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Subcommittee on Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Expiry of Section 39(1)(b) and (d)) Notice

Minutes of the first meeting held on Monday, 21 May 2018, at 8:30 am in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present	: Hon HO Kai-ming (Chairman)
	Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
	Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP

- Member absent : Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP
- Public officers attending
 Agenda item II

 Mr Dominic CHOW Wing-hang
 Mr Doputy Secretary for Development (Works)1 (Acting)

 Development Bureau
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Mr YAU Hau-yin Chief Assistant Secretary (Works)6 Development Bureau

Mr Patrick CHENG Kam-pong Assistant Secretary (Works Policies)8 Development Bureau

Miss Queenie WU Chung-yi Government Counsel Department of Justice

Attendance by Invitation	:	<u>Agenda item II</u>
		Miss LEE Oi-yen Assistant Director – Registration Services Construction Industry Council
Clerk in attendance :		Ms Doris LO Chief Council Secretary (1)2
Staff in attendance :		Miss Rachel DAI Assistant Legal Adviser 2
		Mr Raymond CHOW Senior Council Secretary (1)6

Action

I Election of Chairman

<u>Mr Abraham SHEK</u>, the member who had the highest precedence among those present at the meeting, presided over the election of Chairman of the Subcommittee. He invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Subcommittee.

2. Mr HO Kai-ming was nominated by <u>Mr Abraham SHEK</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok</u>. <u>Mr HO</u> accepted the nomination. There being no other nomination, <u>Mr HO Kai-ming</u> was declared the Chairman of the Subcommittee. <u>Mr HO</u> then took over the chair. <u>Members</u> agreed that there was no need to elect a Deputy Chairman.

II	Meeting with the Administration		
	(L.N. 79 of 2018	- Construction Workers	
		Registration Ordinance	
		(Expiry of Section 39(1)(b)	
		and (d)) Notice	
	File Ref: DEVB(CR)(W)1-10/31	— Legislative Council Brief	
	LC Paper No. LS57/17-18	- Legal Service Division Report	
	LC Paper No. CB(1)975/17-18(01)	— Paper on Construction Workers	

Registration Ordinance (Expiry of Section 39(1)(b) and (d)) Notice prepared by the Legislative Council Secretariat (Background brief))

3. <u>The Administration</u> briefed members on the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Expiry of Section 39(1)(b) and (d)) Notice ("the Notice").

4. <u>The Subcommittee</u> deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

Legislative timetable

5. <u>The Chairman</u> concluded that the Subcommittee had completed the scrutiny of the Notice. <u>Members</u> noted that the Chairman would report the deliberations of the Subcommittee to the House Committee at its meeting on 25 May 2018.

III Any other business

6. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 9:02 am.

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Proceedings of the first meeting of the Subcommittee on Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Expiry of Section 39(1)(b) and (d)) Notice on Monday, 21 May 2018, at 8:30 am in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required				
Agenda It	Agenda Item I – Election of Chairman						
001203 – 001259	Mr Abraham SHEK Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok Mr HO Kai-ming	Mr HO Kai-ming was elected as the Chairman of the Subcommittee					
Agenda It	Agenda Item II – Meeting with the Administration						
001300 – 001909	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Expiry of Section 39(1)(b) and (d)) Notice ("the Notice")					
001910 – 002600	Chairman Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok Mr Abraham SHEK Construction Industry Council Administration	Expression of support by Ir Dr LO and Mr SHEK to the Notice; and their enquiries on why a small number of registered semi-skilled workers (provisional) and registered skilled workers (provisional) ("registered semi-skilled/skilled workers (provisional)") had yet to seek registration as registered semi-skilled/skilled workers					
002601 – 003141	Chairman Administration	Discussion on whether it was necessary to slightly defer the proposed date on which the provisional registration arrangement was due to expire (i.e. 1 July 2019) so as to minimize the impact on the construction workers in active service					
003142 – 003635	Chairman Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok Administration	Expression of views by Ir Dr LO that the proposed cessation of provisional registration on 1 July 2019 was appropriate, and as a mainstream consensus had been reached among stakeholders of the construction industry on the Notice, it was not necessary for the Subcommittee to meet with deputations regarding the Notice, although written views might be invited if the Subcommittee so decided					
		The Chairman's suggestions and the Administration's undertakings on sending (a) messages through mobile phone short message services to relevant construction workers to remind them about the cessation of provisional registration, and (b) letters to those existing registered semi-skilled/skilled workers (provisional) to draw their attention to the cessation of provisional registration and to ascertain whether					

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		they intended to apply for registration as registered semi-skilled/skilled workers, and to call on them to encourage other eligible workers to register early				
003636 – 003652	Assistant Legal Adviser ("ALA")2 Chairman	Confirmation by ALA2 that no difficulties had been identified in relation to the legal or drafting aspects of the Notice Legislative timetable				
Agenda It	Agenda Item III – Any other business					
003653 – 003656	Chairman	Concluding remarks				

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