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《 建造業議會(第2號)條例草案 》

本人現正研究《 建造業議會(第2號)條例草案 》在草擬及法律方面的事宜。謹請閣下就下列問題提供進一步的資料。

(1) 條例草案第5(e)條 —— “stakeholder”的中文對應詞

在條例草案第5(e)條中，“stakeholder”一詞的中文對應詞為“業內人士”。

條例草案並無界定“stakeholders”及“業內人士”兩詞的定義。按照一般理解，“業內人士”一詞是指從事某個行業或與某個行業相關的人士。請閣下澄清當局是否擬把此類人士納入條例草案第5(e)條的涵蓋範圍內。

“Stakeholders”一詞的英文涵義，通常是指與某事物(例如一門生意)有利害關係或有所涉及(尤以財務方面為然)的人。隨函附上有關“stakeholders”一詞的字典涵義的例子，以及在其他香港法例中採用該詞的例子(見附件)。

本人希望知道政府當局會否檢討條例草案中“stakeholders”及“業內人士”兩詞的用法。

(2) 條例草案第5(f)條 —— “業內人士”與“從業員”的涵義

請澄清條例草案第5(f)條中“建造業從業員”一語的涵義。

(3) 條例草案第5及6條 —— 議會的職能及補充職能

條例草案第5條訂明建造業議會(下稱“議會”)的職能，而條例草案第6則訂明議會的補充職能。就條例草案的草擬方式及詮釋而言，請解釋上述兩項條文的關係，特別是條例草案第6條的施行是否擬從屬於條例草案第5條或受該條文規限。

(4) 條例草案第7(2)(t)條 —— 議會的宗旨

條例草案第7(2)(t)條是關於議會可為任何符合其法定宗旨的目的而收取合法地給予的任何資金、捐贈或饋贈的權力。由於條例草案並無訂明議會的法定宗旨，請檢討此條文的草擬方式。

(5) 條例草案第9條 —— 議會的組成

據知政府當局會因應法案委員會的意見到時檢討議會的組成。政府當局會否考慮清楚指明哪類人士符合獲委任為議會成員的資格，因為正如一些團體代表指出，現時有關“與建造業相關的專業人士或顧問的人士”(條例草案第9(3)(b)條)、“承建商”及“分包商”(條例草案第9(3)(c)條)和“與建造業相關的訓練機構或學術或研究機構”(條例草案第9(3)(d)條)的條文，可能會引起不同的詮釋？

(6) 條例草案第13條 —— 席位暫時出缺

條例草案第13(2)條訂明，只有符合適用於被替代成員的委任的相同“準則”的人可獲委任。請指明第13(2)條所述的準則及所指的條例草案條文。

(7) 條例草案第29條 —— 向局長呈交報告等

條例草案第29(1)(a)條訂明，在任何財政年度結束後的6個月內，議會須向局長呈交一份議會在該財政年度內的活動的報告，報告須包括“一項就議會職能範圍內的事宜在該年度的發展而作的綜覽”。

請述明就該發展綜覽須包括的內容所訂的具體規定。現時有否對其他法定機構訂定相若的規定？

請閣下盡早以中、英文回覆。

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stainability



calico blouses. 膝下的褲在印花襯衫上留下了污迹。
 2. 被沾污, 被染污: These carpets don't ~, they're impregnated with a special chemical. 這塊地毯不容易弄髒, 因為是用特殊化學品浸漬過的。|| n. 1. 污跡, 污迹: Will that ~ come off your tie? 你領帶上的污迹擦得掉嗎? / There is not the slightest ~ upon her reputation. 她的名譽潔白無瑕。2. 色斑 3. 染色, 着色: 染色劑, 着色劑: I need some more ~ for the floor. 我要給地板再上些顏色。|| stain-able a. / stain-like a. / stain-proof / -proof a. | < ME *steynen*, 染污 < *disteynen* to remove colour from < OFr *destindre* to discolour < DIS- + *lingere* to tinge, dye
 stain-ability / steina'biliti / n. (細胞的) 可染性
 stained / steind / a. 1. 沾污的, 染污的: a blood-~ jacket 染血斑斑的上衣 2. 染色的, 着色的: a brown-~ house 變成棕色的房子
 stained glass 有色彩玻璃, 彩色玻璃 || stained-glass a.
 stain-er / steina(r) / n. 1. (木材, 皮革等的) 染色工, 着色工 2. 色料, 着色劑 3. 污染性的昆蟲 (如佛蠅象等)
 stain-less / steinis / 1. a. 1. 無污點的, 無瑕的 2. 不銹的: 用不銹鋼製的 || n. 不銹鋼, 不銹鋼器具 || stain-lessly ad. / stain-less-ness n.
 stainless steel 不銹鋼, 不銹合金
 stair / stea(r) / n. 1. 樓梯: the top ~ 樓梯最上面的一級 / take the ~s two or three at a time 一步跨二級樓梯 2. [常作 ~s] [用作單或複] 樓梯: a narrow ~ 狹窄的樓梯 / a flight of ~s 一段樓梯 / go up (down) the ~s 上(下)樓 3. [~s] [船] 浮動平台 4. 階梯, 途徑: the ~ to success 通向成功的階梯 || above ~s 在正房: 在主人的住處 / below ~s 在地下室: 在僕人的住處 || stair-less a. | < OE *stæger* < *stigan* to ascend, descend; 與 ON *steigrúlligr* upright, MD *steiger* ladder 有關
 stair-case / steikis / n. 樓梯, 樓梯間
 stair-head / steahed / n. 樓梯頂
 stair-rod / steard / n. (使地毯在兩梯級間轉角處平伏緊貼的) 樓梯轉角棍
 stair-step / steastep / 1. n. 1. 梯級 2. [口] (年齡與身高等) 按程度相若的兄弟 (或姐妹) 之一: Their six children are ~s ranging from ages two to twelve. 他們的 6 個孩子從 2 歲至 12 歲, 像梯級般地每隔兩年就是一個。|| a. 1. 梯級的 2. 梯級般升降的
 stair-way / steawei / n. 樓梯, 階梯
 stair-wall / steawel / n. 樓梯井
 staid(e) / steid, steid / n. (英古) (煤炭等的) 裝卸轉運碼頭 | < OE *stæth* shore: 受 ON *stǫth* landing place 的影響
 stake / steik / 1. n. 1. 標, 標桿; 籬笆桿; tether an animal to a ~ 把動物拴在標上 2. (竹筒等等的) 壓向支柱 3. [the ~] 火刑柱; 火刑: 竹筒上的 ~ 被用火刑處死 4. (木車, 船輪等) 防止所載貨物滑落的木楔, 木楔柱 5. = stake truck 6. (鐵匠用的) 小鐵柱 7. 專門教區, 專門管區; 專門主教的職位 (或管轄權) || vt. 1. 立標標出...的界限: 立界標以表明 (所有權) (out, off): They've set aside a small area as a children's playground, and ~d it off. 他們撥出一塊地方作為孩子們的運動場, 並立了界標。2. 把...繫於標上: 用標支撐: 用標把...圍起: He planted and ~d all the new trees. 他新種了許多樹並用標把它們全部支撐好。|| staid ~s (口) 1. 莊嚴, 肅穆 2. 立界標 3. 定座, 住下 / pull (up) ~s (英口) 搬家, 遷址: 離開: I have decided to pull up ~s and go to live in Australia. 我已決定搬到澳大利亞去居住。/ ~ a claim 見 claim / ~ out 1. (英口) 監視: 派...進行監視: The police has his boat ~d out. 警察把他的船監視了起來。2. 發出: 保釋 / ~ (out) a claim 見 claim / ~ up (或 in) 用標圍住 (或封住) || stake-r. | < OE *staca* pin: 與 MLG *stake* pointed stick, stake, L *lignum* beam 有關
 stake / steik / 1. vt. 1. 以...打賭: 拿...冒險: I'm going to ~ \$2 on that horse. 我將對那匹馬押兩磅賭注。/ I'd ~ my life on his honesty. 我願用生命來擔保他是誠實的。2. (英口) 資助: 支持: The government will ~ the Airbus industry for 200 million pounds. 政府將出資 2 億鎊資助空中客車工業。/ He ~d a large sum in his friend's new factory. 他在朋友新辦的工廠裏投入了一大筆錢。/ He ~d me to a good meal. 他請我美美地吃了一頓。/ He's always ~d me when he has anything. 只要他有什麼, 他總是分些給我。3. = grubstake ④ vt. 打賭 || n. 1. 賭本, 賭注: a high-~s gambler 大輸贏的賭博 / He and his friends enjoy playing cards for low ~s. 他和朋友們喜歡來小輸贏的牌戲。2. [常作 ~s] (尤指賽馬的) 獎金, 獎品: 有獎比賽, 爭奪賽: trial ~s 有獎馬的預賽 / The minority group has at last achieved parity in the media ~s. 少數派在新聞媒介中終於獲得了均勢。3. 利害關係: Each of us has a ~ in the outcome of the conference. 會議結

果對我們每個人都有利害關係。4. (投機生意等的) 股本, 股份: own a large ~ in the oil industry 在石油業有大量股份 5. = grubstake || at ~ 在危急關頭, 在危險中: 成問題: Two lives are at ~. 兩條生命運到威脅。/ His own personal future was at ~. 他的個人前途很成問題。|| stake-r. | < ? D *staken* to fix, place
 stake-boat / steikbo:t / n. (競賽時的) 標柱艇
 stake-body (英) (卡車的) 帶標杆平板車身
 stake-holder / steikhoulda(r) / n. 賭金保管人
 stake-net / steiknet / n. [漁] 定置網, 定標刺網
 stake-out / steikaut / n. (英口) 1. (警察對嫌疑犯或地區的) 監視 2. 警察監視地區
 stake(r) race 馬主下注的賽馬
 stake-truck (英) 標欄車式卡車
 Stakhanovism / stakhanovizm, sta'hano- / n. 斯達漢諾夫運動 (蘇聯第二個五年計劃期間開展的極高勞動生產率的運動) | < Aleksey G. Stakhanov (1906-1977), 蘇聯煤礦工人, 著名勞動模範, 1935 年創一班採煤日產 14 倍的紀錄
 Stakhanovite / stakhanovait, -ho:nd / 1. n. 斯達漢諾夫工作者 || a. 斯達漢諾夫運動的; 斯達漢諾夫工作者的
 stactac / staektak / , sta-act-cal / -kal / a. 蠶乳石 (狀) 的; 生有蠶乳石的
 stactaciform / staektakfom / a. 蠶乳石狀的
 stactacite / staektakait, staektak- / n. 1. [地] 蠶乳石 2. 蠶乳石狀 | < NL *stalactites* < Gr *stalaktos* dripping < *stalassein* to drip, trickle + -ITE-
 stalactitic / staektaktik / , sta-act-tical / -kal / a. 蠶乳石 (狀) 的; 蠶乳石質的; 有蠶乳石的 || stalactitic-ally ad.
 stactag / staetæg, 'stodæk / (德) n. [亦作 S-] (第二次世界大戰中的) 戰俘集中營 (Ger, 縮略 < *Stamm-lager* base camp)
 stalagmite / staetægmit, staetæg- / n. 1. [地] 石筍 2. 石筍狀 | < NL *stalagmites* < Gr *stalagmos* dripping; 與 *stalassein* to drip, trickle 有關; 比較 STA-LACTITE
 stalagmitic / staetægmitik / , sta-act-mit-ical / -kal / a. 石筍 (狀) 的; 石筍質的; 有石筍的 || stalagmitic-ally ad.
 stalagmometer / staetægmo:mita(r) / n. (表面張力) 滴量計 | < Gr *stalagmos* dropping, dripping + -METER
 stale / steil / 1. a. 1. (食品等) 不新鮮的; 走味的; (啤酒等) 走氣的: These old peanuts taste ~. 這些陳花生走味了。2. (空氣等) 污濁的: the smell of ~ sweat 汗臭味 3. 陳腐的, 過時的: 沒有新意的: ~ clichés 陳詞濫調 / ~ gossip 聽厭了的閒話 / That amusement grew ~. 那種娛樂已經不新鮮了。4. [俚] 失時效的; a ~ B / L 過期提單 / a ~ affidavit 失效的保證書 5. 疲憊的, 沒勁的; (運動員等) 因訓練過度而覺得狀態不佳的: You need a break, a change. You're getting ~ here. 你需要休息, 要換換環境。你聽在這裏越來越沒勁了。|| vt. 1. 使不新鮮, 走味: 使陳腐: ~ one's admiration for sb. 不再敬佩某人 2. (廢) 低估, 貶低 ④ vt. 變得不再新鮮, 走味: 變得陳腐 || stalefy ad. / staleness n. [NormFr < ? OFr *estale* motionless < Frank]
 stale / steil / 1. n. (牛, 馬等的) 尿 || vt. (牛, 馬等) 撒尿 | < ? OFr *estaler* to stand in one position; 與 MLG *stal* urine, Gr *stalassein* to drip 有關
 stale / steil / n. 1. (主方) 誘騙者; 引誘物 2. (古) 遺失秘密活動的掩護物; 被利用的人 (或物) 3. (廢) 笑柄 | < Ang-Fr *estale*, 變賣 < OE *stact*-decoy: 見 STALL
 stale bread 不新鮮的麵包
 stale-mate / steilmait / 1. n. 1. [棋] 無子可動, 王棋受困 2. 僵持; 僵局: The two leaders remain at a ~ on crucial issues. 兩位領導人在重要問題上仍然相持不下。/ break the ~ 打破僵局 || vt. 1. [棋] 使王棋受困, 將...逼和 2. 僵持, 使陷入僵局: the ~d talks 陷入僵局的會談
 Stalin / stalin, 'stei- / , Joseph 斯大林 (1879-1953, 蘇聯共產黨總書記 [1922-1953], 蘇聯部長會議主席 [1941-1953], 著有《列寧主義義理》(社會主義經濟問題) 等)
 Stalinabad / stalinabad, sta:lmabed / 斯大林納巴德 (現稱杜尚別 [Dushanbe]; 蘇聯塔吉克加盟共和國首都)
 Stalin-grad / stalingrad, sta:lm'grad / 斯大林格勒 (現稱伏爾加格勒 [Volgograd]; 蘇聯伏爾加河下游城市)
 Stalin-ism / stalinizm, 'stei- / n. 斯大林主義 || Stalin-ist / -nist / n. & a. / Stalin-ize / -naiz / vt. / Stalin-oid / -noid / n. & a.
 Stalin-ism / stalinizm, -no:st, 'stei- / 斯大林派 (現稱頓涅茨克 [Donetsk]; 蘇聯頓涅茨克州城市)
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市)
 stall / stɔ:k / n. 1. [植] 莖, 桿, 梗 (如菜柄, 花梗等) 2. [動] 槽, 內槽, 草形欄柵 3. 槽, 槽狀物: 酒杯脚 4. (工廠的) 高徑齒 5. [建] 裏徑齒 6. (飛) 羽毛管 || stalled a. / stall-less a. / stall-like a. | ? 指小詞 < OE *stala* upright piece of wood; 與 OFris *stall* handle 有關
 stalk / stɔ:k / 1. vt. 1. 高視闊步地走: He turned and majestically ~ed away. 他一轉身高視闊步地走了。2. 悄悄地追擊 (或靠近) 獵物 (或敵人等): There are sharks ~ing in those waters. 那片水域有追擊獵物的鯊魚出沒。3. 蔓延, 散佈: Poverty and disease ~ed through the country. 貧困與疾病在全國蔓延。4. (廢) 蹣跚地走 ④ vt. 1. 悄悄地追擊 (或靠近) (獵物, 敵人等); 在 (地區) 搜捕獵物: They hunted him as a tiger ~s his prey. 他們像老虎步步追擊獵物一樣地追擊他。/ The loneliness always ~ed him. 他始終擺脫不了內心的孤獨。/ ~ the woods for deer 在樹林裏搜捕鹿 2. (疾病等) 在...蔓延 (或散佈): Fear and death still ~ed the city. 恐怖與死亡仍然籠罩著這座城市。|| n. 1. 高視闊步 2. (對獵物等的) 悄悄的追擊 || stalk-r. | < OE *bestelecan* to walk stealthily; 與 MLG *stolkeren*, Dan *stake*, OE *stealc* kolty, stealan to steal 有關
 stalk-eyed / stɔ:kaid / a. [動] 有眼柄的
 stalking-horse / stɔ:kɪŋhɔ:s / n. 1. 掩護馬 (獵人潛近獵物時用作掩護的馬或假馬) 2. 掩護; 託詞, 藉口 3. (英) (在選中民分化對立方黨或獲選己方主要候選人而推出的) 掩護性候選人
 stalk-let / stɔ:klet / n. [植] 小莖; 小柄; 花梗
 stalky / stɔ:ki / a. 1. 莖型的; 細長的 2. 由莖組成的: 多莖的 || stalkiness n.
 stall / stɔ:l / 1. n. 1. 馬厩; 牛舍; 棧畜欄; (厩內的) 隔欄: (賽馬開始前各馬站位的) 厩間馬房 2. (主英) (商場或集市上的) 貨攤, 攤位; 香亭: a butcher's ~ 肉攤 / The town square is full of trader's ~s. 城鎮的廣場上擺滿了生意人的貨攤。3. (英) (劇場的) 座位, 正廳前部的座位; [~s] 正廳前部區; 正廳前部觀衆: I want two ~s. 我要兩張正廳前部座。/ a ~ seat (或 a seat in the ~s) 正廳前部的一個座位 4. (教堂內的) 牧師坐位 (教堂內高壇上的) 牧師座位; 牧師職位: How long has he had his ~? 他的牧師職位擔任了多久? 5. 分隔的小間: a toilet ~ 廁所的一個小分隔間 / a shower ~ 單人淋浴間 6. (主英) 車庫, 煤房 7. (運動車停車場的) 車位 8. (手牽上的) 搭客: (各樣用途的) 旅客 9. (發動機) 熄火: (汽車等的) 熄滅; (飛機的) 失速 || vt. 1. 把...關入厩內; 把...關在厩中養肥: 把 (牲畜欄) 分成隔欄: The cows were ~ed in the barn for the night. 牛被關在厩中過夜。2. 使陷入泥潭 (或各地) 中: The car was ~ed in the mud. 那輛汽車陷入泥潭中。3. 使 (發動機) 熄火, 使 (車輛) 熄滅; 使 (飛機, 機翼) 失速; 使停止, 阻擋: We got ~ed in traffic. 交通阻滯, 我們停滯住了。4. (廢) 使就寢 ④ vt. 1. (牲畜) 被關在厩 (或牲畜欄) 內 2. (發動機) 熄火: (汽車) 熄滅; (飛機等) 失速: The engine ~ed for lack of oxygen. 發動機因缺氧而熄火。/ The car ~ed when I was half way up the hill. 汽車在我開到半山腰時熄滅了。/ The plane ~ed just after take-off. 飛機剛起飛就失速。3. (馬, 馬車) 陷入泥地 (或雪地); (英) 被套困住 || stall-like a. | < OE *stall* place for standing; 與 OHG *stal* place, stall, L *locus* place, Gr *stethra* to set up, place, send 有關
 stall / stɔ:l / 1. vt. 1. 支吾; 拖延: You are ~ing around, trying to avoid answering my question. 你在支吾其詞, 想逃避我的問題。/ a ~ing action 拖延行動 / She ~ed for time to think. 她遲延著想有時間進行考慮。2. (主英) (體育比賽中) 故意拖延時間, 延時間 3. 使对手的問句 ④ vt. 1. 拖延; 推遲 (off): ~ (off) the trial 推遲審判 / The strike ~ed our holiday plans. 罷工推遲了我們的度假計劃。2. 把...拖住 (off): I can ~ him (off). 我有辦法拖住他。/ ~ off creditors 把債主敷衍過去 || n. 1. 拖延之計; 詭計, 藉口: His excuse was just a ~. 他的藉口只是拖延之計。2. 詭計, 欺騙手法 3. 对手的問句 | < Ang-Fr *estale* bird used as a decoy < Gmc; 受 stall 的影響
 stallage / stɔ:lɪdʒ / n. (英) [律] 1. (在市場上的) 設攤權 2. (攤販繳納的) 攤租, 攤稅 | < Ang-L *stallagium* < OE *estalage* < *estale* stale² + -AGE
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 stall-feed / stɔ:lfd / (-fed / -led /) vt. 把 (牲畜) 關在厩中養肥
 stall-holder / stɔ:lho:ldə(r) / n. (主英) 攤販; 租地攤位者
 stall-in / steɪn / n. 阻塞交通示戒 (一種用汽車堵塞交通要道的示威抗議形式)
 stalling angle [空] 失速角
 stall-ion / steɪjən / n. 牲馬 (尤指種馬); 留種的種馬

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staithe /steið/ n. & v. Now local. [OE *stap* = OS *stap*, OHG *stad*, Goth. *stapa*; in sense A.2 directly f. cogn. ON *stap*.] A n. †1 A bank, a shore. OE-ME. 2 A landing-stage, a wharf; esp. a waterside coal depot equipped for loading vessels. ME. 3 An embankment. LME. B v.t. Embank. M19.

stake /steik/ n.¹ [OE *staca* corresp. to OFris., (M)LG, MDu. *stake* (Du. *staaak*), f. Gmc. f. base of STICK n.¹ Cf. next.] 1 A stout stick or post, usu. of wood, sharpened at one end and driven into the ground as a support for a plant, boundary-marker, a part of the framework of a fence, etc. OE. 2 *Hist.* a A post to which a person was tied for execution, esp. by burning; the punishment of death by burning. ME. b A post to which a bull or bear was fastened to be baited. M16. 3 Chiefly *Hist.* A post sharpened at both ends for use in military defensive work. ME. 4 *schn.* a A small anvil used in metalworking, esp. one with a tang for fitting into a socket on a bench. M17. b Each of the posts fitted into sockets or staples on a wagon or boat to prevent a load from slipping off. *N. Amer. colloq.* L19. c *Basket-making.* Any of the rods forming the upright supports of the sides of a basket. E20. 5 In the Mormon Church: a territorial division; the jurisdiction of a Mormon bishop. Also *Stake of Zion*. M19.

Comb. & phrases: pick up, pull (up), stakes *N. Amer.* depart; go to live elsewhere; PUNY *stake*; stake and rice (fence) *Sc. & north.*: a fence made of stakes and brushwood; stake and rider (fence) (chiefly *N. Amer.*) a fence made of stakes with a top bar; stake-boat a boat anchored to mark the start or course for racing boats; stake-body *US* a body for a truck or lorry, having a flat open platform with removable posts along the sides; stake-driver *US* the American bittern, *Botaurus lentiginosus*, which has a call resembling a mallet striking a stake; stake-net a fishing net hung on stakes; *Stake of Zion*: see sense 5 above; stake-truck: with a stake-body;

stake /steik/ n.² LME. [Perh. specialized use of prec., from placing an object as a wager on a post or stake.] 1 A thing, esp. a sum of money, wagered on the outcome of a game, race, or contest. LME. b *fig.* An interest, a concern, esp. a financial one. L18. 2a In *pl.* Money offered as a prize in a race esp. for horses or dogs. L17. b *sing. & (usu.) in pl.* A race, esp. for horses or dogs, in which money is so offered. *Freq. w. specifying wds.* M18. c *fig. in pl.* With specifying wd: something involving competition in the activity or quality specified. *colloq.* L19. 3 A sum of money earned or saved; a store of provisions or money necessary to survive a certain period. *N. Amer. slang.* M18.

1 J. CHEEVER You can win . . . a hundred dollars on a game, but the stakes are usually . . . lower. b H. EVANS He . . . bought a 40% stake in London Weekend Television. P. ROAZEN Freud had . . . a . . . professional stake in their marriage. 2b P. LARKIN Faint afternoons Of Cups and Stakes and Handicaps. *Field* The Champion Stakes . . . for . . . all-aged greyhounds. c J. GALSWORTHY He was not going to enter for the slender stakes. *Spare Rib* Outdoing other girls in the beauty stakes.

Phrases: at stake (a) risked, to be won or lost; (b) at issue, in question. *nursery stakes:* see NURSERY 7.

Comb.: stakeholder (a) an independent party with whom each of those who make a wager deposits the money etc. wagered; (b) a person who has an interest or concern in something, esp. a business.

stake /steik/ v.^{1,2} ME. [f. STAKE n.¹] 1 Mark off (an area) with stakes (*freq. foll. by off, out*); *N. Amer.* claim (land) by marking with stakes. ME. b Protect or obstruct with stakes; keep in or out, shut off or up, with a barrier of stakes. L15. 2 Fasten or tie to a stake; support in this way. ME. b Fasten (a thing) down or on with a stake or stakes. Formerly also *fig.*, fasten down securely as with a stake. L16. 3 Impale or transfix on a stake. ME. 4 In leather-making, stretch and smooth (a skin) against a blunt edge. L17. 5 Place under surveillance; in *pass. set* (a person) to maintain surveillance. *Usu. foll. by out. colloq.* M20.

1 stake (out) a claim: see CLAIM n. 3. 2 N. GORDIMER A pet sheep staked to mow the grass within

the radius of its rope. *Amateur Gardening* Stake tall plants on exposed plots.

Comb.: stake-out *colloq.* a period of surveillance.

staker n.¹ (a) rare a person who uses a stake for some purpose; (b) *Canad.* a person who stakes a mining claim: L15.

stake /steik/ v.² M16. [Prob. f. STAKE n.²] 1 v.t. & i. Wager (esp. a sum of money) on the outcome of a game, race, or contest. Also *foll. by down*. M16. 2 v.t. *fig.* Risk the loss of. L17. 3 v.t. Give financial or other support to. Also *foll. by to, with. colloq.* (chiefly *US*). M19.

1 P. KAVANAGH Bashford staked his . . . estate and all his money on his . . . horse. 2 P. LIVELY Learned blokes stake their . . . reputation on this or that interpretation. 3 J. O'FAOLAIN Stay here and I'll stake you until you get another . . . post. N. SHERRY Mexico was ahead, but it was not certain that a publisher would stake him for the trip.

staker n.² a person who stakes money etc. M17.

stakey /'steiki/ a. *slang* (chiefly *Canad.*) E20. [f. STAKE n.² + -Y.] Well provided with money.

Stakhanovite /stə'kənovait/ n. & a. M20. [f. Aleksei Grigor'evich Stakhanov (1906-1977), *Russ.* coalminer whose exceptional output was publicized as a part of a campaign in 1935; see -ITE.] A n. A worker (esp. in the former USSR) whose productivity exceeds the norm and who thereby earns special rewards; *manf.* any exceptionally hard-working and productive person. M20. B *adj.* Designating, pertaining to, or characteristic of a Stakhanovite. M20.

Stakhanovism n. (*Hist.*) a movement or programme to encourage hard work and maximize productivity M20. **Stakhanovist** n. & a. = STAKHANOVITE n. & a. M20.

staktometer n. var. of STACTOMETER.

stalactic /stə'laktik/ a. *rare*. M18. [Gk *stalaktikos*, f. *stalak-*: see STALACTITES, -IC.] Deposited by dripping water; stalactitic. Also *stalactical* a. (now rare or obs.) E18.

stalactitae n. pl. of STALACTITES.

stalactite /stə'laktait/ n. L17. [Anglicized f. next.] 1a A conical or tapering formation of dripstone that hangs from the roof of a cave, formed of calcite etc. deposited by water droplets that have percolated through the overlying limestone etc. L17. b A similar formation of other material, as of volcanic lava. E19. 2 Calcite deposited on the roofs or walls of caves etc. L18. 3 *Archit.* Esp. in Islamic architecture, an ornamental downward projection from a roof or arch. M19.

stalactiform /stə'lak-/ a. having the form of a stalactite M19. **stalactoidal** a. = STALACTITIC L18. **stalactoid** a. (now chiefly *Archit.*) having stalactites L19. **stalactitic** /-tutik/ a. (a) having the form or structure of a stalactite, resembling or pertaining to stalactites; (b) covered with, containing, or consisting of stalactites: L18. **stalactitical** a. (now rare) = STALACTITIC L18.

stalactites /stə'laktaitiz/ n. Now rare or obs. Pl. -tite /-tutit/. L17. [mod.L. f. Gk *stalaktos* dropping, dripping, f. *stalak-* base of *stalassein* drip, let drip: see -ITE.] = STALACTITE.

Stalag /'stalag, 'stalak/ n. M20. [G, contr. of *Stammliager* main camp. Cf. OFLAG.] *Hist.* In Nazi Germany: a prisoner-of-war camp, esp. for non-commissioned officers and privates.

Comb.: Stalag Luft /luft/ [= air] a Stalag for Air Force personnel.

stalagma /stə'lagma/ n. *rare*. L17. [mod.L. f. Gk = drop, drip, f. *stalak-*: see STALACTITES.] 1 A distilled liquor. L17. 2 = STALAGMITE 2. E20.

stalagmite /stə'ləgmait/ n. L17. [mod.L. *stalagmites*, f. Gk *stalagma*: see prec., -ITE.] 1 A conical or columnar formation of dripstone that rises from the floor of a cave, formed of calcite etc. deposited by water droplets falling from the roof or from stalactites. L17. 2 Calcite deposited on the walls or floors of caves etc. E19.

stalagmitic /-mitik/ a. formed in the same way as a stalagmite; composed of stalagmites; having their form or character: L18. **stalagmitical** a. (*rare*) = STALAGMITIC E19.

stalagmometer /stə'ləgmomit/ n. M19. [f. Gk *stalagmos* a dropping, f. *stalak-*: see STALACTITES, -OMETER.] An apparatus for measuring the size, number, etc., of drops of liquid.

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