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Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions

Minutes of third meeting on Tuesday, 31 October 2017, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room 2B of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present: Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Chairman)

Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang

Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP

Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding

Public officers attending

Agenda item I

Ms Vivian SUM, JP

Deputy Secretary for Commerce and Economic

Development (Commerce and Industry) 1

Ms Leona LAW

Principal Assistant Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Commerce and Industry) 2

Miss Wendy HO Government Counsel

Mr Gary LI

Government Counsel

Clerk in attendance: Mr Desmond LAM

Chief Council Secretary (1)3

Staff in attendance: Miss Joyce CHAN

Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Ms Wendy KAN

Assistant Legal Adviser 6

Mr Joey LO

Senior Council Secretary (1)8

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I. Meeting with the Administration

(File Ref: CITB CR 75/53/8 -- Legislative Council Brief on

United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic)

Regulation 2017

File Ref: CITB CR 75/53/9 -- Legislative Council Brief on

United Nations Sanctions (Yemen) Regulation 2015

(Amendment) Regulation 2017

LC Paper No. LS67/16-17 -- Legal Service Division Report

on subsidiary legislation gazetted on 12 May 2017 (L.N. 79 and L.N. 80) for the House Committee meeting on 19 May

2017

File Ref: CITB CR 75/53/4 -- Legislative Council Brief on

United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the

Congo) Regulation 2017

File Ref: CITB CR 75/53/5/1 -- Legislative Council Brief on

United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017

LC Paper No. LS97/16-17 -- Legal Service Division Report

on subsidiary legislation gazetted on 15 September 2017

(L.N. 149 and L.N. 150)

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File Ref: CITB CR 95/53/1 -- Legislative Council Brief on United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011

(Amendment) Regulation 2017

LC Paper No. LS100/16-17 -- Legal Service Division Report on subsidiary legislation gazetted on 29 September 2017 (L.N. 151) for the House Committee meeting on 6 October 2017)

<u>The Subcommittee</u> deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

2. <u>The Subcommittee</u> completed the study of the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation 2017, the United Nations Sanctions (Yemen) Regulation 2015 (Amendment) Regulation 2017, the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2017, United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017 and the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017.

II. Any other business

3. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 5:14 pm.

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<u>Legislative Council Secretariat</u>
4 January 2018

Proceedings of the third meeting of the Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions on Tuesday, 31 October 2017, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room 2B of the Legislative Council Complex

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Speaker	Subject(s)	required
Chairman	Opening remarks by the Chairman.	
Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation 2017	
	The Administration introduced the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation 2017 which sought to implement the sanctions against the Central African Republic as renewed by the Security Council of the United Nations Resolution ("UNSCR") 2339 adopted by the Security Council of the United Nations ("UNSC") on 27 January 2017.	
Chairman Administration	Section-by-section examination of the English text of the marked-up version of the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation 2017 (Annex D to CITB CR 75/53/8)	
	Part 1: Preliminary Part 2: Prohibitions Part 3: Licences Section 8 – Licence for supply, sale, transfer or carriage of certain goods	
	Members raised no question.	
Chairman Administration	Part 3: Licences Section 9 – Licence for provision of certain assistance or training	
	Section 9(2)(a) In response to the Chairman's enquiry, the Administration advised that "civilian law enforcement institutions" was "文職執法機構" in the Chinese text of the marked-up version.	
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001539 – 001631	Chairman Administration	Part 3: Licences Section 10 – Licence for making available funds, etc. to certain persons or entities or dealing with funds, etc. of certain persons or entities Section 11 – Provision of false information or documents for purpose of obtaining licences	
		Part 4: Things Done outside HKSAR Part 5: Enforcement of Regulation Part 6: Evidence Part 7: Disclosure of Information or Documents Part 8: Other Offences and Miscellaneous Matters Part 9: Duration	
		Members raised no question.	
		Members completed the study of the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation 2017 and raised no objection to the Regulation.	
001632 - 001832	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the United Nations Sanctions (Yemen) Regulation 2015 (Amendment) Regulation 2017	
		The Administration introduced the United Nations Sanctions (Yemen) Regulation 2015 (Amendment) Regulation 2017 ("Amendment Regulation (Yemen)") which sought to implement the sanctions against Yemen as renewed by the UNSCR 2342 adopted by UNSC on 23 February 2017.	
001833 – 001930	Chairman Administration	Section-by-section examination of the English text of the marked-up version of the United Nations Sanctions (Yemen) Regulation 2015 (Amendment) Regulation 2017 (Annex E to CITB CR 75/53/9)	
		Part 1: Preliminary Section 1 – Interpretation Part 2: Prohibitions Section 2 – Prohibition against supply, sale or transfer of certain goods Section 3 – Prohibition against carriage of certain goods Section 4 – Prohibition against provision of certain assistance or training	
		Members raised no question.	

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001931 – 002205	Chairman	The meeting was suspended for three minutes until the problem with the microphone system was fixed.	
002206 – 002413	Chairman Administration	Section 5B – Prohibition against making available funds, etc. or dealing with funds, etc. Section 7C – Prohibition against entry or transit by certain persons Section 7D – Exceptions to prohibition against entry or transit by certain persons Members raised no question.	
002414 – 002509	Chairman Administration	Part 3A: Licence Section 9C – Licence for making available funds, etc. to certain persons or entities or dealing with funds, etc. of certain persons or entities Section 9D – Provision of false information or documents for purpose of obtaining licences Part 4: Things Done outside HKSAR Part 5: Enforcement of Regulation Part 6: Evidence Part 7: Disclosure of Information or Documents Part 8: Other Offences and Miscellaneous Matters Section 30B – Specification of relevant person or relevant entity by Chief Executive Members raised no question.	
002510 – 002700	Chairman Assistant Legal Adviser 1 ("ALA1") Administration	Part 9: Duration Section 35 – Duration ALA1 drew members' attention to the newly added sections 9D and 30B in which duration was not specified for these two sections under the Amendment Regulation (Yemen). As explained by the Administration, the newly added sections 9D and 30B were standard provisions necessary for the effective implementation of the relevant financial sanctions against Yemen. As such, the Administration had been reinstating the same provisions annually to implement the financial sanctions against Yemen which were renewed by UNSC resolution on an annual basis. The Administration considered that there was no need to specify a duration for the provisions. The Administration added that section 9D referred to "provision of false information or documents for	

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		purpose of obtaining licences", while section 30B referred to "specification of relevant person or relevant entity by Chief Executive". Given that the time-limited nature of the financial sanctions against Yemen imposed by the Amendment Regulation (Yemen) would not be affected by the continuation of sections 9D and 30B after the expiry of the sanctions on 26 February 2018, the Administration considered that there was no need to specify a duration for the provisions.	
		Members raised no question.	
		Members completed the study of the Amendment Regulation (Yemen) and raised no objection to the Amendment Regulation (Yemen).	
002701 – 002842	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2017 The Administration introduced the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2017 which sought to implement the sanctions against the Democratic Republic of the Congo as renewed by UNSCR 2360 adopted by UNSC on 21 June 2017.	
002843 – 003044	Chairman Administration	Section-by-section examination of the English text of the marked-up version of the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2017 (Annex F to CITB CR 75/53/4)	
		Part 1: Preliminary Part 2: Prohibitions Part 3: Licences Part 4: Things Done outside HKSAR Part 5: Enforcement of Regulation Part 6: Evidence Part 7: Disclosure of Information or Documents Part 8: Other Offences and Miscellaneous Matters Part 9: Duration Members raised no question.	
		Members completed the study of the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2017 and raised no objection to the Regulation.	

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003045 – 003217	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017 The Administration introduced the United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017 which sought to implement the sanctions against South Sudan as renewed by UNSCR 2353 adopted by UNSC on 24 May 2017.	
003218 – 003249	Chairman Administration	Section-by-section examination of the English text of the marked-up version of the United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017 (Annex E to CITB CR 75/53/5/1) Part 1: Preliminary Part 2: Prohibitions Members raised no question.	
003250 – 003340	Chairman Administration	Part 3: Licence Section 5 – Licence for making available funds, etc. to certain persons or entities or dealing with funds, etc. of certain persons or entities In response to the Chairman's enquiry, the Administration advised that the addition of "under the law of the HKSAR" under subsection 5(2)(a)(ii) was meant to tally with the phrase "in accordance with national laws" as stated in UNSCR 2353.	
003341 – 003430	Chairman Administration	Section 6 – Provision of false information or documents for purpose of obtaining licence Part 4: Things Done outside HKSAR Part 5: Evidence Part 6: Disclosure of Information or Documents Part 7: Other Offences and Miscellaneous Matters Part 8: Duration Members raised no question. Members completed the study of the United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2017 and raised no objection to the Regulation.	
003431 – 003706	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017	

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		The Administration introduced the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017 which sought to implement the sanctions against Libya as decided in UNSCR 2362 adopted by UNSC on 29 June 2017.	
003707 – 003742	Chairman Administration	Section-by-section examination of the English text of the marked-up version of the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017 (Annex E to CITB CR 95/53/1) Part 1: Preliminary Section 1 – Interpretation	
		In response to the Chairman's enquiry, the Administration advised that "the Government of Libya" was not defined in the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Cap. 537AW). It was replaced by "Libyan Government" which was defined to mean "the Government of National Accord in Libya" under the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017.	
003743 - 004210	Chairman Administration	Part 2: Prohibitions Section 3G – Prohibition against loading, transport or discharge of petroleum Section 3H – Exceptions to prohibition under section 3G Section 7G – Prohibition against engaging in certain financial transactions Section 7H – Exception to prohibition under section 7G Section 10J – Prohibition against provision of certain services to certain ships Section 10K – Exception to prohibition under section 10J Section 10L – Prohibition against certain ships from entering waters of Hong Kong Part 3: Licences Section 15B – Licence for provision of certain services to certain ships Part 4: Things Done outside HKSAR Part 5: Enforcement of Regulation Part 6: Evidence Part 7: Disclosure of Information or Documents Part 8: Other Offences and Miscellaneous Matters Section 43 – Duration	

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		Members raised no question. Members completed the study of the United Nations Sanctions (Libya) Regulation 2011 (Amendment) Regulation 2017 and raised no objection to the Regulation.	
004211 – 004540	Chairman Mr Dennis KWOK Mr Holden CHOW Administration	In response to members' enquiry, the Administration advised that UNSC had recently passed four UNSCRs in relation to sanctions against North Korea. The relevant regulation to be made under the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance ("UNSO") (Cap. 537) for implementing in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region the UNSCRs in relation to the sanctions was in the pipeline. Members urged the Administration to expedite the process and implement the sanctions as soon as practicable.	
004541 – 004806	Chairman Administration	In response to the Chairman's enquiry about reports of UNSC in relation to sanctions against North Korea in which Hong Kong individuals and registered companies in Hong Kong were alleged to be involved, the Administration advised that the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau liaised closely with the Hong Kong Police Force and the Customs and Excise Department which were the enforcement agencies of the regulations made under UNSO. The two enforcement agencies would closely monitor any suspected violations involving Hong Kong registered companies or individuals.	
004807 – 004833	Chairman	End of meeting.	

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