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LegCo to debate a motion on calling upon persons intending to run in the Chief Executive Election to respond to people's aspirations

The Legislative Council will hold a meeting on Wednesday (October 19) at 11 am in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Complex. During the meeting, Members will debate a motion on calling upon persons intending to run in the Chief Executive Election to respond to people's aspirations.

The motion, to be moved by Hon Alan LEONG, states: "That, given that the Chief Executive Election is approaching, but only the 1 200 members of the Election Committee have the right to vote, this Council calls upon those persons who intend to run in the next Chief Executive Election to put forward specific propositions on safeguarding Hong Kong people's core values, and actively respond to the aspirations of the seven million people; the relevant propositions must include:

(a) respecting human rights, improving people's livelihood, defending people's long-term interests and making actual efforts to resolve the deep-rooted conflicts in society;

(b) persevering in the realization of a democratic political system and abolishing the functional constituency seats as well as the separate voting arrangement in the Legislative Council in 2016;

(c) protecting freedom of the press and of speech, and undertaking not to enact legislation to implement Article 23 of the Basic Law before the full implementation of genuine universal suffrage; and

(d) upholding the spirit of the rule of law and defending judicial independence, so as to fully implement Article 35 of the Basic Law."

Hon Frederick FUNG and Hon TAM Yiu-chung will move separate amendments to Hon Alan LEONG's motion.

Hon WONG Ting-kwong will move a motion on opposing foreign domestic helpers' enjoyment of the right of abode in Hong Kong. The motion, states: "That, as the enjoyment of the right of abode in Hong Kong by foreign domestic helpers ('FDHs') will impose a heavy burden on Hong Kong's economy, employment market, education, healthcare, housing and welfare, etc., and have far-reaching consequences, thus giving rise to widespread public concern, this Council opposes FDHs' enjoyment of the right of abode in Hong Kong."

Hon WONG Kwok-hing, Hon Alan LEONG, Hon James TO and Hon Paul TSE will move separate amendments to Hon WONG Ting-kwong's motion.

Hon Emily LAU will also move a motion on appointment of a select committee. The motion, states: "That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into whether managerial staff and investors of Asia Television Limited ('ATV') or other persons have acted unduly in the misreporting of the death of Mr JIANG Zemin to interfere with ATV's editorial freedom with an aim to influence ATV's news report; to inquire into whether ATV has added advertisement content into news and information programmes being broadcast which unduly produces 'paid news'; and to inquire into whether the above incidents have violated broadcasting rules or regulations and related laws of Hong Kong, as well as related matters, and based on the results of the above inquiries, to make recommendations on the regulation of domestic free television programme service by the Government and the safeguarding of editorial freedom of the press, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance."

Meanwhile, Hon WONG Sing-chi will move a resolution under the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance to seek the Council's approval to extend the period of amending the Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Regulation and the Residential Care Homes (Persons with Disabilities) Ordinance (Commencement) Notice 2011, which laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 6 July 2011, to the meeting of 9 November 2011.

Hon Miriam LAU will move a resolution under the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance to seek the Council's approval to extend the period of amending the Securities and Futures (Contracts Limits and Reportable Positions) (Amendment) Rules 2011, which laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 13 July 2011, to the meeting of 9 November 2011.

Members will also ask the Administration 20 questions on various policy areas, six of which require oral replies.

The agenda of the above meeting can be obtained via the LegCo website (<http://www.legco.gov.hk>). Please note that the agenda is subject to change, and the latest information about the agenda could be found in the LegCo website.

Members of the public are welcome to observe the proceedings of the meeting from the public galleries of the Chamber of the Legislative Council Complex. They may reserve seats by calling 3919 3399 during office hours. Seats will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Members of the public can also watch or listen to the meeting via the web broadcast system on the Legislative Council homepage.

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