立法會 Legislative Council

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Subcommittee on Census and Statistics (2021 Population Census) Order

Minutes of the first meeting on Friday, 6 November 2020, from 12:00 pm in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman)

Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP

Hon WU Chi-wai, MH Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan

[According to the announcement made by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government on 11 November 2020 pursuant to the Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Issues Relating to the Qualification of the Members of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Kenneth LEUNG, KWOK Ka-ki, Dennis KWOK Wing-hang and Alvin YEUNG were disqualified from being members of LegCo on 30 July 2020.]

Clerk in attendance: Mr Derek LO

Chief Council Secretary (1)5

Staff in attendance: Ms Wendy KAN

Assistant Legal Adviser 6

Mr Joey LO

Senior Council Secretary (1)8

Ms Michelle NIEN

Legislative Assistant (1)5

I. Election of Chairman

Election of Chairman

Ms Starry LEE, the member with the highest precedence in the Council among members of the Subcommittee present at the meeting, presided over the election of the Chairman of the Subcommittee and invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Subcommittee.

2. Dr Fernando CHEUNG was nominated by <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr Helena WONG</u>. <u>Dr Fernando CHEUNG</u> accepted the nomination. There being no other nomination, <u>Ms Starry LEE</u> declared that Dr Fernando CHEUNG was elected the Chairman of the Subcommittee. <u>Dr CHEUNG</u> then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

- 3. <u>Members</u> agreed that there was no need to elect a Deputy Chairman.
- 4. <u>The Subcommittee</u> deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

II. Any other business

Legislative timetable and extension of the scrutiny period

5. <u>The Subcommittee</u> noted that the scrutiny period of the Census and Statistics (2021 Population Census) Order (L.N. 206) ("the Order") would expire at the Council meeting of 18 November 2020 (or the Council meeting of 9 December 2020 if the scrutiny period would be extended by resolution). <u>The Subcommittee</u> agreed that the Chairman of the Subcommittee should move a motion to extend the scrutiny period to the Council meeting of 9 December 2020. The Chairman would report the deliberations of the Subcommittee to the House Committee on 27 November 2020.

(*Post-meeting note*: At its meeting of 18 November 2020, the Council passed a resolution to extend the scrutiny period of the Order to the Council meeting of 9 December 2020.)

Action

6. In view of members' interest to express views on the 2021 Census at a Council meeting and enquiries about the arrangements for a debate on the Order through a take note motion, the Chairman requested the Clerk to provide written advice on the procedural arrangements for a debate on a motion to take note of a report of the House Committee on consideration of subsidiary legislation and other instruments in relation to the Order as provided under the Rules of Procedure.

(*Post-meeting note*: The paper on procedural arrangements for a debate on the Order at a Council meeting prepared by the Legislative Council Secretariat was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)151/20-21(01) on 10 November 2020.)

Invitation for public views

7. <u>The Subcommittee</u> agreed to invite the public to submit written views on the Order.

(*Post-meeting note*: An invitation for public submissions on the Order was uploaded onto Legislative Council website on 6 November 2020. Invitation letters for views were also issued to the District Councils. Two submissions were received and were circulated to members vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1)161/20-21(01) and (02) on 12 November 2020.)

Date of next meeting

8. <u>The Subcommittee</u> agreed that the date of next meeting would be fixed in due course.

(*Post-meeting note*: Given that a subcommittee should consist of not less than three members and the number of members of the Subcommittee had reduced to one, the House Committee agreed to dissolve the Subcommittee on 20 November 2020. As such, no further meeting of the Subcommittee was held.)

9. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:17 pm.

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Proceedings of the first meeting of the Subcommittee on Census and Statistics (2021 Population Census) Order on Friday, 6 November 2020, at 12:00 pm in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

Time Marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
Agenda item I — Election of Chairman			
000007 – 000140	Ms Starry LEE Mr WU Chi-wai Dr KWOK Ka-ki Dr Fernando CHEUNG Dr Helena WONG	Election of Chairman	
Agenda item II — Any other business			
000141 – 001500	Chairman Dr KWOK Ka-ki Mr WU Chi-wai Clerk	Legislative timetable and extension of scrutiny period Members' enquiries on the procedural arrangements for a debate on a motion to take note of a report of the House Committee on consideration of subsidiary legislation and other instruments in relation to the Census and Statistics (2021 Population Census) Order. The Chairman requested the Clerk to provide written advice on the procedural arrangements for a debate on a take note motion as provided under the Rules of Procedure.	The Clerk to take action as per paragraph 5 of the minutes
001501 – 001526	Chairman	Closing remarks	

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