立法會 Legislative Council

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Paper for the House Committee meeting on 21 January 2000

Questions scheduled for the Legislative Council meeting on 26 January 2000

Questions by:

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| (1) | Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung | (Oral reply) | |
| (2) | Hon Timothy FOK | (Oral reply) | |
| (3) | Hon CHAN Kam-lam | (Oral reply) | |
| (4) | Hon Emily LAU | (Oral reply) | |
| (5) | Hon SIN Chung-kai | (Oral reply) | |
| (6) | Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung | (Oral reply) | |
| (7) | Hon WONG Yung-kan | (Written reply) | |
| (8) | Hon James TIEN | (Written reply) | |
| (9) | Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung | (Written reply) | |
| (10) | Hon Christine LOH | (Written reply) | |
| (11) | Hon LAU Kong-wah | (Written reply) | |
| (12) | Hon Emily LAU | (Written reply) | (New question) |
| | (Replacing her previous question) | | |
| (13) | Hon Christine LOH | (Written reply) | |
| (14) | Ir Dr Hon HO Chung-tai | (Written reply) | |
| (15) | Hon SIN Chung-kai | (Written reply) | |
| (16) | Dr Hon David LI | (Written reply) | |
| (17) | Hon MA Fung-kwok | (Written reply) | |
| (18) | Hon LAU Kong-wah | (Written reply) | |
| (19) | Hon MA Fung-kwok | (Written reply) | |
| (20) | Hon SZETO Wah | (Written reply) | |
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For wording of other questions, please see the paper for House Committee meeting on 21 January 2000: LC Paper No. CB(3) 437/99-00

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NOTE :

- # 議員將採用這種語言提出質詢
- # Member will ask the question in this language

(12) Hon Emily LAU (Written reply)

In connection with the change of name of the Hong Kong Branch of the Xinhua News Agency, will the Executive Authorities inform this Council:

- (a) whether they know if the functions of the renamed organization have been changed;
- (b) whether the renamed organization will still be recognized as an organization of the Central People's Government or accorded the status as such;
- (c) whether the organization has sought the consent of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Government for it to change its name, in accordance with the spirit of Article 22 of the Basic Law, which has a stipulation that the consent of the HKSAR Government must be obtained for departments of the Central Government, or for provinces, autonomous regions or municipalities directly under the Central Government to set up offices in the HKSAR; if it has not, of the reasons for that; and
- (d) of the measures the executive authorities will take to ensure that the renamed organization will only engage in liaison work, so as to avoid giving the public the impression that it has a higher authority than the HKSAR Government or is in effect an alternative centre of power in Hong Kong?

(12) 劉慧卿議員 (書面答覆)

關於新華通訊社香港分社更改機構名稱一事,行政機關可否告知本會:

- (一) 是否知悉更改名稱後的機構的職能有否改變;
- (二) 更改名稱後的機構是否仍會被香港特別行政區("特區")政府認可爲中央人民政府轄下機構或給予該地位;
- (三) 該機構曾否按照《基本法》第二十二條的精神,就更改名稱一事徵求特區政府的同意,該條文有規定中央各部門、各省、自治區、直轄市如需在特區設立機構,須徵得特區政府同意;若否,原因爲何;及
- (四) 行政機關將會採取甚麼措施確保更改名稱後的機構只會從事聯絡工作,以免令公眾覺得該機構擁有較特區政府更高的權力或實爲香港另一權力中心?