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Subcommittee on the motion to amend the Resolution of the Land Fund under section 29 of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap.2)

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 22 April 2003, at 10:45 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Members present: Hon SIN Chung-kai (Chairman)

Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan Hon Margaret NG

Hon CHAN Kam-lam, JP

Hon Andrew WONG Wang-fat, JP Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP Hon LEUNG Fu-wah, MH, JP

Members absent: Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, GBS, JP

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP

Public officers attending

: Agenda Item I

Mr Martin GLASS, JP

Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the

Treasury (Treasury)2

Mr Allen LEUNG

Principal Assistant Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury) (MA)

Mr Charlix WONG Senior Treasury Accountant (MA)2

Miss Shandy LIU

Senior Government Counsel

Clerk in attendance : Miss Polly YEUNG

Chief Assistant Secretary (1)3

Staff in attendance: Mr KAU Kin-wah

Assistant Legal Adviser 6

Ms Debbie YAU

Senior Assistant Secretary (1)1

I Meeting with the Administration

LC Paper No.CB(1)1498/02-03(01) -- Revised draft Resolution of the (tabled and issued subsequently on Land Fund 22 April 2003)

LC Paper No.CB(1)1476/02-03(01) -- Information provided by the Administration in response to members' request at the 16 April

2003 meeting

FIN CR8/2321/02 Pt.2 -- Legislative Council Brief issued by

the Financial Services and the

Treasury Bureau

LC Paper CB(3)548/02-03 -- Proposed resolution to be moved by LC Paper CB(3)551/02-03 the Secretary for Financial Services

the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury at the Council meeting of 30 April 2003 and the

Secretary's draft speech

LC Paper No. LS93/02-03 -- The report prepared by the Legal

Services Division of the Legislative

Council Secretariat

LC Paper No.CB(1)1343/02-03(07) -- The Administration's paper for the Financial Affairs Panel meeting on 7 April 2003

LC Paper No. CB(1)1405/02-03 -- The Administration's response to concerns raised by members at the Financial Affairs Panel meeting on 7

April 2003

LC Paper No. CB(1)1443/02-03 -- Supplementary information from the

Administration on the use of accumulated surplus of the Exchange

Fund

L.N. 398 of 1997 -- The Resolution of the Land Fund

under section 29 of the Public

Finance Ordinance (Cap.2)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1458/02-03 -- Extract of the draft minutes of

meeting of Panel on Financial

Affairs held on 7 April 2003

- 2. The Subcommittee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at Appendix)
- 3. The Subcommittee supported the revised draft Resolution of the Land Fund. It also supported the Administration's proposal of:
 - (1) giving fresh notice to move the proposed resolution at the Council meeting on 7 May 2003; and
 - (2) seeking the leave of the President to dispense with the notice period requirement for moving motions under Rule 29(1) of the Rules of Procedure.
- 4. The Subcommittee had completed scrutiny of the motion and would report to the House Committee on 25 April 2003.

II Any other business

5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:55am. Council Business Division 1

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Appendix

Proceedings of the meeting of the Subcommittee on the motion to amend the Resolution of the Land Fund under section 29 of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) on Tuesday, 22 April 2003, at 10:45 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

| Time Marker | Speaker | Subject(s) | Action Required |
|-------------------|---|---|--------------------|
| 000000- 000034 | Chairman | Members noted (1) the draft Resolution of the Land Fund which had accepted members' suggestion to stipulate the amount of \$120 billion to be transferred from the Land Fund to the general revenue tabled at the meeting; and (2) the information provided by the Administration in response to members' request at the 16 April 2003 meeting (LC Paper No CB(1)1476/02-03(01)). | |
| 000035- 000055 | Ms Margaret NG | Ms NG appreciated the Administration's effort in revising the draft resolution and looked forward to future collaboration with the Administration in examining the way forward for the Land Fund. | |
| 000056- 000205 | Chairman Administration | The Administration to consult the Panel on Financial Affairs in due course on the way forward for the Land Fund. | |
| 000206- 000345 | Chairman Clerk | Deadlines and procedures for giving notice of Council business. | |
| 000346- 000630 | Ms Cyd HO Chairman Administration | The proposed transfer of \$120 billion from the Land Fund to cope with the budget deficits from 2003-04 to 2005-06. | |

| Time Marker | Speaker | Subject(s) | Action Required |
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| 000631- 000654 | Chairman Members | Members supported the Administration's proposal of (1) giving fresh notice to move the proposed resolution at the Council meeting on 7 May 2003; and (2) seeking the leave of the President to dispense with the notice period requirement for moving motions under Rule 29(1) of the Rules of Procedure. | Required |
| 000655- 000905 | Mr CHAN Kam-lam Administration Chairman | The proposed resolution would take effect on the date of publication in the Gazette after it had been passed by the Legislative Council. The proposed transfer of \$120 billion from the Land Fund to the general revenue would be effected under the authority of a funds warrant to be issued by the Financial Secretary. | |
| 000906- 000925 | Chairman | The Subcommittee supported the draft Resolution. | |

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