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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Amendments to Hon CHAN Hok-fung's motion on
"Promoting rural tourism"**

The President has given permission for four Members (Hon Kenneth LAU, Hon CHAN Yuet-ming, Hon YIU Pak-leung and Hon LUK Chung-hung) to move amendments to Hon CHAN Hok-fung's motion. The terms of the original motion and the marked-up version of the amendments (LC Paper No. CB(1)1403/2025(01)) are **attached** for Members' information.

2. The President will order a joint debate on the above motion and the amendments. I set out below the relevant proceedings in which the President will:

- (a) call upon the motion mover to speak and move the motion;
- (b) propose the question on the motion;
- (c) call upon the Members who wish to move amendments to the motion to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
 - (i) Hon Kenneth LAU;
 - (ii) Hon CHAN Yuet-ming;
 - (iii) Hon LUK Chung-hung; and
 - (iv) Hon YIU Pak-leung;
- (d) call upon the public officer(s) to speak;

- (e) invite other Members to speak;
- (f) call upon the motion mover to speak on the amendments;
- (g) call upon the public officer(s) to speak again;
- (h) deal with the amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above, i.e. first invite the mover of the first amendment to move the amendment and forthwith propose and put to vote the question on the amendment, and thereafter proceed to deal with the remaining amendment(s); and
- (i) after all amendments have been dealt with, call upon the motion mover to reply, and then put to vote the question on the motion, or the motion as amended, as the case may be.

3. Members are reminded that in accordance with Appendix IIIA to the House Rules, the **maximum duration of this joint debate (including voting) is four hours**. The motion mover will have a total of 10 minutes to make introductory speech and reply (paragraph 2(a) and (i) above refers), and another five minutes to speak on the amendment(s) (paragraph 2(f) above refers). The mover(s) of the amendment(s) and other Members may each speak once up to a maximum of five minutes.

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for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion debate on
“Promoting rural tourism”**

1. Hon CHAN Hok-fung’s original motion

That in response to shifts in visitors’ travel and spending patterns, the Government should comprehensively review and update its tourism promotion strategies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to make good use of Hong Kong’s high-quality natural environment and cultural resources to promote rural tourism, so as to attract visitors to extend their stay in Hong Kong, as well as to formulate innovative and business-friendly policies and streamline regulatory measures according to local conditions, so as to support the development of rural tourism and boost the rural economy.

2. Motion as amended by Hon Kenneth LAU

That *Hong Kong’s countryside boasts a wealth of natural ecology and historical and cultural resources*; in response to shifts in visitors’ travel and spending patterns, the Government should comprehensively review and update its tourism promotion strategies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to make good use of Hong Kong’s high-quality natural environment and cultural resources to promote rural tourism, so as to attract visitors to extend their stay in Hong Kong, as well as to formulate innovative and business-friendly policies and streamline regulatory measures according to local conditions, so as to support the development of rural tourism and boost the rural economy, *thereby injecting new impetus into Hong Kong’s economy; this Council also urges the Government to:*

- (1) comprehensively restore historic sites and villages marking the War of Resistance in the rural areas of the New Territories, consolidate historical resources and establish heritage trails of the War of Resistance in Sai Kung, Sha Tau Kok and Lantau, so as to develop ‘red tourism routes’ with significance in culture and patriotism education;*
- (2) enhance the signage system as well as the viewing and resting facilities of the Four Trails comprising the MacLehose Trail, the Wilson Trail, the Lantau Trail and the Hong Kong Trail, and at the same time, actively extend the network of trails with tourism potential to create world-class rural hiking trails;*

- (3) *improve the rules and regulations on low-altitude passenger-carrying flights, and introduce low-altitude countryside sightseeing itineraries first in Lantau and Sha Tau Kok to provide visitors with a safe, comfortable and quality low-altitude flight experience; and*
- (4) *introduce a ‘permit to hawk (village food)’ to allow villagers to set up mobile stalls selling traditional snacks at tourist attractions in rural areas, and further streamline the licensing process to facilitate the development of home-stay lodgings in rural villages, so as to provide visitors with a diverse rural tourism experience.*

Note: Hon Kenneth LAU’s amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type***.

3. Motion as amended by Hon CHAN Yuet-ming

That *the tourism industry is one of the economic pillars of Hong Kong*; in response to shifts in visitors’ travel and spending patterns, the Government should comprehensively review and update its tourism promotion strategies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to make good use of Hong Kong’s high-quality natural environment and cultural resources ***which include historic buildings and historic sites marking the War of Resistance*** to promote rural tourism, so as to attract visitors to extend their stay in Hong Kong, as well as to formulate innovative and business-friendly policies and streamline regulatory measures according to local conditions, so as to support the development of rural tourism and boost the rural economy; ***this Council also urges the Government to adopt the ‘urban-rural symbiosis’ principle in developing rural tourism, as well as to expedite the enhancement of the appeal of the countryside as a tourist hotspot according to the Development Blueprint for Hong Kong’s Tourism Industry 2.0, comprehensively improve the infrastructures in the rural areas, and introduce as early as possible the first batch of rural tourism pilot projects.***

Note: Hon CHAN Yuet-ming’s amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type***.

4. Motion as amended by Hon LUK Chung-hung

That *developing diverse visitor source markets is one of Hong Kong’s key strategies for tourism development*; in response to shifts in visitors’ travel and spending patterns, the Government should comprehensively review and update its tourism promotion strategies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to make good use of Hong Kong’s high-quality natural environment and cultural resources to promote rural tourism, so as to attract visitors to extend their stay in Hong Kong, ~~as well as~~ to formulate innovative and business-friendly policies and streamline regulatory measures according to local conditions,

including relaxing the conditions for home-stay lodgings in rural villages to apply for hotel and guesthouse licences and streamlining the procedures for restaurants in rural areas to apply for food business licences, to revitalize declared monuments and historic building clusters in rural areas in order to enhance their appeal and economic benefits, to improve the ancillary facilities at campsites in country parks, and to encourage docents to deepen their knowledge of geology, history and culture, so as to support the development of rural tourism and boost the rural economy.

Note: Hon LUK Chung-hung's amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type*** or with deletion line.

5. Motion as amended by Hon YIU Pak-leung

That in response to shifts in visitors' travel and spending patterns, the Government should comprehensively review and update its tourism promotion strategies; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to make good use of Hong Kong's high-quality natural environment and cultural resources to promote rural tourism, so as to attract visitors to extend their stay in Hong Kong, as well as to formulate innovative and business-friendly policies ~~and~~, streamline regulatory measures according to local conditions, ***improve ancillary facilities, and make good use of the resources of the Countryside Conservation Office***, so as to support the ***sustainable*** development of rural tourism and boost the rural economy.

Note: Hon YIU Pak-leung's amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type*** or with deletion line.