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**Legislative Council**

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**Bills Committee on  
Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill**

**Minutes of meeting  
held on Wednesday, 14 February 2007, at 2:30 pm  
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

- Members present** : Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP (Chairman)  
Hon Margaret NG  
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP  
Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP  
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP  
Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP  
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP  
Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP  
Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, JP  
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP  
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung  
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
- Members absent** : Hon LEE Cheuk-yan  
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung  
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo  
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
- Public Officers attending** : Mrs Betty FUNG  
Deputy Secretary for Education and Manpower
- Mr Daniel CHENG  
Principal Assistant Secretary for Education and  
Manpower

Mr Thomas WU  
Assistant Secretary for Education and Manpower

Ms Leonora IP  
Senior Government Counsel  
Department of Justice

Mr Peter CHEUNG  
Executive Director  
Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation

Ms Connie LOK  
Senior Registrar  
Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation

**Clerk in attendance** : Mrs Sharon TONG  
Chief Council Secretary (2)1

**Staff in attendance** : Mr Stephen LAM  
Assistant Legal Adviser 4

Mr Raymond LAM  
Senior Council Secretary (2) 5

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**I. Meeting with the Administration**

The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

2. The Bills Committee requested the Administration -
  - (a) to consider revising the proposed Committee Stage amendments to clause 13(4)(a)(iii) of the Bill, making reference to the wording of section 43 of the Sex Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 480);
  - (b) to reconsider the need for the items required in clause 13(1)(a) of the Bill;
  - (c) to consider improving the drafting of the proposed Part 3, clause 11, clause 12B(4) and clause 13(4) of the Bill, having regard to the views expressed by Ms Margaret NG; and

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- (d) to provide information on the manpower resources required for Industry Training Advisory Committees to draw up specification of competency standards.

3. The Administration undertook to state in the speech to be delivered by the Secretary for Education and Manpower during the resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill that the Administration would report to the Panel on Manpower the progress of establishment of the Qualifications Framework in individual industries at half-yearly intervals and the results of the review of the pilot scheme on recognition of prior learning.

**II. Date of next meeting**

4. As the Chairman would be out of town, the Bills Committee agreed that the meeting originally scheduled for 6 March 2007 would be cancelled. The Bills Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on 27 March 2007 at 4:30 pm to continue discussion with the Administration.

5. The meeting ended at 4:50 pm.

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**Proceedings of meeting of the  
Bills Committee on  
Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill  
on Wednesday, 14 February 2007, at 2:30 pm  
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

<b>Time marker</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Subject(s)</b>	<b>Action Required</b>
000000 - 000448	Chairman	Opening remarks	
000449 - 003559	Admin ALA4 Chairman Hon TSANG Yok-sing Hon LI Fung-ying Hon Margaret NG	Administration's response to issues raised by members on the proposed Committee Stage amendments (CSAs) to clause 13(4)(a)(iii) (LC Paper No. CB(2)1097/06-07(01)); drafting of the proposed CSAs to clause 13(4)(a)(iii) and section 43 of the Sex Discrimination Ordinance (SDO); whether there was a need for the items required in clause 13(1)(a)	<b>Admin to consider revising the proposed CSA to clause 13(4)(a)(iii), making reference to the wording of section 43 of SDO; to reconsider the need for the items required in clause 13(1)(a)</b>
003600 - 003717	Chairman Admin	Scope of the term "advertisement" in clause 13	
003718 - 004004	Chairman Admin	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to clause 18	
004005 - 004204	Admin Chairman	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to clause 23	

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004205 - 004515	Admin Chairman	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to clause 25	
004516 - 004639	Admin Chairman	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to clause 26	
004640 - 005129	Admin ALA4 Hon Margaret NG Chairman	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to clause 35	
005130 - 005241	Admin Chairman	Examination of the CSAs proposed by the Administration to Schedule 3	
005242 - 013118	Chairman Admin Hon Margaret NG Hon LI Fung-ying ALA4 Hon CHAN Yuen-han	Administration's response to issues raised by members regarding whether rules made under new clause 10(7) of the Bill should be made solely by the Chairman of the Appeal Board and relevant CSAs proposed by the Administration; effect of new clause 11(5) and (6); relationship between the proposed rules committee and the Appeal Board; drafting of the proposed Part 3, clause 11, clause 12B(4) and clause 13(4)	<b>Admin to consider improving the drafting of the proposed Part 3, clause 11, clause 12B(4) and clause 13(4), having regard to the views expressed by Hon Margaret NG</b>

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013119 - 014542	Chairman Admin Hon LI Fung-ying Hon Margaret NG Hon CHAN Yuen-han ALA4	Administration's response regarding whether the Bill should include provisions whereby the Secretary for Education and Manpower would be required to consult an industry and reach a consensus before the Qualifications Framework was implemented in that industry (paragraphs 32 to 34 of LC Paper No. CB(2)934/06-07(02)); reporting the progress of establishment of the Qualifications Framework in individual industries and the results of the review of the pilot scheme on recognition of prior learning to the Panel on Manpower	
014543 - 014720	Chairman Admin ALA4	Administration's response regarding whether the term "satisfied" in clause 5(2) should be amended as "reasonably satisfied" (paragraphs 35 and 36 of LC Paper No. CB(2)934/06-07(02))	

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014721 - 015204	Chairman Admin Hon LI Fung-ying	Administration's response regarding whether a decision to cancel an appointment or re-appointment under clause 8(4) should take effect when the decision was under appeal (paragraphs 37 and 38 of LC Paper No. CB(2)934/06-07(02))	
015205 - 015925	Chairman Admin ALA4 Hon LI Fung-ying	Administration's paper entitled "Investigation of offences under the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill" (LC Paper No. CB(2)934/06-07(01))	
015926 - 015945	Chairman	Extension of meeting time	
015946 - 020410	Chairman Admin	Administration's paper entitled "An introduction to the draft four-stage quality assurance process guidelines (LC Paper No. CB(2)410/06-07(01))	
020411 - 020529	Chairman Admin	Annex to the Administration's paper entitled "Response to Issues Discussed at the Bills Committee Meeting on 1 February 2007"(LC Paper No. CB(2)1097/06-07(01))	

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020530 - 021154	Hon Margaret NG Admin	Manpower resources required for Industry Training Advisory Committees (ITACs) to draw up specification of competency standards	<b>Admin to provide information on the manpower resources required for ITACs to draw up specification of competency standards</b>
021155 - 021436	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chairman ALA4	CSAs to be proposed by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG	
021437 - 021647	Chairman	Cancellation of meeting on 6 March 2007; date of next meeting	

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