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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

New Pledges for the Production of the Official Record of Proceedings of the Legislative Council

Following a review of the production process of the Official Record of Proceedings of Legislative Council Meetings ("the Hansard"), The Legislative Council Commission ("the Commission") has decided that the various versions of the Hansard should be made accessible to Members and the public at the earliest practicable time. Starting from the 2009-2010 legislative session, the production timetable for the preparation of the Hansard will be revised as follows:

Type	Original Target	New Pledge
Draft floor version	4 working days	3 working days
Confirmed floor version	22 working days	7 working days
Translated version	66 working days	24 working days

2. At present, Members and public officers are consulted on the Draft floor version of the Hansard. Any proposed amendments which are not of a material character and are found acceptable by the Clerk are incorporated in the Confirmed version. To enable the Secretariat to produce the Confirmed floor version of a regular 10-hour Council meeting within seven working days, the Commission agreed that the present consultation period on the Draft version should be **shortened from the current seven calendar days to two working**

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days after the date of release of the Draft version. The Commission has also directed the Secretariat to request Members to observe strictly the deadline of two working days for proposing amendments, if any, to the Draft version of the Hansard. If the Secretariat does not receive any comment from Members within the stipulated deadline, it will be assumed that no amendments are proposed to the Draft version under consultation.

3. For enquiries, Members may contact Mrs Angelica CHUNG, Chief Translation Officer 3, at 2869 7430.

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