(Translation)

Motion on "Alleviating the disparity between the rich and the poor" moved by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee at the Legislative Council meeting commencing on Wednesday, 24 November 2010

Motion as amended by Hon CHAN Kin-por and Hon WONG Kwok-hing

That, as the Government has for a long time over-emphasized individual industries and there is a lack of comprehensive and balanced development strategy, coupled with factors such as economic restructuring, have led to the deterioration of the disparity between the rich and the poor, the continuous increase in the poverty population and the gradual intensification of class conflicts in society; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to establish a high-level committee to comprehensively review and study in-depth various aspects ranging from the Government's concepts and principles of governance to the formulation of policies and implementation of measures, in particular issues such as the population policy causing a substantial increase in the demand for low-skill and low-qualification jobs and ways of creating large numbers of elementary posts, to formulate, through public engagement and consultation, comprehensive and sustainable social and economic development strategies that give consideration to all social strata, effectively, fairly and impartially allocate social resources and narrow the disparity between the rich and the poor, and at the same time implement appropriate poverty alleviation measures and set targets on eradicating poverty, so as to enable all social strata, especially the socially disadvantaged, to truly share the fruit of economic success and promote the harmonious development of society.