立法會 Legislative Council

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Panel on Economic Development

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 18 October 2016, at 2:00 pm in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present: Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP (Chairman)

Hon Alvin YEUNG (Deputy Chairman)

Hon James TO Kun-sun Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, 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 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 LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon KWOK Wai-keung Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang

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

Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP

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

Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin

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 SHIU Ka-chun

Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH

Hon YUNG Hoi-yan

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

Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, MH, JP

Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Members absent: Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP

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

Hon Kenneth LEUNG

Hon CHU Hoi-dick

Hon Nathan LAW Kwun-chung

Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai

Hon YAU Wai-ching

Clerk in attendance: Ms Shirley CHAN

Chief Council Secretary (4)5

Staff in attendance : Mr Matthew LOO

Assistant Secretary General 4

Ms Shirley TAM

Senior Council Secretary (4)5

Ms Lauren LI

Council Secretary (4)5

Ms Winnie CHENG

Senior Legislative Assistant (4)1

Ms Carmen HO

Senior Legislative Assistant (4)2

Ms Margie LI

Senior Legislative Assistant (4)3

Ms Zoe TONG

Legislative Assistant (4)5

Mr Griffin FUNG

Legislative Assistant (4)8

Miss Mandy LUI

Clerical Assistant (4)4

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman for the 2016-2017 session

Mr James TO, the Member with the highest precedence among those who joined the Panel, presided over the election of Chairman.

- 2. <u>Mr James TO</u> invited nominations for the chairmanship. <u>Mr Christopher CHEUNG</u> nominated Mr Jeffrey LAM and the nomination was seconded by <u>Mr LAU Kwok-fan</u>. <u>Mr LAM</u> accepted the nomination. <u>Mr TO</u> called for other nominations.
- 3. <u>Ms Tanya CHAN</u> nominated Mr Alvin YEUNG and the nomination was seconded by <u>Mr WU Chi-wai</u>. <u>Mr YEUNG</u> accepted the nomination.

- <u>Mr James TO</u> called for other nominations. There was no other nomination, <u>Ms Claudio MO</u> suggested that the two candidates be given time to present their election platforms and answer questions from members.
- 4. <u>Mr Jeffrey LAM</u> and <u>Mr Alvin YEUNG</u> made their respective presentations. <u>Mr James TO</u> then invited questions from members. <u>Mr LAM</u> and <u>Mr YEUNG</u> responded to questions put forward by Ms Claudio MO. (Verbatim transcript of the presentation of platforms and answering of questions is in the **Appendix**.)
- 5. As members did not ask further questions about the candidates' platforms, Mr James TO proceeded with the election and announced that voting be conducted by secret ballot. After all members had cast their votes, Mr TO invited Mr Christopher CHEUNG and Ms Tanya CHAN who had nominated the two candidates to monitor the counting of votes.
- 6. <u>Mr James TO</u> announced that 34 and 15 members voted for Mr Jeffrey LAM and Mr Alvin YEUNG respectively. <u>Mr TO</u> declared Mr LAM elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. <u>Mr LAM</u> then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman for the 2016-2017 session

7. <u>The Chairman</u> invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship. <u>Ms Tanya CHAN</u> nominated Mr Alvin YEUNG and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr Helena WONG</u>. <u>Mr YEUNG</u> accepted the nomination. There being no other nomination, <u>the Chairman</u> declared Mr YEUNG elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2016-2017 session

8. <u>Members</u> noted the proposed schedule of regular monthly meetings of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session tabled at the meeting. They agreed that the regular meetings would be held on the fourth Monday of each month at 10:45 am except for the meeting in December 2016, which would be held on Tuesday, 13 December 2016 at 4:30 pm.

(*Post-meeting note*: The meeting schedule for the 2016-2017 session was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)18/16-17 on 19 October 2016.)

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

9. <u>Members</u> noted the "List of issues suggested to be considered" tabled at the meeting. They agreed to discuss the item on "Project for the development of tourism in Hong Kong" at the next regular meeting scheduled for Monday, 28 November 2016.

(*Post-meeting note*: The list of issues suggested to be considered was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)16/16-17(01) on 19 October 2016. On the Chairman's instruction, the Panel will also discuss the item on "Follow up on the incident on 27 October 2016 relating to the new Air Traffic Control System" at the meeting on 28 November 2016. The notice of meeting was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)69/16-17 on 9 November 2016.)

<u>Items for future meetings</u>

- 10. Mr James TO proposed to discuss the Report of the Transport and Housing Bureau's Investigation into Staff Conduct in the Marine Department in relation to the Vessel Collision Incident near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012 ("the Report"). He said that as new members might not be fully aware of the issue, arrangements should be made by the Administration to again make available the Report for members' perusal .
- 11. <u>Mr Andrew WAN</u> and <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> proposed to discuss the imposition of a mandatory cooling-off period arrangement for consumer contracts and relevant measures to enhance consumer protection. <u>Mr Michael TIEN</u> raised a similar suggestion. To facilitate members' understanding of this topic, <u>Dr WONG</u> requested the Research Office of the Legislative Council Secretariat to conduct a study on the provision of mandatory cooling-off periods and other related measures in overseas jurisdictions.
- 12. <u>Mr Andrew WAN</u> also suggested discussing matters relating to the scope and operation of the Consumer Legal Action Fund as well as the Travel Industry Compensation Fund. He was of the view that the scope of the latter fund should be extended to cover outbound travellers buying air tickets or hotel accommodation only.
- 13. Noting that the Panel would be briefed on a project for promoting the development of tourism in Hong Kong at the next meeting, Mr YIU Si-wing said that the Administration should also give an account on the Government's tourism development strategy in the short, medium and long terms.

- 14. In view of the poor performance of the retail industry, <u>Mr Michael TIEN</u> proposed to discuss the implementation of the Individual Visit Scheme in light of Hong Kong's economic and social situations. He also expressed concern on person-to-person telemarketing calls.
- 15. <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> proposed to discuss how the Competition Ordinance (Cap. 619) could be improved, such as introducing private actions in the competition law. He also suggested reviewing the effectiveness of the work of the Competition Commission.
- 16. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> suggested that the Panel should discuss the competition situation of the prices of auto-fuel and domestic liquefied petroleum gas, as well as the competition in the supply chain and retail prices of pork. She also proposed to discuss matters relating to the diversified development of industries in Hong Kong.

Work plan for the 2016-2017 session

17. The Chairman said that he and the Deputy Chairman would meet with the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, the Secretary for the Environment and the Secretary for Transport and Housing shortly to discuss the annual work plan of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session. He invited members to notify him or the Clerk if they wished to raise any items for discussion at future Panel meetings. He would then reflect members' requests to the Administration at the said meetings.

IV. Any other business

18. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:32 pm.

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<u>Legislative Council Secretariat</u>
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Verbatim transcript of candidates' presentation of platforms and answering of questions for the election of Chairman

涂謹申議員:或者我先請林健鋒議員。

林健鋒議員:好,多謝主席。我們看到今年香港的經濟環境,特別是在旅遊方面都正在下滑,出口等方面亦看不見有轉變的跡象。我覺得香港在經濟政策、勞工政策方面,我們要平衡處理。在亞投行方面,我亦覺得香港要爭取在香港成立財資中心,以幫助經濟發展,其實我們有很多委員都在這方面發表過意見。最重要的,是我們的社會得以平靜地發展,經濟才......有社會的平衡,才會有投資者來創造就業,令香港未來的經濟會向前發展。

涂謹申議員:楊岳橋議員。

楊岳橋議員:多謝主席。主席,我理解我們競選做事務委員會 主席不是競選做局長,所以,作為事務委員會主席,最重要的 是做到公平、公正,尤其對於規矩的演繹,一定要越開放越好。

同一時間,有鑒於經濟發展對香港非常重要,作為事務委員 會主席,最需要的是與委員有更多的溝通,尤其是來自不同背 景的委員,即不單是來自商界背景的,尤其是來自地方直選的, 以及如果是協助基層多少少的角度,都應該納入討論範圍之 中,從而更有效地向局方提出相關的建議,這些可能才是更有效,亦是迫切需要處理的。多謝主席。

涂謹申議員:毛孟靜議員,你提問吧。

毛孟靜議員:我有兩個問題,希望兩位都回答。第一,香港的海港業務曾經是世界首屈一指的、排名第一的。但近10年一直下跌,現在應該排名第五、第六左右。大家看到我們對海港業務的經濟政策,有甚麼可以改善呢?你會如何主持會議,尤其是把這事項列為重點?

我的第二個問題是,有國際商業評級機構指香港進行過度的中港融合,令香港本身的競爭能力反而失去了優勢,人們要與大陸做生意會直接上去,也無需來這裏。海港業務亦一樣,現時人們去深圳也不幫襯我們現時西九龍那邊的海港服務、我們的業務等等。

涂謹申議員:或者我調轉次序,請楊岳橋先回答。

楊岳橋議員:主席,我相信最重要的是先看看政府對於推動我們的港口貿易有多大決心。現時政府對於成立海港事務委員會究竟有甚麼想法呢?這已經討論了很多年,但會否在未來這一屆會期內能夠提交上來跟委員討論,又或者政府有沒有任何形式的做法?我覺得這是第一點。

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第二,政府有沒有考慮過香港作為港口,我們的貿易,很多年都是因為中港貿易,所以對於我們這個.....數字上可能會有上升,但如何能夠拓展到其他地區方面,這當然亦牽涉到政府的想法。

仍然是那一句,作為委員會的主席,我們不是訂立政策的一個,但我們能夠有效監督和推動政府作出推動。這亦是那一句,能夠廣開言路,亦要香港更多相關的市民參與,才能有效推動實質的政策改變。多謝主席。

涂謹申議員:林健鋒議員。

林健鋒議員:很多人來香港投資或設立地區總部或國際總部,都是因為香港的地理環境,中國的關係是很重要的,而並不是因為我們現時與中國有太多的貿易關係而存有戒心。其實,香港的旅遊業近年都受影響。要關心香港就不要令香港的環境......不要令外國人或者內地人對香港反感。

其實海港這個問題都是貨源的問題,很多歐洲的地方都是全 靠有貨源提供予港口運作,所以,我們在香港應該要看看如何 令香港可以再工業化,令我們的貨源增加。最重要的,人們來 投資,如何能夠搞好我們的經濟呢?一定要我們的議會不要經 常"拉布",影響我們的政策通過。

涂謹申議員:好,現在開始派發選票。