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House Committee of the Legislative Council

Minutes of the 21st meeting held in the Legislative Council Chamber at 2:32 pm on Friday, 3 May 2002

Members present:

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, JP (Chairman)

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP

Hon NG Leung-sing, JP

Hon Margaret NG

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Hon HUI Cheung-ching, JP

Hon CHAN Kwok-keung

Hon CHAN Kam-lam

Hon SIN Chung-kai

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, JP

Hon Howard YOUNG, JP

Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS

Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP

Hon LAU Kong-wah

Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP

Hon CHOY So-yuk

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Hon SZETO Wah

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP

Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP
Hon LI Fung-ying, JP
Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
Dr Hon LO Wing-lok
Hon IP Kwok-him, JP

Members absent:

Hon MA Fung-kwok

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP

Hon Bernard CHAN

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

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Hon WONG Yung-kan

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum

Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP

Hon WONG Sing-chi

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

Hon LAU Ping-cheung

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Clerk in attendance:

Mrs Justina LAM Clerk to the House Committee

Staff in attendance:

Mr Ricky C C FUNG, JP Secretary General Mr Jimmy MA, JP Legal Adviser

Mr LAW Kam-sang, JP Deputy Secretary General

Mr LEE Yu-sung
Ms Pauline NG
Assistant Legal Adviser 1
Assistant Secretary General 1
Mr Ray CHAN
Assistant Secretary General 3
Miss Kitty CHENG
Assistant Legal Adviser 5

Mrs Vivian KAM

Miss Kathleen LAU

Chief Assistant Secretary (Complaints)

Chief Public Information Officer

Chief Assistant Secretary (2)5

Mrs Betty LEUNG

Chief Assistant Secretary (3)1

Miss Betty MA

Senior Assistant Secretary (2)1

Action

I. Confirmation of the minutes of the 20th meeting held on 26 April 2002 (LC Paper No. CB(2) 1754/01-02)

The minutes were confirmed.

II. Matters arising

Report by the Chairman on her meeting with the Chief Secretary for Administration (CS)

Proposed accountability system for principal officials

2. <u>The Chairman</u> said that she had informed CS that a subcommittee had been formed to study the proposed accountability system and related issues, and the subcommittee would meet twice a week. <u>The Chairman</u> further said that CS hoped that the proposed accountability system could be implemented as scheduled.

III. Business for the Council meeting on 15 May 2002

- (a) Questions (LC Paper No. CB(3) 580/01-02)
- 3. <u>The Chairman</u> said that 20 questions (six oral and 14 written) had been scheduled for the Council meeting on 15 May 2002.

(b) Bills - First and Second Readings

- (i) Adaptation of Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2002
- (ii) Telecommunications (Amendment) Bill 2002
- 4. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the two Bills would be introduced into the Council on 15 May 2002 and considered by the House Committee on 17 May 2002.

(c) Government motion

Proposed resolution to be moved by the Secretary for Security under the Immigration Ordinance

(Wording of the proposed resolution vide LC Paper No. CB(3) 571/01-02 dated 24 April 2002.) (LC Paper No. LS 86/01-02)

- 5. <u>The Legal Adviser</u> said that the proposed resolution sought the Legislative Council's approval to amend Schedule 1 to the Immigration Ordinance (Cap. 115) pursuant to section 59A of the Ordinance.
- 6. The Legal Adviser explained that the proposed amendment sought to reflect the judicial decision of the Court of Final Appeal in *Chong Fung-yuen's case* in legislative terms by amending the definition of "permanent resident of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" (HKSAR) in paragraph 2(a) of Schedule 1 to a Chinese citizen born in Hong Kong before or after the establishment of the HKSAR.
- 7. <u>The Legal Adviser</u> pointed out that according to the Administration, all relevant cases had in fact been handled by the Immigration Department in accordance with the Court of Final Appeal's decision in *Chong Fung-yuen's case* since the delivery of the judgment on 21 July 2001.
- 8. <u>The Legal Adviser</u> said that the proposed resolution was in order from the legal point of view.
- 9. <u>Members</u> did not raise any query on the proposed resolution.
- 10. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded Members that the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, to the proposed resolution was 8 May 2002.

(d) <u>Members' motions</u>

(i) Motion on "Promoting the employment of people with disabilities"

(Wording of the motion issued vide LC Paper No. CB(3) 587/01-02 dated 2 May 2002.)

11. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the above motion would be moved by Mr LAW Chi-kwong and the wording of the motion had been issued to Members.

(ii) Motion on "Family problems" (Wording of the motion issued vide LC Paper No. CB(3) 588/01-02 dated 2 May 2002.)

- 12. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the above motion would be moved by Dr David CHU Yu-lin and the wording of the motion had been issued to Members.
- 13. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded Members that the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, to the motions was 8 May 2002.

IV. Report of Bills Committee and subcommittee on subsidiary legislation

Position report on Bills Committees/subcommittees

(LC Paper No. CB(2) 1763/01-02)

14. <u>The Chairman</u> said that there were 15 Bills Committees and five Subcommittees in action as well as 14 Bills Committees on the waiting list.

V. Any other business

15. There being no further business, the meeting ended at 2:36 pm.

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