

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Introducing legislation to regulate
clandestine photo-taking”
moved by Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 18 October 2006**

Motion as amended Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

“That, as there are from time to time complaints about serious invasion of personal privacy by some media organizations and earlier on, peep photos of a female artiste changing her clothes had been taken and published by a magazine which seriously invaded the privacy of the artiste and trampled on women’s dignity, thereby causing a great public outcry; this Council urges the Government to expeditiously take measures, including:

- (a) reviewing the imposition of sentence under the existing Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance and its overall implementation so that penalty with deterrent effect is imposed on the offenders;
- (b) studying the proposals on criminalizing the invasion of privacy, establishing a self-regulating commission and enacting additional civil tort law on privacy on the basis of the recommendations made by the Law Reform Commission on the protection of personal privacy in March this year and December 2004, and encouraging in-depth discussion among the media, the performing arts sector and the general public about the contents of the bill concerned; and
- (c) urging the media to exercise more self-discipline,

so as to strike a proper balance between protection of personal privacy and freedom of the press.”