

Transcript of remarks by CS at media session (with video)

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, and the Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, at a media session after meeting with the new District Council members this afternoon (January 10):

Reporter: Mr Cheung, are you disappointed that so many pro-democracy councillors have boycotted this meeting? And how will you enhance the communication with them in the coming four years?

Chief Secretary for Administration: We were a bit disappointed, of course, that only 40 members turned up today. But these 40 members were very active. In fact, 20 of them had the chance to speak up and speak from their heart, speak their mind, and we did answer them fully and satisfactorily. We had a very good exchange this afternoon including two hours of Q&A. Only 20 minutes was spent on a very brief introduction for the work of the DCs. It's a very useful, productive, I would say fertile, exchange in the first place. It's an initial exchange. We will certainly continue our dialogue, our interaction with District Councils in the months to come. OK?

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)