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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 10 May 2006

**Motion on
“Perfecting the framework of advisory and statutory bodies”**

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung has given notice to move the attached motion on “Perfecting the framework of advisory and statutory bodies” at the Council meeting of 10 May 2006. The President has directed that “it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in” on the Agenda of the Council.

(Ray CHAN)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Perfecting the framework of advisory and statutory bodies”
to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 10 May 2006**

Wording of the Motion

“That, whereas the Chief Executive has earlier on candidly admitted in a radio programme that there is a difference in the closeness of his relationship with the political parties of the Legislative Council and he would maintain a particularly good relationship with the parties that support the Government, and there have been queries that the Government practising favouritism towards pro-government people and parties in the appointment of members of advisory and statutory bodies (ASBs), given that ASBs serve as a framework for the Government to extensively solicit public opinions and as an important channel for public participation in politics for more equitable distribution of social resources, this Council urges the Government to adopt measures to perfect the framework of ASBs; such measures should include:

- (a) strictly adhering to the ‘six-six principle’, whereby no member of an ASB shall serve on the ASB for more than six years or serve on more than six ASBs at any one time;
- (b) upholding the principle of selection on merit, inviting the major stakeholder groups concerned to nominate representatives to ASBs, and reducing the appointments to ASBs ad personam, so as to enable ASBs to have a more representative and diversified composition;
- (c) enhancing the transparency of ASBs by uploading onto the internet the agenda, minutes and relevant documents of all their meetings, and disclosing the information on the members of the ASBs as well as their public service, political background and attendance rates at ASB meetings, etc;
- (d) disclosing the procedure for appointing ASB members, including uploading onto the internet information on the vacancies in ASBs and the nominees, so as to facilitate members of the public in making nominations;
- (e) increasing the ratio of women on ASBs, and allowing more people of ethnic minorities and those with disabilities to service on ASBs, so that people from different walks of life have equal opportunities to participate in public affairs; and
- (f) introducing clear guidelines on the appointment of public officers, and actively studying the appointment of an independent commissioner to monitor the appointment of ASB members by the Government.”