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Motion on "Providing support for hard-hit industries affected by the epidemic"

Hon YIU Si-wing has given notice to move the attached motion at the above meeting. The President has directed that the motion be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

(Miranda HON) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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(Translation)

Hon YIU Si-wing's motion on "Providing support for hard-hit industries affected by the epidemic"

Wording of the Motion

That, in order to cope with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 epidemic, the Government has, over the past year or so, implemented the 'No-gathering Order' and immigration quarantine measures, nonetheless, Hong Kong's economy has been dealt a severe blow as a result; the Government has launched a series of measures to boost the economy which have achieved initial results; according to the latest figures released by the Census and Statistics Department, the overall unemployment rate in Hong Kong has dropped; but as the prevailing epidemic has yet to be brought under control, and the date for the resumption of cross-border travel remains uncertain, many hard-hit industries have been struggling to survive, especially tourism and related industries, and the pace of Hong Kong's economic recovery has also turned sluggish; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to allocate additional resources to continuously support the hard-hit industries affected by the epidemic; the relevant measures include:

- (1) collecting and analysing statistics for assessing the impact of the epidemic on individual industries, defining the industries profoundly affected by the epidemic as 'hard-hit industries', and seriously assess the short-, medium- and long-term impact of the shrinkage of hard-hit industries on Hong Kong's economy;
- (2) allocating additional resources for assisting stakeholders and practitioners of hard-hit industries in tiding over the difficult times, and launching a new round of measures to support enterprises and safeguard jobs for hard-hit industries; and
- (3) providing extra support for tourism and related industries to prevent them from shrinking or even declining.