Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2019

List of follow-up actions required of the Administration arising from the discussion at the meeting on 2 December 2019

The Administration was requested to:

- (a) in respect of the longitudinal study on heat-not-burn ("HNB") products in Japan quoted by the Administration in paragraph 10 of LC Paper No. CB(2)283/19-20(02), provide, if available, for the purpose of comparison with the findings that the use of HNB products among adolescents aged 15 to 19 has increased from 0.6% in 2015 to 2% in 2017, the prevalence of conventional cigarette use among adolescents aged 15 to 19 in the corresponding period;
- (b) in respect of the population data of Korea published in August 2019 on youth use of HNB products quoted by the Administration in paragraph 10 of LC Paper No. CB(2)283/19-20(02), provide, if available:
 - (i) a breakdown by the types of smokers (i.e. new smokers or conventional cigarette users who switched to HNB products) of the 2.8% survey respondents aged 12 to 18 who had used HNB products in the one year after the introduction of these products into the Korean market; and
 - (ii) the annual smoking prevalence in Korea in the past five years, with a breakdown by the use rates of conventional cigarettes, electronic cigarettes ("e-cigarettes") and HNB products; and the factors causing an increase or decrease, as the case might be, in these figures over the said period; and
- (c) clarify why the number of signatories of the Hong Kong Council on Smoking and Health's "Support to enact a total ban on e-cigarettes and other new tobacco products" Signatory Campaign as referred to by the Administration at the meeting was different from that as shown on the website of the Signatory Campaign as of the date of the meeting.

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