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House Committee of the Legislative Council

Minutes of the 25th meeting held in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex at 2:30 pm on Friday, 2 June 2017

Members present:

Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP (Chairman)

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP

Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP

Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP

Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP

Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP

Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP

Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP

Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung

Hon Claudia MO

Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP

Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS

Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, JP

Hon WU Chi-wai, MH

Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS

Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP

Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP

Hon CHAN Chi-chuen

Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP

Hon Kenneth LEUNG

Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Hon KWOK Wai-keung

Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung

Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan

Hon IP Kin-yuen

Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP

Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP

Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH

Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP

Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP

Hon Alvin YEUNG

Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin

Hon CHU Hoi-dick

Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, JP

Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP

Hon HO Kai-ming

Hon LAM Cheuk-ting

Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding

Hon SHIU Ka-fai

Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH

Hon YUNG Hoi-yan

Dr Hon Pierre CHAN

Hon CHAN Chun-ying

Hon Tanya CHAN

Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP

Hon HUI Chi-fung

Hon LUK Chung-hung

Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH

Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai

Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Hon Nathan LAW Kwun-chung

Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim

Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai

Members absent:

Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang (Deputy Chairman)

Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP

Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP

Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Hon SHIU Ka-chun

Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, MH, JP

Clerk in attendance:

Miss Flora TAI Clerk to the House Committee

Staff in attendance:

Mr Kenneth CHEN, SBS Secretary General Ms Connie FUNG Legal Adviser

Miss Odelia LEUNG Deputy Secretary General Ms Anita SIT Assistant Secretary General 1 Assistant Secretary General 3 Ms Dora WAI Mr Matthew LOO Assistant Secretary General 4 Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 1 Mr Timothy TSO Mr Stephen LAM Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 2 Mr Kelvin LEE Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 3 Principal Council Secretary 1 Ms Amy YU Ms Hallie CHAN Head (Public Information) Ms Alice LEUNG Chief Council Secretary (2)6 Miss Joyce CHAN Assistant Legal Adviser 1 Miss Rachel DAI Assistant Legal Adviser 2 Mr Alvin CHUI Assistant Legal Adviser 3 Assistant Legal Adviser 9 Ms Clara TAM Miss Evelyn LEE Assistant Legal Adviser 10 Mr Richard WONG Senior Council Secretary (2)6 Ms Jasmine TAM Senior Council Secretary (2)8

Miss Connie AU Council Secretary (2)6

Ms Anna CHEUNG Senior Legislative Assistant (2)3

Mr Arthur KAN Legislative Assistant (2)7

Action

I. Confirmation of minutes of meeting

Minutes of 24th meeting held on 26 May 2017

(LC Paper No. CB(2)1520/16-17)

The minutes were confirmed.

II. Matters arising

Report by the Chairman on her meeting with the Chief Secretary for Administration

- 2. The Chairman said that the Chief Secretary for Administration ("CS") had indicated at their last meeting ("the said meeting") that the Administration was very concerned about the progress of scrutiny of financial proposals by the Legislative Council ("LegCo"). CS had pointed out that during the period from mid-December 2016 to 26 May 2017 in the current session, the Finance Committee ("FC") had held 82 hours of meeting but approved 17 items only, with each item requiring 4.9 hours of scrutiny on average. The average time taken by FC for scrutinizing an item was 2 hours in the 2015-2016 session and 1.8 hours in the Fifth LegCo (i.e. from 2012-2013 to 2015-2016 sessions).
- 3. CS had also pointed out that as far as public works items were concerned, FC had so far approved four items only in the current session amounting to \$11.3 billion, which included \$9.6 billion for the block allocations under the Capital Works Reserve Fund and \$1.7 billion for three new works items. The number of approved items fell far short of the Administration's target of securing FC's funding approval for 50 works items (which amounted to \$142 billion and involved 36 000 job opportunities) in the current session. In the 2015-2016 session, FC had approved a total of 70 works items amounting to \$88.2 billion, of which 65 were new works items involving \$53.4 billion. In respect of creation or extension of directorate posts, FC had so far approved the creation or extension of five such posts only, which also fell far short of the Administration's target of 38 posts.
- 4. CS had indicated that the current progress of scrutiny of financial proposals by FC was extremely worrying. He had further pointed out that the slow progress of scrutiny by FC would not only result in delays of public works projects but also affect workers' employment and impact upon or distort government expenditure.
- 5. The Chairman informed Members that she and the Deputy Chairman had indicated at the said meeting that they were also concerned about the situation referred to by CS, and had suggested that CS meet respectively with pro-establishment Members and pro-democracy Members as soon as practicable to discuss possible solutions. She had also suggested that CS explore with Members, amongst other possible options, the option of scheduling additional meetings of FC and of the two subcommittees under FC, in order to deal with the current backlog of financial proposals awaiting LegCo's funding approval. In response, CS had indicated that he was pleased to meet with Members of different political parties and groupings to work out feasible solutions.

6. <u>The Chairman</u> further informed Members that she had learnt after the said meeting that CS and the President separately communicated with Members of different political parties and groupings with a view to identifying feasible solutions.

III. Business arising from previous Council meetings

Legal Service Division report on subsidiary legislation gazetted on 26 May 2017 and tabled in Council on 31 May 2017

(LC Paper No. LS71/16-17)

- 7. At the invitation of the Chairman, <u>Legal Adviser</u> briefed Members on the report prepared by the Legal Service Division on three items of subsidiary legislation (i.e. L.N. 103 to L.N. 105) which were gazetted on 26 May 2017 and tabled in Council on 31 May 2017.
- 8. <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u> considered it necessary to form a subcommittee to study in detail the Import and Export (Strategic Commodities) Regulations (Amendment of Schedule 1) Order 2017 (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 105). <u>Members</u> agreed. Dr KWOK Ka-ki agreed to join the proposed subcommittee.
- 9. <u>Members</u> did not raise any question on the remaining two items of subsidiary legislation (i.e. L.N. 103 and L.N. 104).
- 10. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded Members that the deadline for amending the above three items of subsidiary legislation would be the Council meeting of 28 June 2017, or the first meeting of the next session if extended by a resolution of the Council.

IV. Further business for the Council meeting of 7 June 2017

(a) Tabling of papers

Report No. 19/16-17 of the House Committee on Consideration of Subsidiary Legislation and Other Instruments (*LC Paper No. CB*(2)1522/16-17)

11. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the Report covered two items of subsidiary legislation and the period for amending them would expire at the Council meeting of 7 June 2017. No Member had indicated intention to speak on the subsidiary legislation.

(b) <u>Bill - First Reading and moving of Second Reading</u>

12. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the Medical Registration (Amendment) Bill 2017 would be introduced at the meeting and the House Committee ("HC") would consider the Bill at its meeting on 9 June 2017.

(c) Members' motions

(i) Motion under Article 73(9) of the Basic Law which is jointly initiated by 28 Members and will be moved by Hon Alvin YEUNG

(LC Paper No. CB(3)611/16-17)

- 13. The Chairman informed Members that in accordance with Rules 36(5) and 38(1) of the Rules of Procedure ("RoP"), each Member could only speak once in the debate on the above motion with a speaking time limit of 15 minutes, but the mover of the motion could speak twice for up to 15 minutes each time.
 - (ii) Motion under Rule 49B(1A) of the Rules of Procedure to be moved by Hon Claudia MO (LC Paper No. CB(3)610/16-17)
- 14. <u>Members</u> noted that Ms Claudia MO would move the above motion at the meeting.
- 15. In response to Dr Helena WONG's enquiry, the Chairman advised that two Members' motions without legislative effect which had stood over from previous Council meetings, including Dr Helena WONG's motion on "Not forgetting the 4 June incident", had been scheduled for debate at the Council meeting of 7 June 2017. Such motions would be dealt with after conclusion of the debates on the above two motions to be moved respectively by Mr Alvin YEUNG and Ms Claudia MO pursuant to the relevant article of the Basic Law and the relevant rule of RoP.

V. Business for the Council meeting of 14 June 2017

(a) Questions

(LC Paper No. CB(3)617/16-17)

16. <u>The Chairman</u> said that 22 questions (six oral and 16 written) had been scheduled for the meeting.

(b) <u>Bills - First Reading and moving of Second Reading</u>

- (i) Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2017
- (ii) Chinese Medicine (Amendment) Bill 2017
- (iii) Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants (Amendment) Bill 2017
- 17. <u>The Chairman</u> said that HC would consider the above three Bills at its meeting on 16 June 2017.
- (c) Bill resumption of debate on Second Reading, Committee Stage and Third Reading
- 18. <u>The Chairman</u> said that at the HC meeting held on 19 May 2017, Members did not raise objection to the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Arbitration (Amendment) Bill 2016 at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017.

(d) Government motion

Proposed resolution to be moved by the Secretary for Transport and Housing under section 5(3)(b) of the Public Bus Services Ordinance (Cap. 230) in relation to The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited

(LC Paper No. CB(3)626/16-17)

19. <u>Members</u> noted that the Secretary for Transport and Housing would move the above proposed resolution at the meeting.

(e) <u>Members' motions</u>

- 20. <u>The Chairman</u> said that two Members' motions without legislative effect which had stood over from previous Council meetings would be dealt with at the meeting.
- (f) Request for special leave of the Council to give evidence of Council roceedings

Request made under section 7 of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) and Rule 90 of the Rules of Procedure for special leave of the Council to give evidence of Council proceedings

(LC Paper No. CB(3)625/16-17)

21. <u>The Chairman</u> informed Members that the Department of Justice had submitted a request for special leave of the Council for two Members and five officers of the Council to give evidence in a court case.

Report of HC on Consideration of Subsidiary Legislation

22. The Chairman invited Members to note the list tabled at the meeting (LC Paper No. CB(3)624/16-17), which contained nine items of subsidiary legislation the period for amendment of which would expire at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017. She reminded Members to indicate their intention by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, 6 June 2017, should they wish to speak on any of these items of subsidiary legislation.

VI. Reports of Bills Committees and subcommittees

- (a) Report of the Bills Committee on Cross-boundary Movement of Physical Currency and Bearer Negotiable Instruments Bill (LC Paper No. CB(2)1525/16-17)
- 23. <u>Dr Elizabeth QUAT</u>, Chairman of the Bills Committee, briefed Members on the deliberations of the Bills Committee as detailed in its report. <u>Members</u> noted that both the Bills Committee and the Administration would not propose any Committee stage amendments ("CSAs") to the Bill. The Bills Committee had no objection to the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017.
- (b) Report of the Bills Committee on Arbitration and Mediation <u>Legislation (Third Party Funding) (Amendment) Bill 2016</u> (LC Paper No. CB(4)1115/16-17)
- 24. On behalf of Mr Dennis KWOK, Chairman of the Bills Committee, Mr Jimmy NG briefed Members on the deliberations of the Bills Committee as detailed in its report. Members noted that the Bills Committee had examined and raised no objection to all the proposed CSAs from the Administration. The Bills Committee would not propose any CSAs to the Bill and had no objection to the resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017.

- 25. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded Members that the deadline for giving notice of CSAs, if any, proposed to be moved to the above two Bills would be Monday, 5 June 2017.
- (c) Report of the Subcommittee on Technical Legislative Amendments on Traffic Arrangements for the Hong Kong—Zhuhai—Macao Bridge

(LC Paper No. CB(4)1114/16-17)

- 26. Mr CHAN Han-pan, Chairman of the Subcommittee, briefed Members on the deliberations of the Subcommittee as detailed in its report. Mr CHAN said that the Subcommittee supported the six items of subsidiary legislation relating to the commissioning of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (L.N. 60 to L.N. 65) which were subject to the negative vetting procedure and the proposed resolution to amend the Schedule to the Fixed Penalty (Criminal Proceedings) Ordinance (Cap. 240) which was subject to the positive vetting procedure. Members noted that both the Subcommittee and the Administration would not propose any amendments. The Administration would give fresh notice for moving the proposed resolution at the Council meeting of 28 June 2017.
- 27. The Chairman reminded Members that as the period for amending L.N. 60 to L.N. 65 would expire at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017, the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, would be Wednesday, 7 June 2017. In addition, the deadline for giving notice of amendments to the proposed resolution, if any, would be Wednesday, 21 June 2017.

(d) Report of the Subcommittee on Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) (Amendment) Order 2017

28. <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u>, Chairman of the Subcommittee, made a verbal report on the deliberations of the Subcommittee. He said that the purpose of the Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) (Amendment) Order 2017 ("the Amendment Order") was to amend the prescribed form (including specifications) of health warning and indication of tar and nicotine yields on packets or retail containers of tobacco products as specified in the Smoking (Public Health) (Notices) Order. The Subcommittee held five meetings and received views from deputations and individuals at one of these meetings.

- 29. Dr KWOK informed Members that in respect of the proposal to increase the area of the graphic health warning from covering at least 50% to at least 85% of the two largest surfaces of the packet or the retail container of the tobacco product concerned, some Subcommittee members were concerned about the effectiveness of such proposal in lowering the smoking prevalence rate. These members were also concerned that as limited space was left on the packets and retail containers for trademarks and branding, this would amount to deprivation of intellectual property rights and would intensify the trade of counterfeit and illicit tobacco products. However, some other members took the view that international experience and evidence had demonstrated that the effectiveness of graphic health warnings would increase with their They also considered that given that the World Health Organization had appealed for the adoption of plain packaging for tobacco products, the Administration should implement such measure in Hong Kong in the long run.
- 30. <u>Dr KWOK</u> further said that according to the Amendment Order, the Chinese version of the health warning should cover at least 70% of the area of the largest surface on the front of the retail container of cigars while the English version of the same warning should cover 100% of the area of the largest surface on the back of the retail container. In view of the varying sizes and shapes of the retail containers of cigars, some Subcommittee members were concerned whether the Administration would institute prosecution against cases involving slight deviation from the proposed requirement for the English version of the health warning on the retail container of cigars arising from manual procedures.
- 31. <u>Dr KWOK</u> further advised that Dr Junius HO, Mr SHIU Ka-fai and Dr Fernando CHEUNG had indicated their intention respectively to propose amendments to the Amendment Order so as to adjust the ratio of the coverage of the graphic health warning. While the amendments proposed by Dr HO and Mr SHIU sought to reduce the ratio of the coverage of the graphic health warning, the amendments proposed by Dr CHEUNG sought to increase such ratio.
- 32. <u>Dr KWOK</u> further said that members were generally concerned that the seals affixed to soft pack cigarettes would partially obscure the graphic health warning. The local tobacco trade would also need time to change the packaging of and the design of the seals of their products in order to comply with the new requirements. Having considered members' views, the Administration would propose amendments to the Amendment Order to provide a new set of health warning images for soft packs cigarettes with seals, together with size and positioning restrictions for the seal.

- 33. <u>Members</u> were also informed that there was a view that the electronic archive version of the graphic health warnings prescribed in the Amendment Order would result in serious image distortion when enlarged for use on packets or retail containers in landscape orientation. To address members' concern, the Administration would propose amendments to provide an additional set of health warning images of landscape orientation to cater for different tobacco packets.
- 34. <u>Members</u> noted that some Subcommittee members had requested the Administration to allow sufficient time for the trade to change the packaging of their products for compliance with the new requirements and sell their existing stock. In response, the Administration had agreed to defer the commencement date of the Amendment Order from 21 October 2017 to 21 December 2017. Starting from the commencement date, tobacco products carrying the present form or the new form of health warnings would both be allowed to be put to sale. From 21 June 2018 onwards, tobacco products put to sale in Hong Kong must carry the new form of health warnings stipulated in the Amendment Order.
- 35. <u>Members</u> also noted that the Subcommittee had held a meeting in the morning of the day of this HC meeting to consider the amendments proposed by the Administration. The Subcommittee members had no objection to the general direction of the proposed amendments. In response to members' views, the Administration would make certain textual changes to its proposed amendments and provide a full set of the proposed amendments in due course for the Subcommittee's consideration. Subject to any comments that members might have on the full set of the amendments to be proposed by the Administration, the Subcommittee would decide whether it was necessary to hold a further meeting. The Subcommittee would submit a written report in due course.
- 36. The Chairman reminded Members that as the period for amending the Amendment Order would expire at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017, the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, would be Wednesday, 7 June 2017.
- (e) Report of the Subcommittee on Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Electrical Equipment and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Ordinance 2016 (Commencement) Notice 2017 and Product Eco-Responsibility (Regulated Electrical Equipment) Regulation

- 37. Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok, Chairman of the Subcommittee, made a verbal report on the deliberations of the Subcommittee regarding the Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Electrical Equipment and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Ordinance 2016 (Commencement) Notice 2017 ("the Commencement Notice") which was subject to the negative vetting procedure. He said that the purpose of the Commencement Notice was to bring into operation certain provisions of the Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Electrical Equipment and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Ordinance 2016 ("the Amendment Ordinance") to prepare for the implementation of the producer responsibility scheme on waste electrical and electronic equipment ("e-waste"). Subcommittee had held three meetings to study the Commencement Members of the Subcommittee noted that the Administration intended to accept applications for the waste disposal licence in respect of e-waste starting from 19 June 2017 and aimed to introduce a further commencement notice at the start of the 2017-2018 legislative session with a view to commencing such licensing control by the end of 2017.
- 38. <u>Ir Dr LO</u> informed Members that members of the Subcommittee noted the recyclers' concern that there was insufficient time for the recycling trade to prepare for the compliance with the licensing requirements. The recyclers were worried that, upon implementation of the new licensing regime in respect of e-waste, they could not continue to engage in the e-waste recycling business if the licensing requirements were not met. <u>Ir Dr LO</u> advised that the Subcommittee had suggested to the Administration that the implementation of such licensing regime be deferred or a grace period or short-term waiver of the licensing requirements etc. be introduced.
- 39. <u>Ir Dr LO</u> further said that the Administration advised that upon enactment of the Amendment Ordinance, it had already explained to the recycling trade the licensing requirements in respect of e-waste. The reason for advancing the commencement of acceptance of the applications for the waste disposal licence in respect of e-waste was to provide sufficient time for recyclers to apply for the licences prior to the implementation of the licensing regime. However, having regard to the concerns raised by the recycling trade and the views expressed by the Subcommittee members, the Administration advised that it would proactively consider deferring the implementation of the new licensing regime to early 2019 so as to allow more time for individual recyclers to complete the application procedures. The Administration would specify in its further commencement notice the implementation date of the licensing regime.

- 40. <u>Members</u> noted that both the Subcommittee and the Administration would not propose any amendments to the Commencement Notice. The Subcommittee would submit a written report later. <u>Members</u> also noted that the Subcommittee would continue to study the Product Eco-Responsibility (Regulated Electrical Equipment) Regulation which was subject to the positive vetting procedure and would report to HC in due course.
- 41. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded Members that as the period for amending the Commencement Notice would expire at the Council meeting of 14 June 2017, the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, would be Wednesday, 7 June 2017.

VII. Position on Bills Committees and subcommittees

(LC Paper No. CB(2)1521/16-17)

42. <u>The Chairman</u> said that as at 1 June 2017, there were 10 Bills Committees, 18 subcommittees under HC and five subcommittees on policy issues under Panels in action. Eight subcommittees on policy issues were on the waiting list.

VIII. Nomination and election of a Member for appointment to the Select Committee to Inquire into Matters about the Agreement between Mr LEUNG Chun-ying and the Australian firm UGL Limited to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Select Committee

(Paragraphs 26 to 36 of the minutes of the 24th House Committee meeting held on 26 May 2017) (LC Paper No. CB(2)1503/16-17)

- 43. The Chairman said that at the last HC meeting held on 26 May 2017, Members agreed to adopt the procedure set out in paragraph 4 of LC Paper No. CB(2)1479/16-17 for the nomination and election of a Member at this HC meeting for appointment to the Select Committee to Inquire into Matters about the Agreement between Mr LEUNG Chun-ying and the Australian firm UGL Limited ("the Select Committee") to fill a vacancy in its membership. The Chairman then invited nominations from Members.
- 44. <u>Ms Claudia MO</u> nominated Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung and the nomination was seconded by <u>Mr Kenneth LEUNG</u>. <u>Mr LEUNG</u> <u>Kwok-hung</u> accepted the nomination.

- 45. <u>Mr CHAN Hak-kan</u> nominated Mr Steven HO and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr Priscilla LEUNG</u>. <u>Mr Steven HO</u> accepted the nomination. No further nominations were made.
- 46. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> requested the two nominees to undertake that they would not collude with Mr LEUNG Chun-ying, a subject of inquiry of the Select Committee, if either of them was elected for appointment to the Select Committee. <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u> and <u>Ms Claudia MO</u> proposed that the two nominees be given time to respond to Dr Helena WONG's request and answer questions from Members. <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u> considered that the two nominees should declare whether Mr LEUNG Chun-ying had appointed or would appoint them to any public office.
- 47. <u>The Chairman</u> said that as far as elections of Members for appointment to select committees were concerned, there was no arrangement for nominees to present their election platforms and answer questions from Members. Nonetheless, in the light of Members' views expressed, she would exercise discretion to give the two nominees one minute each to give a response. <u>The Chairman</u> added that it was for individual Members to decide whether they had any interest to declare having regard to the relevant rules of RoP.
- 48. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung said that he did not know Mr LEUNG Chun-ying personally. He added that it was widely known that he did not like Mr LEUNG Chun-ying. However, if he was elected for appointment as a member of the Select Committee, he would participate in the Committee's work in accordance with RoP.
- 49. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr Steven HO said that he was an ex-officio member of the Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries. He added that Members might have their own views on whether Members holding public service positions pursuant to the appointment of the Chief Executive Mr LEUNG Chun-ying would give rise to any conflict of interests if they were appointed to the Select Committee.
- 50. As the number of nominations exceeded the number required for appointment under the nomination and election procedure, the Chairman ordered that a poll be taken by using the Electronic Voting System. The result of the vote was that 22 Members voted for Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung and 31 Members voted for Mr Steven HO. The Chairman declared Mr Steven HO elected for appointment to the Select Committee.

51. <u>The Chairman</u> suspended the meeting to allow members of the Select Committee to elect amongst themselves the new Deputy Chairman of the Select Committee.

(The meeting was suspended at 3:04 pm and resumed at 3:14 pm.)

- 52. <u>The Chairman</u> informed Members that Mr MA Fung-kwok was elected for appointment as the Deputy Chairman of the Select Committee. <u>Members</u> endorsed the result of election of the Deputy Chairman of the Select Committee.
- 53. <u>The Chairman</u> further said that the names of the Members respectively elected to fill the vacancy in the Select Committee and to serve as its Deputy Chairman would be submitted to the President for appointment.

IX. Any other business

54. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 3:16 pm.

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