Appendix 1

(Translation)

Hon Starry LEE's motion on
"Reforming the accountability system for principal officials"

Wording of the Motion

That the Government introduced the accountability system for principal officials in 2002 with the aims to select talents in governance from various sectors of the community, enhance the accountability of principal officials for their respective policy portfolios, better coordinate the formulation of policies and enhance the efficiency of policy implementation, enhance cooperation between the Executive and the Legislature, and better respond to the needs of the community; however, after being implemented for over 18 years, the accountability system for principal officials has failed to fully achieve the above objectives; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to, having regard to the latest development, effect positive change in reviewing the accountability system for principal officials to enhance the governance level, thereby resolving the deep-rooted conflicts in the community and better promoting Hong Kong's development.