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**Establishment Subcommittee of the Finance Committee**

**Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting**  
**held in Conference Room 1 of Legislative Council Complex**  
**on Wednesday, 28 May 2014, at 8:30 am**

**Members present:**

Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP (Chairman)  
Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Deputy Chairman)  
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP  
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP  
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP  
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS  
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung  
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin  
Hon YIU Si-wing  
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki  
Hon KWOK Wai-keung  
Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, JP  
Hon IP Kin-yuen  
Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kwong, JP  
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH  
Hon TANG Ka-piu  
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

**Member attending:**

Hon Charles Peter MOK

**Member absent:**

Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP

**Public Officers attending:**

Ms Esther LEUNG, JP	Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)1
Mr Eddie MAK Tak-wai, JP	Deputy Secretary for the Civil Service (1)
Ms Doris CHEUNG, JP	Deputy Secretary for Labour and Welfare (Welfare)1
Mr FUNG Pak-yan, JP	Deputy Director of Social Welfare (Administration)
Miss Sheila KONG	Principal Social Work Officer (Information Systems and Technology), Social Welfare Department
Mr LEE Tat-hong	Senior Systems Manager (Information Systems and Technology), Social Welfare Department
Mr Gregory SO, GBS, JP	Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development
Miss Susie HO, JP	Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Technology)
Mr Joe WONG, JP	Deputy Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Technology)
Miss Janet WONG, JP	Commissioner for Innovation and Technology
Mr Johann WONG, JP	Deputy Commissioner for Innovation and Technology
Mr Daniel LAI, BBS, JP	Government Chief Information Officer
Mr Victor LAM, JP	Deputy Government Chief Information Officer (Consulting and Operations)
Miss Joey LAM, JP	Deputy Government Chief Information Officer (Policy and Community)

**Clerk in attendance:**

Ms Connie SZETO	Chief Council Secretary (1)4
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**Staff in attendance:**

Mr Andy LAU	Assistant Secretary General 1
Mr Hugo CHIU	Council Secretary (1)4
Ms Alice CHEUNG	Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1
Ms Clara LO	Legislative Assistant (1)9
Miss Yannes HO	Legislative Assistant (1)10

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The Chairman drew members' attention to the information paper ECI(2014-15)2 which set out the latest changes in the directorate establishment approved since 2002. She then reminded members that in accordance with Rule 83A of the Rules of Procedure (RoP) of the Legislative Council (LegCo), they should disclose the nature of any direct or indirect pecuniary interests relating to the funding proposals under discussion at the meeting before they spoke on the item. She also drew members' attention to Rule 84 of RoP on voting or withdrawal in case of direct pecuniary interest.

**EC(2014-15)6      Proposed redeployment of one permanent post of Principal Social Work Officer (D1) in the Social Welfare Department for heading and providing directorate steer to the Information Systems and Technology Branch**

2.      The Chairman said that the Administration's proposal was to redeploy one permanent post of Principal Social Work Officer (D1) in the Social Welfare Department (SWD) for heading and providing directorate steer to the Information Systems and Technology Branch.

3.      The Chairman advised that the Panel on Welfare Services had been consulted on the proposal at its meeting on 14 April 2014. While Panel members supported the proposal in general, some members expressed concern about the need to deploy a directorate officer for the duties concerned. The Administration advised that owing to the growing scope and complexity of information technology development within SWD and in the social welfare sector, it was considered necessary to deploy a directorate officer for undertaking the proposed duties.

4.      In response to Mr POON Siu-ping's enquiry, Deputy Director of Social Welfare (Administration) remarked that same as the existing arrangement, the proposed post, which had been created on a supernumerary basis since 2005, would continue to be filled by SWD staff after approval of the permanent redeployment.

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5. The item was voted on. Members agreed that the Subcommittee should recommend the item to the Finance Committee (FC) for approval.

**EC(2014-15)7 Proposed creation of three non-civil service positions of one Director of Bureau, one Deputy Director of Bureau and one Political Assistant to Director of Bureau and four permanent posts of one Administrative Officer Staff Grade A1 (D8), one Administrative Officer Staff Grade B (D3) and two Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) to establish a new Innovation and Technology Bureau with effect from the commencement date of the resolution proposed to be passed under section 54A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) for the transfer of the statutory functions**

6. The Chairman said that the Administration's proposal was to create three non-civil service positions of one Director of Bureau, one Deputy Director of Bureau and one Political Assistant to Director of Bureau and four permanent posts of one Administrative Officer Staff Grade A1 (D8) (AOSGA1), one Administrative Officer Staff Grade B (D3) and two Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) to establish a new Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB) with effect from the commencement date of the resolution proposed to be passed under section 54A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) for the transfer of the statutory function (the proposed Resolution).

7. The Chairman advised that the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting (ITB Panel) had been consulted on the proposal at its meeting on 14 April 2014. While most Panel members supported the proposal in principle for the sustainable development of Hong Kong's innovation and technology and information technology (I&T) sector, some Panel members were opposed to the proposal and considered that the Administration should explore alternatives, such as redeploying duties of existing directorate officers or creating a directorate post of Permanent Secretary in the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (CEDB) to take up work relating to the development of I&T in Hong Kong. ITB Panel subsequently held a special meeting on 3 May 2014 to receive views from deputations on the Administration's proposal of establishing ITB. The majority of the attending deputations at the special meeting expressed support for the Administration's proposal and ITB Panel also passed two motions at the meeting urging the Administration to expedite the establishment of ITB.

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8. The Chairman further advised that the Panel on Commerce and Industry (CI Panel) had been consulted on the proposal at its meeting on 15 April 2014. While Panel members supported the establishment of ITB in principle, some Panel members considered that certain policy areas, including creative industries, intellectual property (IP), telecommunications and broadcasting should be placed under the purview of ITB. Panel members also hoped that ITB would explore relevant measures to promote investment in research and development (R&D) activities by both the public and private sectors. CI Panel passed a motion expressing support for the Administration to expedite the establishment of ITB.

*(The Chairman instructed that the speaking time for the first, second, third and fourth round of questions would be five, five, four and two minutes respectively.)*

The need to establish the proposed Innovation and Technology Bureau

9. Mr WONG Ting-kwong conveyed the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong's support for the proposal and pointed out that ITB Panel, CI Panel, I&T sector and society had positive feedbacks on the establishment of ITB. Noting that some Members had indicated that they might "filibuster" the proposal, Mr WONG was concerned that establishment of ITB would be delayed. Mr POON Siu-ping also expressed support for the proposal in principle. He enquired about the timetable of the establishment of ITB and whether the Administration already had preferred candidates for the posts of the Secretary of Innovation and Technology (SIT) and Under Secretary of Innovation and Technology.

10. Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (SCED) responded that the Administration was actively pursuing the establishment of ITB. Apart from seeking FC's approval on the staffing proposal concerned which was planned for submission to the FC's meeting on 27 June 2014, the Administration had given notice on 20 May 2014 to move the proposed Resolution under section 54A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) at LegCo meeting of 18 June 2014 to provide for the transfer of the related statutory functions under the Electronic Transactions Ordinance (Cap. 553) from the relevant officers in the existing CEDB to the new ITB. Passage of the proposed Resolution was required to effect the establishment of ITB. The proposed Resolution would commence on the 14<sup>th</sup> day after the date on which FC approved the proposal relating to the establishment of ITB. If the proposed Resolution was made and passed by LegCo after the date on which FC approved the proposal in question, the proposed Resolution would commence on the 14<sup>th</sup> day after it was made and

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passed. SCED added that he could not offer any comment on possible candidates for the SIT post as it would be the Chief Executive (CE) who submit the nomination for the post to the Central People's Government (CPG) for consideration in making the appointment.

11. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung remarked that during the discussion of the Administration's proposal he would try his best to demand the Administration to give a detailed account for refusing to grant a domestic free television programme service licence to the Hong Kong Television Network Limited (HKTV). Pointing out that the establishment of ITB was part of the Administration's plan to re-organize the Government Secretariat pursued in mid-2012 but had failed at the end, Mr LEUNG opined that the Administration should review the tasks which the existing CEDB could not accomplish without establishing the new ITB. He enquired whether the Administration had assessed the need of establishing ITB in the long-run. In his views, it would be more appropriate for the Administration to create posts of Permanent Secretary and the corresponding supporting staff in CEDB to take up the responsibilities instead.

12. Dr KWOK Ka-ki questioned the efficacy of the proposed ITB in promoting the development of I&T in Hong Kong. He criticized that the Administration's refusal to grant a domestic free television programme service licence to HKTV had run contrary to its initiatives of promoting Hong Kong's creative industries and developing the I&T sector. Dr KWOK further commented that the Administration had not introduced relevant measures, such as increasing the provision of tertiary institution places in the related fields and providing suitable premises for operation of creative industries, to facilitate and complement development of the I&T sector. Moreover, previous I&T projects like Cyberport had become property projects ultimately. He queried whether the Administration had implemented concrete measures and conduct relevant reviews in promoting the development of I&T in Hong Kong in the past two years.

13. SCED responded that the I&T sector supported early establishment of ITB to provide more dedicated and focused high level leadership and stronger support for the development of Hong Kong's I&T industries, and most of the participants of ITB Panel's special meeting on 3 May 2014 had echoed the same view and support. The objectives of setting up ITB had been clearly set out in EC(2014-15)7. SCED clarified that the proposed ITB was not related to the matter of granting of domestic free television programme service licences. Commissioner for Innovation and Technology (CIT) supplemented that ITB would be dedicated to the promotion of I&T and would formulate the relevant policies and measures, including further enhancement of the Public Sector Trial Scheme established under the

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Innovation and Technology Fund (ITF) to promote the realization and commercialization of R&D results in the public sector and enhancing private sector's investment in R&D. CIT added that the establishment of ITB would strengthen cross-bureau coordination and cooperation on policy matters, such as development of biotechnology and drugs.

14. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung was concerned about the adverse impact of the policy blunder of ITF happened some years before. Noting that ITB would be involved in enhancing Hong Kong's cooperation with the Mainland on I&T issues, Mr LEUNG was concerned that ITB might exercise pressure on Hong Kong's regulators (like the Securities and Futures Commission) for providing exemptions for Mainland's I&T companies when these companies applied for listing in Hong Kong. Mr LEUNG added that problems in ITF as revealed in the Director of Audit's Report No. 61 (the Audit Report) might imply the potential weaknesses of the future ITB. He further considered that ITC should provide a list of its accomplished tasks to LegCo.

15. CIT responded that ITF had been established for over ten years and it was understandable for the Audit Commission (AC) to conduct a value for money audit on the Fund's operation. She stressed that the Audit Report had not identified any serious problems or integrity issues on ITF and had proposed a number of improvement measures pertaining to the operation of the Fund. The Innovation and Technology Commission (ITC) welcomed AC's recommendations and had been taking follow-up actions in areas concerned, and had been reporting to CI Panel on progress in implementing the improvement measures as appropriate.

16. Mr Charles Peter MOK remarked that a number of Hong Kong's neighboring jurisdictions had established dedicated government agencies for promoting the development of their I&T industries. Stressing the need for Hong Kong to enhance its competitiveness in this front, he conveyed the support of the I&T sector for the proposed ITB. While Mr MOK understood that some Members had reservations on the Administration's proposal as they were dissatisfied with the work of the current term Government, he urged that Members should consider the proposal on its own merits. He considered that Members could monitor the work of the future ITB instead of objecting its establishment.

Structure and scope of work of the proposed Innovation and Technology Bureau

17. While expressing support for establishing the new ITB, Mr CHUNG Kwok-pan opined that given that creative industries and IP were directly related to I&T, the two policy areas should be put under the purview of ITB.

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18. SCED responded that the application of I&T by a certain industry was only among the various factors taken into account in determining whether the industry concerned should be put under ITB. SCED pointed out that creative industries had a very wide scope covering films and design technology, and some of the industries might not have a heavy involvement in I&T. Creative industries and IP would remain in the new Communication and Creative Industries Branch (CIB) of the re-organized CEDB for meeting the objective to promote their development from the perspective of economic development. SCED assured members that CIB and the proposed ITB would collaborate as necessary to achieve synergy in their work.

19. Dr KWOK Ka-ki pointed out that telecommunications, broadcasting and creative industries were instrumental to the development of I&T. The strong ties between these elements were also reflected in the institutional arrangements of a number of government agencies set up by neighbouring jurisdictions like Japan and South Korea for promoting their respective I&T sectors. Referring to public concern about possible political influence over the granting of domestic free television programme service licences, Dr KWOK queried whether excluding the policy areas of telecommunications and broadcasting from the purview of the proposed ITB was a political decision, and considered that the Administration should provide a paper setting out the justifications for keeping the two policy areas under the re-organized CEDB. Dr KWOK further enquired whether the Administration had commissioned relevant consultancy studies in formulating the structure of the proposed ITB. He was concerned that the current proposed set up would lead to a multi-layered governing structure and pose problems to the work of future ITB. In this connection, Mr Charles Peter MOK pointed out that the dedicated agencies set up for promotion of I&T sector in a number of jurisdictions like Singapore, South Korea, and Taiwan, had not covered creative industries.

20. SCED stressed that through creating the new ITB, the Administration would concentrate its resources on I&T-related issues. He reiterated that EC(2014-15)7 had set out the objectives and work of the proposed ITB, and that the community at large was also supportive of the proposal. The proposal did not involve any political considerations. Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Technology) (PSCED) supplemented that the Administration recognized the importance of I&T to Hong Kong's development. The proposed ITB would provide the focused attention, dedicated leadership and high-level co-ordination to promote further development of I&T. Moreover, the industry and academic sector in general considered that the establishment of ITB would help demonstrate the

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Administration's commitment in developing I&T in Hong Kong. She stressed that the Administration had put forward the proposal in accordance with the established mechanism, and there was no hidden agenda behind the proposal.

21. PSCED advised that at present, responsibilities under the policy areas of telecommunications and broadcasting mainly involved licensing and regulatory work and were discharged by the existing Communications and Technology Branch of CEBD and the Communications Authority. There was also no strong correlation between the regulatory policies and functions in respect of telecommunications and broadcasting and I&T promotion. The existing structure for undertaking duties on these policy areas was working effectively. PSCED added that where necessary, the proposed ITB could cooperate with other bureaux, in particular the re-organized CEDB, in formulating and implementing measures relating to telecommunications, broadcasting and creative industries as appropriate. As regards experiences in other jurisdictions, she said that the institutional set up of the dedicated government agencies for promoting the I&T sector and related industries varied and the structures had taken into account their respective unique circumstances. For instance, the United Kingdom and the Australia had set up the Department of Culture, Media and Sports; and the Ministry of Arts respectively for overseeing a number of policy areas including creative industries. PSCED further remarked that as the Administration was conversant with the organization of the Government Secretariat, it was appropriate for itself, instead of consultants, to work out the structure of the proposed ITB.

Funding procedure for the establishment of the proposed Innovation and Technology Bureau

22. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung questioned the appropriateness for the Administration to submit the staffing proposal for LegCo's approval at the moment given that LegCo had yet to pass the proposed Resolution and CPG had yet to consider CE's nomination for the post of SIT. Mr LEUNG enquired if the expenditure associated with the establishment of the proposed ITB had been incorporated in the Appropriation Bill 2014; and if not, it would be even more necessary for Members to examine the proposal in a prudent manner.

23. Mr Kenneth LEUNG sought details on the funding procedure for the establishment of the proposed ITB, including the creation of head of expenditure (head) and sub-heads of expenditure (sub-heads) for the new bureau. Noting the different approval mechanisms of the Appropriation Bill and additional funding commitments resulting in changes to the approved

Estimates of Expenditure with the former and the latter subject to the approval of LegCo and FC respectively, Mr LEUNG was concerned that the approval of a huge sum of additional funding commitments by FC could undermine LegCo's function in monitoring public expenditure. The case resembled the situation where the Administration sought approval for a substantial amount of additional expenditure after passage of the Appropriation Bill concerned.

24. Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)1 (DS(Tsy)1) explained that according to Section 5 of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) (PFO), the heads contained in the estimates of expenditure for a financial year should be included in an Appropriation Bill which should be introduced into LegCo for approval concurrently as the estimates. Expenditure for the financial year on the services of the Government should be arranged in accordance with the heads and subheads and be limited by the provision in each subhead shown in the approved estimates of expenditure. In the course of the year, if the Administration intended to implement measures that required changes to the approved estimates of expenditure (e.g. civil service pay adjustment or transfer of funds to the Disaster Relief Fund), it had to submit relevant funding proposals for FC's approval under section 8 of PFO. At the close of account for a financial year, if it was found that expenditure charged to any head was in excess of the sum appropriated for that head by the Appropriation Ordinance for that financial year, the excess amount would be included in a Supplementary Appropriation Bill to be introduced into LegCo as soon as practicable after the close of that financial year.

25. In the case of establishment of the proposed ITB, DS(Tsy)1 advised that as the relevant heads and sub-heads for the proposed ITB had not been included in the draft Estimates of Expenditure introduced under the Appropriation Bill 2014, they could only be created together with the estimated funding provision through changes to the approved Estimates of Expenditure (following passage of the Appropriation Bill) upon specific approval of FC under Section 8 of PFO. However, the actual net increase in total government expenditure arising from this proposal could only be worked out at the close of accounts for the financial year 2014-15. On the other hand, as the creation of ITB also involved changes to the directorate establishment, the staffing proposal had to be considered by the Subcommittee before it was to be submitted to FC for approval under Section 8 of PFO in accordance with the established procedures. DS(Tsy)1 advised that upon FC's approval of the financial proposal relating to the establishment of ITB and the passage of the proposed Resolution by LegCo, the relevant changes would be made to the 2014-15 approved Estimates. The Administration would also examine whether the actual remaining balance in Head 106 (i.e. Miscellaneous Services) were sufficient to cover the actual additional expenditure in the financial year

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2014-15 and would include the net additional amount required, if any, at the close of accounts for the financial year if necessary. DS(Tsy)1 added that FC's approval of the financial proposal for the creation of ITB should be taken as FC's approval of Government incurring recurrent expenditure for the new ITB with effect from 2014-15.

26. In response to the enquiry raised by Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung and Mr Kenneth LEUNG regarding the Controlling Officer of ITB and the responsible Principal Official before establishment of the new bureau, DS(Tsy)1 responded that there should be a Controlling Officer for every head and the Permanent Secretary for Innovation and Technology (an AOSGA1 post pitched at D8) (PSIT) would be designated as the Controlling Officer of ITB. PSCED supplemented that the Controlling Officer of ITB (i.e. PSIT) would be in post when ITB commenced operation. Deputy Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Technology) added that the additional cost arising from the establishment of ITB (which mainly consisted of staff cost and operational expenses) was some \$29 million. The cost was lower than that set out in EC(2014-15)7 as provisions in three heads relating to the re-organized CEDB which were incorporated in the approved estimates of expenditure would be redeployed to the new head for the proposed ITB.

Motions proposed by members in accordance with paragraphs 31A and 32 of the Establishment Subcommittee Procedure

27. At 9:36 am, the Chairman informed members that Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung had forwarded to her a motion (motion 001) in accordance with paragraph 32 of the Establishment Subcommittee Procedure (ESC Procedure) proposing that discussion on item EC(2014-15)7 be adjourned, and 60 proposed motions (motion 002 to 061) in accordance with paragraph 31A of ESC Procedure to express views on the item.

28. The Chairman ordered that motion 001 be dealt with first, and put the question that discussion on item EC(2014-15)7 be adjourned. She said that pursuant to paragraph 32 of ESC Procedure, each member could speak on the motion only once and for not more than three minutes.

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The wording of the motion was as follows:

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(Translation)

While the proposed establishment of ITB would result in significant changes to the structure of Government Secretariat, the Administration's public consultation work is inadequate as it has only consulted ITB Panel and CI Panel at their meetings on 14 April 2014 and 15 April 2014 respectively and received the views of organizations and the public at the special meeting of ITB Panel on 3 May 2014. As such, I propose in accordance with paragraph 32 of the Establishment Subcommittee Procedure that the discussion on the item EC(2014-15)7 be adjourned.

29. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung said that he was opposed to the establishment of ITB. He pointed out that there were previous criticisms about ITC's ineffective management over ITF, and opined that the problem could not be resolved with establishment of ITB. Mr LEUNG added that in lieu of creating the proposed ITB, the Administration could pursue other means in promoting Hong Kong's R&D, such as providing tax incentives to encourage R&D investment by enterprises. He re-iterated that a number of I&T-related initiatives implemented by the Administration, such as the Cyberport and the Hong Kong Science Park, had eventually turned into property projects. The Administration should first conduct public consultation on the proposal to establish ITB.

30. Mr Christopher CHEUNG pointed out that ITB Panel had passed two motions at its special meeting on 3 May 2014 urging the Administration to expedite the establishment of ITB, and that Hong Kong should catch up with neighbouring jurisdictions in the development of I&T. He urged that Members should not delay the Administration's proposal and the Subcommittee should vote on the item as soon as possible.

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31. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung made a concluding remark by highlighting the criticisms set out in the Audit Report relating to ITF.

32. The Chairman put the motion to vote. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung claimed a division. Of the 15 members present, two voted for the motion, 11 voted against it and one abstained. The Chairman declared that the motion was negated. The voting results of individual members were as follows -

*For*

Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung (2 members)	Dr KWOK Ka-ki
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*Against*

Mr WONG Ting-kwong	Ms Starry LEE
Mr WONG Kwok-kin	Mr Steven HO
Mr Kenneth LEUNG	Mr KWOK Wai-keung
Mr Christopher CHEUNG	Mr Martin LIAO
Mr POON Siu-ping	Mr TANG Ka-piu
Mr CHUNG Kwok-pan (11 members)	

*Abstain*

Ms Emily LAU  
(1 member)

33. At 10:03 am, the Chairman ordered that the meeting be adjourned for 15 minutes for her to consider the 60 proposed motions handed in by Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung under paragraph 31A of ESC Procedure.

*(The meeting was resumed at 10:20 am.)*

34. The Chairman pointed out that two of the 60 proposed motions put forwarded by Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung had duplicated and hence she had ruled them out of order. She also observed that some of the proposed motions were of similar themes or contents, such as the Administration should satisfy certain conditions before establishing ITB, and the new SIT should possess certain qualities. The Chairman asked if other members had any proposed motions under paragraph 31A of ESC Procedure. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung submitted 12 new proposed motions (motions 062 to 073) under paragraph 31A of ESC Procedure. As the meeting would end at 10:30 am and there would not be sufficient time for her to consider Mr LEUNG's proposed motions at the meeting, the Chairman ordered that the meeting be adjourned. She said that she would examine whether Mr LEUNG's proposed motions were directly related to item EC(2014-15)7 with reference to relevant provisions of RoP and ESC Procedure. Given that members had completed discussion on the item,

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the Chairman said that the Subcommittee would start to deal with members' proposed motions under paragraph 31A of ESC Procedure at the beginning of the next meeting.

35. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 am.

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