Procedure for the election of a Member for appointment by the President to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Investigation Committee established under Rule 49B(2A) of the Rules of Procedure in respect of the motion to censure Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding

- 1. The election shall be held at a meeting of the House Committee, the date of which ("election date") shall be appointed by the House Committee.
- 2. The Legislative Council Secretariat shall issue a circular and a nomination form to the Members of the Legislative Council at least seven clear days before the election date, inviting nominations to be made.
- 3. Each nomination form shall be for the nomination of one Member and shall be signed by one Member as the proposer, one Member as the seconder, and by the nominee Member to signify his consent to the nomination.
- 4. Duly completed nomination forms shall be delivered to the Legislative Council Secretariat at least three clear days before the election date.
- 5. In the case where no duly completed nomination form is received by the Legislative Council Secretariat by the deadline for nomination, further nominations may be proposed, at the House Committee meeting at which the election is conducted, by any Member and seconded by another, with the proposed nominee signifying his consent to the nomination.
- 6. In the case where one nomination is received under paragraph 4 or 5 above, the Chairman of House Committee shall declare the nominee duly elected.
- 7. In cases where the number of nominations received under paragraph 4 or 5 is more than one, i.e. the number required for appointment to fill the vacancy, a poll shall be taken at the House Committee meeting at which the election is conducted and Members should cast their votes by using the electronic voting system, whereby a Member may vote for not more than one nominee. The nominee who gets the highest number of votes will be declared elected.

- 8. In cases where a nominee would have been elected but for there being one or more other nominees having been given the same number of votes, a separate poll shall be taken in respect of that nominee and such other nominee(s) in accordance with the manner of election provided in paragraph 7.
- 9. If, after a separate poll is held under paragraph 8, there is still a nominee who would have been elected but for there being one or more other nominees having been given the same number of votes, lot shall be drawn by the Chairman of House Committee among such nominees to determine which of them will take up the vacancy.