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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

## Matters relating to quorum calls at Council meetings

In accordance with Rule 17(2) and (3) of the Rules of Procedure, if the attention of the President or Chairman in committee of the whole Council is drawn to the fact that a quorum is not present, he shall direct the Members to be summoned. If a quorum is not present after 15 minutes have expired, the Council shall be adjourned. In this connection, Members are invited to note the following:

## (a) Main entrance to the Chamber

As explained earlier by the President, the area inside the outer doors of the main entrance to the Chamber is within the precincts of the Chamber. The President has directed that starting from the Council meeting on 17, 18 and 19 February 2016, if a quorum is not present after 15 minutes have expired, the outer doors of the main entrance to the Chamber will be roped off, as shown in the Appendix. Members outside the outer doors are not counted towards a quorum.

## (b) Quorum call alerts

In the event of quorum calls, the Legislative Council Secretariat will continue with the practice of sending messages to Members through the central paging system to alert them to the lack of a quorum in the Chamber at the following intervals:

- (i) immediately after the quorum bell has started to ring; and
- (ii) immediately after the quorum bell has rung for 5, 10, 12, 13 and 14 minutes.

Members are requested to return to the Chamber as soon as possible upon receipt of such messages.

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