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**Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
of the People's Republic of China**

Resolution

(Under Article 75 of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special
Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China)

**Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region**

Resolved that the Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region be amended as set out in the Schedule.

Schedule

Amendments to Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

1. Rule 1B added

After Rule 1A—

Add

“1B. Fundamental Rights

All Members of the Council (including the President), in carrying out their duties at the Council, shall respect the fundamental rights of Hong Kong Residents enshrined in Chapter III of the Basic Law and give due consideration to the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and other applicable international human rights instruments.”.

2. Rule 2 amended (language)

Rule 2, after “A Member may address the Council”—

Add

“or chair a meeting”.

3. Rule 9A added

After Rule 9—

Add

“9A. Foreign Dignitaries

The Council may invite foreign dignitaries to attend meetings of the Council, any committee or subcommittee from time to time when the President thinks fit.”.

4. Rule 24 amended (notice of questions)

Rule 24 —

Repeal subrule (4)

Substitute

“(4) Not more than two questions without notice may be asked at any one meeting, and a Member may ask not more than one

question without notice in a session, the President may permit the question to be asked without notice, if he is satisfied that sufficient private notice of the question has been or is to be given by the Member concerned to the Government to enable the question to be answered.”.