 8 October by showing concern for the employment problems arising from the restructuring of the economy, and by promoting the development of high value-added manufacturing and high-technology industries in the territory; in so doing, the Government must expeditiously: (a) explore ways to resolve the practical problems currently faced by the industrial sector and put in efforts to adjust the administrative organ which deals with the territory’s industrial development, thereby enhancing the productivity of local industries and speeding up technological transfer; (b) promote the upgrading and transformation of existing industries, develop high value-added and high-technology industries, and enhance technological cooperation between Hong Kong and the Mainland; and (c) strengthen the mid-stream forces in the process of technological transfer, set up an institute of research on industrial technology in Hong Kong to enhance the capability of our enterprises in developing new technology-intensive products.” was carried.

17 December 1997	“Immigration control measures” moved by Hon LAU Kong-wah	The motion: “That, as residents of Hong Kong and the Guangdong Province are travelling more frequently between the two places, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously extend the operating hours of the immigration control points for travellers and provide public transport terminals close to the Lo Wu crossing with a view to progressively opening the crossing round the clock; and also urges the Government to strengthen the security and management of the areas adjacent to the regional boundary, so as to effectively intercept illegal immigrants.” was carried.
7 January 1998	“Improving the Home Ownership Scheme” moved by Hon CHENG Kai-nam amendment proposed by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee	The original motion: “That, as the Tenants Purchase Scheme has been launched, this Council urges the Government to modify and improve the Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) by adopting the following measures: (a) allow HOS flat owners, on selling their flats in the secondary HOS flats market, to purchase second-hand HOS flats for their own use; (b) increase the ratio of white-form applicants for allocation of HOS flats; (c) set aside a certain portion of the proceeds from the sale of HOS flats for the setting up of a maintenance fund for these flats; and (d) request the Housing Authority to bear responsibility for the ‘problem HOS flats’ caused by faulty construction works or insufficient monitoring.” was carried.
7 January 1998	“Medical insurance for teachers in all government-funded schools in the territory” moved by Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to take out medical insurance policies for teachers in all government-funded schools in the territory so as to reduce the disparity in fringe benefits between teachers in government schools and those in government-funded schools.” was carried.

14 January 1998	“Review of the local pre-school education policy” moved by Hon CHOY So-yuk	The motion: “That, in order to ensure the fulfilment of the commitments made by the Chief Executive in the Policy Address 1997 on raising the standard of local pre-school education, this Council urges the Government to adopt the following improvement measures: 1) to uniformize kindergartens and child care centres in terms of teacher training, teacher salary scale and teacher-to-pupil ratio, while preserving the uniqueness of these institutions, so that public resources can be more effectively allocated and used; 2) to improve the subsidy scheme for non-profit making kindergartens by providing direct subsidies on the basis of the ratio of qualified kindergarten teachers in a kindergarten, with a view to replacing the existing method of providing subsidies according to the number of pupils; and increase the amount of subsidy to half or more of the school fees so as to relieve parents of their burdens; 3) to effect actual improvements to the salary scale of pre-school education workers, raise the entry requirements for kindergarten teachers in stages and attract more people to join and to stay in the profession; and 4) to improve the current in-service training for pre-school education workers and provide more opportunities for pre-service training, so that more pre-school education workers can be trained and the quality of teaching will be enhanced.” was carried.
14 January 1998	“Two-tier social security system” moved by Hon CHAN Kam-lam amendment proposed by Hon Allen LEE Peng-fei	The original motion: “That, as the ‘Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme’, to be introduced soon by the Government, will not be able to provide the people of Hong Kong with full retirement protection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously study and put in place concrete plans for implementing an ‘Old Age Pension Scheme’, so as to provide full retirement protection for the working, non-working and retired people under a two-tier social security system.” and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.

21 January 1998	“Liquefied petroleum gas taxi scheme” moved by Hon Allen LEE Peng-fei	The motion: “That, in order to improve the increasingly worsening air quality in Hong Kong, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously put in place a liquefied petroleum gas taxi scheme and take the lead in promoting it, as well as establishing concessionary measures to encourage the participation of taxi operators; at the same time, the Government should study how the scheme can be extended to include private cars and should bring in suitable environmentally friendly fuels for heavy vehicles.” was carried.
21 January 1998	“Improving the mechanisms for managing infectious diseases and imported livestock quarantine” moved by Hon CHAN Wing-chan	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to implement concrete measures to bring the livestock industry back to normal operation as soon as possible and to improve the mechanisms for managing infectious diseases and imported livestock quarantine, so as to restore the confidence of local people and overseas visitors in the territory’s hygiene; the effective measures to be expeditiously formulated by the Government should include: 1. establishing a sound and comprehensive quarantine system for the importation of livestock to ensure that they meet safe hygiene standards; 2. enhancing and improving the hygiene and sanitary conditions of livestock retail stalls and shops, markets and livestock farms; and 3. enhancing the health education of the general public and employees in the livestock industry; this Council also urges the Government to learn from the experience in dealing with the ‘avian flu’ incident, so that if similar incidents occur in the future, a central control centre comprising principal government officials should be set up expeditiously to formulate and execute comprehensive emergency measures and to disseminate information to and educate the general public.” was carried.

11 February 1998	“The opening of the new airport” moved by Dr Hon HO Chung-tai	The motion: “That, as the Government has postponed the opening of the new airport to July 6 to tie in with the operation of the airport railway, this Council urges the Government to implement the relevant relocation plans prudently, so as to ensure that the new airport will be a world-class international airport with the best passenger and freight services from its first day of operation, in order that the international image of Hong Kong will be enhanced.” was carried.
11 February 1998	“Relationship between the executive authorities and the legislature” moved by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to consider means to improve the communication and working relationship between the legislature and the executive authorities, so as to ensure effective and efficient governance of the Special Administrative Region and that the executive authorities be made accountable to the legislature in accordance with the Basic Law.” was carried.
25 February 1998	“Building management” moved by Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok amendment proposed by Hon NGAN Kam-chuen	The motion as amended by Hon NGAN Kam-chuen: “That this Council urges the Government to actively assist building owners in forming Owners’ Corporations and to strengthen its support for existing Owners’ Corporations, including hiring more Liaison Officers of the Home Affairs Department and expeditiously setting up more Building Management Resource Centres composed of full-time professionals such as lawyers, accountants and property management consultants, so as to improve the operation of Owners’ Corporations and enable them to effectively handle building maintenance, fire protection, security, hygiene, insurance and other building management-related matters.” was carried.
25 February 1998	“Future of Hong Kong’s freight industry” moved by Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee	The motion: “That, as it is expected that there will be a significant slowdown in the future growth of Hong Kong’s overall container throughput, this Council urges the Government to actively adopt practicable measures to maintain the competitiveness of the territory’s freight industry and the competitive edge of Hong Kong as a port.” was carried.
4 March 1998	“Strengthening the supervision of the safety measures of public transport” moved by Hon CHOY Kan-pui	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to strengthen the supervision of the safety measures of public transport.” was carried.

4 March 1998	“Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme” moved by Hon TAM Yiu-chung	The motion: “That this Council urges that, in reviewing the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme, the authorities should focus on expanding the support and retraining services for persons receiving CSSA payment on the ground of unemployment and on improving the method of calculating deductions from CSSA payments, so as to encourage unemployed persons to rejoin the labour market early, put public funds to good use, and enable other CSSA recipients to receive better care; furthermore, this Council urges the Government to consult the Legislative Council before making any decision in respect of the review.” was carried.
25 March 1998	“Improving the local employment situation” moved by Hon CHAN Yuen-han	The motion: “That, in view of the lack of improvement to the territory’s unemployment situation in recent years, coupled with the financial turmoil at the end of last year which has aggravated the problem, this Council urges that, in order to expeditiously improve the local employment situation, the Government: (a) formulate support measures to reduce the operating costs of small and medium enterprises and to enhance the competitiveness of the local economy, so as to create more employment opportunities; (b) re-structure the territory’s economic set-up, including the formulation of long-term industrial policies, with a view to providing a wide array of jobs for people to make the best use of their capabilities; and (c) improve the existing human resources planning mechanism and formulate effective complementary measures for future overall human resources training with a view to meeting market needs.” was carried.

25 March 1998	“Formulating a policy on culture” moved by Hon MA Fung-kwok	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to formulate an integrated pluralistic policy on culture, which has a clear direction, by attaching importance to the fine traditional Chinese culture, giving full play to the historical and geographical characteristics of Hong Kong and embracing the best of both Chinese and Western cultures with an open and receptive attitude; and to review the existing framework and resource allocation strategies relating to cultural matters, so as to enhance the cultural qualities, creativity and competitiveness of the whole community, thereby creating a harmonious and fulfilling society.” was carried.
1 April 1998	“Editorial independence of Radio Television Hong Kong” moved by Hon Edward HO Sing-tin amendments proposed by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee Hon WONG Siu-yee amendment to amendment proposed by Hon CHENG Kai-nam	The motion as amended by Hon WONG Siu-yee and further amended by Hon CHENG Kai-nam: “That this Council endorses the editorial independence of Radio Television Hong Kong and the production of fair, balanced and objective news, public affairs and general programming by Radio Television Hong Kong.” was carried.
1 April 1998	“Establishing a Social Welfare Services Development Fund” moved by Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung	The motion: “That, in order to make up for the shortfall and inadequacy in social welfare services in the past and to fulfil the pledges the Government has openly made in regard to social welfare services, this Council urges the Government to make a provision of \$3.4 billion for the establishment of a Social Welfare Services Development Fund, so as to cope with the normal growth in the community’s demands on social welfare services in the next five years and to ensure the steady development of social welfare services.” was carried.
7 April 1998	“Formulating development strategies” moved by Hon CHENG Yiu-tong	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate development strategies for Hong Kong’s long-term needs and goals.” was carried.

7 April 1998	“Attracting foreign investments in developing innovative industries” moved by Hon TANG Ying-yen	The motion: “That this Council urges the Government to vigorously create an investment environment to attract foreign investments in developing innovative industries in Hong Kong.” was carried.
7 April 1998	“Valedictory motion” moved by Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung	The motion: “That this Council concludes its historic mission and wishes for the smooth formation of the first Legislative Council to continue to serve the people of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.” was carried.

Appendix 4

MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES, PANELS, BILLS COMMITTEES, AND SUBCOMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Chairman)
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung (Deputy Chairman)
Hon NG Leung-sing
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)
Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon NG Leung-sing
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho

COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee (Chairman)
Hon CHENG Kai-nam (Deputy Chairman)
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon CHOY So-yuk

BILLS COMMITTEES

1. *Bills Committee on Immigration (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 1997*

Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun (Chairman)
Hon Howard YOUNG (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry WU
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon TSANG Yok-sing
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Dr Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon KAN Fook-yee
Hon Maria TAM Wai-chu

2. *Bills Committee on Provident Fund Schemes Legislation (Amendment) Bill 1997 and related subsidiary legislation*

Hon Ronald ARCULLI (Chairman)
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry WU
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon CHAN Kam-lam
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen
Hon CHOY So-yuk

3. *Bills Committee on Urban Council (Amendment) Bill 1997, Regional Council (Amendment) Bill 1997 and District Boards (Amendment) Bill 1997*

Hon CHAN kam-lam (Chairman)
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry WU
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon LAU Wong-fat
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen
Hon LO Suk-ching
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

4. *Bills Committee on Housing (Amendment) (No. 3) Bill 1997*

Hon CHAN Yuen-han (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon Edward HO Sing-tin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon CHAN Kam-lam
Hon CHENG Kai-nam
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

5. *Bills Committee on Legislative Provisions (Suspension of Operation) Bill 1997*

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
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Hon HO Sai-chu
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Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
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Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon TSANG Yok-sing
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon CHENG Yiu-tong

6. *Bills Committee on Societies (Amendment) Bill 1997 and Public Order (Amendment) Bill 1997*

Hon Maria TAM Wai-chu (Chairman)
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
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Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon TAM Yiu-chung

7. *Bills Committee on Protection of the Harbour (Amendment) Bill 1997*

Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon Edward HO Sing-tin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
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Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon KAN Fook-yee
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok
Hon CHOY So-yuk

8. *Bills Committee on Employment and Labour Relations (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 1997*

Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho

9. *Bills Committee on Occupational Deafness (Compensation) (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 1997*

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon CHAN Kam-lam

10. *Bills Committee on the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Chairman)

Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon NG Leung-sing
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
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Hon CHAN Kam-lam
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Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

11. *Bills Committee on Immigration (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon Howard YOUNG (Chairman)
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Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Allen LEE
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Henry WU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

12. *Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 1998*

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon Henry WU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

13. *Bills Committee on Housing (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon HO Sai-chu
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

14. *Bills Committee on Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Chairman)
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (until 5.3.98)
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

15. *Bills Committee on Building Management (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Chairman)
Hon HO Sai-chu
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Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry WU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

16. *Bills Committee on Hong Kong Bill of Rights (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po
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Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho (since 4.2.98)
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

Hon LAU Kong-wah

17. Bills Committee on Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) (Amendment) Bill 1998

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee (Chairman)

Hon WONG Siu-yee

Hon HO Sai-chu

Hon Edward HO Sing-tin

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Hon CHAN Wing-chan

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Hon TAM Yiu-chung

18. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 1998

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)

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Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

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19. Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 1998

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)

Hon WONG Siu-yee

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

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Hon Ronald ARCULLI

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Hon CHAN Yuen-han

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Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

20. *Bills Committee on Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) (Amendment) Bill 1998, Foreshore and Sea-bed (Reclamations) (Amendment) Bill 1998 and Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon YUEN Mo (Chairman)

Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai (Deputy Chairman)

Hon HO Sai-Chu

Hon Edward HO Sing-tin

Hon LEE Kai-ming

Hon Ronald ARCULLI

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon IP Kwok-him

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon KAN Fook-yee

Hon CHOY So-yuk

21. *Bills Committee on Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Bill 1998*

Hon Ronald ARCULLI (Chairman)

Hon WONG Siu-yee

Hon HO Sai-chu

Hon LEE Kai-ming

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon CHAN Wing-chan

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

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22. *Bills Committee on Land (Compulsory Sale For Redevelopment) Bill*

Hon Ronald ARCULLI (Chairman)

Hon WONG Siu-yee

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23. *Bills Committee on Legislative Council Bill*

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)
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Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
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Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
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24. *Bills Committee on Prevention of Copyright Piracy Bill*

Hon MA Fung-kwok (Chairman)

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Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
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25. *Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws (Nationality Related Matters) Bill*

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)
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Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
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26. *Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws (Interpretative Provisions) Bill*

Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho (Chairman)
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Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
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Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

27. *Bills Committee on Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Passports Bill*

Hon Howard YOUNG (Chairman)
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Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
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Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
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28. *Bills Committee on National Flag and National Emblem Bill and Region Flag and Regional Emblem Bill*

Hon HO Sai-chu (Chairman)
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon YUEN Mo
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

29. *Bills Committee on Electoral Affairs Commission Bill*

Hon Ronald ARCULLI (Chairman)
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Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon TSANG Yok-sing
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Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po
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PANELS

I. Panels

1. *Panel on Manpower*

Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Chairman)
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
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Hon CHAN Yuen-han
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Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
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Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon CHENG Yiu-tong
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok
Hon TAM Yiu-chung

2. *Panel on Public Service*

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)
Hon LEE Kai-ming (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin (until 12.8.97)

Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon CHENG Yiu-tong

3. *Panel on Broadcasting, Culture and Sport*

Hon MOK Ying-fan (Chairman)
Hon MA Fung-kwok (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon HO Sai-chu (until 22.9.97)
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Henry WU
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun (until 6.11.97)
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

4. *Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services*

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung (until 9.2.98)
Hon TSANG Yok-sing
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon CHOY So-yuk (until 15.10.97)

5. *Panel on Home Affairs*

Hon Mrs Peggy LAM (Chairman)
Hon LO Suk-ching (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon LAU Wong-fat (until 12.1.98)
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

6. *Panel on Transport*

Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Chairman)
Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon Edward HO Sing-tin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon LEE Kai-ming
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Hon Henry WU
Hon YUEN Mo
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Hon CHAN Kam-lam
Hon CHENG Kai-nam
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

7. *Panel on Housing*

Hon CHAN Yuen-han (Chairman)
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon Edward HO Sing-tin
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung
Hon LEUNG Chun-ying
Hon HUI Yin-fat
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Kam-lam
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Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting

Hon TAM Yiu-chung

8. *Panel on Security*

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee (Chairman)

Hon CHENG Kai-nam (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Allen LEE

Hon Mrs Elsie TU

Hon Henry WU

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung

Hon HUI Yin-fat

Hon CHAN Choi-hi

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon IP Kwok-him

Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (until 24.7.97)

Hon KAN Fook-yee

Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

9. *Panel on Constitutional Affairs*

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat (Chairman)

Hon TSANG Yok-sing (Deputy Chairman)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Mrs Elsie TU

Hon CHENG Kai-nam

Hon Kennedy WONG Ying-ho

Hon CHIM Pui-chung

Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon KAN Fook-yee

Hon CHOY So-yuk

10. *Panel on Financial Affairs*

Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun (Chairman)

Hon NGAN Kam-chuen (Deputy Chairman)

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

Hon Henry WU

Hon Ronald ARCULLI

Hon CHAN Choi-hi

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon CHIM Pui-chung
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

11. *Panel on Education*

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung (Chairman)
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin
Hon TSANG Yok-sing
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Dr Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam
Hon IP Kwok-him
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok

12. *Panel on Planning, Lands and Works*

Hon Edward HO Sing-tin (Chairman)
Hon KAN Fook-yee (Deputy Chairman)
Hon HO Sai-chu
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon YUEN Mo
Hon LEUNG Chun-ying
Hon CHENG Kai-nam
Dr Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon LAU Wong-fat
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
Hon NGAN Kam-chuen

13. *Panel on Trade and Industry*

Hon NGAI Shiu-kit (Chairman)
Dr Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam (Deputy Chairman)
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon NG Leung-sing
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Henry WU
Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen
Hon YUEN Mo

Hon MA Fung-kwok
Dr Hon TSO WONG Man-yin (until 12.8.97)
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon CHAN Kam-lam
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon CHIM Pui-chung
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok
Hon CHOY So-yuk

14. *Panel on Economic Services*

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun (Chairman)
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok (Deputy Chairman)
Hon HO Sai-chu
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po
Hon Allen LEE
Hon Henry WU
Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen
Hon YUEN Mo
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
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Hon CHAN Kam-lam
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Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun
Hon LO Suk-ching
Hon TAM Yiu-chung

15. *Panel on Information Policy*

Hon CHOY So-yuk (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai (since 11.8.97)
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon TSANG Yuk-sing
Dr Hon Charles YEUNG Chun-kam
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee

16. *Panel on Welfare Services*

Hon WONG Siu-yee (Chairman)
Hon CHAN Choi-hi (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon HO Sai-chu (from 22.9.97)
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Allen LEE (until 19.9.97)
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon HUI Yin-fat
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon CHOY Kan-pui
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (until 11.8.97)
Hon LO Suk-ching
Hon TAM Yiu-chung
Hon CHOY So-yuk

17. *Panel on Health Services*

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (Chairman)
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon Allen LEE (until 25.8.97)
Hon Henry WU
Hon CHEUNG Hon-chung
Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin (until 15.8.97)
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon CHENG Kai-nam (until 28.7.97)
Hon Howard YOUNG

18. *Panel on Environmental Affairs*

Dr Hon Mrs TSO WONG Man-yin (Chairman)
Hon LAU Kong-wah (Deputy Chairman)
Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Edward HO Sing-tin
Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Prof Hon NG Ching-fai
Hon Henry WU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHAN Wing-chan
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok
Hon CHOY So-yuk

II. Subcommittees of Panels

1. *Panel on Security* *Subcommittee on Overcrowdedness in Penal Institutions*

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee (Chairman)
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Henry WU
Hon CHAN Choi-hi
Hon CHENG Kai-nam
Hon Bruce LIU Sing-lee
Hon LAU Kong-wah

SUBCOMMITTEES OF LEGISLATION

1. *Subcommittee on Immigration (Amendment) (No. 5) Bill 1997*

Hon CHAN Kam-lam (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
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Hon HO Sai-chu
Hon LEE Kai-ming
Hon Mrs Elsie TU
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon Henry WU
Hon Ronald ARCULLI
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
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Dr Hon LAW Cheung-kwok
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Food Business (Regional Council) (Amendment) Bylaw 1998 and
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Hon MOK Ying-fan
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Rules 1998**

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5. *Subcommittee on Mass Transit Railway (Transport Interchange) Regulation and Resolution under Section 25 of the Mass Transit Railway Corporation Ordinance (Cap. 270)*

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6. *Subcommittee on the Specification of Arrangements (Arrangements with the Mainland of China for the Avoidance of Double Taxation on Income) Order*

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8. *Subcommittee on the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal Rules and Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal Fees Rules*

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Hon TSANG Yok-sing
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Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

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9. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation gazetted on 5 September 1997 relating to Fee Increases*

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10. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation gazetted on 19 September 1997 relating to Fee Increases*

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11. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation gazetted on 9 October 1997 relating to Fees*

Hon Edward HO Sing-tin (Chairman)
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12. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation gazetted on 17 October 1997 relating to Fee Increases*

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Hon Henry WU
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13. *Subcommittee on Four Building (Amendment) Regulations gazetted on 7 November 1997*

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14. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation gazetted on 5 December 1997 relating to Fee Increases*

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15. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation relating to Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes*

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Hon LEE Kai-ming
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Hon CHAN Kam-lam
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**16. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation relating to Fee Increases*
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17. *Subcommittee on Resolution under Section 5(3)(b) of the Public Bus Services Ordinance (Cap. 230)*

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18. Subcommittee on Resolution under Section 29 of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2)

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19. Subcommittee on Resolution under Section 29I(2) of the Stamp Duty Ordinance (Cap. 117)

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)
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20. Subcommittee on Five Resolutions under Sections 36, 113 and 114 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance (Cap. 6)

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21. Subcommittee on the Nine Orders made under the Port Control (Cargo Working Areas) Ordinance (Cap. 81)

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)
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22. *Subcommittee on the Four Items of Subsidiary Legislation made under the Mental Health Ordinance (Cap. 136)*

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong (Chairman)
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23. *Subcommittee on Resolution under Section 35(11) of the Airport Authority Ordinance (Cap. 483)*

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun (Chairman)
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24. *Subcommittee on Technical Memorandum for Supervision Plans*

Hon Edward HO Sing-tin (Chairman)
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25. *Subcommittee on Subsidiary Legislation relating to Legislative Council Election (previously named as Subcommittee on Electoral Affairs Commission (Registration of Electors)(Geographical Constituencies)(Legislative Council) Regulation and Electoral Affairs Commission (Registration)(Electors for Functional Constituencies)(Voters for Subsectors)(Members of Election Committee)(Legislative Council) Regulation)*

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Appendix 5

REDRESS INFORMATION SYSTEM: NATURE AND OUTCOME OF CASES COMPLETED BETWEEN 1 JULY 1997 AND 30 JUNE 1998

Legislative Council Redress Information System

Nature and Outcome of Cases

Completed between 01-Jul-1997 and 30-Jun-1998

Nature of Completed Cases

Complaint	333	33.4%
Appeal	9	0.9%
Request for Assistance	323	32.4%
Proposal/View	208	20.9%
Enquiry	57	5.7%
Private/Subjudice	57	5.7%
Civil Service Matter	9	1.0%
Total	996	100.0%

Outcome of Complaint Cases

Resolved	95	28.5%
Suitable Assistance Given	62	18.6%
Information Given/Referrals Made	94	28.2%
Not Pursued	82	24.7%

Outcome of Appeal Cases

Resolved	4	44.4%
Suitable Assistance Given	0	0.0%
Information Given/Referrals Made	4	44.4%
Not Pursued	1	11.2%

Outcome of Request for Assistance Cases

Resolved	105	32.5%
Suitable Assistance Given	88	27.2%
Information Given/Referrals Made	92	28.5%
Not Pursued	38	11.8%

Overall Outcome of Completed Cases

Resolved	243	24.4%
Suitable Assistance Given	184	18.5%
Information Given/Referrals Made	348	34.9%
Not Pursued	221	22.2%
Total	996	100.0%

Appendix 6

REDRESS INFORMATION SYSTEM: STATISTICS REPORT BETWEEN 1 JULY 1997 AND 30 JUNE 1998

	Nature	:	Complaint		Appeal		Request for assistance		Proposal/View		Enquiry		Private/ Sub-judice		Civil Service Matter	Total		
	Outcome :	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
Government Policy Bureaux/Departments																		
HOUSING DEPARTMENT		24	15	9	10	0	0	1	0	27	14	19	5	1	5	16	4	161
IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT		0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	32	19	28	8	2	1	1	2	108
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT		2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	16	3	18	2	0	1	4	1	57
HONG KONG POLICE FORCE		5	2	19	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3	1	1	3	0	56
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT		6	1	7	2	1	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	5	5	6	7	48
URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT		9	3	8	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	33
BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT		8	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	5	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	29
LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT		1	5	2	6	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	6	0	0	0	0	29
LANDS DEPARTMENT		9	3	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	1	28
CIVIL SERVICE BUREAU		1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	19
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT		0	0	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	18
LABOUR DEPARTMENT		0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	2	1	16
HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT		1	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	15
TRANSPORT BUREAU		0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	15
PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & LANDS BUREAU		1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	14
HEALTH & WELFARE BUREAU		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	7	1	13
ECONOMIC SERVICES BUREAU		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
EDUCATION & MANPOWER BUREAU		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	11
HOME AFFAIRS BUREAU		0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
CUSTOMS & EXCISE DEPARTMENT		3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT		1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	0	1	10
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT		2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	10
WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT		3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	9

	Nature : Complaint				Appeal				Request for assistance				Proposal/View				Enquiry				Private/ Sub-judice				Civil Service Matter				Total
	Outcome :	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D				
INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8			
SECURITY BUREAU		0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8			
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT		2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7			
REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT		2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7			
TV & ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING AUTHORITY		0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7			
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6			
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH		0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6			
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	6			
HK MONETARY AUTHORITY		0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	6			
PLANNING DEPARTMENT		3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6			
AGRICULTURE & FISHERIES DEPARTMENT		1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5			
HOUSING BUREAU		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5			
RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5			
CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS BUREAU		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4			
FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4			
FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT		1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3			
MARINE DEPARTMENT		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3			
REGISTRATION & ELECTORAL OFFICE		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3			
WORKS BUREAU		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3			
CHIEF SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICE		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2			
COMPANIES REGISTRY		0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2			
FINANCE BUREAU		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2			
OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0										

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D : Not pursued

	Complaint				Appeal				Request for assistance				Proposal/View				Enquiry				Private/ Sub-judice				Civil Service Matter				Total
Nature : Outcome :	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
POST OFFICE	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
RATING & VALUATION DEPARTMENT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TREASURY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FINANCIAL SERVICES BUREAU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
GOVERNMENT FLYING SERVICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
HK OBSERVATORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
LAND REGISTRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGENCY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TRADE DEPARTMENT	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	91	58	81	62	4	0	3	0	105	83	82	30	29	31	83	40	7	0	42	3	0	0	6	10	0	0	5	4	859
Independent Organizations																													
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY	3	1	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
JUDICIARY	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	13
CONSUMER COUNCIL	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
OFC OF PRIVACY COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONAL DATA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
HK TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	4	1	10	10	0	0	1	1	0	2	4	2	1	1	6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	53
Non-Government Organizations																													
NON-GOVERNMENT	0	3	3	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	6	1	1	4	8	1	0	3	0	0	0	5	30	0	0	0	0	84

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C : Information given / referrals made
D : Not pursued

Nature :		Complaint				Appeal				Request for assistance				Proposal/View				Enquiry				Private/ Sub-judice				Civil Service Matter				Total
Outcome :		A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
Sub-total		0	3	3	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	6	1	1	4	8	1	0	3	0	0	0	5	30	0	0	0	0	84
Total		95	62	94	82	4	0	4	1	105	88	92	38	31	33	93	51	8	0	46	3	0	1	14	42	0	0	5	4	996

Appendix 7

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4 July 1997

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21 July 1997

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29 July 1997

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30 July 1997

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31 July 1997

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15 August 1997

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26 August 1997

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9 September 1997

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10 September 1997

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10 September 1997

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15 September 1997

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16 September 1997

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22 September 1997

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24 September 1997

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3 October 1997

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United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

7 October 1997

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13 October 1997

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16 October 1997

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17 October 1997

Mr John Richards,
Deputy Head of Unit of DGI, and member of the Textiles Monitoring Body, European Commission

24 October 1997

Mr Robert G Kaiser,
Managing Editor of the Washington Post

30 October 1997

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3 November 1997

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11 November 1997

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13 November 1997

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Mr Suzuki Koichi
Mr Someta Hronori
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24 November 1997

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25 November 1997

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 Bay Area Council, USA

3 December 1997

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4 December 1997

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 Office of National
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8 December 1997

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 (Senior Adviser) of Sir
 Leon Brittan, Vice-
 President of European
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12 December 1997

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12 December 1997

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 Parliament and Co-
 ordinator of External
 Economic Relations
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19 December 1997

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 General and Member of
 the Presidential Board of
 the Federation of German
 Industries, Germany

2 January 1998

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8 January 1998

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13 January 1998

Dr Elizabeth Economy,
 Fellow for China, Council
 on Foreign Relations,
 USA

14 January 1998

Mr Gilles Chouraqui,
 Deputy Director of Asia
 and Oceania Region,
 Ministry of Foreign
 Affairs, France

15 January 1998

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 President of British
 Chambers of Commerce,
 UK

10 February 1998

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 Secretary General,
 Indonesian Chamber of
 Commerce and Industry,
 Indonesia

12 February 1998

Mrs Luciana Castellina,
 Member of European
 Parliament and
 Chairman of External
 Economic Relations
 Committee

17 February 1998

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 Director, Institute of
 Southeast Asian Studies,
 Singapore

18 February 1998

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Senior Adviser, the Tokyo
Mitsubishi Bank Ltd,
Japan

19 February 1998

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Mainland:

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Mr ZHANG Qi-fang
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Mr WANG Li-zhong
Mr GUAN Jian-jun

20 February 1998

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Asian Affairs, Germany

20 February 1998

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New Zealand

23 February 1998

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Senior Fellow in Foreign
Policy Studies, the
Brookings Institution,
USA

24 February 1998

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Australia:

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Mr Robert Lo

24 February 1998

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Association of Corporate
Executives), Japan

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26 February 1998

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4 March 1998

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5 March 1998

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Permanent Secretary of
Ministry of Interior,
Finland

9 March 1998

Dr John B Hardman,
Executive Director of the
Carter Centre, Emory
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10 March 1998

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President, Asian Strategy
& Leadership Institute,
Malaysia

18 March 1998

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Affairs, USA:

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Mr Richard Thornburgh
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20 March 1998

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20 March 1998

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European Parliament, UK

24 March 1998

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Executive Director,
Center for Information &
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26 March 1998

Lord Eatwell, Labour and
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Gresford, OBE, QC, Lib
Dem, UK

30 March 1998

Mayor Greg Halsey-Brandt
of Richmond, B.C.,
Canada

30 March 1998

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Parliamentary Group

Mr Ben Chapman, MP
Mr Gordon Prentice, MP
Mr Ian Stewart, MP
Mr Shaun Woodward, MP
Mr Edward Garnier, QC, MP
Mr Brian Cotter, MP

2 April 1998

Dr Richard Buxbaum,
Dean of International and
Area Studies, Ralston
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Law, University of
California at Berkeley,
USA

7 April 1998

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Member of European
Parliament (MEP), Vice-
Chairman of Foreign
Affairs, Security and
Defence Policy
Committee, and Mr
Michael Wood,
MEP, Principal
Administrator of Foreign
Affairs Committee

16 April 1998

Mr Ivan Rogers,
Chef de Cabinet of Sir
Leon Brittan, Vice-
President of European
Commission

22 April 1998

Mr Carlos Raimundi,
Congressman,
Argentina

24 April 1998

Mr Lars Krobaek,
Managing Director of the
Danish Chamber of
Commerce, Denmark

15 May 1998

Mr CHEN Zhiquan,
Chairman of Construction
Commission, Guangdong
Province, PRC

16 June 1998

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National Congress:

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Mr Hernán I Brantes
Mr Octavio Errazuriz

25 June 1998

Mr Thomas Donohue,
President of the US
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USA

Appendix 8

MEMBERSHIP OF THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION AND ITS COMMITTEES

THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung (Deputy Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Hon NGAI Shiu-kit
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Committee on Personnel Matters

Terms of Reference

- (1) To consider personnel matters including staffing resources, appointment, promotion, dismissal, grading, duties, remuneration and other terms and conditions of service of staff of the Secretariat which require the attention of the Commission;
- (2) To approve appointments including acting appointments with a view to promotion of officers at Chief Assistant Secretary level and above; and
- (3) To monitor progress of appointment and personnel matters delegated to the Secretary General.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon WONG Siu-yee
Hon Mrs Peggy LAM
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Paul CHENG Ming-fun

Committee on Facilities and Services

Terms of Reference

- (1) To consider the accommodation requirements of the Council and the Secretariat;
- (2) To assess the needs of the Council and of individual Members for services and facilities for the performance of Council business;
- (3) To formulate solutions for meeting needs identified at (1) and (2);
- (4) To consider financial matters relating to (1) to (3) above; and
- (5) To monitor the progress and developments relating to the above items.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon NGAI Shiu-kit
Hon MOK Ying-fan
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Committee on Members' Allowances

Terms of Reference

- (1) To formulate policies on administering the processing of claims for allowances submitted by Members; and
- (2) To advise on related practices and procedures for processing Members' claims for allowances.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Dr Hon LEONG Che-hung
Hon IP Kwok-him

Appendix 9

ORGANIZATION OF THE PROVISIONAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SECRETARIAT (as at 30.06.1998)

