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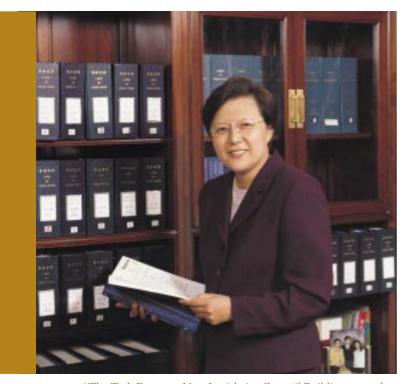
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President's Foreword



"The Task Force on New Legislative Council Building set up by The Legislative Council Commission, and chaired by myself, will strive to ensure that the new building will reflect the dignified and highly transparent image of the legislature..."

he introduction of a number of legislative proposals which will have significant impact on the political and economic development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) rendered the 2001-2002 legislative session a challenging one for the Legislative Council.

A total of 31 bills were introduced into the Council during the year, 28 by the Government and three by Members. These, together with 28 bills brought forward from the 2000-2001 session, raised the total to 59, of which 38 were enacted, and the remaining 21 bills were carried forward to the next session. Some of these bills needed to be scrutinized in detail, for which 23 bills committees were set up.

In addition, 230 items of subsidiary legislation were submitted by the Government and Members. Members completed the scrutiny of 213 items, 192 by negative vetting procedure and 21 by resolution. Among those under negative vetting, 17 were amended and one repealed by resolution. Scrutiny of the 17 remaining items will continue in the 2002-2003 session.

However, statistics cannot fully reflect the workload and challenges faced by Members. One particular example is the resolution relating to the "Accountability System for Principal Officials". This is considered as one of the HKSAR's most important political

reforms. The Subcommittee dealing with it held 15 meetings totalling 54 hours of discussion before it was debated at the Council meeting on 19 June 2002. The Council debate was over seven hours. The resolution eventually passed by a vote of 36 to 21.

Two significant and controversial bills were debated and passed during the last meeting in this session on 10 July 2002. The Public Officers Pay Adjustment Bill, which aimed to provide the legal basis to implement Government's decision to reduce Civil Service pay, aroused grave concern among civil service unions. The Bills Committee scrutinizing it held seven meetings within a period of two weeks. The United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Bill, which aimed to implement the mandatory elements of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1373, was designated a priority item by the Government, and the relevant Bills Committee held 15 meetings within eight weeks. Both bills were heatedly debated in Council before passage.

Other important bills passed in the session included the Gambling (Amendment) Bill 2000, the Securities and Futures Bill and the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill 2001.

Another issue worthy of note was the completion of investigation by the Select Committee on Building Problems of Public Housing Units. The Committee held 69 hearing sessions between April 2001 and May 2002 and is expected to issue a report in the early part of 2003.

During the year, I note that the relations between the Legislative Council and the Government were less harmonious than before. It is my sincere hope that the situation will improve with mutual respect and understanding.

I am delighted that the Government has decided to construct a new Legislative Council Building on the Tamar site. The Task Force on New Legislative Council Building set up by The Legislative Council Commission, and chaired by myself, will strive to ensure that the new building will reflect the dignified and highly transparent image of the legislature, and at the same time provide Members and staff with a modern and highly-efficient working environment. There will also be facilities in the new building to enable the public to have a better understanding of the work of the Council.

I take great pleasure in acknowledging and appreciating the work done by my colleagues during the session to fulfill their duties as legislators. Even within a tight time-frame, Members spared no effort in thoroughly examining each and every clause of legislative proposals before debating and deciding whether to pass them into law. Also, I wish to thank the staff of the Secretariat for giving the Council their full support.

Rita FAN President

Legislative Council

Group Photo of Members er



From left to right:

First row (seated):

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung
Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
(President's Deputy)
Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai
(President)
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon NG Leung-sing
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon SIN Chung-kai

Second row:

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah
Hon WONG Yung-kan
Hon CHOY So-yuk
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum
Hon IP Kwok-him
Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou
Hon CHAN Kam-lam
Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat
Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting

Third row:

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him
Hon WONG Sing-chi
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Howard YOUNG
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon CHAN Kwok-keung
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Fourth row:

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon LI Fung-ying
Hon Margaret NG
Dr Hon LO Wing-lok
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming
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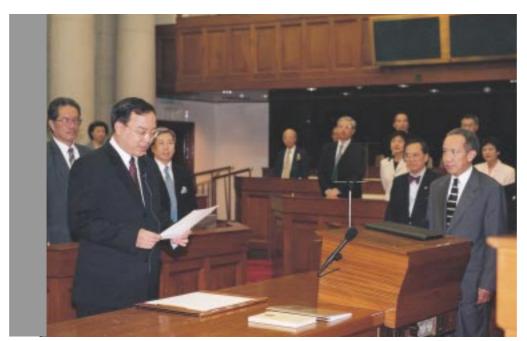
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Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong
Hon TAM Yiu-chung
Hon LAU Kong-wah
Hon MA Fung-kwok
Hon SZETO Wah
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen
Hon HUI Cheung-ching
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

Absent:

Hon LAU Chin-shek Hon LAU Wong-fat

Major Events in Pictures

New Session and New Measures



Hon MA Fung-kwok takes the Legislative Council Oath during the first Legislative Council meeting of this session. He filled the seat vacated by Prof NG Ching-fai, who resigned after being appointed President and Vice-Chancellor of Hong Kong Baptist University.



For the convenience of Members, facilities were installed in the Legislative Council Chamber to enable access to the Internet during meetings. Similar facilities are also available in Conference Room A.



A Members-only coffee corner was set up in the Dining Hall so that Members can take a break during heavy LegCo workdays.



For the convenience of reporters and members of the public, lockers were installed outside the Press Conference Room (right) and at the two public entrances.

Contributing to the Community



Members take part in a media photo session to help promote the Community Chest's Dress Casual Day 2001 to raise funds for 140 welfare agencies.



On a Saturday afternoon, Members lend support to the Helping Hand fund-raising campaign for the elderly by selling cookies to the public.



Legislative Council Members donating blood in the Legislative Council Building has been an annual event since 1988. This year, nine Members participate in the Blood Donation, together with 34 Legislative Council Secretariat staff and members of the public.





Legislative Council Fun Day



(Above and right) Members, guests and reporters show team spirit in the "Hunt and Match" game in which contestants search for words hidden inside the Legislative Council Building, using the clues provided, and arrange the words into a verse. (Below) Game judge, Hon SZETO Wah, comments on the verses produced by each team.







The Karaoke Singing Contest, always a joy-filled occasion both on stage (above) and among the judges and audiences (below).





Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong, who is voted the best singer among Members in the Karaoke Singing Contest.



Hosted by Hon Bernard CHAN, the "Guess Who!" game is full of laughter and astonishment at what some Members looked like when they were young.



"The Weakest Link - Celebrities Impersonation Show", in which Members and reporters impersonate well-known local and overseas political figures and artists, has brought the Fun Day to a climax.



Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council, presents the Lucky Draw prize to a media representative.



Members and reporters keep on singing and dancing after the Fun Day dinner.



Besides being a happy time among Members and reporters (above), LegCo Fun Day provides an opportunity for Members to reunite with former colleagues. (Right) Hon Mrs Rita FAN and Mr CHAN Wing-chan; (below) Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin and Mr Michael HO Mun-ka.





Legislative Council Building Open Day



The opening ceremony of the annual Legislative Council Building Open Day, which was held on 23 March 2002. A total of 2,088 visitors toured the Building.



Members filled the day with festive joy by giving out chocolate eggs to visitors to celebrate the coming of Easter.



Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council, conducts the first group tour of the Legislative Council Building.





In Conference Room B, Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming (photo on top) and Hon HUI Cheung-ching (photo above) brief visitors on the work of the Legislative Council.



Hon NG Leung-sing explains the seating arrangement for Members in the Chamber.



Hon Fred LI Wah-ming poses in front of the gong at the Ante-Chamber.



Hon CHOY So-yuk introduces Press Room amenities to visitors.

Social Functions



Mr TUNG Chee-hwa, the Chief Executive, attends a Spring Reception hosted by Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council, and exchanges views with Members.



A "Calligraphy and Encouragement Couplet Creation Competition" pitted Members against Legislative Council Secretariat staff during the Spring Reception, judged by votes by the Chief Executive and senior Government officials. Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong receives the first prize from Mr Michael SUEN, Chief Secretary for Administration (Acting).



Mr TUNG Chee-hwa and Hon Mrs Rita FAN present prizes to the three media representatives who successfully guessed the winner of the "Calligraphy and Encouragement Couplet Creation Competition".



Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council, hosts an annual tea reception for representatives of six charity organizations. (From left): Mr Star CHAN, Chairman of Yan Chai Hospital; Mr Billy HO, Chairman of Lok Sin Tong; Mr John MA, Chairman of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals; Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council; Mrs Veronica LI, Chairman of Po Leung Kuk; Mr Victor WONG, Chairman of Pok Oi Hospital; and Ms Pauline NGAN, Deputy Chairman of Yan Oi Tong.

Football Matches

The Legislative Council Football Team achieved very good results in this session, winning all four matches arranged by the Legislative Council Secretariat. They beat the Hospital Authority Team 2 to 0, the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Team and the Consuls-General Team 2 to 1 and the Senior Government Officials Team 1 to 0.

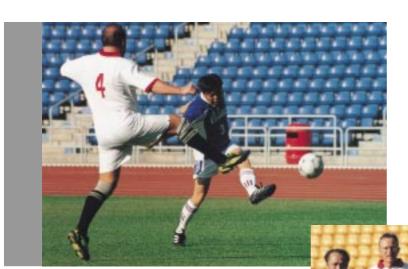


Hon Bernard CHAN (right in white football shirt), captain of the Legislative Council Football Team, and Dr William HO (left in red football shirt), captain of the Hospital Authority Team, pose before the match.



Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (right) and Dr Hon YEUNG Sum (below) on a strike during the match against the Hospital Authority Team.





LegCo's strong mid-field line, including Hon WONG Sing-chi (above); Hon MA Fung-kwok (right) and Hon Henry WU King-cheong (below), shows how to win games.





Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo's goal helps the Legislative Council Football Team to defeat the Consuls-General Team by 2 to 1.



Hon Henry WU King-cheong, acting captain of the Legislative Council Football Team, holds the trophy high in the air after winning the match against the Consuls-General Team.



The Legislative Council Football Team and the Senior Government Officials Team pose before the match.



Mr Donald TSANG, Chief Secretary for Administration, kicks off the match between the Legislative Council and Senior Government Officials teams.



Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council, joins LegCo Football Team members to celebrate their victory over the Senior Government Officials Team.

Chapter 1 The Legislative Council



ccording to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), the HKSAR shall be vested with legislative power and the Legislative Council (LegCo) shall be the legislature of the Region.

Powers and Functions

As provided for in Article 73 of the Basic Law, LegCo of the HKSAR exercises the following powers and functions:

- * To enact, amend or repeal laws in accordance with the provisions of the Basic Law and legal procedures;
- * To examine and approve budgets introduced by the Government;
- * To approve taxation and public expenditure;
- * To receive and debate the policy addresses of the Chief Executive:
- * To raise questions on the work of the Government;
- * To debate any issue concerning public interests;
- * To endorse the appointment and removal of the judges of the Court of Final Appeal and the Chief Judge of the High Court;
- * To receive and handle complaints from Hong Kong residents;
- * If a motion initiated jointly by one-fourth of all the Members of LegCo charges the Chief Executive with serious breach of law or dereliction of duty and if he or she refuses to resign, the Council may, after passing a motion for investigation, give a mandate to the Chief

Justice of the Court of Final Appeal to form and chair an independent investigation committee. The committee shall be responsible for carrying out the investigation and reporting its findings to the Council. If the committee considers the evidence sufficient to substantiate such charges, the Council may pass a motion of impeachment by a two-thirds majority of all its Members and report it to the Central People's Government for decision; and

* To summon, as required when exercising the above-mentioned powers and functions, persons concerned to testify or give evidence.

Composition

As stipulated in the Basic Law, LegCo of the HKSAR is to be constituted by election. There are 60 Members for the second term of LegCo (2000-2004), where 24 Members were returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections, 30 Members by functional constituencies, and six Members by an Election Committee comprising 800 elected representatives of the community. The election for the second term of LegCo was held on 10 September 2000. The term of office of Members is four years.

The President of the Council is elected by and from among Members of LegCo.

The composition and biographies of Members who served on LegCo in 2001-2002 are in *Appendices 1 and 2* respectively.

Chapter 2 Legislative Council Meetings



eetings of the Legislative Council are open to the public. They may be conducted in either Cantonese, Putonghua or English, with simultaneous interpretation provided. The proceedings of the meetings of the Council are broadcast live and are reported by the mass media. They are also recorded verbatim in the Official Record of Proceedings of the Meetings of the Council.

The business transacted at a regular Council meeting mainly comprises the tabling of subsidiary legislation and other papers and reports; asking of questions for replies by the Government; the consideration of bills; and debates on motions. During the period from October 2001 to July 2002, the Council held 34 meetings and sat for more than 281 hours.

Tabling of Subsidiary Legislation and Other Papers

Subsidiary legislation is any proclamation, rule, regulation, order, resolution, notice, rule of court, bylaw or other instruments made by the designated authorities under or by virtue of the relevant ordinances. It is subject to the scrutiny of the Council, which may be through either the negative vetting procedure or the positive vetting procedure.

Subsidiary legislation scrutinized through the negative vetting procedure is first published in the Gazette and then laid on the table of the Council. Where considered necessary, the House Committee may set up a subcommittee to study the subsidiary legislation in detail. A Member or a public officer may, within a prescribed time limit, move a motion in Council to seek the

Council's agreement to amend or repeal an item of subsidiary legislation that has been tabled.

During the session from October 2001 to July 2002, 209 items of subsidiary legislation were tabled in the Council. The scrutiny of 192 items was completed, with 17 of them amended and one repealed by the Council through the passage of motions moved by either Government officials or Members. The remaining 17 items tabled in the Council through the negative vetting procedure will continue to be scrutinized in the next session.

The scrutiny by the Council of subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure is described later in this chapter.

Other papers tabled at Council meetings include the annual reports of Government departments and public bodies, Government consultative documents, and reports of the Council's committees. Members and public officers presenting the reports may address the Council.

Questions

Members' concern for the well being of the community may be reflected through asking questions at Council meetings. The questions are aimed at seeking information on Government's actions or lack of actions on specific problems or incidents and on Government's policies. 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 in the Council or through their contacts with the public.

During the period under report, Members asked 153 oral questions on a wide range of subjects, and followed up with 952 supplementary questions, at Council meetings. Another 436 questions seeking written replies by the Government were also asked.

Statements

Statements may be made by Government officials on issues of public concern at Council meetings. During the period under report, the Chief Secretary for Administration made a statement on "Review of Remuneration of Senior Executives of Major Statutory and Other Bodies" at the Council meeting held on 26 June 2002.

Petitions

Petitions may be presented to the Council by Members. The Member presenting a petition may make a speech giving a summary statement of the number and description of the petitioners and the substance of the petition. No petition was made during the period under report.

Bills

The Government is primarily responsible for proposing new legislation or amendments to existing legislation, in the form of bills which are considered by the Council for enactment. Subject to certain conditions, Members of the Council may also introduce bills into the Council. Broadly speaking, bills have one or more of the following purposes:

- * To introduce new measures or policies, to create new organizations or institutions, or to make changes to existing organizations or institutions;
- * To extend the scope of existing legislation;
- * To improve and update existing legislation;
- * To modify or reform the machinery of Government; or
- * To appropriate funds for public expenditure and to raise revenue.

A bill is first published in the Gazette before it is introduced into the Council. It has to be given three readings for its passage by the Council. The First Reading is a formality, with the Clerk reading the short title of a bill at a Council meeting. The Second Reading of the bill starts with the Government official or Member who introduce the bill moving the motion "That the bill be read the second time" and explaining the purpose of the bill. Usually, after the motion has been moved, the debate on it is adjourned and the bill is referred to the House Committee to allow Members more time to study it, either in the House Committee or in a bills committee set up by the House Committee specifically for it.









The Second Reading debate on the Securities & Futures Bill and Banking (Amendment) Bill 2000 resumed on 13 March 2002 after the relevant bills committee held 55 meetings with the Government over a 14-month period. Ten Members speak during the Second Reading debate, including (clockwise from upper right): Hon SIN Chung-kai, Chairman of the Bills Committee; Hon Henry WU King-cheong; Hon Margaret NG and Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing.

The debate on the Second Reading resumes at a subsequent Council meeting after the bill has been studied. During the resumed debate, Members present their views on the merits and principles of the bill and indicate their support or otherwise. A vote is then taken by the Council on the motion "That the bill be read the second time". If the motion is not passed, the bill cannot proceed further. If it is passed, the bill is given a Second Reading, and the Council will then sit as a "Committee of the whole Council" during which

the Committee goes through the clauses of the bill, making amendments where agreed to by the Committee. 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.

When a bill has been given three readings, it becomes a piece of enacted law. Unless a later date has been specified, it may take effect after it is signed by the Chief Executive and promulgated in the Gazette.

Where the Council considers that the passage of a bill is sufficiently urgent, it may proceed with the 'Second Reading' debate on the bill at the meeting at which the bill is introduced. If the bill receives Second Reading, the Council may proceed to the remaining stages at the same meeting.

During the period under report, the Council completed proceedings on 38 bills, which were all passed. Of these bills, 29 were passed with amendments proposed by Government officials or Members. A list of the bills passed is in **Appendix 3**.

Motions

Motions are the mechanism through which most of the Council's business is transacted. The processing of a bill is by way of a series of motions moved, debated and voted upon by the Council at various stages. Amendments to bills and the approval of or amendments to subsidiary legislation are also effected by way of motions.

In regard to subsidiary legislation which is scrutinized by the Council through the positive vetting procedure, the process starts with a Government official or a Member giving notice of a motion, to be moved at a future Council meeting, to make or amend subsidiary legislation. The proposed motion is then studied by the House Committee which may decide to set up a subcommittee to study it in depth. Where Members consider it necessary, they may move amendments to the motion. During the period under report, Government officials moved a total of 19 motions to either make or amend subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure. All were passed and nine amendments proposed by Members to these motions were all negatived. Two motions moved by Members to make subsidiary legislation and two amendments to these motions proposed by Members were also negatived.

Apart from those relating to subsidiary legislation, motions may be moved by Members to amend the Council's Rules of Procedure or to invoke the Council's powers under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance, Cap. 382. During the report period, the Council passed two motions to amend the Rules of Procedure. A motion to invoke the Council's powers under Cap. 382 to order attendance of witnesses and production of documents was negatived.

Policy Address Debate

The Chief Executive addresses the Council in every LegCo session on his policy proposals for administering the HKSAR. At a meeting held after the Chief Executive has delivered his Policy Address, a motion is moved by the Chairman of the House Committee to thank the Chief Executive for his Address (Motion of Thanks). A debate then follows with Members offering their comments on the Address and senior Government officials responding to these comments. During

the session, the Chief Executive delivered his Address on 10 October 2001 and Members and Government officials debated the Motion of Thanks for four days on 17, 18, 19 and 24 October 2001. The new debate format allowed Members to express their views on six groups of specified policy areas in a more focused manner during each of the six debate sessions held on the first three days; the last day of the debate enabled Members and Government officials to discuss matters not already covered in the first three days.



In his last Policy Address as the first Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Mr TUNG Chee-hwa reiterates his aim of building a more civil, affluent, stable and democratic Hong Kong that is full of vitality.

Budget Debate

Shortly before a financial year ends at the end of March, the Financial Secretary presents to the Council his Budget for the next financial year in the form of an Appropriation Bill and the Draft Estimates, which are followed closely by legislative measures for implementing the Government's revenue proposals. These set out the Government's annual revenue and expenditure proposals for the following financial year. Legislation required for implementing the revenue proposals are presented in the form of Revenue Bills. 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 decision. For the 2002-2003 Budget, the Financial Secretary introduced the Appropriation Bill 2002 on 6 March 2002. The debate on the Budget took place on 10, 11 and 17 April 2002. The Appropriation Bill 2002 was passed on 17 April 2002. The Revenue Bill 2002 and the Revenue (No. 2) Bill 2002, which contained revenue proposals in the Budget, were passed on 26 June 2002.

Other Debates

All motions moved at Council meetings are debated and voted upon. Apart from motions with legislative or binding effect, Members also debate motions which do not have such effect, but which provide opportunities for Members to express their views on issues of public interest and for Government officials to respond to them. During the session under report, the Council debated 50 motions moved by Members and one motion moved by the Secretary for Constitutional Affairs. The term of the motions and the decisions of the Council on them are in **Appendix 4**.

Where a Member wishes to raise a topic for debate in the Council but does not wish to formulate a motion in express terms, an adjournment debate may be proposed for Members to simply express their opinions on the topic. One adjournment debate, on the subject of "Looking back on the Chief Executive's administration during his term of office", proposed by Hon Martin LEE Chuming, took place at the Council meeting held on 6 February 2002.



Mr Antony LEUNG, the Financial Secretary, delivers his maiden Budget on 6 March 2002, setting out the Government's revenue and expenditure proposals for the 2002-2003 financial year.

Chief Executive's Question and Answer Sessions

In the session, three meetings of the Council were held during which the Chief Executive addressed the Council on topics he wished to raise and then answered questions put to him by Members on a wide range of subjects. In addition, the Chief Executive attended the Council meeting held on 17 April 2002, and addressed the Council on the accountability system for principal officials.

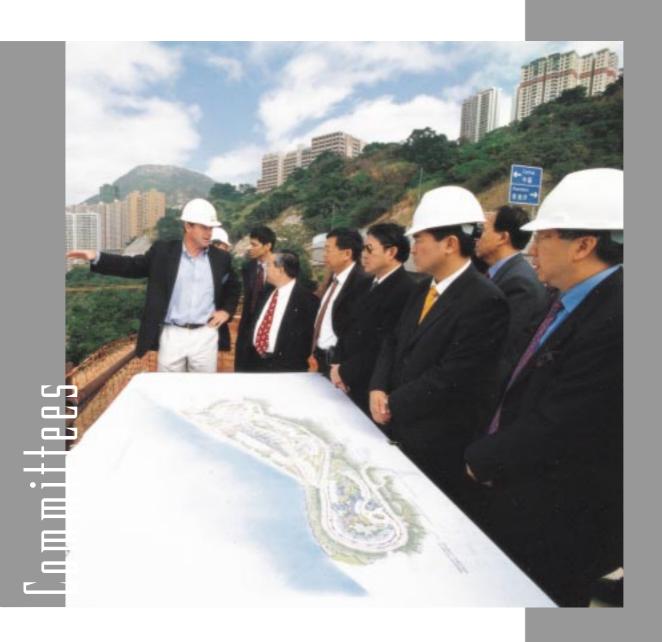
During the session, Mr TUNG Chee-hwa, the Chief Executive, attends three Question and Answer Sessions to reply to Members' enquiries.





Mr TUNG Chee-hwa, the Chief Executive, addresses the Legislative Council on the accountability of principal officials on 17 April 2002.

Chapter 3 Committees



I hrough a system of committees, Members perform the critical roles of scrutinizing bills, controlling public expenditure, and monitoring the work of the Government. There are three standing committees, namely the Finance Committee, Public Accounts Committee and Committee on Members' Interests. The House Committee co-ordinates matters relating to the business to be considered at Council meetings and monitors the progress on the study of bills and subsidiary legislation. Bills which require more in-depth scrutiny are studied by bills committees, which report their deliberations to the House Committee. Panels are committees which monitor and examine policy issues. The number of panels to be formed and the terms of reference of each panel are approved by the Council on the recommendation of the House Committee.

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 by and from among its members.

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

During the 2001-2002 session, the Finance Committee held 15 regular meetings and examined a total of 72 items of proposals, including 21 items containing 117 proposals which had been considered and supported by its two subcommittees, namely the Establishment Subcommittee and the Public Works Subcommittee.

The Finance Committee held a series of six special meetings consisting of 18 sessions from 25 to 27 March 2002 to examine the Estimates of Expenditure for the 2002-2003 financial year. To facilitate deliberation, members put forward 1,384 written questions prior to the special meetings. Members further put forward 69 supplementary written questions and 19 verbal requests for additional information which were subsequently dealt with by the Government in writing. The Committee also received a special briefing on the 2002-2003 Budget by the Financial Secretary.

The Establishment Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government'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 current session, the subcommittee, consisting of 24 members, held eight meetings and examined a total of 10 items of proposals put forward by the Government. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.



Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, Chairman of the Public Works Subcommittee, chairs a meeting in which members discuss the urgency to construct Route 10 - North Lantau to Yuen Long Highway.

The Public Works Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government'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 current session, the subcommittee, consisting of 25 members, held 17 meetings and examined a total of 110 items of proposals put forward by the Govenrment. The subcommittee also considered the process of consultation on financial proposals on capital works projects and the list of potential submissions to the Public Works Subcommittee in the 2001-2002 legislative session. The membership of the subcommittee is in **Appendix 5**.

Public Accounts Committee

The Public Accounts Committee is responsible for considering the reports of the Director of Audit on the accounts of the Government and the results of value for money audits on 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 considered necessary.



The Public Accounts Committee holds a public hearing on the administration of sale of land by public auction.

The committee comprises seven members elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

During the 2001-2002 session, the committee examined the Director of Audit's Report on the Accounts of the Government for the year ended 31 March 2001 and the Reports on the Results of Value for Money Audits (Reports Nos. 37 and 38). The conclusions and recommendations of the committee are contained in Public Accounts Committee Reports Nos. 37 and 38, which were tabled in the Council on 6 February 2002 and 10 July 2002 respectively.

Committee on Members' Interests

The Committee on Members' Interests considers matters pertaining to Members' declaration of interests and matters of ethics in relation to their conduct, and makes recommendations relevant to such matters. It also examines arrangements for the compilation, maintenance and accessibility of the Register of Members' Interests.

The seven members of the committee are elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

During the session, the committee continued its deliberation on whether improvements could be made to the drafting of Rule 84 of the Rules of Procedure, which concerns matters relating to the personal pecuniary interests of Members. For clarity, the committee proposed textual improvements to Rule 84 to separately provide for Members' disclosure of their personal pecuniary interests in matters discussed at meetings of the Council, committees or subcommittees, and for voting at or withdrawal from such meetings. The amendments were approved by the Council with the passage of a resolution on 3 July 2002.

The committee also examined and, to further enhance the transparency of the legislature, accepted a proposal from the public that the Register of Members' Interests be made available for public inspection in both Chinese and English.

House Committee

The House Committee comprises all Members, except the President, who elect from among themselves the chairman and deputy chairman. While LegCo is in session, the House Committee normally meets weekly and meetings are 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 and subsidiary legislation tabled in Council or presented to the Council for approval. The House Committee may form bills committees to scrutinize bills, or appoint subcommittees to study some items of subsidiary legislation in greater detail. The House Committee then monitors progress and studies reports from the bills committees or subcommittees concerned in preparation for the debates on such bills and subsidiary legislation in Council.

The House Committee may refer to the relevant panels for consideration any policy matters relating to the business of the Council. The House Committee may also consider, as it thinks fit, any other item relating to the business of the Council.



Mr Donald TSANG, Chief Secretary for Administration (second from left, facing), briefs members of the House Committee on his visits to Beijing and the cooperation between Guangdong and Hong Kong.

The House Committee also serves as a focal point for establishing a formal and regular dialogue with the Government. 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 2001-2002 session, a total of 30 regular meetings of the House Committee were held. Three special meetings were also held to discuss with the Chief Secretary for Administration his various official visits to Beijing, co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong, 24-hour operation at boundary control points, the Government's policy on legislation and administrative measures, and the timing for the delivery of the Policy Address by the Chief Executive.

Other Subcommittees of the House Committee

The House Committee may appoint subcommittees to assist in the consideration of any other items relating to the business of the Council. The following subcommittees were in operation during the 2001-2002 session -

- * Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee;
- * Subcommittee on draft subsidiary legislation to be made under the Securities and Futures Ordinance;
- * Subcommittee to follow up the outstanding capital works projects of the former municipal councils:
- * Subcommittee to study the proposed accountability system for principal officials and related issues; and
- * Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement.

The membership of these subcommittees is in *Appendix 5*.

Committee on Rules of Procedure

The Committee on Rules of Procedure is responsible for reviewing the Rules of Procedure of the Council and the committee system, and for 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 recommendations of the House Committee. The membership of the committee is in **Appendix 5**.

From October 2001 to September 2002, the committee held a total of six meetings to carry out the following reviews: (a) review of the procedure to debate the Policy Address; (b) review of the procedures and working mechanism of the committees of the Council; and (c) review of provisions and expressions used in procedural rules.

The committee presented four reports to the House Committee recommending changes to current procedures. The Rules of Procedure were amended by resolution of the Council on 3 July 2002. The committee also presented a report to the Council on 10 July 2002 summarizing its deliberations on specific subjects during the session under report.

Bills Committees and Subcommittees on Subsidiary Legislation

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 by and 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 consider 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 the scrutiny of a bill, the bills committee reports to the House Committee in writing on its deliberations. The bills committee is dissolved upon the enactment of the bill concerned or when the House Committee so decides.

During the 2001-2002 session, a total of 46 bills were scrutinized by 44 bills committees. Of these bills committees, 27 completed their work and reported to the House Committee. Fifteen bills committees were still in action, while the work of the Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2000 and Bills Committee on Companies (Corporate Rescue) Bill was held in abeyance.

A total of 18 subcommittees considered 36 items of subsidiary legislation tabled in Council and four proposed resolutions presented by the Government for the Council's approval. The membership of these bills committees and subcommittees is in *Appendix 5*.

Reports of these bills committees and subcommittees are available on the LegCo website at www.legco.gov.hk.

Panels

Panels are committees of the Council tasked to monitor and examine Government policies. Each panel deliberates on policy matters and issues of wide public concern relating to the policy areas of its corresponding bureau(x). The items for discussion can be brought up by members of the panel, referred to it by the House Committee or other committees, raised by other Members following meetings with District Councils or upon receipt of complaints or representations, or proposed by the Government. Panels also give views on major legislative and financial proposals before their introduction into the Council or Finance Committee. To enhance the effectiveness of panels in scrutinizing such proposals, a series of measures agreed by the House Committee on the recommendation of the Committee on Rules of Procedure have been implemented in the 2001-2002 session to ensure early consultation with the relevant panel(s) on such proposals and to allow more thorough discussion of the proposals.

A panel may appoint subcommittees to study specific issues and present reports to the Council as it considers appropriate.

Each panel is headed by a chairman elected by and from among its members. Membership of the 18 panels in the 2001-2002 session and their subcommittees is shown in *Appendix 5*.

Panel on Manpower

The panel discussed the Government's proposal to establish a Manpower Development Committee (MDC) to assume a co-ordination role in vocational education and training. Although members in general agreed that there should be better co-ordination in the vocational training and retraining market, they considered that any change to the current system should be made in consultation with the staff affected. Some members expressed concern that the proposal would only achieve a reduction in Government expenditure, and not an increase in overall efficiency and cost-effectiveness. Some members also expressed concern that the control of vocational education and training might be centralized in the Government in future. The panel urged the Government to continue its dialogue with the staff associations concerned on the proposal to establish an MDC.

The panel noted that the Government would, in accordance with the recommendations of the Labour Advisory Board, prepare a guide on the provision of rest breaks (the Guide) and step up educational and promotional work on the granting of appropriate rest breaks. Some members pointed out that the International Covenant on Economic,



Members of the Panel on Manpower listen attentively to a talk on the services and facilities provided by the Vocational Training Council during their visit to the council's Hospitality Industry Training and Development Centre.

Social and Cultural Rights, as applied to Hong Kong, provided that employees should be given reasonable rest time. They expressed dissatisfaction that the Government had failed to comply with this provision in not enacting legislation to provide for rest breaks for employees. They also doubted the effectiveness of the Guide. Some other members agreed that it was important to provide rest breaks for employees, but had reservations about the need to legislate.

The Government assured the panel that the Guide would be drawn up in consultation with employers and employees through various channels.

Given the serious unemployment situation, some members expressed disappointment that the

Government had argued against setting up a mandatory unemployment insurance system as it would induce moral hazard behaviour. Some other members, however, did not support the setting up of such a system as they considered it unreasonable to require employers to make contributions. The panel urged the Government to take effective measures to address the problem of unemployment in Hong Kong.

Some members were disappointed that the Government did not intend to legislate against age discrimination in recruitment on the ground that there was no consensus in the community. They expressed doubt about the effectiveness of education in eliminating age discrimination in recruitment. Some other members, however, objected to the introduction of legislation.

Panel on Commerce and Industry

The panel held a special meeting to collect views from different sectors of the community on a Government consultation document on key issues relating to the protection of copyright. Members shared the views of the general public that imposing end-user criminal liability for possession of copyright infringing articles in business was too harsh, and that more statutory exemptions should be provided in using copyright works for educational and non-profit-making purposes. The panel supported the Government's legislative proposal to apply end-user criminal liability to only four categories of works, namely, computer programmes, movies, television dramas, and musical recordings.

The panel strongly urged the Government to formulate comprehensive policies and

programmes in consultation with the business community to improve the business environment, reduce compliance cost, and enhance Hong Kong's competitiveness. On measures to facilitate trade and business operations, the panel welcomed the establishment of four small and medium enterprises funding schemes to help over 300,000 of such enterprises in Hong Kong; the establishment of the Professional Services Development Assistance Scheme to enhance the competitiveness of the professional services sector; an extension of the Open Bond System; and the provision of Electronic Data Interchange services to the Textiles Trader Registration Scheme. The panel also examined a proposal to construct a new exhibition centre in Chek Lap Kok for the development of commerce and tourism, and attracting overseas investments. While members supported the proposal in principle, they expressed different views on the size and financial arrangements for the centre.



Forty-one deputations attend a special meeting of the Panel on Commerce and Industry to present their views on the Consultation Document on "Review of Certain Provisions of Copyright Ordinance" published by the Government in November 2001.

In the wake of China's accession to the World Trade Organization, the panel welcomed the setting up of the Hong Kong Guangdong Cooperation Coordination Unit and the Guangzhou Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office to enhance economic ties with the Mainland. They also noted the Government's efforts in pushing ahead with the Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement to enable local enterprises to gain better access to the opening Mainland market.

The panel expressed concern over the Hong Kong Productivity Council's increasing involvement in the information technology sector as a service provider which might conflict with its role and cause unfair competition to private companies. Members urged the Government to take forward the recommendations of a consultancy study on the Council to critically review its services in order to address these problems.

In reviewing the progress of the Innovation and Technology Fund, the panel supported using existing resources to develop key technology areas where Hong Kong had a competitive edge. The panel also noted the Government's new measures to strengthen the project vetting and monitoring mechanisms to enhance commercialization of project results and technology transfer to industries. The panel, however, noted with concern the substantial loss incurred by investment projects under the Applied Research Fund and urged the Government to monitor the situation closely and review the need for continuing the operation of the Fund.

Panel on Public Service

The subject of civil service pay and allowances were high on the agenda of the panel in the 2001-2002 session. While members had no objection to the Government's initiative to review civil service pay and allowances in order to examine whether the current arrangements continued to meet present day circumstances, they were concerned about the impact of the various reviews on the morale and stability of the civil service. The panel was assured by the Government that it would adhere to the principles of lawfulness, fairness and reasonableness in considering any issues which might affect civil service pay and allowances. The panel urged for an independent and impartial review on the civil service pay policy and system which started in December 2001, and stressed the importance of staff consultation.

The panel had no objection to the proposed civil service pay reduction for 2002-2003, in accordance with the findings of the Pay Trend Survey, but was concerned whether the reduction would contravene Article 100 of the Basic Law. As regards the proposed Public Officers Pay Adjustment Bill (the Bill), which sought to implement the Government's decision to reduce civil service pay with effect from 1 October 2002, the panel examined the need for the legislative approach and whether the Bill would deprive civil servants of their right to claim for compensation, damages or other remedies. The panel's views on the issues were referred to the bills committee subsequently formed to study the Bill after its introduction into the Council.

The panel monitored the progress of the Government's initiative to reduce the civil service establishment. In view of the increase in the number of directorate posts since 1997, the panel was concerned whether the reduction in civil service establishment had been achieved by the deletion of non-directorate posts, and urged the Government to contain the directorate establishment.

The panel also monitored the progress of the initiatives under the Civil Service Reform. On the review of the Voluntary Retirement (VR) Scheme, introduced in 2000, the panel noted that a large majority of the respondents to the Government's review conducted in early 2002 had indicated their support for the Scheme. Assuming that all VR posts would eventually be deleted and allowing for the costs of alternative modes of service delivery, it was estimated that a net saving of about \$751 million per annum could be achieved. On the Management-initiated Retirement (MIR) Scheme to provide for the early retirement of directorate officers where necessary and justified to facilitate improvement in the Government organization, the panel noted that as at 1 March 2002, 10 directorate officers had retired under the MIR Scheme, involving a total amount of ex-gratia payment of \$7.9 million and enhanced lump-sum pension gratuity of \$11.4 million. As regards the arrangements for launching the Civil Service Provident Fund Scheme by mid-2003 to replace the existing civil service pension schemes for new recruits, the panel supported the adoption of the proposed progressive Government's contribution rates from 5% to 25%, rising in correspondence to the number of years of completed service on civil service terms of the officers concerned.

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

The panel was briefed on the two major recommendations of the consultants commissioned by the Steering Committee on the Review of Legal Education and Training in Hong Kong. The panel noted that the Steering Committee had endorsed the recommendation that the Bachelor of Laws degree be extended from three to four years. Regarding the recommendation that the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) should be replaced by a 16-week Legal Practice Course and a free-standing institution be established to conduct the course, the Steering Committee, after lengthy discussion, considered that the PCLL should not be discontinued, but that it should be subject to major reforms. The Steering Committee also recommended that a standing umbrella body with sufficient status and powers be established to oversee the implementation of reform of legal education and training and to monitor the future direction of legal education.

The Government sought the panel's views on the proposal to establish a mechanism for reciprocal enforcement of judgments (REJ) in commercial matters between the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and the Mainland. Under the Government's proposal, the REJ arrangement should cover only money judgments given by a court of either the Mainland (at the Intermediate People's Court level or higher) or the HKSAR (at the District Court level or higher) exercising its jurisdiction pursuant to a valid choice of forum clause contained in a commercial contract. The panel noted that, once

a mutually satisfactory arrangement with the Mainland authorities had been reached, the Government would introduce legislation to give it the requisite legislative backing.

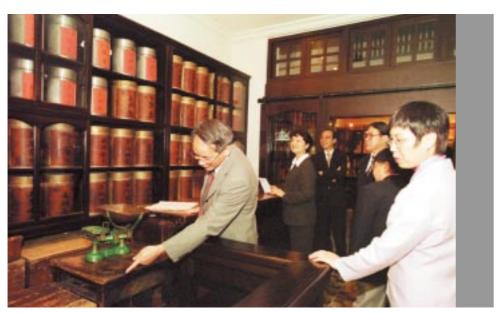
The panel decided to look into how the Council could properly discharge its constitutional duty under Article 73(7) of the Basic Law, and how the system of appointment of judges might be improved to achieve greater transparency and accountability while ensuring judicial independence. The panel sought the views of the public, in particular the legal community, on the issues identified by way of a consultation document published in December 2001. Taking into account the views received, the panel would prepare a report. The Judiciary agreed that it would conduct a review on the operation of the Judicial Officers Recommendation Commission after the panel had issued its report.

In December 2001, a working group was formed by the panel to examine the relevant legislation concerning the provision of legal aid services in order to identify issues for the purpose of review and to make recommendations where appropriate. On the basis of a preliminary list of issues for review prepared by the working group, the panel received views from a number of organizations. The organizations were in support of the proposal for the Government to conduct a comprehensive review on the objective, adequacy and effectiveness of the existing legal aid regime. The panel agreed that the final list of issues for review would be sent to the Government for consideration.

Panel on Home Affairs

The panel collected views from over 50 organizations concerned about the Report of the Sports Policy Review Team. Members expressed support for the initiatives proposed in the Report to promote public participation in sport, promote sports for students, and provide better support for disabled athletes. As regards the future administrative structure for sport, the panel held a discussion with the Hong Kong Sports Development Board, the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and the Government.

Members had divided views on the residency requirements of three years for a voter and five years for a candidate under the Government's proposed arrangements for the conduct of Village Representative elections. Members considered that the spouses of indigenous inhabitants should be entitled to vote in Village Representative elections. Some members also expressed concern that dispute might arise if the responsibilities of an indigenous inhabitant representative and those of a resident representative were not clearly delineated. Members urged the Government to conduct comprehensive consultation on the proposed arrangements.



When members of the Panel on Home Affairs visit the Hong Kong Museum of History to learn more about the museum's exhibits, they show great interest in the "Shing Chai Tong" herbal medicine shop in "The Hong Kong Story" exhibition.

The panel discussed the Government's proposals to enable owners' corporations of private buildings to borrow from the Building Safety Loan Scheme for the purpose of complying with statutory building improvement directions, in the event of irresponsible or missing owners not paying their share of the costs involved. The subcommittee established under the panel in the last session to review the Building Management Ordinance continued its discussion with the Government. The Government undertook to draw up various preliminary legislative proposals to facilitate better building management.

The panel received a briefing on the outcome of the Review of District Councils. Most members expressed disappointment that the role of District Councils would remain to be advisory, and only very limited powers in district affairs would be given to these councils. The panel also held a joint meeting with the Panel on Constitutional Affairs to discuss the Government's proposal to retain the existing district boundaries of the 18 District Councils for the second term District Councils. The Government assured the two panels that it would explore ways to further enhance the role and functions of District Councils in district affairs in another comprehensive review, which would be conducted after the District Council elections in 2003.

Members expressed reservations about the effectiveness of the Race Relation Unit established under the Home Affairs Bureau to promote equal opportunities on racial issues, given its very limited staffing and financial resources. The Government undertook to provide the panel with an analysis of the results of the consultations conducted on the need to legislate against racial discrimination in the private sector as early as possible.

Panel on Transport

During the session, the panel reviewed with the Government the need, alignment and implementation timetable for various major projects, including the Shenzhen Western Corridor, Deep Bay Link, Route 10 and Route 7. The panel invited views from various bodies and members of the public, and organized a series of public hearings on these projects. The panel was also very concerned about the serious safety risks caused by the substandard conditions of Tung Chung Road and discussed with the Government the implementation programme of the proposed improvement works.



Government officials and the management of the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (KCRC) brief the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to the Implementation of Railway Development Projects under the Panel on Transport on the handling of the West Rail telecommunications systems contract by the KCRC.

The panel had set up a subcommittee to monitor the planning and implementation of six new railway projects in Hong Kong with a total investment of about \$100 billion. They were: MTR Tesung Kwan O Extension, West Rail, Ma On Shan to Tai Wai Rail Link, KCR Extension to Tsim Sha Tsui, Penny's Bay Rail Link and Sheung Shui to Lok Ma Chau Spur Line.

The subcommittee also reviewed with the Government the next phase of railway network expansion as mapped out in the Railway Development Strategy 2000, which included, inter alia, the Shatin to Central Link and the Northern Link.

The subcommittee was very concerned about the agreement of Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (KCRC) to pay Siemens \$100 million for variations, settlement of claims and recovery of time lost for West Rail contract DB-1500 - Telecommunications Systems. The subcommittee reviewed with the Government and KCRC the tender evaluation system and contractual performance monitoring.

The panel welcomed the two railway corporations' decision to postpone fare increases originally scheduled for 1 April 2002. Other issues examined by the panel included the future development of passenger ferry services in Hong Kong, the existing policy on public light buses, and the proposed renewal of the existing franchises for the Citybus Limited (Airport and North Lantau routes), the Long Win Bus Company Limited, and the New World First Bus Services Limited.

The panel held a series of meetings with the Panel on Environmental Affairs and the transport trade to examine the proposed incentive scheme for light bus owners to replace their diesel vehicles with liquefied petroleum gas or electric ones. The two panels also discussed with the concerned parties the proposed traffic management schemes to address the problem of noise impact of existing roads.

Panel on Housing

The unclear roles and responsibilities of the Housing Bureau, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA), the Housing Department and the Hong Kong Housing Society (HS) in the implementation of the public housing programme had long been a major concern of the panel. While supporting the need to review, reform and make recommendations on the best institutional framework for the provision of public housing, the panel stressed that it would not be in the best interest of the community if the Government introduced drastic changes to the prevailing housing policy. Also, the Government should take into account views of stakeholders in the formulation of an overall housing strategy.

Consequent upon the expiry of the moratorium on the sale of Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) flats on 30 June 2002, the Government announced that the future levels of HOS sales would not exceed 2,000 flats a year. The panel expressed concern that the cutback in HOS sales from 9,000 to 2,000 flats a year would deprive many eligible buyers of opportunities to achieve home ownership. To alleviate the hardship encountered by flat owners or loan recipients of projects administered by HA and HS whose properties had become negative equities amid the economic downturn, the panel urged the Government to relax the restriction on past beneficiaries of subsidized home ownership schemes so that they might apply for public rental housing (PRH) if they met the prescribed income and asset limits for the Waiting List (WL). On

the other hand, the panel expressed grave concern about the Government's decision to lower the income and asset limits for public housing applicants as a substantial number of applicants were taken out of the eligibility net for public housing. The panel urged the Government to relax the formula for deriving WL income limits and to ensure that the new income and asset limits should only apply to applications submitted after the promulgation of the new policy.

The panel had no objection to the merging of the Home Purchase Loan Scheme and the Home Starter Loan Scheme to eliminate possible overlap and to save administrative costs. However, care should be taken in setting the income and asset limits for the new loan scheme. The implementation of the new scheme should not unduly affect the already stringent financial situation of HA and its commitment to the provision of other housing subsidies.

Rehousing arrangements for residents affected by squatter clearances had been a major concern of the panel. Members considered that it was unfair to require squatters who had been registered in the 1982 and 1984/85 surveys to undergo the comprehensive means test to establish their eligibility for PRH. The relocation of those affected to interim housing (IH) units in remote areas would not only cause undue disruption to their daily routine but also increase their financial burden. To this end, HA would review the IH arrangement taking into account the extension of the eligibility reinstatement period for WL applicants.

To provide the necessary assistance for commercial tenants of HA and HS who had experienced a business slump amid the economic downturn, a subcommittee was set up under the panel to study the letting and rent policies of non-domestic premises of HA and HS.

The panel also discussed the finances and regulatory regime of the Estate Agents Authority.

Panel on Security

The panel discussed the Government's revised prison development plan, which involved a mid-sized co-location of penal institutions at a capital cost of \$16 billion. Some members considered the capital cost for constructing the proposed prison complex to provide 2,600 additional penal places very expensive, and preferred the construction of five new prisons under the

traditional approach at a total cost of about \$5 billion. Some members expressed concern that the co-location of penal institutions would result in concentration of security risks. Some other members expressed support for the mid-sized co-location of penal institutions, but objected to the capital investment which provided for possible future expansion of the proposed prison complex.

Members queried the need for the permanent installation of closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras in Lan Kwai Fong, given that the crime situation there was not serious, and the place was not crowded except during some festivals. Members were particularly concerned that the use of CCTV systems in public places might affect personal freedom and privacy. The panel passed a motion at its meeting on 9 April 2002 urging the Police to withdraw the pilot scheme of installing a round-the-clock CCTV system in Lan Kwai Fong. The panel was subsequently informed that the Police had agreed to suspend the pilot scheme.

(Left) Members of the Panel on Security visit the Lo Wu Terminal Building to secure first-hand information on the proposed building improvement works.



(Right) In order to learn more about the modern training tactics adopted by the police force, members of the Panel on Security pay a visit to the newly-built Tactical Training Complex at the Police Training School in Wong Chuk Hang.



The panel discussed issues relating to the judgment of the Court of Final Appeal delivered on 10 January 2002 in respect of the right of abode litigation on Article 24(2)(3) of the Basic Law which involved some 5,000 applications. Members suggested that the Government should discuss with the Mainland authorities the creation under the One-way Permit (OWP) Scheme an additional category for children aged over 18 of Hong Kong permanent residents to apply for OWP. Members also suggested that the Government should explore with the Mainland authorities the possibility of granting multipleentry Two-way Permits and longer visiting periods to Mainland residents.

The press statements issued by the Police and the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) on 18 May 2002 over the arrest of three Police officers by ICAC had attracted wide public concern. Members considered that the Police and ICAC should resolve their differences through established channels of communication and not through the issuing of press releases.

Some members questioned the need to designate a press area in the Police's operation on 25 April 2002 in connection with a public meeting in Chater Garden. They expressed concern about the handcuffing of two reporters during the operation. The panel was assured that the Police attached great importance to maintaining a good working relationship with the media, and the Police would review its internal guidelines on dealing with the media during such operations.

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

The panel discussed and collected public views on the proposed accountability system for principal officials. Research studies on the process of appointment of senior members of Government and restrictions on post-office activities applicable to former heads and senior members of Government in selected overseas countries were carried out by the LegCo Secretariat for the panel. Details of the proposed accountability system were announced by the Chief Executive (CE) at the Council meeting on 17 April 2002. A subcommittee was set up by the House Committee to follow up the matter.

The panel requested the Government to review whether certain provisions of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance should be applicable to CE. The Government advised that in considering the matter, it was necessary to take into account CE's unique constitutional position and the relevant Basic Law provisions. Despite strong views from members that the relevant legislative amendments should be introduced into the Council for enactment within the current legislative session, the Government maintained that the legislative proposal could only be introduced into LegCo in the next legislative session.

Prior to the gazettal of the Maximum Amount of Election Expenses (Chief Executive Election) Regulation on 9 November 2001, which set the election expense limit at \$9.5 million, the panel was briefed on the proposal. The Government explained that the candidates for the CE election needed to carry out territory-wide campaigns. The panel was of the view that an election expense limit should be set at a realistic level, because an



Mr Michael SUEN (centre), Secretary for Constitutional Affairs, briefs members of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs on the proposed System of Accountability for Principal Officials.

exceedingly high limit could have the effect of deterring people with insufficient means from standing for the election.

The panel was briefed on the development of an enhanced Electoral and Registration System, a multi-purpose system capable of maintaining a comprehensive database of electoral records and other relevant information, such as election expenses incurred by election candidates. The panel supported the proposed system and urged that it be implemented as soon as possible.

The panel held a joint meeting with the Panel on Home Affairs to discuss the Government's proposal to retain the existing district boundaries of the 18 District Councils for the second term District Councils. Some members considered that, in view of the considerable population increases in some districts, the number of elected seats for the districts should be increased. Some members also expressed dissatisfaction at the Government's refusal to remove all appointed seats of the District Councils, increase the number of directly elected seats and provide greater powers and responsibilities for the District Councils so as to enhance their role and functions in the management of district affairs.

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

The panel was gravely concerned about the recurrence of avian flu less than 12 months after the previous outbreak. The panel urged the Government to seriously investigate the causes of the outbreak, tighten regulatory control of local farms, take additional measures to prevent cross-infection between local chickens and other poultry, and step up enforcement action to ensure compliance with all hygiene requirements by wholesale and retail markets. The panel, however, had reservations about introducing an additional rest day for public markets, and urged the Government to explore other viable options.

To ensure that no harmful substances were used in feeding food animals and in food production, the panel urged the Government to enhance control at both the import and retail levels, and strengthen communications with export authorities on Hong Kong's import hygiene requirements. The panel suggested that the Government should also explore faster food test methods and publicize results of food studies.

The panel urged the Government to investigate the allegation of anti-competition behaviour in the supply of pork. Members also asked the Government to rigorously enforce the new hygiene requirements for the sale of chilled meat.

The panel noted that the food trade had reservations about introducing a mandatory labelling system for genetically modified food, and the Government proposed to conduct an (Below) Members of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene observe a pig auction at the Sheung Shui Slaughterhouse.





(Above) Members of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene are briefed on the operation and facilities of the Food Research Laboratory during a visit. They are (third from left): Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan; Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, Chairman of the Panel; Hon WONG Sing-chi and Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung.

economic assessment on the proposal. The panel would follow this up with the Government when the findings were available.

The panel supported the Government's proposal for a focused and risk-based inspection system on food establishments and the streamlining of the licensing of food businesses. As regards the licensing requirements for outside seating accommodation for restaurants, members requested the Government to shorten the processing time, and draw up clear guidelines for the consideration of such applications.

The panel discussed with the Government enforcement action in respect of public cleanliness offences and obstructions in public places. The panel noted that, in view of the current unemployment situation, the Government had adopted a "flexible" approach in that hawker control teams were more tolerant of illegal hawking activities where these did not cause substantial obstruction and did not involve the selling of prohibited, restricted or cooked food items

The panel also discussed the revised arrangements for the stall-holders affected by the redevelopment of the Central Market. Having considered the views of panel members and the Central Market stall-holders, the Government proposed to increase the amount of ex-gratia payments and make available additional stalls in other markets for bidding by the stall-holders concerned.

Panel on Financial Affairs

During the session, the panel continued to provide a forum for Members to discuss with the Financial Secretary matters relating to the economic development in Hong Kong. Members exchanged views with the Financial Secretary on the direction and strategies for Hong Kong's economic development and measures to ease unemployment and provide economic relief to enterprises and citizens facing financial hardship. Recognizing the importance to capitalize on the business opportunities arising from the opening up of the Mainland economy, members urged the Financial Secretary to accord priority to establishing closer economic co-operation between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, whilst taking care of the need to abide by the rules and regulations of the World Trade Organization.

On the management of public finance, the panel noted with caution the projections made by the Task Force on Review of Public Finances regarding the state of government finances up to 2021-2022 and pointed out that many of the assumptions underlying the projections could easily become invalid over time. The panel also noted the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on New Broad-based Taxes that a Goods and Services Tax be adopted over the longer term. Members generally considered that the issue of new taxes posed far-reaching implications for the whole community and urged the Government to conduct wide public consultation before seeking to impose any new taxes.

The panel examined some major issues relating to the banking sector during the session. On the issue of negative equity, the panel discussed with the Government and the banking industry the extent of the problem, and the possible measures to assist homeowners with negative equity. The panel held two rounds of discussions on issues relating to protection for banking consumers. Having regard to overseas experience and local circumstances, the panel considered that certain major issues should be further examined, including the role and enforcement powers of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority on consumer protection matters, the complaint handling mechanism and the enforcement mechanism for the Code of Banking Practices. The panel also discussed with relevant parties the banking industry's proposal to extend the scope of consumer credit data, to include both positive and negative credit data, to be shared among credit providers. The panel would revisit the subject when the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data had published a public consultation document on the matter.

The collapse of Enron, a corporation based in the United States, gave rise to concerns in the global community over corporate governance issues such as the independence of auditors, the quality of corporate reporting and the disclosure of information. As good corporate governance was a key factor in building and sustaining any successful financial market, the panel discussed with relevant parties the initiatives being or to be taken by the relevant regulatory and professional bodies to strengthen the corporate governance regime in Hong Kong.

Panel on Education

Although the panel welcomed the Government's revised proposal to encourage kindergartens (KGs) to employ fully qualified KG teachers and ensure effective use of resources under the KG Subsidy Scheme, members were concerned that some KGs continued to operate large classes. The panel also discussed the harmonization of KGs and child care centres with the Government. Some members considered that in unifying the existing assistance schemes for KGs and child care centres, the Government should maintain the same level of subsidies.

Members requested that the Education Department (ED) should conduct extensive research and public consultation before introducing any major changes in the school



Members of the Panel on Education visit the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Electrochemical Engineering Laboratory. (From left): Prof YUE Po-lock, Head of the Department of Chemical Engineering; Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah; Hon CHAN Kwok-keung and Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing.

Members of the Panel on Education sing with the children while visiting a kindergarten in order to have a better understanding on the operation methods of kindergartens, with either very large or very small classes. (From right): Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung; Mr Matthew CHEUNG, Director of Education; Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing and Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, Chairman of the Panel.

assessment mechanism. They stressed that the new mechanism for allocating secondary school places must be compatible with the Sex Discrimination Ordinance, and should assess the performance of boys and girls on a fair basis, instead of catering for the differences in physical and cognitive development between them.

The panel discussed the objectives and assessment criteria for applications for the Quality Education Fund (QEF) with the QEF Steering Committee, the Government, and other organizations concerned. Members expressed concern that the QEF had been used as a supplementary fund-provider for ED. They considered that the QEF Steering Committee should enhance transparency of the assessment mechanism.

The panel discussed with the University Grants Committee (UGC) and the Government the Review Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong. The panel also received views from academics, staff associations and students' unions in the higher education sector and other concern groups. Some members shared the grave concerns of staff associations about the proposal of delinking the terms and conditions of service of staff in UGC-funded institutions from those in the civil service. They stressed that there should be a fair and transparent mechanism for making salary differentiation if the proposal was to be implemented. These members also considered that such a proposal would ultimately reduce funding allocation to higher education, decrease salary levels, and affect staff morale. As regards the future provision of associate degree programmes, some members objected to the Government's plan of requiring these programmes to be self-financing.

The panel discussed the issue of the administration of UGC-funded institutions with staff associations, the UGC, the Government and other organizations concerned. Some members considered that the scope of institutional autonomy should not be interpreted in a narrow sense to simply mean the power of the management of an institution. These members pointed out that staff and students should also have their say in managing the affairs of the institution, and suggested that there should be an effective and well-accepted mechanism for handling staff grievances and appeal in the higher education sector.

Panel on Planning, Lands and Works

The panel welcomed the Government's initiative to establish urban design guidelines for Hong Kong to preserve and improve the urban scene. On planning studies for individual districts, the panel supported the Focus Study on Aberdeen Harbour to establish a coherent and robust planning framework for optimizing the development potential of the Aberdeen Harbour; and the Study on the South East New Territories Development Strategy Review to develop Sai Kung District into a tourist and recreation area, to be known as the "Leisure Garden of Hong Kong". The panel also deliberated on the development proposals for Central and Wanchai districts (including the Tamar Site), and welcomed the Government's proposal to earmark the Tamar Site for the development of a new Central Government Complex together with a new LegCo Building and other compatible community facilities.

The panel continued to call for the early implementation of urban renewal projects to address the problem of urban decay and to improve the living conditions of residents in dilapidated urban areas. The panel had extensive discussions with the Government on issues relating to urban renewal, including the draft Urban Renewal Strategy, work plans of the Urban Renewal Authority (URA), and the Government's proposed capital injection into the URA.

On building safety, maintenance and control, the panel continued to monitor the progress of the implementation of the Comprehensive Strategy for Building Safety and Timely Maintenance. The panel also gave views on the proposed amendments to the Buildings Ordinance to rationalize the building control regime and strengthen safety requirements.

In view of the contractual disputes relating to the Strategic Sewage Disposal Scheme Stage I tunnelling contracts and the significant delay in the river training works for Upper River Indus, the panel strongly urged the Government to put in place concrete improvement measures to ensure smooth and timely implementation of public works contracts. Following a comprehensive

review, the Government put in place a series of measures to tighten up the administrative control of public works contractors. The panel urged the Government to monitor the effectiveness of the measures.

On the legislative proposal to introduce a charging and penalty system for road opening works, the panel urged the Government to establish a "onestop-shop" mechanism to process applications for excavation permits, to set up a fair and open appeal mechanism, and to set out clearly the circumstances under which criminal liability would be imposed on road works promoters. The panel was of the view that Government departments should also be subject to criminal sanction as applied to other road works promoters.

A delegation of the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, led by Panel Chairman Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, visited Singapore, Berlin and London in September 2002 to study their experiences on town planning, urban renewal and heritage preservation.



The delegation is received by Dr NGIAM Tong Dow, Chairman of the Housing and Development Board in Singapore, and other representatives of the Board.

On the financial proposal relating to the infrastructure for Penny's Bay Development, Package 3 and Penny's Bay Reclamation Stage 2, the panel was concerned about the impact of the reclamation works on water quality, having regard to the fish-loss incidents caused by the reclamation works under Stage 1. The panel was assured by the Government that a series of measures would

be implemented to reduce contamination of the surrounding waters by dredging works. The panel also expressed grave concern about the substantial increase in the decommissioning cost for the former Cheoy Lee Shipyard (CLS) and urged the Government to seek legal remedy from CLS.



The delegation meets with Mr Eduard OSWALD, Chairman of the Committee for Transport, Buildings and Housing, German Parliament.





Panel on Economic Services

During the session, the panel reviewed the development of physical infrastructure and institutional arrangements in support of the work of "Logistics Hong Kong". The panel welcomed the proposed construction of the Shenzhen Western Corridor to increase the capacity for vehicular cross-boundary trips. It also explored means to lower the transportation cost and reviewed measures to facilitate the development of high-value-added logistics services in Hong Kong. In this respect, the panel requested the Government to re-engineer the customs process so as to speed up clearance of trucks crossing the control points.

The panel reviewed the Master Plan 2020 of the Hong Kong International Airport, which included recommendations on key facilities and services required over the next 20 years. The panel also examined the port cargo forecasts up to the year 2020. As there were inherent uncertainties of the future development, the panel requested the Government to regularly update and review the port cargo forecasts in planning for future cargo handling and other port-related facilities.

The panel placed great emphasis on the development of new tourist attractions and enhancement of existing tourist facilities. To ensure the timely delivery of tourism infrastructure, facilities and products, the panel asked the Government to review the associated planning processes.

The panel continued to monitor the progress of the Hong Kong Disneyland (HKD) project, and noted with concern about the existence of hazardous substances in the soil at the Cheoy Lee Shipyard (CLS) site and the substantial increase in the decommissioning cost for CLS from \$22 million to \$450 million. It examined the possible environmental impacts and financial implications arising from the decommissioning projects. It would continue to follow up on the progress of the HKD project and other related issues.

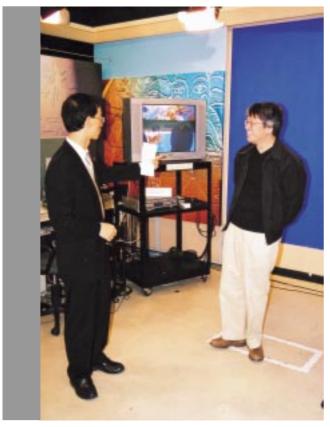
The panel called on the Government to encourage the two electricity companies to explore ways to lower their tariffs as much as possible. The panel also urged the Government to review the need to construct the proposed Lamma Power Plant Extension, which would have a bearing on future tariff charges of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. The panel also kept a close watch on the progress of the review of the electricity market in Hong Kong to ensure consumer choice.



During a visit to the Hong Kong Observatory, members of the Panel on Economic Services receive a briefing on the weather forecasting system. (From right) Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah; Hon LI Fung-ying; Hon HUI Cheung-ching; Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, Chairman of the Panel; Hon LAU Chin-shek; Dr H K LAM and Mr LAM Chiu-ying, Director and Assistant Director of the Hong Kong Observatory.

The panel continued to monitor the retail prices of oil products. To ensure consumer protection, the panel called on the Government to introduce a mechanism to monitor oil prices and take positive action to encourage competition in the fuel market.

During the session, the panel also reviewed the need for additional regulatory measures for beauty products and services to enhance consumer protection.



Standing in front of a "blue screen" and reading from a display monitor, Hon LAU Chin-shek (right) receives a briefing by Mr LAM Chiu-ying, Assistant Director of the Hong Kong Observatory, about on-air weather reporting.

Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

The panel supported in principle the full liberalization of the fixed telecommunications network services market with effect from 1 January 2003. To ensure genuine benefits under the liberalized regime, members urged the Government to take active measures to foster fair competition and safeguard against any selective provision of service in profitable sectors only. Members continued to exchange views with the Government and the industry on the current regulatory framework for interconnection arrangements among different network operators. To enhance transparency, the Telecommunications Authority published on its website the current status of the determination proceedings in respect of each case.

In monitoring progress of the E-government programme on a periodic basis, the panel noted the achievements of Hong Kong in terms of E-government leadership and welcomed initiatives to improve productivity and services to the public. Members also urged the Government to examine the implications of E-government, such as deletion of posts or possible redundancy in the face of current high unemployment. Apart from expanding the provision of E-government services, members considered it equally important to encourage the utilization of e-options by the public.

A delegation of the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, led by Panel Chairman Hon SIN Chung-kai, paid a four-day visit to the Republic of Korea in September 2002 to acquire first-hand information about its fast-growing information economy.



Members of the delegation viewing a demonstration of state-of-the-art products during a visit to a major mobile service carrier company.

The panel gave its views on the Government's preliminary proposals to improve the Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Cap.553). On the role of the Hongkong Post as a recognized certification authority (CA) by virtue of the Ordinance, some members considered that the Government should expedite the processing of applications so that more recognized CAs could launch services in competition with the Hongkong Post. On ensuring consistency in the use of e-terminology in legislation, the Government took on board members' concern and would draw up internal guidelines on the use of e-terminology when drafting legislation.

The panel continued to monitor the progress of the Cyberport project to ensure that it was serving its intended objective of creating a strategic cluster of leading information technology (IT) companies. To ascertain the extent to which the Cyberport



The delegation exchanging views on issues of mutual concern with Mr KIM Hyong-O, Chairman of the Science, Tech, Information and Telecom Committee of the National Assembly.

vision could be achieved, members sought the Government's updates from time to time on tenants' profiles, their business plans in the Cyberport and the job opportunities which might be created. The panel was gravely concerned about the uptake of office space in various phases of the Cyberport under the current economic climate and would monitor further developments.



During a site visit, members of the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting are briefed by an engineer on the construction progress of the Cyberport project.

Panel on Welfare Services

Most members shared the view that the various measures taken by the Government to tackle poverty had not been effective in ameliorating the problem. Members were particularly concerned about the widening disparity between the poor and the rich as revealed in the results of the 2001 Population Census.

The Government explained that amidst the economic downturn and on-going economic restructuring towards knowledge-based activities, it seemed rather unlikely that the income disparity in Hong Kong would narrow in the near future. The panel passed a motion urging the Government to set up an inter-departmental "Combat Poverty Committee" to conduct studies on the issue of poverty and to propose alleviating measures.

In the wake of a number of family tragedies, the panel discussed strategy and measures to prevent and tackle domestic violence with the Government and four family welfare organizations. Members shared the concern of these organizations that the Police often treated domestic violence as an internal family dispute without making referral to the Social Welfare Department (SWD) for timely intervention. The Police explained that they were constrained by the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance. As Section 59 of the Ordinance provided that disclosure of personal data could be exempted from the provisions of data protection principles if the non-disclosure of such would cause serious harm to the physical or mental health of the data subject, members considered that the

Police should be able to refer domestic violence cases to SWD for follow-up even if the victim or abuser did not give consent to such referral. The Police agreed to seek further legal advice on the issue.

As the Subcommittee on Guardianship and Custody of the Law Reform Commission would finalize its proposals on guardianship and custody of children later in the year, members hoped that through encouraging a less derisive approach, family tragedies arising from disputes concerning parental rights could be minimized. Members were also concerned about the difficulties encountered by battered women in securing separate housing units from the Housing Department and the matter had been referred to the Panel on Housing for follow-up action.



Members of the Panel on Welfare Services visit the Tin Shui Wai Integrated Family Service Centre to see for themselves the services provided. Hon CHAN Yuen-han, Chairman of the Panel, talks to a child, with Hon Fred LI Wah-ming looking on.

Members noted that the Government had adopted various programmes and services aimed at strengthening the protective factors and reducing the risk factors associated with the elders' vulnerability to abuse and suicide. As regards financial support for older persons, the Government had not yet completed its study on the issue, as many complex factors were involved. Following a meeting with representatives of the elderly to listen to their views on the subject, the panel passed a motion opposing a preliminary proposal to combine the Old Age Allowance with Comprehensive Social Security Assistance for the elderly.

Members viewed the Government's stance as regressive and considered the Government's earlier proposal of setting up a Complaints Office within the Department of Health (DH) preferable to relying on the reform measures of HKMC. The panel passed a motion urging the Government to expeditiously set up a Complaints Office within DH to receive medical complaints, conduct preliminary investigations, make referrals and conduct mediation; and to examine at an appropriate time how to gradually move such an Office towards independence. The Government undertook to consider the proposal and revert to the panel.

Panel on Health Services

The subcommittee formed under the panel to discuss how the mechanism for handling medical complaints could be improved concluded its work at the end of January 2002. Most members were of the view that an independent complaint office outside the Government should be set up to provide a one-stop service for handling patients' complaints. The Government, however, considered that the reform measures of the Medical Council of Hong Kong (HKMC), when implemented properly, would solve most of the problems of the existing system. It therefore did not see the need for an additional complaint mechanism at this stage.



Members of the Panel on Health Services visit The Chinese University of Hong Kong Chinese Medicine Clinical Research and Services Centre in the Kwong Wah Hospital. Mr Stephen CHOW, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (centre) demonstrates how to measure a dose of Chinese medicine.

While members agreed that the various initiatives undertaken by the Hospital Authority (HA) to enhance the provision of community psychiatric services were moving in the right direction, they were concerned that these initiatives were far from adequate to meet the needs of patients. In particular, members pointed out the shortage of places in halfway houses and long stay care homes, and the grossly inadequate aftercare services for discharged mental patients which should be addressed.

HA had pledged in its 2001-2002 Annual Plan to reduce frontline doctors' work hours by recruiting more doctors to relieve the work of busy departments. However, members were concerned that HA still failed to fully comply with the Employment Ordinance by providing doctors with one rest day for every seven days and urged that this be rectified expeditiously. Although HA was of the view that the provision of one rest day per week did not have to be applied strictly if the employees agreed to some other form of rest day, it undertook to seek legal advice on the issue.

Most members were concerned about the Government's delay in introducing an amendment bill to ban smoking in public indoor premises despite strong public support for the proposal. They urged the Government to implement the smoking ban without further delay, and to consider pooling the resources of the departments under the new Health, Welfare and Food Bureau to conduct smoking ban checks.

Panel on Environmental Affairs

The proposed amalgamation of the policy portfolios of Environment, Transport and Works under the new accountability system for principal officials had aroused much public concern. Given that the greater emphasis on transport needs and logistic development would outweigh the need for environmental protection, the panel held the view that it would be more desirable to amalgamate the Environmental portfolio with the Planning portfolio as they would complement each other in the prevention of adverse environmental impacts.

To enhance the effectiveness of the operation of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) mechanism, the panel considered that a clear conservation policy should be drawn up, and that an independent EIA Commission should be set up to ensure the quality and impartiality of EIA reports.

Consequent upon the revelation of the presence of dioxin-contaminated soil at the Cheoy Lee Shipyard at Penny's Bay, the panel examined the feasibility of the remediation and clean up plan, which involved the use of thermal desorption to separate the dioxin from the contaminated soil and incineration to treat the residue from thermal desorption. Having regard to the unpleasant experience with the use of old-type incinerators at Kennedy Town, the panel urged the Government to consider other alternatives for the treatment of dioxin-contaminated soil as proposed by tenderers.



While visiting the Kadoorie Farm and Botanical Garden, members of the Panel on Environmental Affairs are briefed by staff on the Flora Conservation Programme.

The panel continued to monitor the progress of the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS). It was noted that trials and studies were being carried out to determine the technical and economic viability of the options put forward by the new International Review Panel before a final configuration for the subsequent stages of HATS was selected. As regards the arbitration relating to the forfeiture of the original HATS Stage I tunnelling contracts, the panel considered that the Government should not have accepted the settlement given that it had been successful in the arbitration hearings. To prevent similar recurrences, the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works was requested to follow up various issues, including the tendering system, management of contracts and mechanism to resolve contractual claims and disputes.

On the protection of wetlands in Long Valley in the light of the latest development of the Spur Line project, the panel held the view that a balance should be struck between environmental protection and development. In view of the delay of the Spur Line project, the Government was urged to expedite the entire process and report back to the panel as soon as practicable.

The rapid depletion of landfill capacity as a result of indiscriminate disposal of solid wastes had been a cause for concern of the panel. To recoup the landfill disposal cost according to the polluter-pays principle and to provide the necessary economic incentive for waste minimization as well as recycling and reuse, the panel supported the introduction of a landfill charging scheme by phases, with the first phase on construction and demolition waste. The panel, however, emphasized the need for the Government to reach a consensus with the waste haulers on the charging arrangement.

The panel also discussed with the Government about water quality, noise and air quality control, management of clinical and low-level radioactive wastes, retrofitting of particulate reduction devices on pre-Euro diesel vehicles and light buses using cleaner fuel.

Select Committee on Building Problems of Public Housing Units

In 2000, a spate of building problems in public housing projects under construction was unveiled. Serious public concern was raised about the quality of public housing. On 7 February 2001, the Council approved the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the incidents in Tin Chung Court, Shatin Area 14B Phase 2, Shek Yam Estate Phase

2 and Tung Chung Area 30 Phase 3. During the session, the select committee continued its work in examining the organization structure and the working mechanism in the planning and production of public housing and the circumstances leading to the four incidents. By the end of this legislative session, the select committee held 163 meetings, including 69 public/closed hearings. It is expected a report will be issued in the early part of 2003.



Mr J A MILLER, Director of Housing (left) and Ms Ada FUNG Yin-suen, Assistant Director of Housing (Quality), give evidence to the Select Committee on Building Problems of Public Housing Units during its final hearing session on 28 May 2002.

Chapter 4 Redress System



he 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 and handle representations and complaints 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 for Members in the operation of the system.

In 2001-2002, 795 new cases were received. Of these, 169 were group representations and 626 were cases brought up by individual members of the public. Out of the 854 cases dealt with and concluded within the period, Members directly handled 684 cases, which constituted 80.1% of the caseload. Of the remaining 170 cases, 148 were views which were circulated to Members for consideration, and 22 were enquiries and simple cases which 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 cases expeditiously, Members held 98 case conferences with representatives of the Government. In addition to the above-mentioned cases, 1,828 telephone enquiries were handled during the year under review.

Appendix 6 illustrates the nature and outcome of the cases concluded during the period under review. Of the 854 cases concluded, assistance was provided in 737 cases (86.3%) while the remaining 117 cases (13.7%) were not pursued, as they were either outside the scope of the redress system, groundless or incomprehensible, etc. Appendix 7 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 issues attracted the largest number of cases, totalling 142. These consisted mainly of complaints against the management of public rental housing (PRH) estates, requests for assistance regarding the repair and maintenance of PRH estates and Home Ownership Scheme units, enquiries about the progress of applications for PRH, and requests for compensation and rehousing upon clearance.

Group cases were mainly on requests for rent concessions arising from fire safety and improvement works, and allocation of Interim Housing or PRH for residents affected by the redevelopment of old PRH estates and clearance of squatter areas.

Commercial tenants of the Siu Hong Court Shopping Centre in Tuen Mun affected by fire safety works sought assistance from Members. The deputation was concerned about the disruption to their business caused by the works as they had to close their shops during the works period, and renovate the shops upon completion of the works. According to the then prevailing policy, only tenants who were relocated from one shop to another could apply for a four-month "old shop" and four-month "new shop" rent-free period, but tenants remaining in their existing premises were not duly compensated



Representatives of the Alliance of Sandwich Class Housing Owners meet with Members to air their dissatisfactions on issues related to the second mortgage arrangement for owners of the Sandwich Class Housing Scheme.



Members inspect toilet floor drainage problems at Verbena Heights, Tseung Kwan O, and listen to residents' complaints.

notwithstanding their business loss. At a case conference convened by Members, the Housing Department (HD) explained that as the owner of shopping centres, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) was obliged to carry out fire safety works in the estates, as required under the Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) Ordinance (Cap 502). HD would work with the affected tenants to arrive at mutually acceptable solutions to

minimize the disruption, and adjust the rent after completion of the works to reflect the reduction in area of the affected shops. Nevertheless, HD agreed that it was reasonable to provide some form of rent concession to the affected tenants and hence submitted a proposal to the Commercial Properties Committee of HA for deliberation. HA subsequently decided to grant rent-free concessions ranging from one to four months to the affected tenants.

Commercial tenants of the Tin Ping Estate in the North District were aggrieved that improvement works being undertaken at the market over a prolonged period had affected their business. They also held the view that the rent of the commercial premises was unreasonably high. Members shared the deputation's concern about the effect of the improvement works on the operators' business and considered the rental level high especially when compared to that of stalls in a nearby public market which provided better facilities. In addition, Members noted the high vacancy rate of commercial premises in the estate and urged HD to consider measures for promoting business in the shopping centre and the market. The Department agreed to take the above factors into account when considering the tenants' applications for rent reduction in a territory-wide rent review for commercial premises in public housing estates conducted in 2001. As regards the nuisance generated by the improvement works, the Department advised that it had requested the contractor concerned to restrict the noisy works to between 11:00 am and 3:00 pm daily and undertook to ensure strict compliance with this requirement by the contractor. Members

were subsequently informed that against the average level of reduction in rent of 19.1% in the rent review exercise in Hong Kong as a whole, a rent reduction ranging from 17.5% to 53% was approved for commercial tenants of the Tin Ping Estate. Members, nevertheless, remained concerned about the absence of a policy for providing compensation for commercial tenants affected by improvement works in public housing estates, and referred this issue to the Subcommittee to study the letting and rent policies of non-domestic premises of the HA and the Housing Society for follow-up.

Tenants of a public housing estate in Ngau Tau Kok which was due for redevelopment in 2005-2006 met with Members to express their objection to being rehoused in a proposed reception estate in South East Kowloon. As the reception estate would be far away from their existing estate, they were worried that elderly tenants would not be able to adapt to the new environment and community. Furthermore, it would cause inconvenience to tenants when travelling to and from schools and work places. Members met with representatives from HD and urged the Department to review the choice of the proposed reception estate and accord flexibility in the redevelopment programme. The Department subsequently advised that the redevelopment of the estate concerned would be deferred to 2008-2009, and that the tenants would be rehoused to another estate within the Ngau Tau Kok area.

Immigration Cases

The Immigration Department attracted the second largest number of cases, totalling 61. Most of the cases brought up by individuals were concerned with entitlements to the right of abode in Hong Kong, applications for permanent stay or extension of stay and employment of illegal workers or foreign domestic helpers in non-domestic work.

A deputation comprising Hong Kong residents who had adopted orphans from the Mainland sought assistance under the redress system in obtaining permission for the orphans to remain in Hong Kong. They alleged that they had met with difficulties when applying for one-way permits for the orphans' entry into Hong Kong while they were in the Mainland, and were worried that the orphans would be in lack of care if they had to return to the Mainland to apply for the one-way permits. They were also worried that the orphans could not get the permits after returning to the Mainland and thus could not come back to Hong Kong. At a case conference convened by Members, the Government stressed that the processing of one-way permits was a matter for the relevant authorities in the Mainland. It was necessary for the orphans to return to the Mainland to submit their applications which, under normal circumstances and subject to production of the requisite documents, would be approved within 12 months. To address Members' concerns for the affected families to obtain an assurance before they returned to the Mainland to submit the applications, and for special

considerations to be given to some compassionate cases, the Government produced documents on the Mainland authorities' policy regarding applications for one-way permits for orphans adopted by Hong Kong residents. The Immigration Department also met with all of the affected families concerned and explained to them their respective positions and the necessary formalities. Members were subsequently informed that one-way permits had either been approved or the applications were being actively processed by the Mainland authorities in respect of all the 13 orphans who had sought assistance.

Cases Handled by the Security Bureau

Policy issues relating to the maintenance of law and order and immigration control attracted the third largest number of cases, totalling 35. Many were related to requests for assistance for Hong Kong residents detained in the Mainland, while other cases were mostly views on the arrest of illegal immigrants, entitlement to the right of abode in Hong Kong and the enactment of antiterrorism legislation.

Representatives of the Society for Community Organization met with Members on the detention of Hong Kong residents by the Mainland authorities for suspected criminal offences. They alleged that some detentions were unlawful, and expressed concern about the ineffectiveness of the reciprocal notification mechanism between the Hong Kong Police Force and the Mainland Public Security authorities. They urged the Government to extend the ambit of the mechanism in order

that Government officials and the family members concerned could visit Hong Kong residents detained in the Mainland. At a case conference, representatives of the Security Bureau advised Members that the reciprocal notification mechanism, which commenced operation on 1 January 2001, was subject to regular review by both parties, and improvement would be considered where warranted. According to the relevant laws of the Mainland. the HKSAR Government had no right of access to the detainees, but persons in custody had the right to meet their close relatives and legal representatives, subject to the approval of the relevant Mainland Public Security authorities. The Bureau representatives assured Members that it attached great importance to each and every request for assistance from detainees or their families, and undertook to refer complaints against unlawful detention to the relevant Mainland authorities through the established channels.

Social Welfare Cases

The Social Welfare Department also attracted 35 cases during the period under review. The majority were individuals' cases related to the provision of social security. These included requests for assistance in applications for and delay in payment of Comprehensive Social Security Allowance (CSSA) and Criminal and Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation, proposals for tightening up the provision of CSSA for new arrivals, and views on the provision of Old Age Allowance and other services by the Social Welfare

Department, and the service provided by staff of the Department.

Group cases were mainly about the implementation of the "Ending Exclusion Project" on CSSA single-parent recipients and the Lump Sum Grant Subvention System for non-Government organizations, and problems associated with the implementation of such systems. Policy issues arising from such cases were referred to the Panel on Welfare Services for deliberation, while the rest were taken up with the Government separately.

Transport Cases

Transport cases attracted the fifth largest number of cases, totalling 33. Most cases were related to road traffic, operation of bus routes and bus services, designation of prohibited zones, and installation of traffic lights and traffic alteration measures.

Some complaints were on traffic noise nuisance from drivers sounding their horns in congested areas in Causeway Bay such as Paterson Street, Great George Street and Sharp Street East. At Member's request, the Transport Department and the Hong Kong Police Force took joint action to appeal to the discipline of motorists. As most of the noise was caused by taxis obstructed in traffic jams, the Police saw a need for self-discipline and co-operation of taxi-drivers and had hence raised this with the taxi trade during liaison meetings. This apart, the Police also took stringent traffic enforcement action against drivers committing

traffic offences in the area. Warnings were given to such drivers and over 650 Fixed Penalty Tickets were issued between July and September 2002 for illegal parking and picking up or dropping off passengers within the restricted areas.

The Motor Transport Workers General Union met with Members to voice objection to a proposal for introducing an overnight operating bus route from Shau Kei Wan to Lai Chi Kok. The deputation doubted the need for the new service, which would overlap largely with an existing bus route. Moreover, they were worried that it would affect their business, which was already on the decline owing to the economic downturn. Members appreciated the deputation's concern, but at the same time, pointed out that the proposal reflected the need of local residents for public transport services and it was necessary to strike a balance between the need of the trade and that of residents. At Members' request, the Transport Department met with the deputation and agreed to defer the date for the introduction of the new bus service to end of 2002, and to review this date in October 2002.

Other Significant Cases

The Right of Children on Recognizance in Receiving Education

Families with children on recognizance who were denied school places in Hong Kong sought assistance from Members. They requested the Government to allow their children to study in Hong Kong during their temporary stay. Members handling the case were sympathetic to the children and held a case conference to follow-up the request. Members pointed out that schooling and right of abode were separate issues, and the Government should not force children to return to the Mainland by depriving them of the right of education. Members also queried the legal basis for the Government to refuse schooling for these children, and whether such acts were in contravention of Article 28 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Government explained that the right to education under the international conventions applicable to Hong Kong was not an absolute right, and it could be subject to statutory limitations including the conditions of stay in the immigration laws. Nevertheless, the Government undertook to review each of the 187 cases in question. Some of these children were admitted to school subsequently.





A group of children on recognizance who are denied school places in Hong Kong lodges a complaint to Members and requests that the Government to allow them to study in Hong Kong during their temporary stay.

Access Roads to Small House Developments

The absence of proper access roads to small house developments in the New Territories was the subject of a number of complaints. An owners committee of some small houses in Yuen Long sought assistance in respect of the ownership of a

site adjacent to the lot where the small houses were situated. As the site in question was fenced off by the developer when the housing lot was put up for sale, the owners were under the impression that the site formed part of their lot until they learned from the District Land Office that the site concerned was Government land.



Members visit Kau Lung Hang in Tai Po to hear grievances by residents who are asking the Government to build a cross-railway path for the access of rescue vehicles.



The owners needed the site as a passageway for access to their housing lot, and were worried that the Government would sell the site to another developer. At a case conference convened by Members, the District Land Office confirmed that the site in question was Government land but clarified that there was no intention to sell the site to another developer as alleged by the owners. The Office had taken note of the owners' need and was prepared to consider granting a short term tenancy to the owners concerned, subject to completion of the necessary formalities.

In another case also in Yuen Long, the owners of a group of small houses were worried that a road which they had been using for access to their small houses would be sold to another party after the owner of the road had become bankrupt. Members held a case conference with the Official Receiver's Office and other relevant Government departments, and were assured that consideration would be given to selling the road to the owners concerned for the purpose of a right of way at nominal cost.

Resumption of Private Land Zoned as Open Space

A group of owners of some old residential premises in Sai Ying Pun were aggrieved that their piece of land, which had been zoned as open space since the 1970s, could not be re-developed, and there was no sign of resumption of the land by the Government. In the meantime, the buildings had become dilapidated and the Buildings Department had issued the owners with orders for repair of the retaining walls adjacent to the land. Pursuant to a case conference with

Members, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department confirmed its intention to resume the land in question for development as open space and undertook to announce the implementation plans and schedule as soon as possible. The Buildings Department also advised that it would carry out remedial work on the retaining walls if no action was taken by the owners, and recover the cost of such work from the owner of the land when the remedial work was completed in about 2005, by which time the land in question would have reverted to the Government.

Construction of the Headquarters of the Independent Commission Against Corruption

A deputation comprising mainly owners corporations of residential buildings in North Point raised objection to the proposed construction of the headquarters of the Independent Commission Against Corruption in Tong Shui Road in North Point. Individual flat owners in the vicinity also wrote in to voice similar concerns. As the site in question was small, the owners were worried about the impact of the project on traffic and the environment, the close proximity of the proposed headquarters with the adjacent buildings, and the nuisance caused by media coverage of corruption cases. Pursuant to a case conference convened by Members, the Government decided to legislate an alternative site in Java Road in North Point for the headquarters. The complainants were informed of and satisfied with the outcome.

Increase in Rent for Shipyards

A group of shipyard operators in Southern District sought assistance in connection with an increase in rent for the shipyards. The operators, who had been granted short-term tenancies since 1987 and were allowed to continue to use the land as occupiers after 1996, were notified in June 2000 that market rent which represented an increase of almost tenfold would be charged as from August 2000. Members sympathized with the operators and requested the Lands Department to reconsider the scale of increase having regard to the prevailing economic climate, the operators' affordability, the comparison of the rental level for short term tenancies in other areas, etc. While the Director of Lands subsequently decided to reduce the scale of increase by 13% and to defer the effective date of the increase to May/June 2002, he declined to accede to the operators' requests for waiver of the administrative costs for the tenancy agreements, and for removing the restriction against the building and repair of steel vessels from the terms of the tenancies for environmental considerations.

"Single-Operator Market" Scheme of the Housing Department

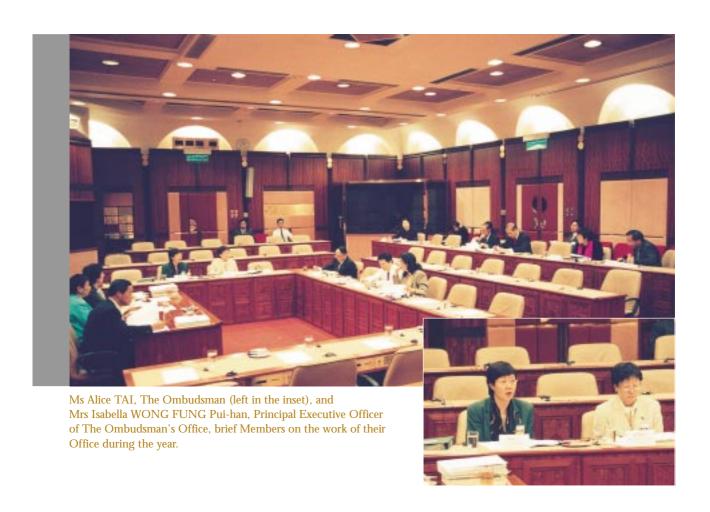
Licensees of stalls in a single-operator market of a public housing estate in Chai Wan were dissatisfied with the management of the market, and lodged complaints against the single-operator of the market. They also complained against the Housing Department (HD)'s failure in its monitoring role. Apart from inadequacies in cleanliness, ventilation and facilities of the market, the complainants also made allegations regarding excessive rates and rent levied by the singleoperator and unfair terms in the licences. Members were sympathetic with the complainants in view of the prevailing economic climate and requested HD to strengthen its monitoring role. The Department assured Members that the singleoperator concerned had undertaken to refund to the licensees concerned any excessive rates and rent charged, and to improve the management of the market. At the same time, the Department advised that a review on the "Single-Operator Market" scheme, which had been in operation for 12 years, was underway. Subsequently, with the endorsement of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA), measures aimed at tightening the monitoring of single-operators were introduced in respect of contracts signed or renewed on or after 31 January 2002.

The Stanley Bazaar

A deputation comprising stall owners, restaurant operators and residents in Stanley sought Members' assistance in fighting against a proposal for clearing the Stanley Bazaar to make way for the development of a hotel and a shopping mall. The deputation was worried that the proposal would destroy the unique ambience of the area and jeopardize tourism development. Members shared the deputation's concern and called a case conference with the Government to follow-up the issue. Both the Tourism Commission and the Hong Kong Tourism Board did not support the proposal on the grounds that the development proposal was not compatible with the local

environment of Stanley. The Planning Department also advised that the proponents would have to comply with the requirements of a maximum building height restriction of not more than 21 metres, which was aimed at preserving the low-rise and low-density characteristic of Stanley in general and avoiding the overloading of the limited and narrow local road network, and the setting back of the buildings concerned upon redevelopment to provide a 4.5 metre wide emergency vehicular access to ensure access for fire engines. Although Members were informed

that the proponent concerned had requested deferment of the application hearing by the Town Planning Board, Members called on the Government to consider an appropriate zoning for the site in question to save it from threats of future demolition, and to preserve the area as a major tourist attraction in Hong Kong.



Chapter 5 Liaison 5



Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee

The Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee of the House Committee is responsible for the overall co-ordination of all parliamentary liaison activities between the Council and other parliamentary organizations outside Hong Kong, and for considering proposals for setting up friendship groups with such organizations. It makes recommendations to the House Committee on such matters.

At the suggestion of the subcommittee, a delegation of seven Members visited Canada, with which a friendship group had been formed with her Members of Parliament since 1992. From 16 to 24 February 2002, the delegation visited Ottawa and Toronto, during which they held meetings with senior government officials, Members of Parliament, and representatives of business organizations and a think-tank to discuss issues of mutual interest. The delegation also received briefings on a variety of subjects, including trade, commerce, environmental protection, health care and high technology.



A Legislative Council delegation visited Ottawa and Toronto in Canada in February 2002 to reinforce links with Canada, keep the Canadian community abreast of the latest developments in Hong Kong and foster better mutual understanding. (Left) Members of the delegation make a courtesy call to Mr Bob CHIARELLI, Mayor of Ottawa (fourth from right). (Below) Members of the delegation meet with the Canada-Hong Kong Parliamentary Friendship Group.

Luncheons with Consuls-General

To enhance contacts between Members and the diplomatic community in Hong Kong, luncheons were organized quarterly to provide opportunities for Members to make acquaintance of and to exchange views with consular officials on the work

of the Council as well as matters of mutual concern. Between October 2001 and September 2002, three such luncheons were held, which were attended by a total of 45 consular officials.



Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee exchanges views with Mr Jens Peder JENSEN, Consul-General of Denmark (centre), and Mr Ahmad Rasidi HAZIZI, Consul-General of Malaysia (right), during a lunch hosted by Hon Mrs Rita FAN, President of the Legislative Council.



Members chat with Consuls-General during the pre-lunch reception. (From left): Mr A E OSHIN, Consul of Nigeria; Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip; Mr Pietro Giovanni DONNICI, Consul-General of Italy; Mr Peter VOGLER, Consul-General of Switzerland and Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing.

Contact with District Councils

Members hold on a roster basis a round of meetings with members of the District Councils to exchange views on matters of mutual concern. Each meeting is followed by a luncheon attended by the President and Members. Issues on matters of policy raised at these meetings are referred to the relevant panels for more in-depth study, while individual cases are taken up by the Complaints Division for follow-up with the Government.



Members meet with Kwun Tong District Council members to exchange views on matters of mutual interest and concern.



Members visit the Sha Tau Kok Closed Area following a meeting with North District Council members to discuss, among other issues, the policy on the Frontier Closed Area with the Government and representatives of the rural committee.

Contact with Heung Yee Kuk

Members also hold regular meetings with Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk to exchange views on matters of mutual concern. During the 2001-2002 session, the meeting between Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors was held on 29 January 2002. The Chairman of the House Committee presided at the meeting, which was attended by the Chairman and 13 Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk as well as 13 Members. Issues on matters of policy raised at the meeting were referred to the relevant panels for follow-up.



Members brief a delegation of the French Senate on the implementation of the "One Country, Two Systems" principle in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.



A delegation of military officers from Pakistan meets with Legislative Council Members.

Visitors

On a regular basis, Members and senior staff of the Council receive visiting parliamentarians, dignitaries and delegations referred by the Information Services Department and other departments of the Government and by consulsgeneral in Hong Kong. During the 2001-2002 session, a total of 133 meetings were held with visitors to brief them on the latest developments in Hong Kong. These visitors included members of legislatures, political and business leaders, government officials and prominent persons from various territories.



A delegation of congressmen from the Philippines meets with Legislative Council Members to discuss matters concerning Filipino workers in Hong Kong.

Chapter 6 Support Services for Members



The Legislative Council Commission

The Legislative Council Commission is a statutory body established under The Legislative Council Commission Ordinance (Cap. 443). Chaired by the President of the Council and comprising 12 other Members, the Commission exercises managerial and financial functions in providing, through the LegCo Secretariat, administrative support and facilities for the Council independent of the Government. There are three committees under the Commission to carry out specific delegated functions. Membership of the Commission and its committees, and their terms of reference are set out in **Appendix 8**.

The Legislative Council Secretariat

Headed by the Secretary General, the LegCo Secretariat comprises nine divisions. Staff of the Secretariat are directly appointed by the Commission. As at 1 July 2002, there were 311 staff in the Secretariat. The organization chart is shown in **Appendix 9**.

Appendix 1 Composition of the Legislative Council

President

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, GBS, JP (Election Committee)

Members

Functional Constituencies

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP (Industrial - First)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP (Commercial - First)

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP (Engineering)

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP (Accountancy)

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP (Finance)

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP (Industrial - Second)

Hon Margaret NG (Legal)

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP (Wholesale and Retail)

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong (Education)

Hon HUI Cheung-ching, JP (Import and Export)

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung (Labour)

Hon Bernard CHAN, JP (Insurance)

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP (Textiles and Garment)

Hon SIN Chung-kai (Information Technology)

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong (Commercial - Second) Hon WONG Yung-kan (Agriculture and Fisheries)

Hon Howard YOUNG, JP (Tourism)

Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP (Heung Yee Kuk)

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP (Transport)

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP (Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication)

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP (Social Welfare)

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP (Real Estate and Construction)

Hon LI Fung-ying, JP (Labour)

Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP (Financial Services)

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP (Catering)

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung (Health Services)

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP (Labour)

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok (Medical)

Hon IP Kwok-him, JP (District Council)

Hon LAU Ping-cheung (Architectural, Surveying and Planning)

Geographical Constituencies

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Hong Kong Island)

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan (New Territories West)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan (New Territories West)

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP (Hong Kong Island)

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP (Kowloon East)

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Kowloon West)

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP (Kowloon East)

Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP (Kowloon East)

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung (New Territories West)

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP (New Territories East)

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP (Kowloon West)

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum (Hong Kong Island)

Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP (Kowloon West)

Hon LAU Kong-wah (New Territories East)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP (New Territories East)

Hon CHOY So-yuk (Hong Kong Island)

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo (New Territories East)

Hon SZETO Wah (Kowloon East)

Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP (New Territories West)

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP (New Territories West)

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (New Territories West)

Hon WONG Sing-chi (New Territories East)

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (Kowloon West)

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP (Hong Kong Island)

Election Committee

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

Hon NG Leung-sing, JP

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP

Hon MA Fung-kwok, JP

Appendix 2 Members' Biographies

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, GBS, JP

President of the Legislative Council

Date of Birth: 20 September 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Master of Social Science (in Psychology), The University of Hong Kong (1970-1973)
- Certificate in Personnel Management, The University of Hong Kong (1969-1971)
- Bachelor of Science (in Chemistry and Physics), The University of Hong Kong (1964-1967)
- St. Stephen's Girls' College, Hong Kong (1952-1964)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

Present Service

- Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Chairman of the Board of Trustee of the Association for Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China Charitable Trust Fund
- Honorary Adviser of the Hong Kong Federation of Women

Past Service

- President of the First Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- President of the Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- Member of the Executive Council (1989-1992)
- Member of the Legislative Council (1983-1992)
- Chairman of the Education Commission (1990-1992)
- Chairman of the Board of Education (1986-1989)

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP

President's Deputy

Date of Birth: 25 January 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Paul's Co-Educational College (Primary and Secondary Levels)
- B.A. in English, The University of Hong Kong
- Post Graduation Diploma, Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama, UK
- A.D.B., L.R.A.M. in Drama (Teacher and Performer)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

Present Service

- Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council
- Honorary Adviser, Against Child Abuse (1981-present)
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Retail Management Association
- Honorary Adviser, Association of Better Business and Tourism Services
- Director, Hong Kong Intellectual Property Society (1996-present)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Tourism Board
- Board Member, Airport Authority Hong Kong
- Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council (4/2000-present)
- Member, Film Development Fund Advisory Committee (1/1999-present)
- Member, Film Services Advisory Committee (5/1998-present)

Past Service

- Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Security, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (1981-1997)
- Member, Executive Council (1991-1992)
- President, Zonta Club of Hong Kong (1976-1977)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (1976-1981)
- Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1980-1984)
- Executive Member, Hong Kong Housing Society (1981-1984)
- Member, Council for the Performing Arts (1982-1986)
- Member, Council of The Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts (1984-1988)
- Council Member, Family Planning Association of Hong Kong (1984-1985)
- Chairman, Consumer Council (1984-1988)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1986-1988)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1986-1988)
- Member, Education Commission (1990-1992)
- Member, Small and Medium Enterprises Committee (1996-2000)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP

Date of Birth: 21 August 1942

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, University of Illinois, USA (1968)

Occupation:

Chairman, Kader Industrial Company Limited

Public Service:

Present Service

- Chairman, Panel on Commerce and Industry, Legislative Council
- Member, Operations Review Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption
- Member, Selection Committee of the Admission of Talents Scheme
- Member, Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee
- President, Hong Kong Plastics Manufacturers Association Limited
- Chairman, Plastics Industry Training Board, Vocational Training Council
- Deputy Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
- General Committee Member, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
- Honorary President, The Toys Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong Limited
- Member, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
- Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council
- Director and Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Plastics Technology Centre
- Member, Council of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Past Service

- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser
- Member, Hong Kong Productivity Council (1987-1990)
- Member, Trade Advisory Board (1984-1988)
- Member, Hong Kong Examination Authority (1983-1987)
- Member, Consumer Council (1980-1987)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Second Market, The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
- Member, Plastics Committee, Industry and Technology Development Council
- Member, Board of Review, Inland Revenue
- Member, Barristers Disciplinary Tribunal Panel

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 8 January 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M. Sc. in Chemical Engineering, San Jose State University, USA (1970)
- B. Sc. in Chemical Engineering, University of Illinois, USA (1968)
- Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong (1964)

Occupation:

- · Chairman, Manhattan Holdings Limited
- Chairman, Manhattan Garments (Int'l) Limited

Public Service:

Government Boards and Committees

- Member, Executive Council
- Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Legislative
 Council
- Member, Central and Western District Council (Constituency : Peak)

Non-Government Boards and Committees

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Chairman, Liberal Party
- General Committee Member, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
- General Committee Member, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
- Court Member, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Member, Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

Date of Birth: 5 March 1944

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Electrical Engineering Degree, Northeastern University, USA
- Management Degree, Northeastern University, USA
- M.B.A., Harvard University, USA
- Honorary Doctorate Degree, Northeastern University, USA

Occupation:

- Chairman, Hong Kong Satellite Technology Holdings
 Limited
- · Chairman, Wah Tak Fung Holdings Limited
- Director, Zhu Kuan Development Co., Limited
- Director, Catic Shenzhen Holdings Limited
- Director, Guangzhou Pharmaceutical Co
- · Director, Chuang's China Investments Limited
- Director, CATIC International Holdings Limited

- · Member of Hong Kong Housing Authority
- Member of the Council of the Hong Kong Baptist University
- Member of the Travel Industry Council Appeal Panel
- Chairman of Hong Kong War Memorial Pensions Advisory Committee (1999-present)
- Member of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1998-present)
- Chairman of the Committee on Members' Interests of the Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Executive Committee Member of the Helping Hand (12/1997-present)
- Member of the Election Council for the Hong Kong Deputies to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (11/1997)
- Honorary President of the Junior Police Officers' Association of the Hong Kong Police Force (1/1997-present)
- Member of the Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- 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 (1995-1997)

- Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- Member of the Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1992-1997)
- Member of the Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects (1991-1998)
- Member of Hong Kong War Memorial Pensions Appeal Board (1991-1999)
- Member of Action Committee Against Narcotics (1990-1992)
- Representative of Advisory Council on AIDS (3/1990-2/1992)
- Lecturer of MED Programme, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1985-1989)
- Lecturer of Management Programme, Jiao Tong University, Shanghai (1985-1989)
- Member of Special Committee on Noise, Environmental Protection Advisory Committee (7/1983-6/1984)
- Member of Hong Kong Pistol Shooting Team (1983-1985)
- Hong Kong Auxiliary Police Officer (1982-1985)
- The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS)
 - Trustee of HKCSS Trust Fund (1989-1993)
 - Member of the Executive Committee (1992-1993)
 - Chairman of Committee on Hong Kong -Mainland China Exchange in Social Welfare (1991-1995)
 - Chairman of Management Committee (1989-1992)
 - Chairman of Executive Committee (1989-1992)
 - Chairman of Finance Sub-Committee (1/1989-10/1989)
 - Honorary Treasurer (1988-1989)
- Christian Family Service Centre
 - Convenor of Fund Raising Sub-Committee (1989-1996)
 - Member of Board of Directors (1987-1997)
 - Member of Finance and Personnel Sub-Committee (1987-1988)

- Community Chest of Hong Kong
 - Vice Patron (1992/1993-present)
 - Member, Former Director Committee (1992/1993-1997)
 - Member, Corporate Contribution Programme Organizing Committee (1992/1993-1997)
 - Board Member (1981-1987, 1990-1992)
 - Member, Admissions, Budgets and Allocations Committee (1984-1987, 1990-1992)
 - Fourth Vice President (1989-1990)
 - Chairman, Admissions, Budgets and Allocations Committee (1989-1990)
 - Member, Executive Committee (1989-1990)
 - Deputy Chairman, Admissions, Budgets and Allocations Committee (1987/1988-1988/1989)
 - Member, Campaign Committee (1984-1986)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Date of Birth: 24 July 1954

Education and Professional Qualifications:

University of Waterloo, Canada

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Central Co-ordination Team on the Promotion of I.T. Usage Among Women

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Date of Birth: 1 December 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Laws (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong
- Post-graduate Certificate in Laws, The University of Hong Kong
- · Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
- Notary Public

Occupation:

Practising Solicitor and Notary Public

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Tuen Mun District Council (2000-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Member, Provisional Regional Council (7/1997-12/1999)
- Member, Regional Council (1995-6/1997)
- Elected Member, Legislative Council (1995-6/1997)

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

Date of Birth: 23 March 1939

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.Sc. (Eng.), The University of Hong Kong
- D.A.S.E., University of Manchester, UK
- Ph.D., City University of London, UK
- Honorary Doctor of Business Administration, City University of Hong Kong
- Honorary Doctor of Laws, University of Manchester, IJK

Occupation:

Engineer

Public Service:

Present Service

- Non-official Justice of the Peace
- Ex-officio Member, Election Committee of the Second Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Association of Engineers in Society
- Advisory Professor, Shanghai Tongji University
- Deputy Chairman, Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Plant / Ling Ao Nuclear Plant Safety Consultative Committee
- Member, Gas Safety Advisory Committee
- Member, Advisory Group on Road Openings

Past Service

- Member, First Legislative Council (Engineering Functional Constituency) (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, First Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Ex-officio Member, Election Committee of the First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Deputy Chairman, Select Committee to Inquire into the Circumstances Leading to the Problems Surrounding the Commencement of the Operation of the New Hong Kong International Airport at Chek Lap Kok since 6 July 1998 and Related Issues, Legislative Council
- President, Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (1987-1988)
- Member, Basic Law Consultative Committee (1986-1990)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Council Chairman, City University of Hong Kong / City Polytechnic of Hong Kong (1992-1994)
- Chairman, Transport Advisory Committee (1995-1997)
- Member, Industry and Technology Development Council (ITDC) (1992-1994)
- Chairman, Technology Committee of the ITDC (1992-1994)
- Chairman, Executive Committee of Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation (1990-1991)
- Member, Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects (1991-1998)
- Council Member, Vocational Training Council (1993-1998)
- Member, Occupational Safety and Health Council (1988-1995)
- Member, Construction Industry Training Authority (1981-1993)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Date of Birth: 12 February 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B. Sc. (Eng.), Department of Civil Engineering, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

General Secretary, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-2000)
- Standing Committee Member, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China (1989-present)
- Committee Member, Hong Kong Catholic Commission on Labour Affairs (1992-1994)
- Organizer, Kwun Tong Occupational Health Centre (1978-1980)
- Executive Secretary, Hong Kong Christian Industrial Committee (1980-1990)
- Committee Member, Employees Retraining Board (1995-present)
- Committee Member, Construction Advisory Board (1996-3/1999)
- Committee Member, Committee on Occupational Safety and Health, Labour Advisory Board (2/1999-present)

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

Date of Birth: 8 June 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong
- Queen's Counsel

Occupation:

Barrister-at-law

Public Service:

- · Legal Adviser, The Hong Kong Medical Association
- Chairman, Democratic Party
- · Chairman, Executive Committee, Democratic Party
- Chairman, Central Committee, Democratic Party
- Member, Hong Kong Bar Association
- Legal Adviser, Federation of Civil Service Unions
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Union for Young
 Leaders
- Member of the Board of Reference, Christian Solidarity Worldwide Hong Kong
- Honorary Legal Adviser, The Wong Tai Sin Community Health Promotion Association

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP

Date of Birth: 23 May 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Adjunct Professor, School of Accountancy, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Honorary Doctor of Laws, University of Manchester, UK
- Honorary Doctor of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Baptist University
- Honorary Alumnus, London Business School
- B.A. in Economics (Hons.), University of Manchester, UK
- Fellow, Hong Kong Society of Accountants
- Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
- Fellow, Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, UK
- Honorary Hong Kong Accounting Technician
- Honorary Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Housing
- · Certified Public Accountant

Occupation:

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

- Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Chairman, Commission on Youth (up to 3/2001)
- Vice-Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council
- Member, Deposit-taking Companies Advisory Committee
- Member, User's Committee, Inland Revenue Department
- Member, Steering Committee on the Centre for Youth Development, Home Affairs Bureau
- Council Member, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (up to 3/2001)
- Member, Court of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Chairman, Advisory Board on Accounting Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Member, School of Business Advisory Committee, Hong Kong Baptist University

- Steering Committee Member, China Accounting and Finance Research Centre, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Physically Handicapped and Able-Bodied Association
- President, Hong Kong Sports Association for the Mentally Handicapped
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Kindergarten Association
- President, Activities Committee, Eastern District Junior Police Call
- · Senior Adviser, The Community Chest of Hong Kong
- Honorary Adviser, Young Leaders Development Program 2002 of AIA Foundation
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Outstanding Students' Association
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Junior Chamber of Commerce
- Hong Kong Director, International Bureau for Children's Rights
- Director, Gifted Education Foundation Limited
- Member, London Business School Regional Advisory Board
- Member, Princeton University of USA Council for Hong Kong's Development
- 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, Children Programming Consultative Committee, Television Broadcasts Limited

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, 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, The University of Hong Kong
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, Lingman College
- Fellow, Hong Kong Society of Accountants
- Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers
- Fellow, The Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants

Occupation:

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

Public Service:

Present 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, Sub-committee on Currency Board
- · Director, Hong Kong Interbank Clearing Limited
- Director, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation
- Non-Executive Director, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority
- Vice Chairman, One Country Two Systems Research Institute Limited
- 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
- Pro-Chancellor, The 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, The 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, University of Cambridge Foundation
- Trustee, Cambridge Overseas Trust
- Member, Council of Governors, Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care
- Honorary Patron, Sincere Charitable Foundation
- Unofficial 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 and Country Club
- Member, American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong
- Chairman, East Asian History of Science Foundation
- Honorary Adviser, Overseas Graduates Association
- Member, SEI Center for Advanced Studies in Management Board, The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
- Member, Daimler Chrysler International Advisory Board
- Member, Advisory Committee of ING Beijing Investment Company Limited
- Fellow, McKinsey Global Institute
- Member, The Asia Society Hong Kong Centre Advisory Committee
- Member, Federal Reserve Bank of New York International Capital Markets Advisory Committee
- · Member, Rolls-Royce South East Asia Advisory Board

Past Service

- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
- Member, Land Fund Advisory Committee (1997-1998)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Vice-Chairman, Basic Law Drafting Committee (1985-1990)
- Member, Preliminary Working Committee, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special

- Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1982-1985)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (Functional Constituency
 Finance) (1985-1997)
- Chairman, Banking Training Board of the Vocational Training Council (1985-1993)
- Member, Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation Managing Board (1982-1991)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Festival Fringe (1982-1986)
- Chairman, Appointments Board of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1986-1987)
- Honorary Adviser, Japan Airlines Hong Kong Office (1991-1992)
- Governor, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong (1990-1991)
- Member, Institutes of Biotechnology at The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Board of Overseers) (1989-1995)
- Member, Jardine Fleming Asian Property Company Advisory Council (1989-2000)
- The Community Chest of Hong Kong
 - Member, Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee (1977-1979)
 - Deputy Chairman, Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee (1979-1981)
 - Fourth Vice President and Chairman of Admissions, Budget and Allocations Committee, and Executive Committee Member (1981-1983)
 - First Vice President and Chairman of the Executive Committee (1983-1985)
 - Board Member (1981-1987)
- The Hong Kong Ballet
 - Chairman, Board of Governors (1987-1992)
 - Vice Patron (1992-1996)
- Chairman, Advisory Committee on Graduate Employment of Hong Kong Polytechnic (1983-1985)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Polytechnic Advisory Committee on Business and Management Studies (1989-1993)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Convenor, Investment Committee of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government Land Fund Trust (1986-1997)
- Member, Bank Austria International Advisory Board (1992-1998)
- Member, Bank of Montreal International Advisory Council (1992-1998)

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP

Date of Birth: 25 April 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)
- Master of Social Work
- Registered Social Worker, Hong Kong

Occupation:

Member, Legislative Council

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (1994-1997)
- Member, Urban Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Kwun Tong District Board (1985-1994)
- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party (1994-2000)
- Member, Urban Renewal Authority (2001-present)
- Member, Court and Council, Hong Kong Baptist University (1991-2000)
- Member, Estate Agents Authority (1997-2000)
- Member, Queen Elizabeth Foundation for the Mentally Handicapped (1997-present)
- Member, Advisory Board, Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (1991-1997)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption (1996-2001)
- Director, AIDS Concern (1998-present)
- Member, Provisional Urban Council (1997-1999)
- Director, Senior Citizen Home Safety Association (1997-present)
- Member, ICAC Complaints Committee (2002-present)

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP

Date of Birth: 4 April 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.Sc.
- · Ph.D.
- · P.Eng. / C.Eng.

Occupation:

Businessman

- Chairman, Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Legislative Council
- Standing Committee Member, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
- Honorary Chairman, The Hong Kong Electronics Industries Association
- Member, Electronics Committee, Hong Kong Industry and Technology Development Council
- Member, Hong Kong International Arbitration Center
- Member, Trade Advisory Board
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Member, Shandong Political Consultative Congress
- Vice President, Shandong Province General Chamber of Commerce
- Council Member, Vocational Training Council of Hong Kong
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority

Hon NG Leung-sing, JP

Date of Birth: 11 July 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · Heung To Middle School
- Diploma, University of East Asia, Macau

Occupation:

Vice Chairman, Chiyu Banking Corporation Limited

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Establishment Subcommittee, Legislative Council
- Trustee, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government Land Fund (1988-1997)
- Chinese Representative, Sino-British Land Commission (1988-1997)
- Member, Corporate and Employee Contribution Programme Organizing Committee of Hong Kong Community Chest (1992-present)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1996-present)
- Director, Bank of China Hong Kong Charitable Foundation (1996-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, First Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Second Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- Committee Member, Hong Kong Council of Social Service (1999-present)
- Member, the Council and the Court of Lingnan University (1999-present)
- Member, Admission of Talents Scheme Selection Committee (1999-present)
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1999-present)
- Committee Member, The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association (2001-present)
- Member, Fisheries Development Loan Fund Advisory Committee (2001-present)

Hon Margaret NG

Date of Birth: 25 January 1948

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong
- M.A., The University of Hong Kong
- Ph.D., Boston University
- · B.A. (Law), The University of Cambridge
- P.C.LL. (Law), The University of Hong Kong
- · Barrister-at-Law

Occupation:

Barrister

- Chairman, Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Member, Operations Review Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption
- Member, Panel of Lay Assessors (1979-1981)
- Member, Shatin District Advisory Board (1980-1981)
- Member, Shatin District Board (1981-1982)
- Member, Management and Operations Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1980-1983)
- Member, Citizen's Advisory Committee on Community Relations, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1981-1983)
- Member, Executive Council of The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (1984-1985)
- Adjudicator, Obscene Articles Tribunal (1987-1988)
- Member, Public Relations Committee for The Community Chest of Hong Kong (1989-1990)
- Part-time Member, Central Policy Unit (1989-1990) (1991-1992)
- Member, Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (1996)
- Member, Town Planning Appeal Board
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-2000)

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Date of Birth: 11 March 1963

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- LL. B., The University of Hong Kong
- · Solicitor of Hong Kong Court

Occupation:

Solicitor

Public Service:

- · Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Elected Member, Sham Shui Po District Board (1991-1994)
- Elected Member, Yau Tsim Mong District Council (1999 present)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (1992-present)
- Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics (1994-present)
- Member, Managing Board, Land Development Corporation (1996-2001)
- Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, Securities and Futures Commission (1998-2001)
- Founding Member, United Democrats of Hong Kong (1990-1995)
- Founding Member, Democratic Party (1995-present)

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Date of Birth: 15 September 1954

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Social Science, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1978)
- · Registered Teacher

Occupation:

- Teacher
- · Member of the Legislative Council

- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Education Commission (1993-present)
- Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1998-present)
- President, Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union
- Member, Standing Committee, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China
- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party
- Member, Central Committee, Democratic Party

Hon HUI Cheung-ching, JP

Date of Birth: 4 September 1942

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Foshan University

Occupation:

Company Managing Director

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Commerce and Industry, Legislative Council
- Director, Exchange Fund Investment Limited
- Member, Small and Medium Enterprises Committee
- · Adviser, Po Leung Kuk
- President and Honorary President, The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association
- Member, Standing Committee, The Hong Kong Progressive Alliance
- Deputy, the Eighth Guangdong People's Congress
- Member, the Sixth and Eighth Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference of Guangdong Province
- Honorary Adviser, The Hong Kong Life Saving Society
- Life Honorary President, Hong Kong Winter Swimming Association
- Member, The China Overseas Friendship Association

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

Date of Birth: 17 January 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Honorary Fellow Member, Hong Kong Institution of Textile and Apparel
- Higher Certificate in Textile Technology, Hong Kong Polytechnic

Occupation:

Associate Director, Clothing Industry Training Authority

- Chairman, Establishment Subcommittee, Legislative
 Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council
- Member, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Member, Standing Executive Committee of The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
- Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Wearing Apparel Industry Employees' General Union
- Member, Social Policy Committee of The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
- Member, Social Affairs Committee of The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (1994-2000)
- Member, Right and Benefit Committee of The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (1994-2000)
- Director, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions Hong Ling Foundation for the Well-being of The Elderly Limited
- Member, Employees Retraining Board
- Director, The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP

Date of Birth: 15 November 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Hoi Luk Fung School
- San Kiu Middle School
- Chack Kwan Middle School
- Higher Diploma, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Hong Kong Business Management Society
- B.A. in Philosophy, Guangdong Science and Research University
- · University of Warwick

Occupation:

Trade Union Officer

- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Vice-Chairman, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions
- Chairman, Hong Kong Department Stores and Commercial Staff General Union
- Member, Standing Committee, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (1992-present)
- Director, Education Advancement Society for Workers in Hong Kong and Kowloon
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Special Representative of All-China Women's Federation
- Member, Eastern District Board (1988-1991)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1998-present)

- Member, Hong Kong Productivity Council (1994-1995)
- Honorary Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Territories Public Housing Estate Residents and Shopowners Organization
- Councillor of Management, Lok Kwan Social Service Company Limited
- Trustee, Hong Kong-China Relation Strategic Development Research Fund
- Chairperson of Sau Ming Primary School Management Committee

Hon Bernard CHAN, JP

Date of Birth: 11 January 1965

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Arts, Pomona College, California, USA

Occupation:

- Executive Director, Asia Financial Group
- Executive Director, Asia Insurance Co. Ltd.
- Executive Director, Asia Commercial Bank Ltd.

Public Service:

Industry Service

- Member, Insurance Advisory Committee
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee
- Member, Insurance Intermediaries Quality Assurance Scheme Steering Committee

Community Service

- Chairperson, The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
- Chairman, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Director, The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Ltd.
- Member, Process Review Panel for the Securities and Futures Commission
- Member, Business Advisory Group
- · Member, Hong Kong Sports Development Board
- · Member, Elderly Commission
- Member, Fight Crime Committee
- · Council Member, Lingnan University
- · Vice-Chairman, Oxfam Hong Kong
- · Chairman, Oxfam Trailwalker Advisory Committee
- Vice-Chairperson, Community Investment and Inclusion Fund Committee
- Member, Committee on Financial Assistance for Family Members of Those Who Sacrifice Their Lives to Save Others

Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP

Date of Birth: 22 January 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Hong Kong Technical College (now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) (1971)

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority
- Board Member, Urban Renewal Authority
- Director, Exchange Fund Investment Limited
- Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Kwun Tong Resident Union
- Member, Kwun Tong District Council
- Central and Standing Committee Member, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
- Vice President, Kowloon Federation of Associations
- Director, Kowloon City, Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin Residents Association Company Limited
- Deputy Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Panel on Trade and Industry, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Kwun Tong Provisional District Board Member (1997-1999)
- Elected Member, Kwun Tong District Board (1988-1997)
- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Member, Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee (1995-1997)

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 9 October 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

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

Occupation:

- · Director, Bay Apparel Limited
- Director, Golden Emblem Investment Company Limited
- Director, Golden Harvest Dyeing & Weaving Factory Limited
- Director, Fong Shing Cotton Mill (Hong Kong)
 Limited
- Director, Tai Fong Dyeing & Weaving Factory Limited

Public Service:

Present Service

- Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Commerce & Industry, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Committee on Members' Interests
- Director and General Committee Member, Textile Council of Hong Kong Ltd
- Co-founder, Education Aboard Services (Hong Kong) Limited
- Chairperson, Women's Commission
- Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers
- Director, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers
- Member, Hong Kong Regional Advisory Committee, Hospital Authority
- Council Member and Director, The Hong Kong Institute of Directors Limited
- Member, Hospital Authority
- Member, Administration and Operation Meeting, Hospital Authority
- Member, Finance Committee, Hospital Authority
- Member, Medical Services Development Committee, Hospital Authority
- Member, Audit Committee, Hospital Authority

- Permanent Adviser, Yan Chai Hospital
- Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Queen Mary Hospital
- Permanent Member, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce
- Member, Textiles Advisory Board
- Patron Member, The Textile Institute (Hong Kong Section)
- · Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club
- Honorary President and Founding Member, Hong Kong Federation of Women
- Chairman, Chi Lin Trust Fund for the Aged Committee
- Member, Chi Lin Elderly Service Management Committee
- Founding Senior Member, Foundation for Educational Development and Research, The University of Hong Kong
- Founder, Elementary Charitable Foundation
- Permanent Honorary President, Friends of Hong Kong Association Limited
- Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
- Founder and Chairman, The Young Entrepreneurs Development Council Limited
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Chinese Textile Mills Association
- Member, Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee
- Member, The American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Chiu Chow Chamber of Commerce Limited
- Honorary President, Chiu Yang Residents Association of Hong Kong Limited
- Permanent Honorary President, Central District Kai-Fong Welfare Association Limited
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Environmental Industry Association
- Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Guangdong Committee Organizations Limited
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Shunde Xing Tan Clansmen Association Limited
- Honorary Advisor, Federation of Hong Kong Chiu Chow Community Organizations
- Honorary Advisor, College of Nursing, Hong Kong

Past Service

- Councillor, First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1998-2000)
- Councillor, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Panel on Trade and Industry, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Assessment Panel on Energy Efficient Building Award Scheme (1997)
- Member, Travel Industry Council Appeal Panel (1998-1999)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Regional Advisory Committee of Hospital Authority (1996-1997)
- Member, Provisional Hospital Authority (1988-1990)
- Chairman, Human Resources Committee, Hospital Authority (1990-1994)
- Chairman, Supporting Services Development Committee, Hospital Authority (1994-1995)
- Member, Standing Committee, Hospital Authority (1990-1995)
- Director, Board of Directors, Yan Chai Hospital (1983-1984)
- Vice Chairman, Board of Directors, Yan Chai Hospital (1984-1985)
- Chairman, Board of Directors, Yan Chai Hospital (1985-1986)
- Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Castle Peak Hospital (1994-1997)
- Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital (1991-1997)
- Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Tsan Yuk Hospital (1993-1994)
- Chairman, Maryknoll Medical and Welfare Association (1987-1988)
- Adjudicator, Immigration Tribunal (1986-1994)
- Member, Central Policy Unit (1993-1995)
- Adjudicator, Registration of Persons Tribunal (1987-1988)
- Member, Regional Services Appeals Board (1990-1996)
- Member, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers (1997)

- Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Tsan Yuk Hospital (1994-1999)
- Voting Member, Board of Governors, Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital Limited (1988-1999)
- Member, Human Resources Committee, Housing Authority (1996-1999)
- Director, Queen Mary Hospital Charity Limited (1997-2000)
- Chairman, Human Organ Transplant Board (1996-2000)
- Honorary Treasurer and Executive Committee Member, Maryknoll Medical and Welfare Association (1982-2000)
- Member, Textiles and Clothing Committee, Industry and Technology Development Council, Industry Department (1993-1999)
- Vice-Chairman and Member, United Nations Children's Fund (1986-2000)
- Chairperson, Steering Committee for the "Campaign to Promote the Image of the Textiles and Clothing Industry" (1998-1999)
- Member, Administrative Appeals Board (1994-2000)
- Chairman, New Territories Regional Advisory Committee, Hospital Authority (1997-2001)
- Vice-Chairman, Ladies Committee, International Festival of Dance Academics (1990)
- Trustee, Charitable Foundation, Hospital Authority (1996-2001)
- Member, Council and Court, Hong Kong Baptist University (1996-2001)
- Member, Personnel Committee, Hong Kong Baptist University (1996-2001)
- Member, Steering Committee for the "Campaign to Promote the Image of the Textiles and Clothing Industry" (1999-2001)
- Honorary President, The Overseas Teo Chew Young Entrepreneurs Association (2001)
- Member, Planning Committee, Hospital Authority (1990-2001)

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Date of Birth: 19 May 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A. (Hons.), University of Essex, UK
- Post-graduate Certificate in Education, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Teacher

Public Service:

- Member, Kwai Tsing District Board / District Council (1985-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Executive Committee Member, Neighbourhood and Workers Service Centre
- Member, The Frontier
- Standing Committee Member, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China (1990-present)

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Date of Birth: 15 June 1960

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · M.B.A., The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Bachelor of Science, The University of Hong Kong
- · Member, Hong Kong Computer Society
- Member, Association for Computing Machinery
- Member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

Occupation:

Assistant Information Technology Project Manager

- Chairman, Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Legislative Council
- Member, Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee, Information Technology and Broadcasting Bureau (1998-2004)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Code of Practice for Recognized Certification Authorities (2000-2003)
- Member, Information Technology Task Force, Equal Opportunities Commission (2000-2003)
- Member, Steering Committee of the Hong Kong Education City (2000-present)
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1998-2003)
- Director, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited (1999-2003)
- Member, Kwai Tsing District Board/District Council (1985-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (Information Technology) (1998-2004)
- Member, Legislative Council (New Territories South) (1995-1997)
- Chairman, Kwai Tsing District Board (1994-1999)
- Member, Regional Council (1988-1994)
- Member, Advisory Board of the Hong Kong Wireless Technology Industry Association (2001-present)
- Member, Steering Committee, Information Security and Forensics Society (2000-2002)
- Member, Working Group on Web-enabling Women, Home Affairs Department (2000-present)
- Member, Advisory Board of Hong Kong Silicon Valley. com (Hong Kong Chapter) (2000-present)

- Honorary Member, Hong Kong External Telecommunications Services Association (1999-present)
- Adviser, Information and Software Industry Association (1999-2003)
- Council Member, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2001-2004)
- Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, Securities and Futures Commission (2001-2003)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (2001-present)
- Member, TV Program Advisory Panel, Radio Television Hong Kong (2000-2003)
- Member, Advisory Committee for the R&D Programme in Transport Information Systems, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (2001-2003)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (2002-2003)
- Member, Advisory Committee for the Master of Science Programme in Information and Technology Management, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1999-2003)

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP

Date of Birth: 11 December 1943

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A. (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong
- M.P.A., Syracuse University, USA

Occupation:

- Member, Legislative Council, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (New Territories East)
- Honorary Professor of Government and Public Administration, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Public Service:

Political

- Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- President, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- President, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Hong Kong Branch (1995-1997)
- Member, Legislative Council (for New Territories South-East) (1995-1997)
- Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council (1994-1995)
- Member, Executive Council (1991-1992)
- Member, Legislative Council (for New Territories East) (1991-1995)
- Member, Legislative Council (for New Territories East) (1988-1991)
- Convenor, Constitutional Development Panel, Legislative Council (1986-1994)
- Member, Legislative Council (for New Territories East) (1985-1988)
- Chairman, Finance Committee, Shatin District Board (1982-1991)
- Member, Shatin District Board (1981-1994)
- Member, Shatin District Advisory Board (1979-1981)

Others

- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong (1985-present)
- Ex-officio Executive Committee Member, Heung Yee Kuk (1989-present)
- Justice of the Peace (1989-present)
- Chairman, Insurance Agents Registration Board, The Hong Kong Federation of Insurers (1997-present)
- Member, Insurance Intermediaries Quality Assurance Scheme Steering Committee (1999-present)
- Member, Travel Industry Council Appeal Panel (1999-present)
- Member, Council of The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts (1999-present)
- Member, Convocation Standing Committee, The University of Hong Kong (1983-present)
- Chief Editor, Convocation Newsletter, The University of Hong Kong (1980-present)

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

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:

Chairman and Chief Executive, Winco Paper Products Company Limited

- Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council
- Deputy, National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Treasurer, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong
- Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council

Hon WONG Yung-kan

Date of Birth: 10 August 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Diploma in Modern Management, South China Teacher's University

Occupation:

Fisherman

- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1995-1997)
- Member, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-1997) (1999-2003)
- Member, Tai Po Provisional District Board (1997-1999)
- Member, Agriculture, Fisheries, Commerce and Industries Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1985-2003)
- Member, Traffic and Transport Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-2003)
- Member, Environmental Improvement and Works Committee, Tai Po District Board (1991-1997)
- Member, Recreation, Sports and Cultural Affairs Committee, Tai Po District Board (1991-1997)
- Member, Social Services Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-2003)
- Convenor, Working Group for Elderly Project, Social Services Committee, Tai Po District Board (1996-1998)
- · Member, Fish Marketing Advisory Board
- Member, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Chairman, Aquaculture Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Member, Livestock Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Member, Capture Fisheries Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Member, Wetland Advisory Committee
- · Member, Working Group on Fisheries Management
- Member, Fisheries Development Loan Fund Advisory Committee
- Member, Mainland Fishermen Deckhands Appeal Board
- Member, Working Group on Close Fishing Season in the South China Sea

- Deputy President, New Territories Association of Societies
- Chairman, Joint Committee of Hong Kong Fishermen's Organizations
- Chairman, Federation of Fishermen's Co-operative Societies of Tai Po District New Territories Limited
- Director, The Unlimited Liabilities Co-operative Society of Tai Po Hand-liner Fishermen
- Chairman, New Territories Fishermen Fraternity Association
- Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong Aquaculture Associations
- President, Tai Po Dragon Boat Race Committee

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 17 May 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong (1968)
- Cert. Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1981)
- M. Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1983)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

- Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Member, Executive Council
- Non-Executive Director, Securities and Futures Commission
- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Council Member, Open University of Hong Kong
- Member, English Schools Foundation
- Supervisor, Pui Kiu Middle School

Hon Howard YOUNG, 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 and Hong Kong Affairs, Cathay Pacific Airways

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Legislative Council
- · Member, Southern District Board
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Member, Election Committee for the First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Advisory Committee on Travel Agents
- Member, Copyright Tribunal
- Member, Tourism Strategy Group
- Member, Rehabilitation Advisory Committee
- Member, Complaints Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption
- Member, Executive Committee, Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong
- Member, Central Committee, Liberal Party

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

Date of Birth: 22 November 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · B. Soc. Sc., The University of Hong Kong
- M.A., University of York, UK
- · Ph.D, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

University Lecturer, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Education, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Education, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Board Member, Society for Community Organization
- Committee Member, Education Action Group
- Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China
- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party
- Member, Central Committee, Democratic Party

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS

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
- Diploma in Education, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Principal, Tin Shui Wai Heung To Middle School

- Chairman, Panel on Education, Legislative Council (2001-2002)
- Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- President, Hong Kong Federation of Education Workers
- Supervisor, Education Development Committee of Heung To Middle School
- Member, Education Commission
- Vice Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council (2001-2003)
- Vice Convenor, Executive Committee, Hong Kong Culture Association
- Vice Chairman, Joint Committee for the Promotion of the Basic Law of Hong Kong
- Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Chinese Reform Association
- Director, Project Hope Return to School
- Executive Committee Member, Green China
 Foundation
- Member, Tung Wah Group of Hospital Advisory Board
- Adviser, Wen Wei Po
- Adviser, Hong Kong Commercial Daily
- · Honorary Adviser, Hok Yau Club
- Honorary Adviser, Kowloon Federation of Association
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong United Youth Association
- Honorary President, Sham Shui Po Residents Association
- Honorary President, Mongkok District Residence Association
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Youths United Association
- Adviser, Hong Kong Youth Association

Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

Date of Birth: 12 September 1944

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Senior Secondary Level

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council
- Director, Hong Kong Christian Industrial Committee
- Chairman, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions
- Executive Member, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China
- Spokesman, Coalition to Monitor Public Transport and Utilities
- Board Member, Hong Kong Marrow Match Foundation
- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong

Hon 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, UK
- M. Phil., City Polytechnic of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Shatin District Council
- Member, Central Committee, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
- Convenor, Civil Force

Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 15 October 1936

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Ling Shan College

Occupation:

Chairman, Wing Tung Yick (Holdings) Limited

Public Service:

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (1993-present)
- Chairman, Heung Yee Kuk (1980-present)
- Chairman, Tuen Mun District Board (1982-present)
- Chairman, Tuen Mun Rural Committee (1972-present)
- Member, The Drafting Committee for The Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, The Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, The Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
- Member, Legislative Council (1985-1997)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Provisional Regional Council (1997-1999)
- Member, Regional Council (1985-1997)
- President, The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association, Tuen Mun District
- President, The Scout Association of Hong Kong, Tuen Mun District
- Member, Yan Oi Tong Advisory Board

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

Date of Birth: 27 April 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A. Hons., The 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

- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Legislative Council (1988-1997) (Transport and Communication Constituency 1995-1997)
- Member, 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 (1991-2000)
- Chairman, Correctional Services Children's Education Trust Committee (1990-1999)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (1989-2001)
- Member, The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1990-1996)

- Chairman, Subcommittee on Guardianship and Custody of The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
- Member, Regional Council (1986-1991)
- Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Kowloon Hospital (1993-2001)
- Member, Hong Kong Port and Maritime Board
- Member, Hong Kong Logistics Development Council

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 16 July 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Laws (Hons.), University of London
- Solicitor of Hong Kong
- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales
- Notary Public
- China-Appointed Attesting Officer

Occupation:

Solicitor and Notary Public

Public Service:

Present Service

- Chairman, Panel on Financial Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, The National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Chairman, The Hong Kong Progressive Alliance
- Justice of the Peace
- Member, The Board of the Urban Renewal Authority
- Director, The Board of Lung Kong World Federation School (Hong Kong) Ltd.

Past Service

- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1993-1997)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Member, The Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects (1991-1998)
- Member, The Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- President, The Law Society of Hong Kong (1992-1993)
- Chairman, The Central and Western District Board (1988-1994)
- Member, The Advisory Committee on Legal Education (1991-1995)
- Member, The Board of Review on Inland Revenue (1985-1996)

- Member, The Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee (1988-1997)
- Member, The Court of The University of Hong Kong (1998-2000)
- Member, The Managing Board of the Land Development Corporation (1992-2001)
- Chairman, The Board of Review on Education (1993-2001)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Date of Birth: 21 January 1952

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., Broadcast Journalism, University of Southern California, USA
- M. Sc., International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, UK

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council
- Directly Elected Legislative Councillor (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Vice-Chairperson, Hong Kong Journalists Association (1988-1989)
- Chairperson, Hong Kong Journalists Association (1989-1991)

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Date of Birth: 10 October 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Master of Philosophy, The University of Hong Kong (1978)
- Bachelor of Science (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1974)

Occupation:

Merchant

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Panel on Information Policy, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Eastern District Council
- Member, Fujian Provincial Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consulative Conference
- Chairman, Hong Kong Trees Conservation Association
- Deputy Secretary General, Board of Directors, Overseas Chinese University of China
- Permanent Honorary Chairman, South China Athletics Association
- Honourable Chairman, Yin Ngai Central Council
- Honorary Vice President, Hong Kong Federation of
 Women
- Honorary Consultant, Hong Kong Southern District Community Association Limited
- Honorary Chairman, The Hong Kong Eastern District Community Association
- Honorary Chairman, Joint Committee of Hong Kong Fishermen's Organizations
- Director, The Hong Kong Safety Institute Ltd
- Member, Appeal Board of Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong
- Director, Fujian Middle School, Hong Kong
- Permanent Honorary Chairman, Gee Tuck General Association Hong Kong Limited
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Youth Association

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Date of Birth: 28 April 1960

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A., M.A., M.Ed., P.C.LL, Practising Solicitor

Occupation:

Solicitor

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Tai Po District Council (1999-present)

Hon SZETO Wah

Date of Birth: 28 February 1931

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · Queen's College
- Grantham College of Education
- Evening School of Higher Chinese Studies

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (1985-1997) (1998-present)
- · Member, Provisional Urban Council
- Member, Urban Council (1995-1997)
- Member, Executive Committee, United Democrats of Hong Kong (1991-1994)
- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party
- Chairman, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China
- Chief Secretary, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions (1990-1992)
- President, Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union (1974-1990)
- Vice-President, Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union (1990-1996)
- Chairman of Senate, Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union (1996-present)
- Chairman, Chinese Textbooks Committee (1986-1996)

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 14 February 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

University of Southern California, USA

Occupation:

Merchant

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- President, Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China
- President, Hong Kong Football Association
- President, Hong Kong Sports Press Association
- Member, International Olympic Committee

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP

Date of Birth: 1 November 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.Soc. Sc., M.S.W., M.B.A., D.S.W., R.S.W.

Occupation:

Social Work Teacher

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Legislative Council (Social Welfare Functional Constituency) (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Social Welfare Advisory Committee (1995-present)

Professional Bodies

- Board Member, Hong Kong Social Workers Association (1982-1986, 1988-1990, 1995-present)
- Board Member, Social Workers Board of Registration (1997-present)

Community Service

- Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Council of Social Service (1990-1994) (1995-present)
- Chairman, Senior Citizen Home Safety Association (1996-present)
- Member, Research and Development Committee, Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups (1993-present)
- Member, Management Committee, Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong (1998-present)
- Vice-Chairman, Democratic Party (2000-present)
- Chairman, Cyber Senior Network Development Association Limited (2001-present)
- Committee Member, Rain Lily Association Concerning Sexual Violence Against Women (2001-2002)

Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, 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",
- Honorary Life Fellow, Institute of Commercial Management, UK

Occupation:

- Trade Union Officer
- Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

- Member, Executive Council (1997-2002)
- Chairman, Employees Retraining Board
- Chairman, Elderly Commission
- Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council
- Member, Vocational Training Board
- Member, Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Member, Complaints Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

Date of Birth: 26 September 1942

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.B.B.S., University of Adelaide, Australia
- F.R.C.S., Edinburgh, UK
- F.R.C.P.S., Glasgow, UK
- F.H.K.A.M. (Surgery)
- F.H.K.C.S.

Occupation:

Medical Practitioner

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council
- · Chairman, Yuen Long District Council
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (Elected Member New Territories West Constituency) (1992-1995)
- Member, Provisional Regional Council (1997-2000)
- Member, Regional Council (1986-1988)
- Yuen Long District Board Member (1980-1991)
- Member, Municipal Services Appeals Board
- Member, Administrative Appeals Board
- Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Tuen Mun Hospital (1997-2002)
- Permanent Adviser and former Chairman, Pok Oi Hospital
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
- Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1997-1998)
- Justice of the Peace
- · Court Member, The University of Hong Kong
- · Member, Antiquities Advisory Board

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP

Date of Birth: 24 June 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A. and Dip. Ed., University of Sydney, Australia

Occupation:

Director

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council
- Member, Antiquities Advisory Board (1996-present)

Hon LI Fung-ying, JP

Date of Birth: 2 December 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Tertiary Education

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council
- Member, Equal Opportunities Commission
- Member, Task Force on Employment
- Secretary General, The Federation of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Unions

Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP

Date of Birth: 23 August 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Applied Science, University of Toronto, Canada

Occupation:

Merchant / Executive Director

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Financial Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Eastern District Council
- Chairman, Eastern District Fight Crime Committee
- Member, Council of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Member, Environmental Campaign Committee
- Director, Board of The Ocean Park Corporation
- Member, Statistics Advisory Board
- Member, Board of Trustees of The Lord Wilson Heritage Trust
- Vice Chairman, Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station / Ling Ao Nuclear Power Station Nuclear Safety Consultative Committee
- Standing Committee Member, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce
- Chairman, Executive Committee of The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong
- Director, Hong Kong Physically Handicapped and Able-Bodied Association
- Chairman, Board of Hong Kong Dance Company
 Limited
- Director, Friends of Hong Kong Association
- Standing Committee Member, Hong Kong Pei Hua Education Foundation
- Honorary Permanent President, The Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society
- Permanent Honorary President, Hong Kong Stockbrokers Association
- Trustee Member, Hong Kong Tennis Foundation Ltd.

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP

Date of Birth: 30 September 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Pepperdine University (B.Sc., M.B.A.)

Occupation:

- · Chairman, Goldearn Consultants Ltd.
- Chairman, Syto Trading and Investment Ltd.
- Chairman, Citiway Development Ltd.
- Deputy General Manager, World Trade Centre Club Hong Kong

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, Legislative Council
- Member, Eastern District Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Complaints Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption
- Member, Liquor Licensing Board
- Chairman, Hong Kong Catering Industry Association
- Honorary Life President, The Association of Restaurant Managers Ltd.
- Convenor and Spokesman, Restaurant Trade TES Concern Group
- Vice Chairman, Hong Kong Eye Foundation
- Member, Quality Tourism Services Council
- Adviser, Association of Better Business and Tourism Services
- Member, Chinese Cuisine Training Institute Training Board
- Committee Member, Diocesan Boys' School

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Date of Birth: 23 August 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · Master of Health Services Management
- Registered Mental Nurse
- Certificate in Medical Psychology
- Certificate in AIDS Counselling
- Post Registration Diploma in Nursing Administration

Occupation:

- Legislative Councillor (Health Services) (full-time)
- Department Operations Manager, Kwai Chung Hospital (part-time)
- Guest Lecturer of University of Ballarat of Australia (part-time)

- Executive Member, Association of Hong Kong Nursing Staff (1991-present)
- Department Operations Manager of a public hospital (1994-present)
- Volunteer, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation (1991-present)

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Date of Birth: 3 March 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · Bachelor of Arts
- · Bachelor of Social Work
- Master of Social Work

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Bills Committee on Land Registration (Amendment) Bill 2000
- Member, Bills Committee on Boilers and Pressure Vessels (Amendment) Bill 2001
- Member, Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2001
- Chairman, Subcommittee on review of the Building Management Ordinance, LegCo Panel on Home Affairs
- Member, Subcommittee to study discrimination on the ground of sexual orientation
- Member, Subcommittee on matters relating to the implementation of railway development projects
- Member, Tsuen Wan District Board / District Council (1985-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Regional Council (1986-1995)

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP

Date of Birth: 21 October 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- · Bachelor, University of Jinan
- Certificate in Social Studies, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Unionist

- Vice Chairman, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (HKFTU)
- Director, Rights and Benefits Committee, The HKFTU
- Vice Chairman, Hong Kong and Kowloon Rubber and Plastic Workers General Union
- Adviser, Association of Managerial, Clerical and Technical Employees in Manufacturing Industry
- Member, Labour Advisory Board (1991-2000)
- Member, Employees Retraining Board (1992-1999)
- Member, Guangdong Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Member, Occupational Safety and Health Council (1992-1995)
- Member, Hong Kong Productivity Council (1995-1999)

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

Date of Birth: 13 September 1954

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Paul's College (Primary) (1961-1967)
- St. Paul's College (Secondary) (1967-1974)
- Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong (1974-1979)
- M.B.B.S. (HK) (1979)
- M.R.C.P. (UK) (1984)
- D.T.M. & H. (London) (1985)
- F.H.K.C.P. (Fellow of Hong Kong College of Physicians) (1991)
- F.H.K.A.M. (Medicine) (Foundation Fellow of Hong Kong Academy of Medicine) (1993)
- F.R.C.P. (Edinburgh) (1997)

Occupation:

Medical Practitioner

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council
- Council Member, The Hong Kong Society for Infectious Diseases (1996-present)
- The Hong Kong Medical Association
 - President (2000-2002)
 - Vice-President (1998-2000)
 - Council Member (1997-1998)
- Member, The Medical Council of Hong Kong (1999-present)
- Member, Subcommittee on Infectious Disease, The Hong Kong College of Physicians (1999-2001)
- · St. James' Settlement of Hong Kong
 - Member, Management Committee for the Adult Health Promotion Centre
 - Member, Advisory Committee on Residential Services
- Hong Kong Council on Smoking and Health (COSH)
 - Member (1.10.1997-present)
 - Chairman, Working Group on the Quit (Tobacco Smoking) Campaign (1998 and 2000)
 - Chairman, Publicity and Community Involvement Committee
 - Chairman, Working Group for the 1999 World No Tobacco Day Activities (1999)

- Member, Hospital Governing Committee of Tung Wah East Hospital, Hospital Authority (28.8.1997-present)
- Trailwalker (1994-1999)
 - Co-ordinator of the Hong Kong Medical Association for Trailwalker. Mobilized more than 100 members of the medical profession to participate in this charity walk and collectively raised HK\$ 2.8 million for charity over the 5 years
 - Member, Trailwalker Advisory Committee (8/2000 8/2001)
- Member, Steering Committee on Healthy Living, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (5/1998-present)
- Member, Election Committee (Medical Sub-sector) for the election of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1998)
- Member, Scientific Committee of the Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS (1999-present)
- Member, Advisory Council on Food and Environmental Hygiene (1.4.2000-present)
- Vice-Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council (2001-present)

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Date of Birth: 11 October 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor Degree in Social Work
- Registered Social Worker

Occupation:

Registered Social Worker

Public Service:

- Member, North District Council (1991-1994) (2000-present)
- Member, Regional Council (1995-1999)
- Legislative Councillor (2000-present)
- C C C Lim Tze School Management Committee Member

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

Date of Birth: 17 March 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A. (Hons.) in Social Policy and Public Administration, Bradford University, UK (1982)

Occupation:

- Part-Time Tutor, City University of Hong Kong Continuous and Professional Education
- Columnist of the Oriental Daily News

Public Service:

Political Experience

 Founder and Chairman, Hong Kong Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood (1986-present)

Experience on Community Organizations and Societies

- President, Concern for Sham Shui Po People's Livelihood (1984-present)
- Community Organizer, Society for Community Organization (1976-1979)

Experience on China-Hong Kong Affairs

- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Tenth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (1997-present)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-1997)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-1998)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Member, Hong Kong Basic Law Consultative Committee (1985-1989)

Parliamentary Experience

- Elected Member, Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- Elected member, Sham Shui Po District Council (2002-2003)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Elected Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Elected Member, Sham Shui Po District Board (1988-1991)
- Elected Member, Urban Council (1983-1995)

Experience on Cultural Affairs

- Chairman, Performing Companies Sub-committee of Urban Council (1985-1995)
- Vice Chairman, Culture Select Committee of Urban Council (1984-1995)
- Board Member, Hong Kong Philharmonic Society (1984-1985)

Experience on Housing Affairs

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council/Provisional Legislative Council (1991-1998)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1990-1998)
- Director, Hong Kong People's Council on Public Housing Policy (1982-1989)

Experience on Educational Affairs

- Tutor, City University of Hong Kong Continuous and Professional Education (1998-present)
- General Education Co-ordinator, The University of Hong Kong (2/1999-8/2000)

Hon IP Kwok-him, JP

Date of Birth: 8 November 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Hon Wah Middle School
- Bachelor, South China Normal University

Occupation:

Executive Secretary, Hon Wah Educational Organization

- Deputy Chairman, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (DAB)
- Member, Central and Western District Board/District Council (Kwun Lung)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority/Building Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority
- Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics
- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, The Legislative Council Commission
- Convenor, Legislative Council Caucus, DAB
- Chairman, Central District Kaifong Welfare Association
- Vice-Chairman, Association of the Hong Kong Island Ltd.
- Honorary Adviser, Association of the Hong Kong Central and Western District Ltd.
- Vice-Chairman, Kennedy Town Kaifong Association
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Kwun Lung Residents Association
- Adviser, Tun Sin Tan Limited
- Court Member, Hong Kong Taoist Association Shun Yeung Primary School
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Chamber of Small and Medium Business Limited
- Honorary Adviser, Chinese Merchants Association
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Rice Suppliers' Association Limited
- Court Chairman, Fong Chung Social Service Centre Limited
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Member, The Legislative Council Commission (1995-1997)
- Convenor, Legislative Council Caucus, DAB (1995-1997)

- Chairman, Legislative Council Select Committee to Inquire into the Circumstances Surrounding the Departure of Mr Leung Ming-yin from the Government and Related Issues (1996-1997)
- Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Deputy Chairman, House Committee, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Convenor, Provisional Legislative Council Caucus, DAB (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (appointed by China) (1994-1998)
- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong (1995-1998)
- Honorary Adviser, Local Geotechnical Engineers' Association, Civil Engineering Department (1995-1997)
- Member, District Fight Crime Committee, Central and Western District (1993-2000)
- Member, Caritas Community Center Kennedy Town Advisory Committee (1995-1997)
- Adviser on Club Affairs, Hok Yau Club (1997-2000)
- Honorary Chairman, Anglo-Chinese Vegetable Wholesale Merchants Association Ltd.
- Honorary Chairman, Western District Licensed Hawkers Friendly Association
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong and Kowloon Merchants and Hawkers Association
- Chairman, Sun Way Mansion Owners' Corporation (1990-1995)

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Date of Birth: 3 October 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Hong Kong Polytechnic (now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University), Higher Diploma in Quantity Surveying (1974)
- Master of Science Degree in Construction Project Management, The University of Hong Kong (1990)
- Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- Registered Professional Surveyor
- Member, The Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators
- Authorized Person Surveyor under the Buildings Ordinance
- Fellow, The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
- Member, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Occupation:

Quantity Surveyor

Public Service:

Major Professional Activities

- President, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (1996-1997)
- Chairman, The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Hong Kong Branch) (1996-1997)
- Chairman, Surveyors Registration Board of Hong Kong (1995-1996)

Promotion of Professional Services

- Vice-chairman, The Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Services (2001- present)
- Chairman of Board of Directors, Joint Professional Centre, Joint Professional Coalition (2000-2002)
- Member, Trade Development Council (TDC) Professional Services Advisory Committee (1996-present)
- Convenor, TDC Infrastructure Development Services Promotion Working Group (2000-present)
- Convenor, Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Subcommittee on Independent Quantity Surveyors' Role in Infrastructure Projects (1998-2000)
- Member, Advisory Council, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (1997-present)

Community Service

 Deputy Chairman, Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council (2000-present)

- Member, The Community Chest Dress Casual Day Organizing Committee (1996-present)
- Honorary Adviser, Po Leung Kuk Project Development and Property Management Committee (1997-1998)
- Honorary Adviser, Capital Works Project, Provisional Urban Council (1998-1999)
- Member, Tourism Development Steering Committee, Hong Kong Tourist Association (HKTA) (1996-1997)
- Member, HKTA Task Force on Aquatic Stadium Study (1997-2000)
- Member, Contractors Registration Preparation Committee, Buildings Department (BD) (1997-1998)
- Member, Contractors Registration Committee, BD (1998-2001)
- Member, Construction Advisory Board (CAB) (1999-2002)
- Member, Contracts Committee, CAB (1999-2001)
- Member, Appeal Panel, Estate Agents Authority, Housing Bureau (1999-2000)
- Co-opted Member, Building and Development Committee, Construction Industry Training Authority (CITA) (1999-present)
- Member, Cost and Environment Subcommittee, Construction Industry Review Committee (CIRC) (2000)
- Member, Election Committee for 1998 Legislative Council Elections
- Member, Election Committee for 2000 Legislative Council Elections
- Non-executive Director, Urban Renewal Authority (2001-present)
- Member, Advisory Group on Road Openings (2001-present)
- Member, Vetting Committee for the Professional Services Development Assistance Scheme (2002-2004)

Education Promotion

- External Examiner, Department of Building and Construction, City University of Hong Kong (1997-1999)
- Honorary Adviser, Professional Diploma in Real Estate Administration, School of Professional and Continuing Education, The University of Hong Kong (1998-present)
- Academic Advisory Committee, Post-Graduate
 Diploma in Real Estate Development and Quantity
 Surveying, SPACE, The University of Hong Kong
 (1998-present)
- Council Member, City University of Hong Kong (2001-2003)
- Chairman, Advisory Committee for the Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (2002-present)

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Date of Birth: 11 September 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Francis Canossian College (1960-1970)
- St. Paul's Co-Educational College (1970-1972)
- LL.B. (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1972-1975)
- LL.M., University of London (1975-1976)
- College of Law (Bar Finals) (1976-1977)
- Called to the Bar in England (1977)
- Called to the Bar in Hong Kong (1978)
- Called to the Inner Bar in Hong Kong (1993)
- Senior Counsel (1997)

Occupation:

Barrister

- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Association of Registered Tour Co-ordinators Ltd. (2002-2003)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Doctors Union (2002-2003)
- Legal Adviser, The Hong Kong 1095th Eastern Optimistic Scout Group (05.03.2001)
- Chairman, Appeal Tribunal Panel (Buildings), Planning and Lands Bureau (01.12.2000-30.11.2003)
- Chairman, Appeal Board Panel (Consumer Goods Safety), Commerce and Industry Bureau (20.10.1999-19.10.2001)
- Deputy Chairman, Inland Revenue Board of Review, Finance Bureau (03.01.1995-31.12.2003)
- Member of Justice, Hong Kong Section of the International Commission of Jurists (1999)
- Member, Provisional Council on Reproductive Technology (1995-2000)
- Patron, St. John's Cathedral HIV Education Centre (1999)
- Member, Board of Advisers for the British Chevening Scholarships in Hong Kong (1999)
- Member, Management Committee of Consumer Legal Action Fund, Consumer Council (06.12.1994-05.12.2000)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association (16.01.1997-20.01.1999)

- Chairman, Sub-Committee on Civil Liability for Unsafe Products, Law Reform Commission (1995-1998)
- Member, Sub-Committee on Description of Flats on Sale, Law Reform Commission (1992-1998)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (01.04.1994-31.03.1996)
- Member, Consumer Council (01.01.1989 31.12.1995)
- Member, Board of Education (01.07.1991-30.06.1995)

Hon MA Fung-kwok, JP

Date of Birth: 2 July 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Civil Engineering, Hong Kong Polytechnic

Occupation:

Director, Major Trend Entertainment Ltd.

- Member, Culture and Heritage Commission
- Member, Estate Agents Authority
- Member, Projects Vetting Committee of Film Development Fund
- Member, Film Services Advisory Committee
- Member, Copyright Tribunal of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Vice Convenor, New Century Forum
- Consultant, Hong Kong United Youth Association
- Director, The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association
- Founding Member and Vice Chairman, Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Territories Motion Picture Industry Association Ltd.

Appendix 3 Bills Passed

	Bills	Gazette Date	1st Reading Date	Passage through LegCo Date
@ 1.	Drug Trafficking and Organized Crimes (Amendment) Bill 2000	20.10.2000	1.11.2000	11.7.2002
@ 2.	Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Bill 2000	20.10.2000	1.11.2000	13.3.2002
@ 3.	Gambling (Amendment) Bill 2000	10.11.2000	22.11.2000	22.5.2002
@ 4.	Securities and Futures Bill	24.11.2000	29.11.2000	13.3.2002
@ 5.	Banking (Amendment) Bill 2000	24.11.2000	29.11.2000	13.3.2002
@ 6.	Land Registration (Amendment) Bill 2000	22.12.2000	17.1.2001	3.7.2002
@ 7.	Karaoke Establishments Bill	12.1.2001	7.2.2001	3.7.2002
@ 8.	Fire Safety (Buildings) Bill	2.2.2001	14.2.2001	3.7.2002
@ 9.	Public Health and Municipal Services (Amendment) Bill 2001	16.2.2001	28.2.2001	23.1.2002
@ 10.	Banking (Amendment) Bill 2001	23.3.2001	4.4.2001	19.12.2001
@ 11.	Boilers and Pressure Vessels (Amendment) Bill 2001	27.4.2001	9.5.2001	5.6.2002
@ 12.	Massage Establishments (Amendment) Bill 2001	4.5.2001	16.5.2001	14.11.2001
@ 13.	Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2001	18.5.2001	23.5.2001	6.2.2002
@ 14.	The Ombudsman (Amendment) Bill 2001	18.5.2001	30.5.2001	28.11.2001
@ 15.	Companies (Amendment) Bill 2001	25.5.2001	6.6.2001	31.10.2001
16.	Medical and Health Care (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2001	1.6.2001	13.6.2001	24.4.2002
@ 17.	Import and Export (Electronic Transactions) Bill 2001	1.6.2001	13.6.2001	10.7.2002
@ 18.	Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (Amendment) Bill 2001	1.6.2001	13.6.2001	22.5.2002
@ 19.	Road Traffic Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2001	8.6.2001	20.6.2001	27.2.2002
@ 20.	Noise Control (Amendment) Bill 2001	15.6.2001	27.6.2001	26.6.2002
@ 21.	Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2001	22.6.2001	4.7.2001	10.7.2002
@ 22.	Travel Agents (Amendment) Bill 2001	29.6.2001	11.7.2001	24.4.2002
@ 23.	Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill 2001	28.9.2001	31.10.2001	19.12.2001
24.	Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2001	26.10.2001	31.10.2001	21.11.2001

Bills	Gazette Date	1st Reading Date	Passage through LegCo Date
* 25. The Bank of East Asia, Limited (Merger) Bill	23.11.2001 & 30.11.2001	5.12.2001	19.12.2001
#* 26. Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. (Hong Kong Consolidation) Bill	23.11.2001 & 30.11.2001	5.12.2001	19.12.2001
@ 27. Employees Compensation Assistance (Amendment) Bill 2002	15.2.2002	27.2.2002	26.6.2002
28. Appropriation Bill 2002	6.3.2002	6.3.2002	17.4.2002
29. Extension of Vetting Period (Legislative Council) Bill 2002	8.2.2002	13.3.2002	24.4.2002
@ 30. Marine Fish Culture (Amendment) Bill 2002	28.3.2002	17.4.2002	29.5.2002
31. Revenue Bill 2002	12.4.2002	17.4.2002	26.6.2002
32. Revenue (No. 2) Bill 2002	12.4.2002	17.4.2002	26.6.2002
# @ 33. United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Bill	12.4.2002	17.4.2002	12.7.2002
@ 34. Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2002	19.4.2002	24.4.2002	12.7.2002
35. Adaptation of Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2002	3.5.2002	15.5.2002	5.6.2002
* 36. CITIC Ka Wah Bank Limited (Merger) Bill	3.5.2002 & 10.5.2002	29.5.2002	12.7.2002
@ 37. Public Officers Pay Adjustment Bill	31.5.2002	5.6.2002	11.7.2002
38. Supplementary Appropriation (2001-2002) Bill 2002	14.6.2002	19.6.2002	12.7.2002

 $^{@\}$ Bill passed with Committee Stage Amendments moved by the Government

[#] Bill passed with Committee Stage Amendments moved by Members

^{*} Members' Bill

Appendix 4 Motion Debates Held Held

Date, Subject and Mover

Wording of Motion and Result

17 October 2001

"Motion of Thanks" moved by Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

amendment moved by **Hon James TIEN Pei-chun**

31 October 2001

"Report of the Working Group on District Councils Review" moved by **Hon IP Kwok-him**

amendment moved by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

31 October 2001

"Developing nanotechnology" moved by **Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah**

7 November 2001

"Upholding the rule of law" moved by **Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee**

amendment moved by **Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming**

The motion as amended by Hon James TIEN Pei-chun: "That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address, and urges the Government and the relevant organizations to increase employment opportunities and alleviate the hardship of people's livelihood by adopting more positive measures, which should include fully waiving rates payment for the next four quarters, creating 20,000 temporary posts in addition to the jobs arising from infrastructural projects, reducing the rents payable by tenants of the Housing Authority's commercial properties and public rental housing flats, and deferring to the end of March 2003 the collection of the salaries tax payable in 2002." was carried.

The original motion: "That, regarding the Report of the Working Group on District Councils Review, this Council urges the Government to accept extensively the views gathered during the public consultation and appropriately revise the recommendations contained in the Report and, in order to elevate the functions of the District Councils, this Council also requests the Government to gradually transfer to them some of the Government's functions for the provision of cultural, leisure and environmental hygiene facilities." was carried.

The motion: "That, as the rapid development of nanotechnology, an emerging domain of science, will bring about revolutionary changes to all industrial sectors in the 21st century, and all developed countries are now actively researching this domain, this Council urges the Government to develop nanotechnology, with a view to fostering the development of the local economy." was carried.

The original motion: "That, in order to maintain the competitive edge of Hong Kong in the rule of law, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) promote and implement reforms in legal education;
- (b) comprehensively review the demand for legal and related services;
- (c) expand the scope of legal aid services;
- (d) set up community legal service centres;
- (e) promote awareness and knowledge of the law in the community; and $% \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) =\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) ^{2}$
- (f) promote studies on the legal systems of China and Hong Kong, and organize more international conferences on this subject."

was carried.

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7 November 2001

"Reviewing the Old Age Allowance Scheme" moved by

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

14 November 2001

"Improving the business environment" moved by

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

amendments moved by Hon SIN Chung-kai Hon LEE Cheuk-yan The motion: "That this Council deeply regrets the Government's repeated delays in reviewing the Old Age Allowance Scheme, and urges the Government to immediately improve the scheme and increase the allowance rates, so as to improve the livelihood of the poor elderly." was carried.

The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: "That this Council urges the Government to dedicate itself to improving the business environment, in the face of economic restructuring, by promoting fair market competition, implementing sustainable development, protecting the rights of both employers and employees, abolishing unnecessary business rules and regulations, reducing the burden on enterprises in complying with regulations and improving the support services for the business community to ensure that Hong Kong maintains its competitiveness, and to adopt the following measures:

- (a) to review the functions of the Business Advisory Group, with a view to enhancing its work in business environment assessment to ensure that the impact of new policies and legislation being formulated on the business environment will be fully assessed, and at the same time review existing legislation and administrative measures that are unfavourable to the business environment, so as to facilitate the overall economic development; and
- (b) to streamline the existing licensing mechanism and expedite the provision of one-stop licensing services for various trades, and lower the licence fees so as to reduce the operating costs of businesses."

was carried.

14 November 2001

"Reducing the fares of various public transport services" moved by

Hon LAU Kong-wah

amendment moved by
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

The motion as amended by Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing: "That, as Hong Kong's economy remains in the doldrums with the unemployment rate rising to 5.3%, the Consumer Price Index falling for three consecutive years, and the worsening deflationary situation, while the fares of various public transport services remain high, and transport expenses account for a large proportion of the public's living expenses, this Council urges the Government to discuss with various public transport operators and encourage them to take account of their respective operating conditions and reduce their fares or offer concessions to passengers, thereby alleviating the burden on the public." was carried.

21 November 2001

"Conservation policy" moved by Hon CHOY So-yuk

amendments moved by Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

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The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government to formulate a set of comprehensive policies on conservation of the natural environment and the ecology, including:

- (a) setting clear and specific conservation objectives;
- (b) based on the findings of the Hong Kong Biodiversity Survey recently completed by the University of Hong Kong, as well as the relevant data available from government departments, nongovernmental organizations and other tertiary institutions, setting up an ecology database expeditiously and establishing a plan and the order of priority for conservation work;
- (c) reviewing and improving the existing legislation and mechanisms relating to conservation, so as to ensure that land of ecological value can be duly protected and managed;
- (d) in view of the public interest, exploring practicable and reasonable options to conserve the ecological environment on privatelyowned land, and offering reasonable compensation to or making arrangements for the affected owners to ensure more effective conservation and management of the land concerned;
- (e) increasing the funding for education and research work on conservation in local tertiary institutions, and strengthening the co-operation with such institutions in this regard;
- (f) enhancing the training for personnel engaged in the management and keeping of nature reserves; and
- (g) encouraging discussion and the exchange of views on conservation issues among government departments, green groups, private organizations, village representatives, universities and research institutions and uniting the efforts of the various parties in actively promoting the protection of the ecological environment in Hong Kong, with a view to integrating environmental conservation with urban development and achieving a balance between the two."

was carried.

21 November 2001

"Alleviating the disparity between the rich and the poor" moved by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

amendment moved by

poor." was carried. Hon WONG Sing-chi

The original motion: "That, as Hong Kong's economy remains in the doldrums and the problem of the disparity between the rich and the poor is becoming increasingly serious, this Council urges the Government to comprehensively study the causes of the problem and formulate corresponding social and economic policies so as to improve the livelihood of the poor and narrow the gap between the rich and the

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28 November 2001

"Reducing utility charges" moved by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

28 November 2001

"Going northward for development and employment" moved by Hon NG Leung-sing

amendment moved by Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

5 December 2001

"Reducing government fees and charges" moved by

Hon LAU Chin-shek

5 December 2001

"Reviewing the labelling system for prepackaged foods" moved by

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

The motion: "That, as Hong Kong's economy remains in the doldrums with the unemployment rate rising to 5.3%, while various utility charges remain high, accounting for a large proportion of the public's living expenses, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously reduce water and sewage charges and discuss with various utility operators and encourage them to take account of their respective operating conditions and reduce charges or offer concessions to users, thereby alleviating the burden on the public." was carried.

The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government to strengthen measures to assist local trades and industries as well as Hong Kong people that intend to go northward for development and employment." was carried.

The motion: "That, as Hong Kong's economy remains in the doldrums with the unemployment rate on the rise again, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously reduce tuition, medical charges, business registration fees, as well as vehicle licence and driving licence fees, thereby alleviating the burden on the public." was carried.

The motion: "That, as the existing labelling system for regulating prepackaged foods is inadequate and fails to keep pace with the sales practices of food retailers and the developments in food technology, hence depriving consumers of the full right to information and adequate protection, this Council urges the Government to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing system, including:

- (a) imposing penalties for the sale of foods which have passed their durability dates;
- (b) the arrangements for exemption from labelling under the existing legislation;
- (c) exploring the feasibility of introducing a 'nutritional value' label;
- (d) expeditiously legislating for the labelling of foods containing genetically modified ingredients; and
- (e) expeditiously devising a monitoring and labelling system for health foods.'

was negatived.

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use public funds and to enhance their accountability:

12 December 2001

"Reviewing the pay adjustment mechanisms of statutory bodies and the Hong Kong Monetary Authority" moved by

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

amendments moved by Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong Hon LAU Kong-wah

(a) to ensure that the policy secretaries appointed to the boards of management of these bodies discharge their monitoring duties effectively and are accountable to the Legislative Council;

The motion as amended by Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong and further amended by Hon LAU Kong-wah: "That this Council urges the

Government to expeditiously review the existing mechanisms for

adjusting the pay and fringe benefits of senior executives of the Hong

Kong Monetary Authority and statutory public bodies and consider

introducing the following measures to improve the way in which they

- (b) to devise for these bodies a pay and fringe benefits adjustment mechanism which is clear, transparent and acceptable to the public;
- (c) to put these bodies under the scrutiny of the Director of Audit so as to enhance their accountability in their operation; and
- (d) to provide that the committees and subcommittees of the Legislative Council may require the chairpersons and chief executive officers of these bodies to attend their meetings and answer questions from Members."

was carried.

12 December 2001

"Reviewing the Government's tendering system" moved by

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

The motion: "That, in view of the repeated occurrence of substandard construction in public works, this Council urges the Government to review and improve the tendering system for all its contracts, especially the lowest-bid selection criterion, thereby ensuring government contractors' quality of work." was carried.

19 December 2001

"Strengthening co-operation with Guangdong in developing the logistics industry" moved by **Hon HUI Cheung-ching**

amendment moved by Hon SIN Chung-kai

The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: "That, as both Hong Kong and Guangdong have been vigorously developing the logistics industry in recent years but have rarely engaged in co-operative projects, in order to avoid harmful competition, this Council urges the Government to:

 (a) comprehensively explore various feasible options with the Guangdong Provincial Government for strengthening co-operation and the streaming of the logistics industry and co-ordinating more effectively the development objectives and strategies in both places;

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- (b) as far as possible, accord priority in allocating resources for cross-boundary sea, land and air transport infrastructural projects and expeditiously remove the barriers hindering the operation of the logistics businesses in both places, including implementing round-the-clock cargo clearance for laden goods vehicles in other border control points, actively studying the construction of a bridge connecting Hong Kong, Macau and Zhuhai, granting traffic rights for air cargo services as appropriate, implementing the streaming and connection of flight routes with the airports in the Pearl River Delta, and establishing a technology platform whereby Hong Kong and Guangdong can exchange logistics information; and
- (c) encourage enterprises in Hong Kong and Guangdong to invest in each other's logistics industry and infrastructural services relating to sea, land and air transport."

was carried.

19 December 2001

"Opposing unfair competition" moved by **Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung**

9 January 2002

"Urban renewal projects" moved by **Hon James TO Kun-sun**

amendment moved by
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

9 January 2002

"The Convention on the Rights of the Child" moved by

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

The motion: "That, as currently unreasonable market domination and unfair competition exist in such domains as power supply, gas, petroleum products, supermarkets, container terminals and their complementary services, and the Easy Pay System, and the trend tends to escalate, thereby adversely affecting people's livelihood as well as industrial and commercial enterprises, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously enact a fair competition law and set up a fair competition authority, so as to promote fair competition and safeguard the rights and interests of the public." was negatived.

The original motion: "That this Council strongly urges the authorities to honour and fulfil their pledges on urban renewal given to the Legislative Council and the residents; and to expeditiously announce the urban renewal projects." was carried.

The motion: "That this Council urges the Government to expeditiously harmonize legislation and policies with the Convention on the Rights of the Child so as to discharge the international obligations of Hong Kong as a territory to which the Convention applies." was carried.

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16 January 2002

"Rent concession for domestic and commercial tenants of public rental housing estates" moved by

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

amendments moved by Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Hon CHAN Kam-lam

public and alleviate the operational difficulties of commercial tenants:(a) introducing a mechanism whereby, subject to their passing a vetting process, PRH tenants who are paying excessive rents are only required to pay rents equivalent to 13% of their total household income, for a period of one year;

The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Kam-lam: "That, whereas Hong Kong's deteriorating economy has posed much hardship on people's

livelihood, the Housing Authority is currently reviewing a number of

policies that affect people's livelihood and such policy changes will have

an impact on the existing rent levels of public rental housing (PRH), this

Council urges the Housing Authority and the Housing Society to adopt the following measures to lessen the burden of housing expenses on the

(b) granting a 50% rent reduction for households comprising elderly persons only and having financial difficulties;

(c) reducing the rents of commercial tenants by 30% for a period of six months and completing the reassessment of shop rentals expeditiously after receiving the applications of commercial tenants; and

(d) conducting full consultation with the Legislative Council and the public in reviewing public housing policies."

was carried.

23 January 2002

"Scheme of Control Agreement" moved by **Hon Fred LI Wah-ming**

amendment moved by Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

amendment to amendment moved by Hon LAU Chin-shek

The motion as amended by Hon James TIEN Pei-chun: "That, in order to improve Hong Kong's business environment and alleviate people's burden, this Council urges the Government to strive, subject to the principle of upholding the spirit of contract, for fairer and more reasonable rates of return and other terms when it conducts in 2003 the interim review on the Scheme of Control Agreements signed with the two power companies, expeditiously announce the findings of the study on power interconnection, and to prepare, as early as possible, for the opening up of the electricity supply market in the future." was carried.

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23 January 2002

"Promoting the use of Putonghua" moved by **Hon CHOY So-yuk**

The motion: "That, with China's accession to the World Trade Organization, coupled with the continued increase in the number of visitors from the Mainland, Taiwan and South East Asia, there is a need for Hong Kong's business sector and the community to be generally proficient in Putonghua so as to grasp business opportunities, enhance competitiveness and strengthen our communication power; to this end, this Council urges the Government to formulate effective measures to tackle the current shortage of Putonghua teachers, increase channels for broadcasting Putonghua programmes and improve the reception quality of Radio Television Hong Kong's Putonghua Channel so as to provide the public with more exposure to Putonghua, and encourage community organizations to organize more activities for promoting Putonghua with a view to creating a milieu that is conducive to Putonghua learning." was carried.

30 January 2002

"Rest time and rest days for employees" moved by **Hon LAU Chin-shek**

The motion: "That, as most employees currently do not have rest breaks - some even have no meal breaks, during their working hours, and it has become increasingly prevalent for employers to require their employees to work on rest days, which harms employees' mental and physical health, increases the occurrence of accidents and the contracting of occupational diseases, and also reduces work efficiency, this Council urges the Government to stipulate by legislation that employers should provide their employees with reasonable rest and meal breaks during working hours, as well as to review the existing labour laws with a view to ensuring that employees enjoy the right to have rest days." was negatived.

6 February 2002

"Waiving Government rates" moved by Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

The motion: "That, in view of the sustained economic downturn and the persistently high unemployment rate in Hong Kong at present, this Council urges the Government to waive the Government rates for all the four quarters in the next financial year, so as to alleviate people's hardship and reduce the operating costs of businesses." was carried.

6 February 2002

Motion on Adjournment moved by **Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming**

The motion: "Looking back on the Chief Executive's administration during his term of office." was carried

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27 February 2002

"Expectations for the 2002-03 Budget" moved by

Hon SIN Chung-kai

27 February 2002

"Promoting community spirit" moved by **Hon TAM Yiu-chung**

13 March 2002

"The second Chief Executive election" moved by **Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing**

amendment moved by
Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

13 March 2002

"Improving administrative procedures to enhance efficiency" moved by Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

amendment moved by Hon Howard YOUNG

24 April 2002

"Safeguarding the reasonable and legitimate rights and interests of employees" moved by **Hon LEUNG Fu-wah**

amendment moved by Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

The motion: "That this Council hopes that, in formulating its Budget for the next financial year, the Government will refrain from raising taxes or reducing social services in order to address the problem of budget deficit, and that the Government will implement more measures to alleviate people's hardship and create more job opportunities, so as to promote the recovery of the economy." was carried.

The motion: "That, as the economy is in the doldrums and people are under immense pressure, with suicide and family violence incidents occurring repeatedly recently, this Council urges the Government to allocate additional resources to improve services and actively promote the development of the "third sector", so as to optimize the social capital, promote community development services, encourage self-help and mutual support among the public, strengthen the community support network, enhance the capabilities of individuals and families in solving their problems in life and prevent family violence, for the purposes of cultivating the community spirit of mutual support, care and love among residents." was carried.

The original motion: "That this Council considers that the method for the selection of the second Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region is undemocratic, depriving the general public of the right to participate in the election process, and urges the authorities to expeditiously start its consultation work on political reform." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.

The motion as amended by Hon Howard YOUNG: "That this Council urges the Government to improve its administrative procedures, strengthen communication among bureaux and departments, and amend the relevant codes or regulations in the light of the experience in other countries, thereby enhancing efficiency and improving services for the greater convenience of the public." was carried.

The original motion: "That, as the local economy is in the doldrums, the unemployment problem persists, the labour market is in an imbalance and the situation in which employees are not duly covered by labour protection is deteriorating, this Council urges the Government to adopt active measures to ensure that employees enjoy reasonable and legitimate labour protection." was carried.

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24 April 2002

"The problem of 'working poverty' moved by **Hon LEE Cheuk-yan**

8 May 2002

"Developing eco-tourism" moved by **Hon WONG Yung-kan**

8 May 2002

"Civil Justice Reform" moved by **Hon Margaret NG**

15 May 2002

"Promoting the employment of people with disabilities" moved by **Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong**

amendment moved by Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Amendment to amendment moved by **Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung**

The motion: "That, as the wage level of local low-skilled workers is continuing to decline, thereby aggravating the problem of 'working poverty', this Council urges the Government to expeditiously set up an independent commission to work out a minimum wage system and a minimum wage level that suit the local environment, as well as their implementation details, so as to give effect to Article 7 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights which asks States Parties to the Covenant to ensure the right of workers to receive remuneration which provides all workers, as a minimum, with a decent living for themselves and their families in accordance with the provisions of the Covenant." was negatived.

The motion: "That, as this is the United Nations International Year of Eco-tourism, this Council urges the Government to allocate additional resources to expedite the development of eco-tourism, thereby creating more job opportunities and fostering the development of the local community economy, and to enhance publicity and education of the public and raise Hong Kong people's awareness of the local ecological environment and the need for ecological protection so that, in the course of appreciating the natural ecology and the cultural heritage of mankind, the public will enrich its knowledge of nature and enhance its understanding of environmental conservation." was carried.

The motion: "That this Council takes note of the Civil Justice Reform Interim Report." was carried.

The original motion: "That, as the unemployment rate of people with disabilities in Hong Kong is on the high side, this Council urges the Government to formulate appropriate measures to increase the employment opportunities of people with disabilities who are able to work; to establish an indicator for employing people with disabilities and have government departments, public bodies and subvented organizations to take the lead in its implementation; and to encourage the relevant organizations to formulate policies on and procedures for recruiting people with disabilities." was carried.

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15 May 2002

"Family problems" moved by **Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin**

amendment moved by **Hon Howard YOUNG**

22 May 2002

"Review of civil service pay policy and system" moved by

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

29 May 2002

"Accountability system for principal officials" moved by

The Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

amendment moved by **Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming**

29 May 2002

"Promoting producer and professional services" moved by

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

The original motion: "That, in view of the impact of rapid changes over the years in the traditional cultural values and social environment on the family as the most basic unit of the Hong Kong society and having regard to the proliferation of family problems and a growing trend in family tragedies arising from the economic downturn in recent years, this Council urges the Government to set up a 'Family Affairs Commission' to assist the Government, through the introduction of policy initiatives in various areas such as taxation, housing and social welfare, in promoting mutual love and support among family members, and to consider developing family-oriented social services, so as to enable families to perform their proper functions more effectively." was carried.

The motion: "That this Council notes the interim report of the first-phase review by the Task Force on Review of Civil Service Pay Policy and System." was carried.

The original motion: "That this Council supports the accountability system for principal officials." was carried.

The motion: "That, as the Financial Secretary stated in his speech on the 2002-03 Budget that producer and professional services are a major driving force of Hong Kong's economic development, this Council urges the Government to take proactive measures to call together senior officials of various departments and representatives of the relevant sectors to render full assistance to the producer and professional services sectors in developing their markets and, through the Government's offices established in the Mainland, to actively reflect to and pursue with the Mainland authorities the common concerns of Hong Kong businessmen about trade and commercial issues, so as to seize more effectively the business opportunities that arise from increased trade activities between Hong Kong and the Mainland." was carried.

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regard, this Council urges the Government to:

29 May 2002

"The 4 June incident" moved by **Hon SZETO Wah**

5 June 2002

"Solving the problem of 'prolonged immigration and customs clearance'" moved by Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

amendment moved by **Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee**

The motion as amended by Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee: "That, due to the rapid growth in economic and trade activities and in the flow of travellers between Hong Kong and the Mainland, particularly the recent surge of visitors from the Mainland, the border control points and various ancillary

facilities in Hong Kong are under great pressure and travellers are waiting much longer for immigration and customs clearance, thereby hindering

cross-border exchanges and affecting Hong Kong's reputation; in this

The motion: "That this Council urges that: the 4 June incident be not forgotten and the 1989 pro-democracy movement be vindicated." was

(a) enhance the capacity of the border control points for immigration and customs clearance, streamline the clearance formalities and promote vigorously the co-location of immigration and clearance facilities:

- (b) deploy additional manpower and improve the facilities at the border control points;
- (c) open up part of the Frontier Closed Area and perfect the road network leading directly to the border control points;
- (d) actively discuss with the Mainland authorities and explore the choice of sites for the designation of more border control points in order to cater for the future rapid increase in exchanges between Hong Kong and Guangdong Province; and
- (e) actively discuss with the Mainland authorities the launch of a through-train service between Hong Kong and Shenzhen."

was carried.

negatived.

5 June 2002

"Life education" moved by **Hon WONG Sing-chi**

amendment moved by Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

The motion as amended by Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung: "That, as youth problems, such as suicide, drug abuse and use of violence, have become serious, this Council urges the Government to adopt measures to promote life education in the face of this phenomenon, including developing comprehensive multi-media course materials, training teachers and providing other ancillary facilities, so that, through the primary and secondary schools curricula and activities, parent education, publicity programmes and enhanced support and counselling services, the respective roles of schools, the family and the community will be strengthened, and young persons will be systematically imparted the relevant knowledge and skills in handling problems and can develop a positive outlook on life, thereby strengthening their abilities to face up to adversity." was carried.

Wording of Motion and Result

12 June 2002

"Associate degree" moved by Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Amendment moved by Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

12 June 2002

"Population policy" moved by **Hon James TIEN Pei-chun**

19 June 2002

"Determining the fares of new railways" moved by

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

19 June 2002

"Improving the imbalance in the utilization ratio between public and private medical services" moved by

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

The original motion: "That, as the Chief Executive proposed in the 2000 Policy Address a rather ambitious target of raising the tertiary education popularization rate to 60% within 10 years, it is expected that the associate degree sector will be the most fast-growing area in the future development of higher education; and as the local higher education sector is undergoing reforms, this Council urges the Government to ensure, in its vigorous pursuit of the target, the quality of associate degrees so that the holders of such degrees can fulfil the requirements for employment and further studies and meet the needs of a knowledge-based economy." was carried.

The motion: "That, in order to enhance Hong Kong's competitiveness and to complement its long-term social and economic developments, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a comprehensive population policy." was carried.

The motion: "That, as the construction costs of both the MTR Tseung Kwan O Extension and the West Rail, which will soon be commissioned, have decreased significantly from the original estimates of \$30.5 billion and \$64 billion to \$18 billion and \$46.4 billion respectively, this Council urges the Government to discuss with the two railway corporations to ensure that the decreased construction costs of these new railways are factored in the fares of the rail lines, so as to alleviate the burden of transport expenses on the public." was carried.

The motion:"That, as currently the serious imbalance in the utilization ratio between public and private medical services has drastically increased the workload for and pressure on the staff providing public medical services, this Council urges the Government to actively face up to the problem and expeditiously adopt the following improvement measures to prevent a decline in the quality of public medical services, including:

- (a) deploying resources appropriately and strengthening professional training, so as to assist the staff providing public medical services in coping with the service demand;
- (b) strengthening co-operation between public and private medical institutions, and encouraging private medical institutions to provide a higher level of services and enhance the transparency of their charges, so as to attract more people who can afford such charges to use private medical services; and
- (c) strengthening the co-ordination among relevant departments, so as to formulate long-term goals and strategies for vigorously pursuing the promotion of primary health education and disease prevention."

was carried.

Wording of Motion and Result

26 June 2002

"Report on Higher Education in Hong Kong" moved by

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

26 June 2002

"Local community economy" moved by **Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun**

amendments moved by Hon CHAN Yuen-han Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

3 July 2002

"Report of the Sports Policy Review Team" moved by

Hon IP Kwok-him

3 July 2002

"Trade policy" moved by **Hon Bernard CHAN**

amendment moved by **Hon LEE Cheuk-yan**

The motion: "That this Council notes the report of the University Grants Committee entitled 'Higher Education in Hong Kong'." was carried.

The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Yuen-han and further amended by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming: "That, in order to promote diversified development of Hong Kong's economy and domestic consumption and to create more employment opportunities, this Council urges that, to complement the overall socio-economic situation, the Government amend outdated policies and statutory requirements, enhance coordination among the various departments and optimize the use of existing local resources, so as to promote the development of the local community economy, and spare no efforts in creating a better and fair business environment with a level playing field, in order to enable small and medium enterprises to participate actively in the local community economy." was carried.

The motion: "That this Council notes the Report of the Sports Policy Review Team." was carried.

The original motion: "That this Council urges the Government, when arguing the case for free trade in international forums, to:

- (a) support the abolition of trade practices in the European Union, the United States and other developed economies that discriminate against poor workers in such sectors as agriculture and textiles in China and other developing countries; and
- (b) emphasize the importance of market access in alleviating world poverty and inequality."

and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.

Wording of Motion and Result

10 July 2002

"Alleviating the hardship of negative-equity property owners" moved by **Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip**

Amendments moved by Hon CHAN Kam-lam Hon Howard YOUNG

10 July 2002

"Giving priority to employment" moved by **Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong**

amendment moved by **Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan**

The motion as amended by Hon Howard YOUNG: "That, whereas Hong Kong's economy has continued to be in the doldrums since the onset of the Asian financial turmoil, with the unemployment rate rising continuously, suicide cases occurring repeatedly, and many negative-equity property owners under severe pressure, the Government has not been doing its best to assist such persons, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate effective measures to help negative-equity property owners tide over their difficulties, and to call on the banking sector, the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited, the Hong Kong Housing Society, real estate developers and social service organizations to actively assist these people in relieving their pressure; this Council also hopes that negative-equity property owners will bravely face up to the adversity and cherish their precious lives." was carried.

The original motion: "That, with the implementation of the accountability system, this Council requests Tung Chee-hwa's Administration to accord priority, in the next five years, to tackling the serious problem of unemployment and lowering the unemployment rate, and to adopt 'achieving full employment' as an important indicator for determining whether the implementation of his policies is successful or not." and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.

ppendix 5 Membership of Committees, Bills Committees, Panels, Subcommittees, and Select Committee

Subcommittees of Finance Committee

Establishment Subcommittee

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung (Chairman)

Hon NG Leung-sing (Deputy Chairman)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon SZETO Wah

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Public Works Subcommittee

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai (Chairman)

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon WONG Yung-kan

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

Hon TAM Yiu-chung

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon IP Kwok-him

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Committee on Members' Interests

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin (Chairman)

Hon SIN Chung-kai (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Public Accounts Committee

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing (Deputy Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Committee on Rules of Procedure

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon IP Kwok-him

Bills Committees

Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Drug Trafficking and Organized Crimes (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon IP Kwok-him

Bills Committee on Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Gambling (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting

Hon TAM Yiu-chung

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Securities and Futures Bill and Banking (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon James TO Kun-sun

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Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Land Registration (Amendment) Bill 2000

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon IP Kwok-him

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Karaoke Establishments Bill

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Fire Safety (Buildings) Bill

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Public Health and Municipal Services (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon WONG Yung-kan

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Banking (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing (Chairman)

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Bills Committee on Boilers and Pressure Vessels (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Chairman)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Massage Establishments (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Bills Committee on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun Hon NG Leung-sing Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin Hon LEE Cheuk-yan Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung Hon Margaret NG Hon CHAN Yuen-han Hon Bernard CHAN

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Hon TAM Yiu-chung

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Companies (Corporate Rescue) Bill

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman) Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou Hon Albert HO Chun-yan Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung Hon CHAN Kwok-keung Hon CHAN Yuen-han Hon SIN Chung-kai Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon CHOY So-yuk Hon LI Fung-ying Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on The Ombudsman (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman) Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing Hon CHOY So-yuk Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Medical and Health Care (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2001

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok (Chairman) Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung Hon CHAN Kwok-keung Hon CHAN Yuen-han Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Bills Committee on Import and Export (Electronic Transactions) Bill 2001

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou (Chairman) Hon HUI Cheung-ching Hon CHAN Kam-lam Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun Hon SIN Chung-kai Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Bills Committee on Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman) Hon Albert HO Chun-yan Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Human Organ Transplant (Amendment) Bill 2001

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok (Chairman)
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Hon CHAN Yuen-han
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Road Traffic Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo (Chairman)

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Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee (Chairman)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun Hon James TO Kun-sun Hon HUI Cheung-ching Hon CHAN Kam-lam Hon TAM Yiu-chung Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (up to 17.05.2002)

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Bills Committee on Noise Control (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman) Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing Hon CHOY So-yuk Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Bills Committee on Fire Services (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon James TO Kun-sun Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Travel Agents (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon CHAN Kam-lam Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon CHOY So-yuk Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon LAU Chin-shek

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun (Chairman)

Hon HUI Cheung-ching (Deputy Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Chemical Weapons (Convention) Bill

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG (up to 18.04.2002)

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Dr Hon LO Wing-lok

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Juvenile Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2001

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung (Chairman)

Hon Margaret NG

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Howard YOUNG

Bills Committee on Immigration (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

Hon LAU Kong-wah

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Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Adaptation of Laws Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Bills Committee on Interest on Arrears of Maintenance Bill 2001

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon CHAN Yuen-han

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Registration of Persons (Amendment) Bill 2001

Hon IP Kwok-him (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Prevention of Child Pornography Bill

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun

Hon SIN Chung-kai

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Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Bills Committee on Companies (Amendment) Bill 2002

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin Hon Albert HO Chun-yan Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung Hon NG Leung-sing Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Bills Committee on Employees Compensation Assistance (Amendment) Bill 2002

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee (Chairman)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon TAM Yiu-chung

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon LI Fung-ying

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah

Bills Committee on Revenue Bill 2002 and Revenue (No. 2) Bill 2002

Hon Margaret NG (Chairman)

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Howard YOUNG

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan

Bills Committee on United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Bill

Hon LAU Kong-wah (Chairman)

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing

Hon Howard YOUNG

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2002

Hon LAU Ping-cheung (Chairman)

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon Margaret NG

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Hon IP Kwok-him

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

Bills Committee on Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Amendment) Bill 2002

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen (Chairman)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
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Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

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Appendix 6 Redress Information System: Nature and Outcome of Cases Concluded between 1 October 2001 and 30 September 2002

Nature of concluded cases

Complaint	206	24.1%
Request for assistance	315	36.9%
Proposal/view	258	30.2%
Enquiry	27	3.2%
Private/subjudice	34	4.0%
Civil service matter	14	1.6%
Total	854	100.0%

Outcome of complaint cases

Resolved	59	28.6%
Suitable assistance given	62	30.1%
Information given/referrals made	60	29.1%
Not pursued because outside scope, groundless, incomprehensible, etc.	25	12.2%

Outcome of requests for assistance

Resolved	79	25.1%
Suitable assistance given	58	18.4%
Information given/referrals made	138	43.8%
Not pursued because outside scope, groundless, incomprehensible, etc.	40	12.7%

Outcome of proposals/views

Proposals/views accepted by the Administration/organization	6	2.3%
Proposals/views not accepted by the Administration/organization	12	4.7%
Referrals made for reference	236	91.5%
Not pursued because groundless, incomprehensible, etc.	4	1.5%

Overall outcome of concluded cases

Case resolved/views accepted	145	17.0%
Suitable assistance given	133	15.6%
Information given/referrals made	459	53.7%
Not pursued because outside scope, groundless, incomprehensible, etc.	117	13.7%
Total	854	100.0%

Appendix 7 Redress Information System: Annual Statistics Report between 1 October 2001 and 30 September 2002

Statistical breakdown, by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and non-government organizations, of concluded cases

From 1-Oct-2001 to 30-Sep-2002

Nature :	—	Compl	laint	D			rassistance	P	
Outcome :	A	В	С	D	A	В	С	D	
overnment policy bureaux/departments DUSING DEPARTMENT	19	14	12	0	35	13	22	2	
MIGRATION DEPARTMENT	1	0	3	1	1	4	29	8	
CURITY BUREAU	i	0	0	0	3	12	3	2	
CIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT	2	1	3	0	4	1	8	0	
ANSPORT DEPARTMENT	4	5	1	0	2	0	4	3	
NDS DEPARTMENT	4	2	0	0	5	3	12	2	
OD & ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT	3	4	6	0	0	0	5	1	
ONG KONG POLICE FORCE	2	3	1	a	0	0	1	0	
HIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	
OME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT	1	0	0	0	1	3	3	1	1
VIL SERVICE BUREAU	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
HIEF SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
JILDINGS DEPARTMENT	2	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	
DUCATION DEPARTMENT	0	4	1	0	0	1	2	1	
BOUR DEPARTMENT	0	1	1	0	1	2	4	1	
ANNING & LANDS BUREAU (up to 30.6.2002)	0	2	0	0	1	2	4	0	
ORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	2	3	0	0	0	6	0	
IGHWAYS DEPARTMENT	3	1	1	0	1	0	3	1	
EGAL AID DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	1
DUCATION & MANPOWER BUREAU	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
NVIRONMENT & FOOD BUREAU (up to 30.6.2002)	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	
NANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE	l i	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
RANSPORT BUREAU (up to 30.6.2002)	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	
EPARTMENT OF HEALTH	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
EISURE & CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	
ANNING DEPARTMENT	1	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	
	0	0	1	1	0	0	1		
NANCIAL SERVICES BUREAU (up to 30.6.2002)	0	0	1	1	0	U	1	0	
OME AFFAIRS BUREAU	0	0	1	0	0	U	0	0	
OMMERCE & INDUSTRY BUREAU (up to 30.6.2002)	0	2	0	0	0	U	1	0	
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Outcome A: Cases resolved/views accepted
B: Suitable assistance given
C: Information given/referrals made

D: Not pursued because outside scope, groundless, incomprehensible, etc.

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Appendix 8 The Legislative Council Commission and Its Committees

The Legislative Council

Terms of Reference

- 1. To provide through the Secretariat administrative support and services to the Council.
- 2. To provide office accommodation to Members of the Council and staff of the Secretariat.
- 3. To supervise the operation of the Secretariat.
- 4. To produce an official report of all proceedings in the Council and in any committee of the whole Council.
- 5. To perform such other duties as the Council may by resolution determine.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman) Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee (Deputy Chairman)

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Hon NG Leung-sing

Hon Margaret NG

Hon HUI Cheung-ching

Hon Bernard CHAN

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

Hon Henry WU King-cheong

Hon IP Kwok-him

Committee on Personnel Matters

Terms of Reference

- 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 NG Leung-sing Hon Margaret NG Hon HUI Cheung-ching Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong

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 conduct 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 approve procurement of fixed assets costing above \$500,000 but not exceeding \$2,000, 000; and
- 5. To monitor the progress and developments relating to the above items.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming
Hon Margaret NG
Hon Bernard CHAN
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon Henry WU King-cheong
Hon IP Kwok-him

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Committee on Members' Operating Expenses

Terms of Reference

- 1. To advise on administrative matters relating to Members' operating expenses; and
- 2. To review the Legislative Council Secretariat's decisions on Members' claims for operating expenses reimbursements.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman) Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Task Force on New LegCo Building

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee
Hon NG Leung-sing
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Hon HUI Cheung-ching
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Appendix 9 Organization Chart of the Legislative Council Secretariat (as at 1 July 2002)

