## Preventive measures for COVID-19 implemented by the Legislative Council Secretariat (Updated on 27 January 2021)

In view of the latest situation of the COVID-19 epidemic, the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Secretariat ("Secretariat") will continue to arrange staff to work from home, except those who are responsible for servicing Council meetings or committee meetings and maintaining basic operation of the Secretariat, and those performing on-site duties. In addition, the Secretariat will implement the following special arrangements and epidemic prevention measures:

- (a) starting from 1 February 2021, counter services of the Public Complaints Office will be resumed from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm on Wednesday and Friday;
- (b) all persons who have undergone the COVID-19 testing (especially compulsory testing) and whose test results have not yet been confirmed negative will be denied entry into the LegCo Complex ("the Complex");
- (c) Public Entrance 2 and entrance to the four-lift lobby at LG1 will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm from Monday to Sunday, or 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day (whichever is the later);
- (d) on the days when the Council or its committees are sitting, Members' Entrance 2, Footbridge Entrance and entrance to the three-lift lobby at LG1 will be open from 7:00 am to 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day. These entrances will be closed on a day when no physical meeting is held;
- (e) on-site services of the LegCo Library and the Archives will continue to be suspended, but enquiry services will be provided; and
- (f) a maximum of 10 members of the public will be admitted to observe meetings of the Council and its committees, with a view to reducing the number of observers at the Public Galleries of the Chamber/conference rooms.
- 2. The Secretariat has displayed the venue QR code for the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app on each floor of the LegCo Complex. All persons entering the Complex are strongly advised to scan the QR code to record their whereabouts.
- 3. The following arrangements and epidemic prevention measures will continue to apply:
- (a) all persons who are subject to compulsory quarantine will be denied entry into the Complex. All Secretariat staff, others who work at the Complex and visitors who have had close contact with initially confirmed cases

- and confirmed cases of COVID-19 or persons who are subject to compulsory quarantine, will also be denied entry into the Complex;
- (b) all persons entering the Complex are subject to body temperature screening. Any persons who refuse to undergo body temperature screening or whose body temperature is higher than 37.5°C may be denied entry into the Complex;
- (c) the Complex is closed from 8:00 pm each day (or 30 minutes after the end of the last meeting of the day, whichever is the later) to 7:00 am the following day. All Complex users must leave before the closing time of the Complex;
- (d) the facilities of the Complex will be cleaned and disinfected more frequently;
- (e) all persons entering the Complex are required to walk on the disinfectant floor mat at the entrance before entry;
- (f) hand sanitizers are provided at the reception counters, pantries and toilets; and
- (g) the LegCo Cafeteria remains open but will implement the requirements applicable to catering premises.
- 4. Complex users are strongly advised to maintain good personal hygiene (including wearing surgical masks and performing hand hygiene at all times), minimize the number of people gathering when conducting any activities inside the Complex, and keep abreast of the latest health information disseminated by the Centre for Health Protection:

https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/index.html



Website of the Centre for Health Protection

- 5. The above arrangements will be implemented until further notice. The Secretariat will review the relevant epidemic prevention measures and announce the latest arrangements in due course in the light of the development of the epidemic.
- 6. For enquiries, please contact the Estate and Security Office at 3919 3044.

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