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**Subcommittee on  
Foreign Lawyers Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015,  
Solicitors' Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015 and  
Limited Liability Partnerships (Top-up Insurance) Rules**

**Minutes of the first meeting  
held on Friday, 12 June 2015, at 2:15 pm  
in Conference Room 2A of the Legislative Council Complex**

**Members present** : Hon Dennis KWOK (Chairman)  
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP  
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP

**Clerk in attendance** : Miss Mary SO  
Chief Council Secretary (4)2

**Staff in attendance** : Ms Wendy KAN  
Assistant Legal Adviser 6

Ms Rebecca LEE  
Council Secretary (4)2

Miss Vivian YUEN  
Legislative Assistant (4)2

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**I. Election of Chairman**

Dr Priscilla LEUNG invited nomination for the chairmanship of the Subcommittee.

Action

2. Mr Paul TSE nominated and Dr Priscilla LEUNG seconded Mr Dennis KWOK as chairman of the Subcommittee. Mr KWOK accepted the nomination. As there was no other nomination, Dr Priscilla LEUNG declared that Mr Dennis KWOK was elected chairman of the Subcommittee.

**II. Any other business**

3. The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at the **Annex**).

4. Noting from the Legislative Council Brief prepared by the Law Society of Hong Kong ("the Law Society") that the coming into operation of the limited liability partnerships was hinged on consequential amendments to Order 81 of the Rules of the High Court (Cap. 4A) and Order 81 of the Rules of the District Court (Cap. 336H), the Chairman requested the clerk to follow up with the Law Society or the Department of Justice on when such consequential amendments would be made.

Clerk

5. Members agreed to invite:

- (a) representatives of the Law Society to brief members on the Foreign Lawyers Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015, Solicitors' Practice (Amendment) Rules 2015 and Limited Liability Partnerships (Top-up Insurance) Rules; and
- (b) representatives of the three local law schools to give views on these three pieces of subsidiary legislation.

*(Post-meeting note: The second meeting of the Subcommittee was scheduled for 7 July 2015 at 4:30 pm)*

6. In order to allow more time for the Subcommittee to scrutinize the subsidiary legislation, members agreed that the Chairman should move a motion at the Council meeting of 24 June 2015 to extend the scrutiny period of the subsidiary legislation to the first meeting of the next session.

7. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:22 pm.

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<b>Election of Chairman</b>			
000438 - 000519	Dr Priscilla LEUNG Mr Paul TSE Mr Dennis KWOK	Election of Chairman	
<b>Any other business</b>			
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