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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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Motion on "Measures for combating drink driving"

Hon LEE Wing-tat has given notice to move the attached motion on "Measures for combating drink driving" at the Council meeting of 18 February 2009. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

(Mrs Justina LAM) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

Motion on "Measures for combating drink driving" to be moved by Hon LEE Wing-tat at the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday, 18 February 2009

Wording of the Motion

That, as several serious traffic accidents caused by drink driving have occurred recently, which resulted in a large number of casualties, reflecting that the awareness of the danger of drink driving among motorists is still weak, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) review the penalties for the drink driving offence by increasing the disqualification period to a minimum of 12 months or above upon first conviction of this offence as well as raising the maximum imprisonment term and fine for such an offence;
- (b) consider further tightening the legal limit of blood alcohol concentration;
- (c) lodge appeals to the Court by the Department of Justice against drink driving cases with relatively lenient sentences so as to allow the Judiciary to formulate more stringent sentencing criteria;
- (d) consider raising the maximum imprisonment term for dangerous driving causing death to the same level as that for manslaughter; and
- (e) enhance public education and publicity to enable motorists to understand the perils of drink driving,

so as to safeguard public safety.