Bills Committee on The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Amendment) Bill 2011

Follow-up to the third meeting on 2 February 2012

Members requested The Hong Kong Polytechnic University ("PolyU") to -

- (a) provide information on the exit strategy formulated by PolyU in respect of its joint ventures or partnerships with external parties;
- (b) provide information on the copyright or other intellectual property rights of products developed by the University and how the University would protect such rights to ensure that the products developed by the University with public funds are not exploited by commercial organizations for profiteering;
- (c) confirm, with reference to the proposed sections 8(4A) and (4B), whether it is the University's intention that should the person proposed for appointment as President or Deputy President be a serving Council member, that person is not a member for the purpose of appointing himself or herself; and if so, how the relevant provisions will be amended to reflect such intent;
- (d) clarify whether the person appointed by the Council as acting President in accordance with section 8(5) of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Ordinance, is a member of the Council for the purposes of the appointment and removal of the President and Deputy President provided under the proposed sections 8(2) and (4) which require the votes of not less than two-thirds of all members for the time being;
- (e) consider the proposal of reducing the number of lay members appointed by the Chief Executive to the PolyU Council from nine to eight, and of increasing that appointed by the PolyU Council from eight to nine; and
- (f) provide a response on how the PolyU Council will deal with the representation of Legislative Council in the PolyU Council in appointing lay members to the PolyU Council under the proposed section 10 (1)(d)(ii) and whether it will undertake to comply with the six-year and six-board Rules in making appointments under the said section.