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Arrangements for meeting-cum-luncheons between Legislative Council Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors

Purpose

This paper seeks Members' views on the arrangements for holding regular meetings between Members of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") and Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk.

Background

2. Commencing from the first session (i.e. the 2000-2001 session) of the Second LegCo, meetings have been organized for LegCo Members to meet with Heung Yee Kuk Councillors on a regular basis to enhance communication and to exchange views on matters of mutual interest and concern.

Proposed arrangements

- 3. For the Fifth LegCo, it is proposed that meetings between Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors should continue to be held, and that the format of meetings and other related arrangements should follow those adopted in the past. The details are as follows -
 - (a) Frequency: one to two meetings in a legislative session;
 - (b) Format and duration of meeting: a meeting of one and a half hours, to be followed by lunch;

- (c) Date and time of meeting: to be determined by the Chairman of the House Committee in consultation with the Chairman of Heung Yee Kuk;
- (d) *Agenda*: the Chairman of Heung Yee Kuk to be consulted on the discussion topics, and the agenda to be issued after clearance with the Chairman of the House Committee;
- (e) Attendance: interested LegCo Members and 15 Heung Yee Kuk Councillors to be nominated by Heung Yee Kuk;
- (f) Convenor of meeting: the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the House Committee to preside at the meeting; and
- (g) *Venue of meeting and lunch*: the meeting to be held in Conference Room 1, to be followed by lunch in the Dining Hall.
- 4. In addition, the following new arrangements are proposed -
 - (a) to facilitate discussion at the meetings, copies of the Administration's written replies on the discussion topics, where available, will be forwarded to Heung Yee Kuk Councillors prior to the meeting; and
 - (b) to enhance public awareness of this area of liaison work of LegCo, a photo press release with a list of the topics discussed and a list of the attending LegCo Members will be issued after the meeting.
- 5. Subject to Members' views on the proposed arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 above, the LegCo Secretariat will proceed to organize the first meeting between LegCo Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors in the Fifth LegCo, in consultation with the Chairman of the House Committee.

Members' advice

6. Members are invited to endorse the proposed arrangements set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 above.

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