

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Following up the matter on Mr SNOWDEN’s disclosure of the
United States Government’s hacking into
the computer systems in Hong Kong”
moved by Hon MA Fung-kwok
at the Council meeting of 17 July 2013**

Motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai

That the Hong Kong authorities have all along stressed that they attach much importance to the Government’s internal information security capabilities, but Mr SNOWDEN, a former technical assistant for the Central Intelligence Agency of the United States (‘US’), disclosed during a media interview the matter on the US Government’s surveillance of and hacking into Hong Kong’s communications networks, which indicates that there is room for improvement on the part of the authorities in respect of information security and cyber security; this Council expresses strong dissatisfaction with the US Government in this regard, and urges the SAR Government to request clarification from the US Government, so as to safeguard the security of cyber communications in Hong Kong, and at the same time, to review and strengthen the monitoring of online security systems and enhance their technological level, so as to ensure the protection of Hong Kong people’s privacy.