

(Translation)

**Motion on  
“Formulating an industrial policy”  
moved by Hon Andrew LEUNG  
at the Council meeting of 8 February 2012**

**Motion as amended by Hon IP Wai-ming and Hon Ronny TONG**

That, since the nineties of the last century, the massive northward relocation of factories created a structural problem of industrial imbalance in Hong Kong and large numbers of grass-roots and skilled workers became unemployed or underemployed due to industrial shrinkage, the unhealthy phenomenon of society relying solely on a handful of industries to support its economy has progressively emerged; in order to ease the problem concerned and develop industrial diversification, this Council urges the SAR Government to formulate a comprehensive policy to promote high value-adding, new technology-intensive and innovative industries as well as industries capable of sustainable development and creating massive employment opportunities, and at the same time, re-design the relevant manpower training, including reviewing the Apprenticeship Ordinance and extending the relevant system to various emerging industries, as well as providing land and financial facilitation and support to emerging industries, so as to ensure Hong Kong’s long-term economic development and different employment opportunities for local workers; besides, this Council also urges the SAR Government to create a favourable environment conducive to setting up businesses, promote better employment relationship, and expeditiously study setting standard working hours and standardizing the number of general holidays for the relevant trades.