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**Bills Committee on Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link
(Co-location) Bill**

**Minutes of the first meeting
held on Monday, 12 February 2018, at 10:45 am
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP (Deputy Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP
Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP
Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Claudia MO
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, 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, SBS, MH, JP
Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP
Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP
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, BBS, JP
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 SHIU Ka-chun
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon YUNG Hoi-yan
Dr Hon Pierre CHAN
Hon CHAN Chun-ying
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon HUI Chi-fung
Hon LUK Chung-hung
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH
Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, BBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai
Hon KWONG Chun-yu
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Members absent : Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon CHAN Kin-por, GBS, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang

Public officers attending : Item II

Transport and Housing Bureau

Mr Frank CHAN Fan, JP
Secretary for Transport and Housing

Mr Andy LAM Siu-hong
Deputy Secretary for Transport and Housing
(Transport) 1 (Acting)

Mr Ronald CHENG Long-fung
Assistant Secretary for Transport and Housing
(Transport) 3C

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Ms Teresa CHENG, GBS, SC, JP
Secretary for Justice

Mr Dominic LAI Kai-sang
Deputy Law Officer (Civil Law)(Advisory)

Mr Llewellyn MUI Kei-fat
Deputy Solicitor General (Constitutional Affairs) (Acting)

Mr Lawrence PENG Si-yun
Senior Assistant Law Draftsman

Mr Henry CHAN Ngai-him
Senior Government Counsel

Security Bureau

Mr John LEE Ka-chiu, SBS, PDSM, PMSM, JP
Secretary for Security

Ms Maggie WONG Siu-chu, JP
Deputy Secretary for Security 3

Mr Parson LAM Chun-wah
Principal Assistant Secretary for Security D

Clerk in attendance : Ms Sophie LAU
Chief Council Secretary (4)2

Staff in attendance : Mr Timothy TSO
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Miss Joyce CHAN
Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Miss Joyce CHING
Senior Council Secretary (4)2

Ms Jacqueline LAW
Council Secretary (4)2

Miss Mandy LAM
Legislative Assistant (4)2

I. Election of Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr James TO, the member with the highest precedence among those who were present at the meeting, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Bills Committee. He invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Bills Committee.

2. Mrs Regina IP was nominated by Mr Jeffery LAM and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Hak-kan. Mrs Regina IP accepted the nomination. Ms Tanya CHAN was nominated by Mr Kenneth LEUNG and the nomination was seconded by Mr WU Chi-wai. Ms Tanya CHAN accepted the nomination.

3. As there was no other nomination, Mr James TO announced a vote by secret ballot. Of the members present for voting, 32 members voted for Mrs Regina IP and 21 voted for Ms Tanya CHAN. Mr TO declared that Mrs Regina IP was elected the Chairman of the Bills Committee. Mrs IP then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

4. Members agreed to elect a Deputy Chairman of the Bills Committee.

5. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Bills Committee. Mr CHEUNG Kwok-kwan was nominated by Mr WONG Kwok-kin and the nomination was seconded by Mr Tommy CHEUNG. Mr CHEUNG Kwok-kwan accepted the nomination.

6. Ms Tanya CHAN was nominated by Mr Kenneth LEUNG and the nomination was seconded by Mr Jeremy TAM. Ms Tanya CHAN accepted the nomination.

7. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman announced a vote by secret ballot. Of the members present for voting, 33 members voted for Mr CHEUNG Kwok-kwan and 18 voted for Ms Tanya CHAN. The Chairman declared that Mr CHEUNG Kwok-kwan was elected the Deputy Chairman of the Bills Committee.

II. Meeting with the Administration

[File Ref.: THB(T)CR 9/1/16/581/99, LC Paper Nos. CB(3)312/17-18, LS31/17-18 and CB(4)587/17-18(01)]

Discussion

8. The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

III. Any other business

Date of next meeting

9. The Chairman advised that the next meeting would be held on 23 February 2018 at 10:45 am.

10. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:46 pm.

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Time Marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
Agenda item I – Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman			
000438-001653	Mr James TO Mr Jeffrey LAM Mr CHAN Hak-kan Mrs Regina IP Mr Kenneth LEUNG Mr WU Chi-wai Ms Tanya CHAN	Election of Chairman	
001653-002700	Chairman Mr WONG Kwok-kin Mr Tommy CHEUNG Mr CHEUNG Kwok-kwan Mr Kenneth LEUNG Mr Jeremy TAM Ms Tanya CHAN	Election of Deputy Chairman	
Agenda item II – Meeting with the Administration			
002700-002924	Chairman Ms Tanya CHAN	Opening remarks by the Chairman The Chairman informed that Ms CHAN's suggestions to invite public views on the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (Co-location) Bill ("the Bill") and to organize a visit to the West Kowloon Station ("WKS"), including the area proposed to be declared as the WKS Mainland Port Area would be dealt with under "Any other business".	
002924-004114	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the Bill.	
004114-004234	Chairman Ms Tanya CHAN Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 1 ("SALA1")	The Administration was requested to provide a written response to SALA1's letter dated 9 February 2018 addressed to the Administration [LC Paper No. CB(4)597/17-18(01)] before the next meeting.	

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004234-004527	Chairman Mr CHAN Chun-ying Administration	<p>Mr CHAN enquired whether the arrangements relating to (i) licence fee payable by the Mainland in respect of the right to use the Mainland Port Area and (ii) maintenance and management fees of relevant buildings and structures and related facilities in the Mainland Port Area to be received by the operator of the WKS (i.e. expected to be the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") according to the current arrangement) mentioned in paragraph 8 of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Brief were proposed with reference to the Shenzhen Bay Port ("SBP").</p> <p>The Administration replied in the positive and advised that discussions with relevant Mainland authorities on the above two issues were in process. The Administration would make relevant public announcements once specific details regarding the above two issues were finalized.</p>	
004527-004921	Chairman Mr Kenneth LAU Administration	<p>To allay the undue concerns of some members of the public that the rights of Hong Kong residents as protected under the Basic Law would be undermined by virtue of the co-location arrangement, Mr LAU enquired about the details of publicity works that would be taken forward by the Administration to enhance Members' and public understanding of the operation of the XRL, in particular accident and travel insurance arrangements in the Mainland Port Area as well as the clearance procedures under the co-location arrangement.</p> <p>The Administration advised that it had been, through various channels, introducing the XRL project and the co-location arrangement to the community. In particular, the Administration would work closely with the local travel industry to promote multi-destination tourism in order to fully unleash the advantage of convenient and speedy access to various major Mainland cities brought about by the Hong Kong Section of the XRL. An open day of the WKS would be conducted to enhance the understanding of different sectors of the community towards the XRL project. The Administration would continue to listen to the views of Members and the community and step up the publicity work to enhance public understanding of the speediness and convenience offered by the high-speed rail network.</p>	

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004921-005403	Chairman Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok Administration	<p>Ir Dr LO made enquiries on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the taxation arrangements for Hong Kong people working in the Mainland Port Area; and (b) installation and management arrangements of the facilities and equipment in the WKS. <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) for staff members of the Hong Kong operator of the XRL or other designated personnel working in the Mainland Port Area, their tax affairs and employment-related obligations, rights and benefits, protection and insurance would be subject to the jurisdiction of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") in accordance with the Co-operation Arrangement between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on the Establishment of the Port at the West Kowloon Station of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link for Implementing Co-location Arrangement ("Co-operation Arrangement") and therefore would be the same as other people working in Hong Kong; and (b) apart from facilities and equipments provided by the Mainland Authorities Stationed at the Mainland Port Area themselves or exclusively used by them in carrying out duties and functions pursuant to the Co-operation Arrangement, matters relating to the standards of, and the duties, responsibilities and liabilities concerning the construction, insurance and design, repair and maintenance of buildings and structures and related facilities in the Mainland Port Area would be under the jurisdiction of the HKSAR in accordance with the Co-operation Arrangement. 	
005403-005909	Chairman Ms Tanya CHAN Administration	<p>Ms CHAN made enquiries on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) whether the Administration would provide the floor plans of the WKS, in particular that of the Mainland Port Area detailing the uses of 	

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		<p>different parts therein before the site visit; and</p> <p>(b) whether prior approval from the State Council had to be sought in case the provisions of the Bill after passage ("the Ordinance") had to be amended as a result of any future changes in the area of the Mainland Port Area or in the provisions of the Co-operation Arrangement.</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <p>(a) given that one of the main objects of the Bill was to declare an area as the WKS Mainland Port Area, plans (together with the annexes) delineating the Mainland Port Area with coordinates of boundary points of Mainland Port Area were set out in Schedule 2 to the Bill. The Administration would provide the floor plans of the WKS requested to the Bills Committee; and</p> <p>(b) pursuant to the Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Approving the Co-operation Arrangement between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on the Establishment of the Port at the West Kowloon Station of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link for Implementing Co-location Arrangement ("Decision") and the Co-operation Arrangement, any amendments to the Co-operation Arrangement after the commissioning of the WKS Port, including the WKS Mainland Port Area and its specific area, were to be approved by the State Council and reported to the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress ("NPCSC") for record. Ms CHAN's enquiry in relation to future amendments of the Ordinance would depend on actual circumstances of the case in question.</p>	
005909-010459	Chairman Dr Helena WONG Administration	<p>Dr WONG made enquiries on:</p> <p>(a) the legal reasoning that the co-location arrangement was consistent with the Constitution and the Basic Law of HKSAR;</p>	

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		<p>(b) whether the Administration would provide a written response to the Hong Kong Bar Association ("HKBA")'s statement pertaining to the NPCSC's Decision issued on 28 December 2017; and</p> <p>(c) whether the co-location arrangement would contravene Article 18 of the Basic Law which stipulated that national laws shall not be applied in the HKSAR except for those listed in Annex III to the Basic Law.</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <p>(a) The HKSAR enjoyed a high degree of autonomy in accordance with the Basic Law, such that the HKSAR Government could, amongst others, formulate appropriate policies to promote and co-ordinate the development of various trades and provide an appropriate environment for promoting economic development. It was against this background that the implementation of co-location arrangement at the WKS was proposed by the Administration to fully unleash the high-speed rail's advantages of high speed and great efficiency;</p> <p>(b) the Co-operation Arrangement was in the nature of an agreement entered into by the HKSAR and the Mainland after consultation for the implementation of co-location arrangement; and it could only be implemented in Hong Kong after the passing and coming into effect of the Bill;</p> <p>(c) the Mainland authorities' right to use the area to be designated as the Mainland Port Area would be acquired by way of a contract to be entered into by the HKSAR Government and the Mainland. There was no question of "ceding" Hong Kong land under the co-location arrangement; and</p> <p>(d) the NPCSC's Decision and the relevant explanations on the Draft Decision provided by Director Zhang Xiaoming of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council ("Explanations") expressly provided</p>	

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		<p>that national laws would only be applicable in the Mainland Port Area. National laws would be implemented by the relevant Mainland authorities in the Mainland Port Area and would be mainly applicable to high-speed rail passengers present in the Mainland Port Area. On the other hand, Article 18 of the Basic Law prohibited the application of national laws by the HKSAR itself in the entire HKSAR to all persons within the HKSAR. Taking that into account, there was no question of contravention of Article 18 of the Basic Law.</p>	
010459-011236	Chairman Mr WU Chi-wai Administration	<p>Mr WU made enquiries on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the legal status of the Explanations; and (b) whether similar arrangements of applying Mainland laws to a specific area of Hong Kong would be adopted to other parts of Hong Kong. <p>The Administration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) advised that national laws applied in the HKSAR under Article 18 of the Basic Law shall be confined to those relating to defence and foreign affairs as well as other matters outside the limits of the autonomy of the HKSAR as specified in the Basic Law; (b) reiterated that the proposed co-location arrangement was different from the case of general application of national laws in the HKSAR which is prohibited under Article 18 of the Basic Law as explained before; and (c) disagreed with the notion that Mainland laws could be arbitrarily applied to any other parts of Hong Kong. The establishment of the WKS Mainland Port Area and the co-location arrangement implemented thereat was based on the high degree of autonomy enjoyed by the HKSAR in accordance with the Basic Law, together with the Co-operation Arrangement signed by the Mainland and the HKSAR Government after consultation. Neither the HKSAR nor the Mainland could implement the co-location arrangement 	

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		<p>unilaterally. As such, the Administration considered that the allegation that Mainland laws could be arbitrarily applied to any other parts of Hong Kong at the discretion of the NPCSC to be unfounded.</p>	
<p>011236-011904</p>	<p>Chairman Ms Alice MAK Administration</p>	<p>In reply to Ms MAK's enquiry, the Administration advised that the commissioning of the Hong Kong Section of the XRL would be postponed indefinitely in the event that the Bill could not be passed by the LegCo before the target commissioning date, i.e. the third quarter of 2018. In this connection, the Administration urged the members to scrutinize the Bill in a rational and pragmatic manner.</p> <p>Ms MAK sought the Administration's clarifications on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the legal basis of the NPCSC's Decision; and (b) the allegations made by some members of the community that the proposed co-location arrangement amounted to "cession of territory". <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) since the implementation of co-location arrangement at the WKS involved the establishment of a Mainland Port Area at an area geographically outside the boundary of the Mainland, it was necessary to obtain the NPCSC's approval of the Co-operation Arrangement prior to its commencement according to the Mainland laws. Pursuant to the PRC's Constitution, the NPCSC had the power and responsibility to exercise its legislative power with respect to certain issues through the making of a decision. To the Department of Justice's understanding, the decision made by the NPCSC was regarded as a law under the Mainland legal system. In the course of examining the Co-operation Arrangement, the NPCSC had considered whether the Arrangement was consistent with the PRC's Constitution and the Basic Law. The NPCSC's Decision and the Explanations had duly confirmed that the Co-operation Arrangement complied with the PRC's 	

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		<p>Constitution and the Basic Law; and</p> <p>(b) the establishment of the WKS Mainland Port Area would not alter the boundary of the administrative division of the HKSAR. Nevertheless, the applicable laws and the delineation of jurisdiction (including jurisdiction of the courts) in the Mainland Port Area were provided under the Co-operation Arrangement for the specific purpose of implementing the co-location arrangement at the WKS.</p>	
011904-012357	Chairman Mr Charles Peter MOK Administration	<p>Mr MOK made enquiries on:</p> <p>(a) whether passengers browsing the Internet in the high-speed train compartments, which were to be regarded as part of the WKS Mainland Port Area under the Bill, would be subject to censorship, and whether roaming charges might be levied by local mobile network service providers on passengers when they make phone calls; and</p> <p>(b) whether the Administration would consider compiling a list of national laws to be applied in the Mainland Port Area for the reference of Hong Kong citizens travelling on high-speed trains.</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <p>(a) mobile phone signals provided by the Hong Kong mobile network service providers should continue to be available for users in the train compartments on the Hong Kong Section of the XRL. Since it would be a local network connection, no roaming charges would be imposed by the mobile network service providers on users of those mobile networks in the high-speed train compartments; and</p> <p>(b) the suggestion of providing a list of applicable national laws was not practicable having regard that the application of laws would depend on actual circumstances and that such laws would be updated from time to time.</p>	

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012357-013109	Chairman Ms Starry LEE Administration	<p>Ms LEE declared that she was working with a company providing audit service to MTRCL. She did not participate in the relevant audit work.</p> <p>Ms LEE raised the following views and questions:</p> <p>(a) in view of the very tight time frame before the commissioning of the Hong Kong Section of the XRL in the third quarter of 2018, the Administration should not underestimate the challenge it would face at LegCo, and be well prepared to answer members' questions in order to remove undue concerns;</p> <p>(b) pointing out that the slogans adopted by members who oppose the co-location arrangement were misleading, that the Administration should step up its efforts in explaining to members of the public on the ownership of the land within the HKSAR as well as the NPCSC's legal status and its relationship with the Basic Law; and</p> <p>(c) whether the Administration would consider preparing a brief "Questions and Answers" leaflet containing some useful information relating to the Mainland Port Area for the reference of members of the public.</p> <p>The Administration advised that it would endeavour to give comprehensive replies to members' questions and consider Ms LEE's suggestion of producing a "Questions and Answers" leaflet. In reply to Ms LEE's request stated in (b) above, the Administration explained that:</p> <p>(a) Article 7 of the Basic Law clearly stipulated that the land and natural resources within the HKSAR were State property. The HKSAR Government was responsible for their management, use and development and for their lease or grant to individuals, legal persons or organizations for use or development; and</p> <p>(b) pursuant to the PRC's Constitution, the NPC was the highest organ of state power and the NPCSC was its permanent body, and they exercised the legislative powers of the state.</p>	

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		<p>The power of interpretation of the Basic Law was also vested in the NPCSC in accordance with the Basic Law.</p>	
013109-013704	<p>Chairman Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Administration</p>	<p>Mr CHAN asked whether the Administration had devised any contingency plan, such as implementing separate-location arrangement at the WKS, in the event the co-location arrangement as proposed in the Bill was found to be unconstitutional by the courts in judicial review ("JR") proceedings.</p> <p>The Administration advised that the concept of the co-location arrangement had been incorporated in the design and construction of the Hong Kong Section of the XRL. In view of that, the installation of boundary control facilities at the WKS could not be changed overnight, and thus no contingency plan had been prepared; and that the community should respect the NPCSC as in the case of Privy Council prior to 1 July 1997.</p> <p>Mr CHAN expressed dissatisfaction to the Administration's reply.</p>	
013704-014151	<p>Chairman Mr Michael TIEN Administration</p>	<p>Responding to Mr TIEN's enquiry on whether Hong Kong courts would accept applications for leave to bring JR proceedings against the proposed co-location arrangement, the Administration advised that an applicant was required to file an application for leave for JR to the court. In determining whether leave to apply for JR would be granted, the court would consider the proposed grounds for judicial review, whether Article 11 of the Basic Law had been contravened and whether the case had any realistic prospect of success. Given that the Administration did not know the precise grounds for JR which might be raised by an applicant, it was not in a position to answer any hypothetical question concerning any future JR proceedings.</p>	
014151-014253	<p>Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration</p>	<p>Mr CHU raised a point of order. Mr CHU pointed out that under the Basic Law, the highest court in the HKSAR had the power of final adjudication, clarification was sought on whether the Administration had suggested that the legal status of the NPCSC was equivalent to that of the Privy Council during colonial times.</p>	

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		<p>The Administration clarified that the reference to the pre-1997 context was merely for the purpose of emphasizing the importance of respect for the rule of law.</p>	
<p>014253-014744</p>	<p>Chairman Dr Fernando CHEUNG Administration</p>	<p>Dr CHEUNG raised the following views and requests:</p> <p>(a) the proposed co-location arrangement contravened the Basic Law and it was the Administration's responsibility to clearly explain in writing how the proposed co-location arrangement would be consistent with the Basic Law; and</p> <p>(b) the Administration should disclose the agreement(s) signed with the MTRCL together with the financial report(s) and analysis regarding the operation of the XRL, and advise the timetable for disclosing the aforesaid information.</p> <p>The Administration noted Dr CHEUNG's views and responded that the discussion with the MTRCL on the Supplemental Service Concession Agreement pertaining to the operation of the Hong Kong Section of the XRL was in process. In this regard, the information requested by Dr CHEUNG would be disclosed to the public as appropriate in due course.</p>	
<p>014744-015513</p>	<p>Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration</p>	<p>Referring to the strongly-worded statement issued by the HKBA on 28 December 2017 questioning the legal basis of the NPCSC's Decision ("the Statement"), Mr CHU asked whether the Administration would consider debating openly with the Chairman of the HKBA on the proposed co-location arrangement.</p> <p>The Administration:</p> <p>(a) advised that like other constitutional documents, the Basic Law provided safeguards to rights without defining every detail. The implementation of co-location arrangement at the WKS represented new circumstances in the course of implementing "one country, two systems" which could not have been envisaged when the Basic Law was drafted. LegCo could exercise its legislative power to enact legislation to cater for the latest development</p>	

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		<p>and needs of the Hong Kong society so long as the legislation concerned did not contravene the Basic Law;</p> <p>(b) reiterated that Mainland laws would not be applied to any part of the HKSAR as suggested by the HKBA in the Statement;</p> <p>(c) considered that the legal basis for co-location arrangement was very clear if the Decision, the Explanations and the Basic Law were to be construed by members in a holistic and objective manner; and</p> <p>(d) considered that any open debate would not be conducive to the discussion on co-location arrangement and would only polarize opinions from different sectors of the community.</p>	
015513-015929	Chairman Mr CHAN Han-pan Administration	<p>Mr CHAN urged members to scrutinize the Bill in a rational manner and enquired about the legislative timetable of the Bill.</p> <p>The Administration advised that in order to implement co-location arrangement upon commissioning of the Hong Kong Section of the XRL in the third quarter this year, the Bill had to be passed by LegCo before the end of this legislative session, i.e. mid-July 2018.</p>	
Agenda item III – Any other business			
015929-020016	Chairman	Meeting arrangements and date of next meeting	
020016-020439	Chairman Ms Tanya CHAN Administration Mr Abraham SHEK Mr SHIU Ka-fai Deputy Chairman	Arrangements for the site visit to the WKS	
020439-020512	Chairman	Closing remarks by the Chairman	