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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 3 July 2013

Motion on "Formulating a population policy"

Hon IP Kwok-him has given notice to move the attached motion on "Formulating a population policy" at the Council meeting of 3 July 2013. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

(Ms Dora WAI) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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(Translation)

Motion on "Formulating a population policy" to be moved by Hon IP Kwok-him at the Council meeting of 3 July 2013

Wording of the Motion

That manpower resources are the cornerstone of Hong Kong's success, but with the average age of the population continuing to rise and the fertility rate fluctuating downwards, Hong Kong has gradually become 'an ageing society with fewer children', and such a trend of demographic change will pose a severe challenge to Hong Kong's sustainable development; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously announce a comprehensive population policy, and conduct public consultation on the objectives of the population policy and related recommendations; at the same time, the Government should establish a dedicated population policy implementation framework to facilitate the co-ordination and continuous promotion of the short, medium and long-term population policies, and regularly review the effectiveness of various policies and make timely adjustments to them, so as to address the challenge of demographic change to society.