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**Chronology of events in relation to the handling of
Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding's proposed amendments
to the proposed major areas of study
(from the receipt of the proposed amendments to the issuance of
the electronic version of the proposed amendments to the Select Committee's members)**

Date/Time	Event details
<p style="text-align: center;">24 April 2017 (Monday) (around 12:00 noon)</p>	<p>The Chairman, through his assistant, informed the Clerk that:</p> <p>(a) Mr Holden CHOW would submit proposed amendments to the proposed major areas of study to the Chairman later that day; and</p> <p>(b) upon receipt of the proposed amendments, the Chairman's office would forward the same to the Secretariat.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">24 April 2017 (Monday) (2:46 pm)</p>	<p>The Secretariat received a document forwarded by the Chairman's office through email. The said electronic copy of the document contained Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments to the proposed major areas of study. Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments were in Chinese and prepared in Microsoft Word format with proposed amendments shown in marked-up mode.</p> <p>The Chairman, through his assistant, instructed the Clerk that Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments be tabled at the meeting on 25 April.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">25 April 2017 (Tuesday) (5:00 pm to 6:45 pm)</p>	<p>The Select Committee held its meeting. The Secretariat tabled Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments (i.e. colour printed copies showing the proposed amendments in marked-up mode) at the meeting for members' reference.</p> <p>Members considered and discussed Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments at the meeting.</p>

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<p>26 April 2017 (Wednesday) (12:40 pm)</p>	<p>In line with the established procedure and practice, the Secretariat issued, on the day following the meeting, the printed copy as well as the electronic copy (i.e. the version prepared in Microsoft Word format with proposed amendments shown in marked-up mode) of the document tabled at the meeting (i.e. Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments) to members for retention, with the electronic copy sent out by email.</p> <p>Thereafter, the Clerk received a telephone call from a staff member of the Secretariat and was informed that if the mouse cursor was placed over the proposed amendments in the electronic copy of the document attached to the email, information box(es) would pop up, showing the date(s)/time(s) of the amendments and that the amendments were inputted by a user with the username "CEO-CE".</p>
<p>26 April 2017 (Wednesday) (12:44 pm)</p>	<p>The Clerk instructed her subordinate to recall the email through the email system, in order to confirm that the electronic copy sent out by email was the same as the copy provided by Mr Holden CHOW to the Chairman's office.</p>
<p>26 April 2017 (Wednesday) (in the afternoon)</p>	<p>The Clerk reported the incident to Assistant Secretary General 2.</p> <p>Assistant Secretary General 2 then reported the incident to the Chairman.</p>
<p>26 April 2017 (Wednesday) (5:02 pm)</p>	<p>Subsequent to the Secretariat's confirmation that the two electronic copies were of the same version, the electronic copy of the document containing Mr Holden CHOW's proposed amendments (i.e. the version prepared in Microsoft Word format with proposed amendments shown in marked-up mode) was resent by email.</p>