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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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Motion on "Expeditiously implementing the formulation of standard working hours"

Hon IP Wai-ming has given notice to move the attached motion on "Expeditiously implementing the formulation of standard working hours" at the Council meeting of 22 June 2011. 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 "Expeditiously implementing the formulation of standard working hours" to be moved by Hon IP Wai-ming at the Council meeting of 22 June 2011

Wording of the Motion

That after many years of striving by the labour sector, the Minimum Wage Ordinance formally came into force this year, marking a great step forward for labour rights and interests; yet, minimum wage and standard working hours must complement each other in order to be able to maximize the effect of protecting grassroots workers and facilitating Hong Kong's economic development; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to, having regard to the well-being of employees at large, spare no efforts in making preparations for enacting legislation on standard working hours and expeditiously implement the relevant tasks, including:

- (a) to set a deadline and timetable for conducting studies on regulating working hours;
- (b) to establish a 'study group on legislating for standard working hours' comprising representatives of the Government, employees and employers;
- (c) to regularly hold discussions in the Panel on Manpower of the Legislative Council, and report to the Labour Advisory Board on the progress, so as to strengthen the Legislative Council's function of monitoring the Government on the one hand, and increase the transparency of the relevant work on the other, with a view to enabling the public and the labour sector to know the progress of the studies;
- (d) to proactively ascertain the views of the trade unions of various industries and the relevant stakeholders on standard working hours; and
- (e) through various forms of publicity and education, to increase the public's knowledge and understanding of standard working hours.