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Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

Minutes of meeting

**held on Thursday, 17 October 2019, at 4:00 pm
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang (Deputy Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP
Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP
Hon CHAN Kin-por, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Claudia MO
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS
Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHAN Han-pan, BBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP
Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP
Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan
Hon IP Kin-yuen
Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP
Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, GBS, JP

Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, SBS, JP
Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP
Hon Alvin YEUNG
Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, BBS, JP
Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP
Hon LAM Cheuk-ting
Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding
Hon SHIU Ka-chun
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon YUNG Hoi-yan, JP
Hon CHAN Chun-ying, JP
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP
Hon HUI Chi-fung
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH
Hon KWONG Chun-yu
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho
Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai
Hon AU Nok-hin

Members attending : Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon SHIU Ka-fai, JP

Members absent : Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan
Hon CHU Hoi-dick

Clerk in attendance : Mr Lemuel WOO
Chief Council Secretary (4)6

Staff in attendance : Mr Matthew LOO
Assistant Secretary General 4

Mr YICK Wing-kin
Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Ms Macy NG
Senior Council Secretary (4)6

Miss Katherine CHAN
Council Secretary (4)6

Miss Winnie CHENG
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)1

Ms Carmen HO
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)2

Miss Emma CHEUNG
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)3

Ms Emily LIU
Legislative Assistant (4)6

Miss Vivian YUEN
Legislative Assistant (4)8

Miss Ariel SHUM
Clerical Assistant (4)6

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Dr Priscilla LEUNG, the incumbent Chairman, presided over the election and called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services ("the AJLS Panel") for the 2019-2020 session.

2. Dr Priscilla LEUNG was nominated by Mr LAM Cheuk-ting and the nomination was seconded by Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok. Dr LEUNG accepted the nomination. As Dr LEUNG was nominated, Mr Dennis KWOK, the incumbent Deputy Chairman, presided over the election of the chairmanship of the AJLS Panel, and called for other nominations.

3. Mr Alvin YEUNG was nominated by Mr AU Nok-hin and the nomination was seconded by Ms Tanya CHAN. Mr YEUNG accepted the nomination.

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4. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen was nominated by Ms Claudia MO and the nomination was seconded by Ms Tanya CHAN. Mr CHAN accepted the nomination.

5. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen said that he accepted the nomination because he considered it unacceptable that Dr Priscilla LEUNG, the Chairman of the AJLS Panel for the 2018-2019 session, had refused members' request to conduct a public hearing to receive views from members of the public on the Fugitive Offenders and Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation (Amendment) Bill 2019. Dr LEUNG requested Mr CHAN to clarify by providing details on his allegations concerned.

6. Mr Dennis KWOK requested the Clerk to collate relevant information relating to the matters under dispute between Mr CHAN Chi-chuen and Dr Priscilla LEUNG for members' reference at the next meeting. Ms Claudia MO indicated support as it would facilitate members to better understand the matters in question.

7. Mr SHIU Ka-chun considered it inappropriate for the Legislative Council Secretariat to search for information to facilitate members nominated for chairmanship to challenge one another. Mr James TO also said that any disputes between members nominated for chairmanship during election should more appropriately be dealt with at a forum to present their platforms and answer members' questions, and it was inappropriate for the Legislative Council Secretariat to seek out information to facilitate either side in presenting his/her case. Members agreed.

8. Mr Dennis KWOK said that, owing to the arrival of end time for that meeting, the election of the Chairman would be suspended and be continued at the next meeting. Members noted that three valid nominations for chairmanship, namely Dr Priscilla LEUNG, Mr Alvin YEUNG and Mr CHAN Chi-chuen, had been received at the meeting and the call for nominations for the chairmanship had not yet closed.

(Post-meeting note: Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman was scheduled for 28 October 2019.)

9. The meeting ended at 4:30 pm.