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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Debate and voting arrangements for
the proposed resolution and amending motions under
the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2)**

Further to LC Paper Nos. CB(3) 292/19-20 and CB(3) 316/19-20 issued on 27 February and 16 March 2020 respectively, a table on the debate and voting arrangements for the captioned proposed resolution and amending motions is attached for Members' information.

2. Hard copy of the table (i.e. the Appendix to Part 1A of the Script for the meeting) will be placed on Members' desks in the Chamber before the start of the meeting.

3. The President will order a **joint debate** on the above proposed resolution and amending motions. To assist Members in considering these motions, I set out the relevant proceedings under which the President will:

- (a) first call upon the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury ("SFST") to speak on and move his proposed resolution, and then propose the question on the proposed resolution to kick off the joint debate;
- (b) call upon the three Members who propose the amending motions (namely Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Hon WU Chi-wai and Hon Andrew WAN) to speak in this order but they may not move their amending motions at this stage;

- (c) invite other Members to speak;
- (d) call upon SFST to speak on the amending motions;
- (e) invite the three Members to move their amending motions respectively and forthwith propose and put to vote the question on the amending motions one by one;
- (f) irrespective of whether the amending motion(s) is/are passed, call upon SFST to reply and order that the debate comes to a close; and
- (g) put to vote the question on SFST's proposed resolution, or SFST's proposed resolution as amended.

4. Members are invited to note that each Member may only speak once in the above joint debate and the speaking time limit for each Member is 15 minutes. The public officer will not be subject to any speaking time limit.

(Dora WAI)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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**Proposed resolution and amending motions under
section 7(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2)**

Debate and voting arrangements

Joint debate		
<p>Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (“SFST”)’s proposed resolution</p> <p>– To seek funds on account amounting to \$215,865,713,000 (representing around 34% of the total appropriation of \$627,233,901,000 under the Appropriation Bill 2020) to enable the Government to carry on its services between the start of the financial year on 1 April 2020 and the time when the Appropriation Ordinance 2020 comes into operation.</p> <p>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Hon WU Chi-wai and Hon Andrew WAN have respectively proposed amending motions to SFST’s proposed resolution (as detailed in the Annex):</p> <p>(i) both Dr CHEUNG’s first amending motion and Mr WU’s amending motion seek to cut all of the expenditure of Head 21 (Chief Executive’s Office) under SFST’s proposed resolution; and</p> <p>(ii) both Dr CHEUNG’s second amending motion and Mr WAN’s amending motion seek to cut all of the expenditure of Head 122 (Hong Kong Police Force) under SFST’s proposed resolution.</p>		
Voting arrangements		
Mover	Voting	Remarks
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG	Dr CHEUNG’s first amending motion	As Dr CHEUNG’s first amending motion is substantially the same as Hon WU Chi-wai’s amending motion, irrespective of whether Dr CHEUNG’s first amending motion is passed or not , Mr WU may not move his amending motion, but Dr CHEUNG may move his second amending motion.
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG	Dr CHEUNG’s second amending motion	As Dr CHEUNG’s second amending motion is substantially the same as Hon Andrew WAN’s amending motion, irrespective of whether Dr CHEUNG’s second amending motion is passed or not , Mr WAN may not move his amending motion.
Hon WU Chi-wai	Mr WU’s amending motion	Mr WU may move his amending motion only if the Council does not deal with Dr CHEUNG’s first amending motion.
Hon Andrew WAN	Mr WAN’s amending motion	Mr WAN may move his amending motion only if the Council does not deal with Dr CHEUNG’s second amending motion.
SFST	SFST’s proposed resolution, or his proposed resolution as amended	--

SFST’s proposed resolution

(set out in LC Paper No. CB(3) 292/19-20 issued on 27 February 2020)

Amending motions by Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG, Hon WU Chi-wai and Hon Andrew WAN

(set out in LC Paper No. CB(3) 316/19-20 issued on 16 March 2020)

**Comparison table on four amending motions by three Members to
the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury's proposed resolution under section 7(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2)**

	Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury's proposed resolution	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG's 1 st amending motion	Hon WU Chi-wai's amending motion	Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG's 2 nd amending motion	Hon Andrew WAN's amending motion
Paragraph 1	Stipulating that the aggregate amount of funds on account is \$215,865,713,000 between the start of the financial year on 1 April 2020 and the time when the Appropriation Ordinance 2020 comes into operation	Reducing the aggregate amount of funds on account to \$215,840,614,000	Reducing the aggregate amount of funds on account to \$215,840,614,000	Reducing the aggregate amount of funds on account to \$210,280,401,000	Reducing the aggregate amount of funds on account to \$210,280,401,000
Paragraph 2	Stipulating that subject to the proposed resolution, the funds on account may be expended against the heads of expenditure as shown in the Estimates of Expenditure 2020–21("the Estimates")	--	Adding paragraph 2A to stipulate that the proposed resolution does not apply to Head 21 (Chief Executive's Office) in the Estimates to the effect that the amount that may be expended against the head is \$0	--	Adding paragraph 2A to stipulate that the proposed resolution does not apply to Head 122 (Hong Kong Police Force) in the Estimates to the effect that the amount that may be expended against the head is \$0
Paragraph 3	Stipulating that expenditure in respect of any head must not exceed the aggregate of the amounts authorized by paragraph 4 to be expended in respect of the subheads in that head	--	--	--	--
Paragraph 4	Stipulating, in respect of each subhead in a head of expenditure: (a) that for an Operating Account Recurrent subhead of expenditure, an amount not exceeding 20% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead may be expended (except where a different percentage is specified in Schedule 1); and (b) that for an Operating Account Non-Recurrent subhead of expenditure or a Capital Account subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead may be expended (except where a different amount is specified in Schedule 2)	--	--	--	--
Schedule 1	In respect of an Operating Account Recurrent subhead of expenditure, setting out the heads/subheads of expenditure in respect of which the amount expended exceeds 20% of the provisions , and the relevant percentages	Amending Schedule 1 by adding Subhead 000 (Operational expenses) under Head 21 (Chief Executive's Office) and stipulating that the percentage of the provision in respect of that subhead is 0% to the effect that the amount that may be expended is \$0	--	Amending Schedule 1 by adding the following three subheads under Head 122 (Hong Kong Police Force) and stipulating that the percentage of the provision in respect of each subhead is 0% to the effect that the amount that may be expended is \$0 : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subhead 000 (Operational expenses); • Subhead 103 (Rewards and special services); and • Subhead 207 (Expenses of witnesses, prisoners and deportees) 	--
Schedule 2	In respect of an Operating Account Non-Recurrent subhead of expenditure or a Capital Account subhead of expenditure, setting out the heads/subheads of expenditure in respect of which the amounts to be expended are equivalent to less than 100% of the provisions , and the relevant amounts	--	--	Amending Schedule 2 by adding the following four subheads under Head 122 (Hong Kong Police Force) and stipulating that the provision in respect of each subhead is \$0 to the effect that the amount that may be expended is \$0 : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subhead 603 (Plant, vehicles and equipment); • Subhead 614 (Alterations, additions and improvements to in-service Marine Police craft (block vote)); • Subhead 661 (Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote)); and • Subhead 695 (Police specialised vehicles (block vote)) 	--