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Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2012

**Minutes of first meeting on
Friday, 18 January 2013, at 2:00 pm
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun (Deputy Chairman)
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yeet, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon YIU Si-wing
Hon Charles Peter MOK
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP
Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
Hon TANG Ka-piu
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP
Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen

Members absent : Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, SBS, JP

Clerk in attendance: Ms Annette LAM
Chief Council Secretary (1)3

Staff in attendance : Ms Kitty CHENG
Assistant Legal Adviser 5

Ms Sophie LAU
Chief Council Secretary (1)2

Miss Rita YUNG
Council Secretary (1)3

Ms May LEUNG
Legislative Assistant (1)3

Ms Yvonna HO
Clerical Assistant (1)3

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr LEE Cheuk-yan, the member who had the highest precedence among members of the Bills Committee present at the meeting, presided at the election of the chairmanship of the Bills Committee. Mr LEE invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Bills Committee.

2. Ms Starry LEE was nominated by Mr WONG Ting-kwong and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Kam-lam. Ms Starry LEE accepted the nomination.

3. Ms Emily LAU considered that Members of the Executive Council should not take up chairmanship of the Bills Committee. Mr LEE Cheuk-yan said that the Rules of Procedures and the House Rules of the Legislative Council (LegCo) did not have any specific restriction in this respect. Ms Starry LEE responded that should she be elected as the Chairman of the Bills Committee, she would chair the meeting in a fair and open manner.

4. Mr LEE Cheuk-yan asked if there were other nominations. Mr James TO was nominated by Mr Kenneth LEUNG and the nomination was seconded by Ms Emily LAU. Mr James TO accepted the nomination. There was no other nomination.

5. Mr LEE Cheuk-yan announced that voting be conducted by secret ballot. After members present had cast their votes, Mr LEE Cheuk-yan invited Mr WONG Ting-kwong and Mr Kenneth LEUNG, who had nominated the two candidates, to monitor the counting of votes. Of the members present, 15 voted for Ms Starry LEE and seven voted for Mr James TO. Mr LEE Cheuk-yan declared that Ms Starry LEE was elected as the Chairman of the Bills Committee. Ms Starry LEE then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

6. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Bills Committee. Mr James TO was nominated by Mr James TIEN and the nomination was seconded by Mr Kenneth LEUNG. Mr James TO accepted the nomination. There being no other nominations, Mr James TO was declared the Deputy Chairman of the Bills Committee.

II. Way forward

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-- The Bill

-- Legislative Council Brief
issued by the Transport and
Housing Bureau

LC Paper No. LS17/12-13

-- Legal Service Division
Report)

7. The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

Invitation of views

8. Members agreed to invite relevant organizations, the 18 District Councils, and members of the public to give views on the Bill. Members considered and expressed views on the proposed list of organizations to be invited to give views tabled at the meeting. The Chairman invited members to inform the Secretariat by 22 January 2013 any specific organizations they wished to invite.

(Post-meeting note: An invitation for public submissions on the Bill was uploaded onto the LegCo website on 22 January 2013. Letters inviting views of the District Councils and relevant organizations endorsed by the Bills Committee were issued on 23 January 2013.)

Dates of future meetings

9. By show of hands, Members agreed to the following meeting schedule for the next three meetings of the Bills Committee:

- (a) 25 January 2013 (Friday) from 8:30 am to 10:30 am to meet with the Administration;
- (b) 4 February 2013 (Monday) from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm to meet with the Administration; and
- (c) 18 February 2013 (Monday) from 9:00 am to 12:45 pm to meet with deputations and the Administration. The duration of the meeting would depend on the number of deputations attending.

III. Any other business

10. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:25 pm.

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**Proceedings of the first meeting of
the Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2012
on Friday, 18 January 2013, at 2:00 pm
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
000056 – 000956	Mr LEE Cheuk-yan Mr WONG Ting-kwong Mr CHAN Kam-lam Ms Starry LEE Ms Emily LAU Mr Kenneth LEUNG Mr James TO	<u>Election of Chairman</u> Ms Starry LEE was elected Chairman of the Bills Committee.	
000957 – 001112	Chairman Mr James TIEN Mr Kenneth LEUNG Mr James TO	<u>Election of Deputy Chairman</u> Mr James TO was elected Deputy Chairman of the Bills Committee.	
001113 – 001537	Chairman Mr CHAN Kam-lam Mr James TIEN Mr James TO Mr WONG Kwok-hing	<u>Invitation of views</u> Mr CHAN Kam-lam and Mr WONG Kwok-hing said that the Bills Committee should invite relevant organizations and members of the public to give views on the Bill. Mr James TIEN suggested that foreign chambers of commerce of major economies, such as the United States, Britain and Japan, should be invited to give views on the Bill. Mr James TO said the organizations/individuals which/who had made written and/or oral representations to the Bills Committee on Stamp Duty (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill 2010 should be invited to give views on the Bill.	
001538 – 002522	Chairman Mr WONG Kwok-kin Mr Ronny TONG Miss CHAN Yuen-han Mr James TIEN Ms Emily LAU Ms Cyd HO Mr Charles MOK Mr Tony TSE Mr WONG Ting-kwong Mr James TO	<u>Meeting arrangements</u>	

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