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Bills Committee on Domicile Bill

**Minutes of the seventh meeting
held on Tuesday, 15 January 2008, at 4:30 pm
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon James TO Kun-sun (Chairman)
Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Public Officers attending : Item II
Mr Michael SCOTT
Senior Assistant Solicitor General

Miss Betty CHEUNG
Senior Assistant Law Draftsman (Acting)

Ms Kitty FUNG
Senior Government Counsel

Mr Byron LEUNG
Senior Government Counsel

Clerk in attendance : Mrs Percy MA
Chief Council Secretary (2)3

Staff in attendance : Mr Arthur CHEUNG
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Mrs Eleanor CHOW
Senior Council Secretary (2)4

Action

I. Confirmation of minutes of meeting

(LC Paper No. CB(2)735/07-08 – Minutes of meeting on 10 December 2007)

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 December 2007 were confirmed.

II. Meeting with the Administration

(LC Paper No. CB(2)787/07-08(01) - Administration's response to issues raised at the meeting on 10 December 2007

LC Paper No. CB(2)812/07-08(01) - Marked-up copy of draft Committee Stage amendments proposed by the Administration

LC Paper No. CB(2)591/07-08(01) - Senior Assistant Legal Adviser's letter dated 11 December 2007 to the Administration on the drafting of the Chinese text of the Bill

LC Paper No. CB(2)850/07-08(01) - Administration's response to Senior Assistant Legal Adviser's letter dated 11 December 2007 on the drafting of the Chinese text of the Bill

LC Paper No. CB(3)335/06-07 – The Bill

LC Paper No. CB(2)1314/06-07(03) - Marked-up copy of clauses 14 and 15 of the Bill

Law Reform Commission's Report on "Rules for Determining Domicile" published in April 2005)

2. The Bills Committee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).
3. The Administration was requested to improve the drafting of the Chinese text of proposed new clause 7(b) and clause 8(3).
4. As the Bills Committee had completed scrutiny of the Bill, the Clerk advised members that subject to the Administration's response to paragraph 3 above, the Second Reading debate on the Bill could be resumed at the Council meeting on 20 February 2008. In this connection, the Bills Committee would report its deliberations to the House Committee meeting on 25 January 2008.
5. The meeting ended at 5:10 pm.

**Proceedings of the seventh meeting of the
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Time Marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
000614-000637	Chairman	Confirmation of minutes of meeting	
000638-000748	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on its response to the issues raised at the meeting on 10 December 2007 (LC Paper No. CB(2)787/07-08(01))	
000749-001824	Mr Jasper TSANG Chairman SALA2 Ms Miriam LAU Administration	Discussion on the revised CSAs proposed by the Administration with reference to the marked up copy of CSAs prepared by the Legal Service Division (LC Paper No. CB(2)812/07-08(01)) Clause 7 The Administration was requested to improve the drafting of the Chinese text of proposed new clause 7(b)	Admin to follow up
001825-002034	Chairman Ms Miriam LAU Mr Jasper TSANG Administration	Clause 10A	
002035-002520	Administration SALA2 Chairman	Clause 13	
002521-002628	Administration	Publicity to promote awareness of the new legislation	
002629-003349	Chairman Administration Mr Martin LEE Mr Jasper TSANG Ms Miriam LAU	Clause 2	
003350-003749	Chairman SALA2 Administration Mr Jasper TSANG Ms Miriam LAU	Comments of SALA2 on the Chinese text of the Bill and the Administration's response (LC Paper Nos. CB(2)591/07-08(01) and 850/07-08(01)) The Administration was requested to improve the drafting of the Chinese text of clause 8(3)	Admin to follow up

Time Marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
003750-004028	Chairman Ms Miriam LAU Clerk	Dates of resumption of Second Reading debate on the Bill and report to the House Committee	

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