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# **Establishment Subcommittee of the Finance Committee**

# Minutes of the 1st meeting held at the Conference Room A on Thursday, 13 October 2005, at 2:15 pm

### **Members present:**

Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP (Chairman) Hon KWONG Chi-kin (Deputy Chairman) Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, S.B.St.J., JP Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP

#### Members absent:

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP Hon MA Lik, JP Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS

### **Clerk in attendance:**

Ms Rosalind MA

Senior Council Secretary (1)8

## Staff in attendance:

Ms Pauline NG	Assistant Secretary General 1
Ms Guy YIP	Council Secretary (1)1
Ms Caris CHAN	Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1
Mr Frankie WOO	Legislative Assistant (1)2

Action

Ms LI Fung-ying, Chairman of the Establishment Subcommittee (ESC) in office, chaired the meeting. She informed members that the purpose of the meeting was to elect the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the ESC for the 2005-06 session.

## **Election of Chairman**

2. Ms LI Fung-ying invited nominations for the chairmanship.

3. As Ms LI Fung-ying was nominated by Mr WONG Kwok-hing, the chair was taken over by Mr KWONG Chi-kin, Deputy Chairman of the ESC in office. Mr KWONG invited members to second the nomination. The nomination was seconded by Mr James TIEN. Ms LI accepted the nomination.

4. There being no other nominations, Ms LI Fung-ying was declared Chairman of the ESC for the 2005-06 session.

### **Election of Deputy Chairman**

5. Ms LI Fung-ying took the chair and invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship. Mr KWONG Chi-king was nominated by Mr James TIEN and the nomination was seconded by Ir Dr Raymond HO. Mr KWONG accepted the nomination.

6. There being no other nominations, Mr KWONG Chi-kin was declared Deputy Chairman of the ESC for the 2005-06 session.

### Any other business

### Schedule of meetings for the 2005-06 session

7. The Chairman drew members' attention to the schedule of ESC meetings for the 2005-06 session. On the starting time of the meetings to be held on Wednesday mornings, the Chairman sought members' views on setting the normal starting time at 9:00 am while allowing flexibility for adjustment having regard to the number and complexity of the discussion items on the agenda, as proposed at the ESC meeting held on 19 January 2005. Members agreed with the proposed arrangement.

(*Post-meeting note*: The schedule of meetings for the 2005-06 session was issued to members vide ESC4/05-06 dated 14 October 2005.)

# Forthcoming staffing proposals

8. The Chairman drew members' attention to the Chief Executive's Policy Address which highlighted the need to create directorate posts for implementation of the various new initiatives for 2005-06. She reminded members that should there be a need for members to understand the implications of such proposals on the stance agreed by the various political parties on directorate staffing proposals, she could arrange to initiate internal discussions. Nevertheless, she invited members to bring the subject to individual political groups to see if such discussions were needed. Mr James TIEN shared the Chairman's view and suggested that if such a discussion was to be held, it should be arranged before staffing proposals were submitted to ESC for consideration. Members agreed with the Chairman's suggestion. Members noted that following the informal discussion session among members of the Finance Committee on 15 April 2005, the subject had subsequently been referred to the Panel on Public Service (PS Panel) for follow-up. The subject would likely be raised at the forthcoming meeting of the PS Panel.

9. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.

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