

LegCo to debate proposed resolutions relating to conducting remote meetings of Council or committee

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The Legislative Council (LegCo) will hold a meeting tomorrow (January 19) at 11am in the Chamber of the LegCo Complex. During the meeting, Members will debate two proposed resolutions under Article 75 of the Basic Law and the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance. The two proposed resolutions, to be moved by Ms Starry Lee, seek to authorise that meetings of the Council or a committee may be conducted remotely in accordance with the Rules of Procedure by the means determined by the Council within a specified period. The proposed resolutions are set out in Appendix 1.

Ms Lee will also move a proposed resolution under the Legislative Council Commission Ordinance on the manner of election of members of the Legislative Council Commission. The proposed resolution is set out in Appendix 2.

Meanwhile, Ms Lee will move a proposed resolution under section 34(4) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance to extend the period for amending the Prevention and Control of Disease (Use of Vaccines) (Amendment) Regulation 2021, laid on the table of the Council on October 20, 2021, to the meeting of February 16, 2022.

On other Members' motions, Mr Lai Tung-kwok will move a motion on guarding against the importation of COVID-19, preventing its spread on all fronts and resuming quarantine-free travel as soon as possible. The motion is set out in Appendix 3. Mr Dennis Leung, Mr Edward Leung, Ms Yung Hoi-yan, Mr Ma Fung-kwok and Mr Yim Kong will move separate amendments to Mr Lai's motion.

Ms Judy Chan will move a motion on regulating employment agencies for placement of foreign domestic helpers to protect the interests of employers and employees. The motion is set out in Appendix 4. Mr Lee Chun-keung, Mr Ngan Man-yu and Mr Paul Tse will move separate amendments to Ms Chan's motion.

Separately, Mr Edward Leung will ask, under Rule 24(4) of the Rules of Procedure, an urgent oral question concerning measures to immediately improve the management of the Penny's Bay Quarantine Centre. Members will also ask the Government 22 questions on various policy areas, six of which require oral replies.

The agenda of the above meeting can be obtained via the LegCo Website (www.legco.gov.hk). Members of the public can watch or listen to the meeting

via the "Webcast" system on the LegCo Website. To observe the proceedings of the meeting at the LegCo Complex, members of the public may call 3919 3399 during office hours to reserve seats.