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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 29 February 2012

Motion on "Expanding land resources"

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming has given notice to move the attached motion on "Expanding land resources" at the Council meeting of 29 February 2012. 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

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(Translation)

Motion on "Expanding land resources" to be moved by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming at the Council meeting of 29 February 2012

Wording of the Motion

That the Government estimates that Hong Kong's population will reach 8.9 million in 2039, while the number of households will reach 3.1 million; in the Policy Address announced last year, the Chief Executive stated that the Government would innovate to expand land resources, so as to meet the demand of housing and economic development; recently, the authorities have also conducted consultation on the development of rock caverns and possible reclamation sites outside the Victoria Harbour; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) formulate a concrete policy and timetable for materializing the concept of land reserve, and build a land reserve under a sustainable development approach, so as to formulate long-term land planning and stabilize land supply;
- (b) innovate to encourage residential development projects on private lands, including studying allowing owners of private lands to participate in the land development of new development areas or new towns, appropriately relaxing the plot ratio for rural residential land, and enhancing the transparency of premium payment;
- (c) review the existing compensation mechanism for land resumption, so as to expedite the Government's pace of land resumption for building new towns or new development areas;
- (d) comprehensively look into the use of green belt areas and agricultural land in the New Territories which are devegetated, deserted or formed, thus no longer performing their original functions, and convert them into housing sites;
- (e) before finalizing any reclamation works project outside the Victoria Harbour, release as a mandatory requirement important information such as environmental impact and project costs, etc. for conducting intensive consultation with affected stakeholders, and make

compensation in respect of affected fishermen and the ecological environment; and

(f) expedite the construction of the Northern Link with a view to driving land development in the Northwest New Territories.