Subcommittee on International Organizations (Privileges and Immunities) (ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research Office) Order

Follow-up to the meeting on 24 March 2016

Members requested the Administration to provide the following information -

- (a) background information on Hong Kong's participation in Chiang Mai Initiative Multilateralisation ("CMIM"), including the legal basis for the Administration to participate in CMIM and agree to increase Hong Kong's share of financial contributions, and the activation procedures under CMIM;
- (b) referring to paragraph 10 of the submission from the City University of Hong Kong regarding the recruitment of staff in Hong Kong for the ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research Office ("AMRO"), whether AMRO is recruiting a deputy director who will be based in Hong Kong and commence duties in June 2016. If yes, details of the AMRO's office in Hong Kong;
- (c) whether the passports of the personnel of AMRO bear any markings or labels showing that they are staff of AMRO personnel in order that they could be granted immunities from immigration restrictions and use of special travelling facilities;
- (d) whether there have been any disputes relating to the orders made under the International Organizations (Privileges and Immunities) Ordinance (Cap.558) which had been brought to court for adjudication. If yes, please provide details;
- (e) the steps leading to the implementation of international agreements relating to the privileges and immunities granted to international organizations and their personnel pursuant to Cap. 558, including interactions with the Central People's Government, under Hong Kong's legal framework; and

(f) the Administration's approach in implementing international agreements which apply to Hong Kong in local legislation in relation to the privileges and immunities of international organizations and their personnel granted pursuant to Cap. 558.

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