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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Motion on
“Reviewing the policy on One-way Permit”**

Hon Alvin YEUNG has given notice to move the attached motion on “Reviewing the policy on One-way Permit” at the Council meeting of 9 January 2019. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

(Dora WAI)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Reviewing the policy on One-way Permit”
to be moved by Hon Alvin YEUNG
at the Council meeting of 9 January 2019**

Wording of the Motion

That as currently a large number of Mainland immigrants have come to Hong Kong for settlement on One-way Permits (‘OWPs’), creating a great burden on public services and facilities in Hong Kong in such areas as social welfare, housing, education and health care, this Council urges the SAR Government to reform the policy on OWP; the relevant measures should include:

- (1) immediately appealing to the Central Government for reducing the quota for Mainland residents coming to Hong Kong for settlement on OWPs, and expeditiously setting up a mechanism for regular consultation with the Central Government for both sides to adjust the quota annually according to the policy needs of Hong Kong;
- (2) establishing a dual vetting and approval mechanism for OWP in accordance with Articles 22 and 154 of the Basic Law and the Immigration Ordinance whereby the SAR Government can exercise the power to vet and approve entry for immigration and grant permission for OWP holders to come to Hong Kong for settlement only after verifying the authenticity of the documentary proof of family relationship between OWP holders and their family members who are Hong Kong permanent residents and the absence of record to the detriment of OWP holders (excluding past record of political prosecution), and that their family members who are Hong Kong permanent residents have sufficient financial means to support OWP holders’ living at a standard well above the subsistence level in Hong Kong; and
- (3) stepping up efforts in combating bogus marriages to prevent lawbreakers from obtaining through bogus marriages the requisite documents to apply for OWPs to come to Hong Kong for settlement.