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Paper for the House Committee meeting on 18 June 2010

Panel on Welfare Services

Report of the Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation

Purpose

This paper seeks the agreement of the House Committee to allocate a debate slot under Rule 14A(h) of the House Rules ("HR") to Hon Frederick FUNG, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation ("the Subcommittee") formed under the Panel on Welfare Services ("the Panel"), to move a motion on the Report of the Subcommittee at the Council meeting on 7 July 2010.

Report of the Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation

2. The Subcommittee was appointed by the Panel in January 2009 to study policies and measures relating to poverty alleviation and to make recommendations where necessary. The Subcommittee initially drew up a work plan which lasted for 12 months. In order to deal with a few outstanding matters, the Subcommittee considered it necessary to continue its work in the 2009-2010 session. Approval from the House Committee was obtained on 15 January 2010 for the Subcommittee to continue its work in the 2009-2010 session in accordance with HR 26(c).

3. The Subcommittee has held 12 meetings between February 2009 and May 2010 to discuss with the Administration and gauge the views from deputations on a number of issues of concern. The Subcommittee has summarised its discussions and drawn up a series of recommendations, and has submitted the Report (attached at LC Paper No. CB(2)1760/09-10) to the Panel.

Motion debate

4. In view of wide public concern about the poverty situation in Hong Kong, the Subcommittee considers that an opportunity should be provided for Members to express their views on the subject and for the Administration to provide its response. In this connection, the Subcommittee agreed at the meeting on 4 May 2010 that a motion on the Subcommittee's Report should be moved for debate at a Council meeting, and the agreement of the Panel and the House Committee should be sought for the priority allocation of a debate slot to the Subcommittee Chairman under HR 14A(h) for moving the motion. The debate slot would not be counted as the Subcommittee Chairman's own slot. The Panel endorsed the Subcommittee's Report at the meeting on 14 June 2010 and agreed with the proposal for a motion on the Subcommittee's Report to be moved for debate at the Council meeting on 7 July 2010. The wording of the motion, as endorsed by the Panel, is in the **Appendix**.

Advice sought

5. The House Committee's agreement is sought for the Panel's request in paragraph 4 above.

Council Business Division 2
Legislative Council Secretariat
15 June 2010

2010年7月7日(星期三)
立法會會議席上
馮檢基議員就
"滅貧事宜小組委員會的報告"提出的議案

議案措辭

"本會察悉滅貧事宜小組委員會的報告。"

(Translation)

**Motion on "Report of the Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation"
to be moved by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
at the Council meeting of Wednesday, 7 July 2010**

Wording of the Motion

"That this Council notes the Report of the Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation."