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Islands District Council
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Question on the follow-up action regarding vote-rigging cases in the
District Council and Legislative Council Elections

Ms. Amy YUNG notifies this Council that she will raise the following enquiry at the Islands District Council meeting to be held on 7 September this year:

“ At the Islands District Fight Crime Committee meeting held on 7 February 2012, I raised a question on the follow-up action regarding “vote-rigging” cases in the 2011 District Council Election (IsDFCC Paper 15/2011-2012), and asked the Independent Commission Against Corruption (“ICAC”), the Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”) and the Electoral Affairs Commission (“EAC”) to explain the way of handling suspected “vote-rigging” cases uncovered by a number of voters, as well as the measures adopted to prevent a repeat of similar cases in the future elections.

The media and many voters still detected a number of suspected “vote-rigging” cases recently which included: (1) provision of the addresses of office, hotel, guest house, park or lamp pole or incomplete residential addresses as the registered addresses for voter registration; (2) submission of voter registration forms without the knowledge of voters; (3) forging signatures on voter registration forms giving rise to a change in the entitlement to vote in the respective geographical or functional constituencies; (4) failure to provide accurate residential addresses on the voter registration forms; (5) provision of non-existing addresses as the registered residential addresses; and (6) provision of the addresses of vacant flats recovered by relevant government departments or companies.

Given the seriousness of the above-mentioned cases that will seriously affect the results of the forthcoming District Council and Legislative Council Elections, I request the ICAC, the HKPF, the EAC and the Registration and Electoral Office (“REO”) to send their representatives to attend the meeting and explain the way of handling these suspected “vote-rigging” cases, so as to promote the clean and fair District Council and Legislative Council Elections. I also request the EAC and the REO to explain the criteria for ascertaining the validity of voters’ information, and whether they will initiate investigations into the above six categories of suspected “vote-rigging” cases. ”

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