

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES

No. 20

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5 March 2003 at 2:30 pm

Members present:

President

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

The Hon Kenneth TING Woo-shou, JP

The Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP

The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Ir Dr the Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

The Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

The Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

The Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP

Dr the Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP

The Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP

Dr the Hon LUI Ming-wah, JP

The Hon Margaret NG

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

The Hon James TO Kun-sun

The Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

The Hon HUI Cheung-ching, JP

The Hon CHAN Kwok-keung
The Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP
The Hon Bernard CHAN, JP
The Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP
The Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
The Hon SIN Chung-kai
The Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP
Dr the Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
The Hon WONG Yung-kan
The Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
The Hon Howard YOUNG, JP
Dr the Hon YEUNG Sum
The Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS
The Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP
The Hon LAU Kong-wah
The Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBS, JP
The Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP
The Hon Ambrose LAU Hon-chuen, GBS, JP
The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
The Hon CHOY So-yuk
The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
The Hon SZETO Wah
The Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, SBS, JP
Dr the Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP
The Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Dr the Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP
The Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP

The Hon LI Fung-ying, JP

The Hon Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP

The Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP

The Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung

The Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

The Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP

Dr the Hon LO Wing-lok

The Hon WONG Sing-chi

The Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee

The Hon LAU Ping-cheung

The Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Members absent:

Dr the Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

The Hon NG Leung-sing, JP

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

The Hon IP Kwok-him, JP

The Hon MA Fung-kwok, JP

Public officers attending:

The Hon Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, GBM, JP

The Chief Secretary for Administration

The Hon Antony LEUNG Kam-chung, GBS, JP

The Financial Secretary

The Hon Elsie LEUNG Oi-sie, GBM, JP

The Secretary for Justice

The Hon Henry TANG Ying-yen, GBS, JP

Secretary for Commerce, Industry and Technology

The Hon Michael SUEN Ming-yeung, GBS, JP

Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Prof the Hon Arthur LI Kwok-cheung, GBS, JP
Secretary for Education and Manpower

Dr the Hon YEOH Eng-kiong, JP
Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

The Hon Joseph WONG Wing-ping, GBS, JP
Secretary for the Civil Service

Dr the Hon Patrick HO Chi-ping, JP
Secretary for Home Affairs

The Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP
Secretary for Security

The Hon Stephen IP Shu-kwan, GBS, JP
Secretary for Economic Development and Labour

Dr the Hon Sarah LIAO Sau-tung, JP
Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

The Hon Frederick MA Si-hang
Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

The Hon Stephen LAM Sui-lung, JP
Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

Clerks in attendance:

Mr Ricky FUNG Choi-cheung, JP, Secretary General

Tabling of Papers

The following papers were laid on the table pursuant to Rule 21(2) of the Rules of Procedure:

<u>Subsidiary Legislation / Instruments</u>	<u>L.N. No.</u>
1. Massage Establishments (Amendment) Regulation 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	51/2003
2. Probate and Administration Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 2) Order 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	52/2003
3. Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Cap. 549) (Commencement) Notice 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	53/2003
4. Chinese Medicines Regulation (Cap. 549 sub. leg.) (Commencement) Notice 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	54/2003
5. Chinese Medicine (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 549 sub. leg.) (Commencement) Notice 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	55/2003
6. Chinese Medicines Traders (Regulatory) Regulation (Cap. 549 sub. leg.) (Commencement) Notice 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	56/2003
7. Shipping and Port Control Regulations (Amendment of Third and Seventh Schedules) Notice 2002 (L.N. 123 of 2002) (Commencement) Notice 2003 (gazetted on 28.2.2003)	57/2003

Other Papers

- No.67 - Estimates
for the year ending 31 March 2004
Volume IA - General Revenue Account
Volume IB - General Revenue Account
(published on 5.3.2003)
- No.68 - Estimates
for the year ending 31 March 2004
Volume II - Fund Accounts
(published on 5.3.2003)

Questions

Written replies to Questions 1 to 20 were tabled for Members' information.

Bills

First Reading

Appropriation Bill 2003

The Bill was read the first time and ordered to be set down for Second Reading pursuant to Rule 53(3) of the Rules of Procedure.

Second Reading

Appropriation Bill 2003

The Financial Secretary moved the Second Reading and addressed the Council.

Question on the Second Reading proposed. The President stated that in accordance with Rules 67 and 71 of the Rules of Procedure, the debate on the second reading of the Bill was adjourned and the Estimates were referred to the Finance Committee for examination before the debate on the Bill resumed.

Next Meeting

The President declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on 12 March 2003 at 2:30 pm.

The Council was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

(Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai)
President

Council Chamber
Hong Kong