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Legislative Council

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Committee on Members' Interests

Minutes of Meeting
held on Tuesday, 31 May 2016 at 5:30 pm
in Conference Room 2A of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present : Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, JP
Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP
Hon Dennis KWOK

Clerk in attendance : Mr Arthur LEUNG
Chief Council Secretary (3)3

Staff in attendance : Mr Kenneth CHEN, SBS
Secretary General

Ms Connie FUNG
Legal Adviser

Miss Odelia LEUNG
Deputy Secretary General

Ms Dora WAI
Assistant Secretary General 3

Mr Kelvin LEE
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 3

Miss Wylie HO
Senior Council Secretary (3)7

Ms Ally NG
Administrative Assistant AAI(3)9

Action

I. Proposal to align the deadlines for registration of election donations with the deadline for lodging election returns and proposed amendments to the Registration Form on Members' Interests

(LC Paper No. CMI/40/15-16)

Proposal to align the deadlines for registration of election donations with the deadline for lodging election returns

The Chairman said that the Committee on Members' Interests ("CMI") decided at the last meeting held on 10 May 2016 that the views of all Members be sought by way of a questionnaire on (a) the proposal to align the deadlines for Members to register election donations under the Rules of Procedure ("RoP") with the 60 days' deadline for lodging election returns under the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (Cap. 554) ("the alignment proposal"), and (b) the proposed amendment to RoP 83 to give effect to the proposal.

2. At the invitation of the Chairman, the Clerk briefed members on the outcome of consultation with all Members (Appendix II to LC Paper No. CMI/40/15-16). All Members except the President had responded to the questionnaire. Sixty four Members (93%) agreed to the alignment proposal and the proposed revised RoP 83; five Members (7%) had no view; and no Member disagreed.

3. Mr Frankie YICK said that the Chinese version of subrule (2A) proposed to be added to RoP 83 might be difficult to comprehend for some new Members. Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 3 ("SALA3") undertook

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to further examine the drafting of the proposed new subrule. (*Post-meeting note: After discussion with SALA3, Mr YICK agreed that there was no need to revise the proposed new subrule.*)

4. Given the above consultation outcome, members agreed that CMI should take forward the alignment proposal, and consult the Committee on Rules of Procedure and the House Committee respectively on the proposed revised RoP 83. Subject to the views of these two committees, the Chairman would move a motion at a Council meeting to amend the Rule.

the Clerk

Proposed amendments to the Registration Form on Members' Interests

5. The Chairman recapitulated that at the last CMI meeting, members agreed that for the sake of clarity, page 16 of the Registration Form on Members' Interests ("the Form") in relation to shareholdings should be amended to explicitly state that shareholding interests in local and overseas companies or bodies (including shell companies or bodies which did not (i) own any assets or (ii) carry on any business or (iii) conduct any

commercial activities) were registrable.

the Clerk

6. Members agreed to the proposed amendments to page 16 of the Form as set out in Appendix III to LC Paper No. CMI/40/15-16. Members also decided that the views of all Members on the proposed amendments be sought by way of a questionnaire.

II. Any other business

7. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 5:47 pm.

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