

**This regular meeting not held as decided by the President  
before issuance of the full Agenda**

**Legislative Council**

**Agenda  
(Preliminary)**

Wednesday 19 February 2020 at 11:00 am

**I. Laying of Papers on the Table of the Council**

5 items of subsidiary legislation/instruments to be laid on the Table of the Council set out in **Appendix 1**

**II. Questions**

To be notified

**III. Government Bills**

**First Reading and Second Reading (debate to be adjourned)**

(Originally scheduled for the meeting of 12 February 2020)

1. Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Ship Leasing Tax Concessions) Bill 2020 : Secretary for Transport and Housing
2. Sex Discrimination (Amendment) Bill 2020 : Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs

**IV. Members' Motions**

**1<sup>st</sup> debate (covering the following 2 motions on the incident of assaults which occurred in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited on 21 July 2019 (“the 721 incident”))**

(Standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

1. **Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Hon LAM Cheuk-ting

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 2**

**2. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**  
(This motion concerns both the 721 incident and the 831 incident)

Mover : Hon Claudia MO

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 3**

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Security

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> debate (covering the following 3 motions on the incident of assaults which occurred in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited on 31 August 2019 (“the 831 incident”) as well as the part concerning the 831 incident in Hon Claudia MO’s motion in item 2)</b>
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(Standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

**3. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Chairman of the MTR Corporation Limited (“MTRCL”) and Operations Director of MTRCL to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Hon Alvin YEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 4**

**4. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Assistant Director (Ambulance) of the Fire Services Department, Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority, Hospital Chief Executive of Kwong Wah Hospital and Hospital Chief Executive of Princess Margaret Hospital to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 5**

**5. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 6**

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Security  
Secretary for Transport and Housing  
Secretary for Food and Health  
Under Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Food and Health  
Under Secretary for Transport and Housing

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> debate (covering the following 7 motions on the Police's handling of protesters and persons performing duties in the protests during the "anti-extradition to China" movement)</b>
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(Items 6 to 10 standing over from the meeting of 23 October 2019)

**6 and 7. Motions under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint select committees to conduct inquiries**

Mover : Hon Tanya CHAN

Wording of the motions : **Appendices 7 and 8**

**8 and 9. Motions under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint select committees to conduct inquiries**

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motions : **Appendices 9 and 10**

**10. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Labour and Welfare to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 11**

(Item 11 standing over from the meeting of 13 November 2019)

**11. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 12**

(Item 12 standing over from the meeting of 11 December 2019)

**12. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Hon Kenneth LEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 13**

Public officers to attend this debate : Secretary for Labour and Welfare  
Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

**4<sup>th</sup> debate (covering the following 2 motions on the causes and consequences of the social conflicts or disturbances arising from the amendments to the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance (Cap. 503) and related matters)**

(Item 13 standing over from the meeting of 13 November 2019)

**13. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 14**

(Item 14 standing over from the meeting of 27 November 2019)

**14. Motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance to appoint a select committee to conduct an inquiry**

Mover : Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 15**

Amendment mover : Hon James TO  
(Amendment set out in LC  
Paper No. CB(3) 155/19-20 issued on  
22 November 2019)

Public officers to attend this debate : Chief Secretary for Administration  
Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Security

(Debate and voting arrangements set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 195/19-20 and CB(3) 218/19-20 issued on 9 and 17 December 2019)

**Debate and voting arrangements for the following 2 motions to be notified**

(Standing over from the meeting of 15 January 2020)

**15. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Hon Charles Peter MOK  
Wording of the motion : **Appendix 16**  
Public officers to attend : Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Security

**16. Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law to summon the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Transport and Housing to produce papers and testify**

Mover : Hon Jeremy TAM  
Wording of the motion : **Appendix 17**  
Public officers to attend : Secretary for Security  
Secretary for Transport and Housing  
Under Secretary for Security  
Under Secretary for Transport and Housing

**5<sup>th</sup> debate (covering the following motion)**

(Standing over from the meeting of 12 June 2019)

**17. Motion on “No confidence in the Fifth Term Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region”**

Mover : Hon Dennis KWOK  
Wording of the motion : **Appendix 18**  
Amendment mover : Hon Claudia MO  
(Amendment set out in LC Paper  
No. CB(3) 667/18-19 issued on 5 June  
2019)  
Public officer to attend : Chief Secretary for Administration

**6<sup>th</sup> debate (covering the following motion)**

(Standing over from the meeting of 12 June 2019)

**18. Motion on “Ensuring children’s right to play for them to grow up happily”**

Mover : Hon HO Kai-ming

Wording of the motion : **Appendix 19**

5 amendment movers : Hon IP Kin-yuen, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki,  
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG,  
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan and  
Hon HUI Chi-fung  
(Amendments set out in LC Paper  
No. CB(3) 669/18-19 issued on  
6 June 2019)

Public officers to attend : Secretary for Labour and Welfare  
Under Secretary for Labour and Welfare

Clerk to the Legislative Council

## Council meeting of 19 February 2020

## Laying of Papers on the Table of the Council

<b>Subsidiary legislation/instruments</b>	<b>Legal Notice No.</b>
1. <u>Specification of Public Offices (Amendment) Notice 2020</u>	9 of 2020
2. <u>Solicitors (Professional Indemnity) (Amendment) Rules 2020</u>	10 of 2020
3. <u>Tax Reserve Certificates (Rate of Interest) (Consolidation) (Amendment) Notice 2020</u>	11 of 2020
4. <u>Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation</u>	12 of 2020
5. <u>Prevention and Control of Disease (Disclosure of Information) Regulation</u>	13 of 2020



**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon LAM Cheuk-ting**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's responsibilities in the incident of armed attacks on members of the public that happened between late night of 21 July 2019 and the early hours of the following day in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited and the vicinity, including: the reasons why the Police did not prevent the attacks from happening, stop the attacks from continuing and arrest the assailants on the spot; whether the Police deliberately condoned the indiscriminate armed attacks on members of the public by the people concerned who were among them alleged members of triad societies; whether and how the non-action and/or delayed action of law enforcement by the Police would put public safety at risk, and whether this would enable the offenders to escape justice, and all other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon Claudia MO**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into:

- (1) the incident of white-clad men attacking civilians indiscriminately in Yuen Long Station of West Rail Line of the MTR Corporation Limited (“MTRCL”) on 21 July 2019, and the action and inaction of the Hong Kong Police Force in this incident, including but not limited to the following issues: the Police’s prior risk assessment of the triad activity in that area; the Police’s operation and its manpower deployment that night; police officers leaving the scene when white-clad assaulters attacked civilians and arriving at the scene after white-clad assaulters had left; people being unable to get through the hotline of 999 Control Centre for a long time; shutting down of nearby police stations; whether the Police’s lack of investigation into or arrest of the white-clad men carrying metal poles and cleavers who were gathering in large number near the crime scene after the attack that night, constituted the offences of serious dereliction of duty, violation of the Police General Orders and collusion with the triad society in planning and executing the above plan of attacking civilians, and other related matters;
- (2) the incident of police officers attacking civilians indiscriminately in Prince Edward Station of MTRCL on 31 August 2019, and the details on the handling of the injured by the Hong Kong Police Force, the Fire Services Department and the Hospital Authority, including but not limited to the discrepancy between the initial count and the number of injured people who eventually needed to be handled; the Police disallowing paramedics to go inside the station to render first aid to the injured; a delay of 2.5 hours before the injured were sent to the hospital for treatment; reasons for the closure of Prince Edward Station and Mong Kok Station of MTRCL for two days after the incident; and whether there was a delay in providing treatment to the injured and a concealment of casualties inside the Prince Edward Station of MTRCL, and other related matters;
- (3) the role of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government in the above two incidents; and
- (4) other related matters;

and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Hon Alvin YEUNG**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Chairman of the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") and Operations Director of MTRCL to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, incident logs, voice communication records, textual communication logs, closed-circuit television footage, footage captured by the Police during the operation, duty logs of police officers, inventory records of police equipment, duty logs of fire personnel, inventory records of fire services equipment and other relevant documents and to testify or give evidence on the law enforcement operation conducted by the Police inside Prince Edward Station of MTRCL and the compartments of a train at the station on 31 August 2019, the casualties caused by the operation, the relevant rescue operation of the Fire Services Department, and other related matters.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police, Director of Fire Services, Assistant Director (Ambulance) of the Fire Services Department, Chief Executive of the Hospital Authority, Hospital Chief Executive of Kwong Wah Hospital and Hospital Chief Executive of Princess Margaret Hospital to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on the incident of assaults in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited on 31 August 2019 regarding the sequence of events on sending the injured persons from Prince Edward Station to the above two hospitals, personnel arrangements, conditions of the injured persons and the progress of their medical treatment and recovery.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon KWONG Chun-yu**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the incident of the Police assaulting and arresting members of the public in Prince Edward Station of the MTR Corporation Limited from the night of 31 August to the early hours of 1 September 2019 and the delay allegedly caused by the Police in rescuing the injured, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon Tanya CHAN**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's abuse of power against and mistreatment of protesters of the "anti-extradition to China" movement who were arrested and held in custody at San Uk Ling Holding Centre since 5 August 2019, including subjecting them to physical violence, denying their access to legal assistance, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon Tanya CHAN**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's alleged use of sexual violence against protesters of the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019 and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the incidents of the Police allegedly obstructing fire services and rescue work, and arresting, attacking and obstructing first-aiders performing rescue work at the scene of public activities during the “anti-extradition to China” movement since 9 June 2019, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.



**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the Police's alleged physical and verbal abuse of and groundless accusations against media workers such as snatching arrested persons during the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019, and other related matters; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security, and the Secretary for Labour and Welfare to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on whether the children who have been arrested or detained during the "anti-extradition to China" movement are under the protection of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the relevant provisions of the Police General Orders, including but not limited to the following: the best interests of the child shall be a primary consideration in all actions concerning children; a child shall not be separated from his/her parents against their will; and the human rights of every child accused of or recognized as having committed an offence shall be recognized.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on the Police's use of live ammunition and subsequent review during the "anti-extradition to China" movement since 9 June 2019, including but not limited to the Police's guidelines and standards for the use of live ammunition, relevant training records of the police officers who used live ammunition during the aforesaid movement, contents of the subsequent reviews on incidents of use of live ammunition, and psychological and emotional conditions of the police officers concerned.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Hon Kenneth LEUNG**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on: (i) the composition of tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades used in Hong Kong; (ii) the byproducts generated from those tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades used from June to November 2019, including but not limited to heat, particles, toxic and harmful compounds; (iii) the quantities of the byproducts generated from those tear gas rounds and tear gas grenades; and (iv) the toxicity of those byproducts and its potential impact on human body.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council appoints a select committee to conduct a comprehensive investigation into the social conflicts arising from the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019, including the impact of the conflicts on the livelihood and economy of Hong Kong and other relevant matters, with a view to responding to demands from society, and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under  
the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382)  
to be moved by Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, since June 2019, the demonstrations and civil disturbances arising from the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019 have been getting more rampant, resulting in the rule of law, public order, livelihood and economy of Hong Kong being severely affected, and as violent incidents continue to escalate, and most Hong Kong residents hope that the society can return to normal as soon as possible, this Council appoints a select committee to inquire into the causes and consequences of the above civil disturbances, whether there is any interference of the external force, the sources of funding and resources for various large-scale demonstrations and civil disturbances, as well as to identify the deep-rooted conflicts which led to the civil disturbances, and to make recommendations on ways for social reconciliation; and that in the performance of its duties the committee be authorized under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Hon Charles Peter MOK**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Commissioner of Police to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all relevant papers, books, records or documents and to testify or give evidence on: (i) whether the operation of the Hong Kong Police Force has been interfered with; (ii) the execution of the "Arrangements on the Reciprocal Notification Mechanism between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Relating to Situations Including the Imposition of Criminal Compulsory Measures or the Institution of Criminal Prosecution"; (iii) outside the mechanism, the details of the cases involving arrests, detentions or imprisonment of Hong Kong residents on the Mainland, of which the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government is aware, and its follow-up actions taken; and (iv) other relevant matters since June 2019.

**Motion under Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of  
the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China  
to be moved by Hon Jeremy TAM**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, pursuant to Article 73(5) and (10) of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, this Council summons the Secretary for Security and Secretary for Transport and Housing to attend before the Council at its earliest meeting after the passage of this motion to, in respect of the "separate locations" mode of clearance arrangement as stipulated in the Inter-Governmental Agreement in respect of the Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Management of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge ("HZMB"), produce all papers, books, records or documents (including but not limited to the relevant minutes of meetings of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Authority) and to testify or give evidence in relation to the following matters:

- (i) security checks agreed among the governments of Hong Kong, Zhuhai and Macao that Hong Kong residents travelling to Zhuhai/Macao via HZMB are required to undergo at the relevant immigration control points and any checkpoint set up temporarily, including but not limited to photo-taking, inspecting their belongings and checking their Mainland Travel Permits for Hong Kong and Macao Residents (generally referred to as "Home Visit Permits"), etc;
- (ii) cases known to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Government of Hong Kong residents being arrested or repatriated at the relevant immigration control points and any checkpoint set up temporarily while travelling to Zhuhai/Macao via HZMB;
- (iii) internal studies and reviews conducted by the HKSAR Government on the "separate locations" mode of clearance arrangement and the views on their results conveyed to the relevant authorities in Zhuhai/Macao;
- (iv) the notification mechanism among the relevant authorities in Hong Kong, Zhuhai and Macao for any new immigration clearance arrangement under the "separate locations" mode; and
- (v) other related matters.



(Translation)

**Motion on  
“No confidence in the Fifth Term Government  
of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region”  
to be moved by Hon Dennis KWOK**

**Wording of the Motion**

That this Council has no confidence in the Fifth Term Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

(Translation)

**Motion on  
“Ensuring children’s right to play  
for them to grow up happily”  
to be moved by Hon HO Kai-ming**

**Wording of the Motion**

That, children in Hong Kong have long schooling time and heavy homework load, and lack time for leisure, play and even rest; coupled with the fact that the living environment (especially in sub-divided units) in Hong Kong is so cramped that children often do not have sufficient space for activities, not to mention space for playing; at present, public playgrounds for children are unevenly distributed among districts, channels for community participation in the design process are inadequate, play equipment is insufficient and designs are identical with no elements to stimulate the healthy growth of children; moreover, inclusive play equipment has failed to meet the needs of children with disabilities, and play equipment and services for in-patient children are also in acute shortage; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to formulate measures to ensure that local children can enjoy the rights stated in Article 31 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, including the right to rest and leisure, and to engage in play and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child, and at the same time improve the software and hardware of children’s play equipment, so that children can obtain more diversified recreational experience, enjoy leisure and grow up happily; specific measures include:

- (1) urging the Commission on Children to conduct studies on ensuring children’s entitlement to the right to play and draw up criteria for the construction of children’s play equipment, such as play equipment should embody the elements of variety, flexibility, inclusiveness and holistic and healthy development of children, and to make amendment proposals on the relevant laws and regulatory measures based on the findings of the studies;
- (2) revising the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines to raise the standard for provision of children’s playgrounds;
- (3) requiring private housing courts to provide suitable children’s play equipment through various means, including imposing land sale conditions, and providing financial assistance and technical support for

owners or owners' corporations of private housing courts and Tenants Purchase Scheme to provide additional and upgrade children's play equipment in housing courts or estates;

- (4) identifying suitable sites in public housing and private developments for constructing children's playgrounds, and providing at least one inclusive playground in each district for children with or without disabilities to play together;
- (5) setting up additional children playrooms under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in various districts and improving the equipment of existing playrooms, including setting up specifically designed playrooms for infants and pre-school children to provide more public play area for parents and children;
- (6) setting up additional toys libraries in various districts to enable children of all ages and from different strata to have equal rights and opportunities to access to toys;
- (7) increasing the number of child care centres and subsidized child care service places, so that young children can receive care and enjoy free playtime in a safe and healthy environment;
- (8) urging the Hospital Authority to provide sufficient play equipment and services for sick children;
- (9) reviewing the frequency of internal tests and examinations and homework load of primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong, so that children will not have less time for rest and play due to excessive homework and tests and examinations, thereby promoting their balanced development;
- (10) stepping up the development of game-based education and collaboration with non-governmental organizations to provide games and organize outdoor activities within and outside schools, as well as organize more outdoor activities during holidays; at the same time, providing appropriate subsidies for grass-roots children to ensure that they enjoy equal rights to participate in games and activities;
- (11) providing training on game-based education for teachers and parents, and promoting to them the benefits and importance of play to children, with a view to reversing the social atmosphere of pursuing examination success and catching up with the curricula, so that teachers and parents can attach more importance to children's right to play; and

- (12) expeditiously reviewing the outdated holiday policy to align statutory holidays with general holidays to 17 days, so that all employees in Hong Kong can enjoy the same number of holidays, thereby increasing their family time and playtime with children.