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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

~~1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on:~~

1. ~~2.~~ Oaths.

~~3. Papers to be laid.~~

~~4. Questions and Answers.~~

2. ~~5.~~ Motions.

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Motions

The Attorney General to move the First, Second and Third Readings of;—

1. A bill intituled an Ordinance to restrict the taking of legal proceedings in respect of certain acts done and payments made during the war period and to validate certain proclamations, rules, regulations, orders and other legislative acts issued, made and passed, and sentences, judgments and orders of certain courts and officers given and made during the war period.

2. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the incorporation into the law of the Colony of provisions of certain Proclamations and matters done thereunder promulgated during the British Military Administration together with modifications of such provisions and to amend such Ordinances as are affected by such incorporation.

3. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the trial of offences committed during the British Military Administration.

Dated 1st May, 1946.

Deputy Clerk of Councils.





**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 16th May, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 1st May, 1946.
  2. Oaths.
  3. Questions and Answers.
  4. Papers to be laid.
  5. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

- (a) Will Government make an announcement regarding the housing problem and how it is proposed to be dealt with?
- (b) Will Government table the report of the Building Reconstruction Advisory Committee appointed by His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir Cecil Harcourt?

**Motions.**

The Acting Attorney General to move the First Reading of:—

1. A bill intituled an Ordinance to make provision for the Chief Justice to authorise solicitors to appear in any jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
2. A bill intituled an Ordinance temporarily to vest increased powers in Police Magistrates.
3. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the Urban Council to function temporarily without elected members.
4. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the surrender of subjects of China who, during the war period, have, in China, collaborated with the Japanese.

C. B. BURGESS,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Friday, 17th May, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

2. Motions.

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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third Readings of:—

1. A bill intituled an Ordinance to make provision for the Chief Justice to authorise solicitors to appear in any jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
2. A bill intituled an Ordinance temporarily to vest increased powers in Police Magistrates.
3. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the Urban Council to function temporarily without elected members.
4. A bill intituled an Ordinance to provide for the surrender of subjects of China who, during the war period, have, in China, collaborated with the Japanese.

C. B. BURGESS,  
*Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 20th June, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings held on 16th and 17th May, 1946.
2. Oaths. *Hon. Mr. V. KENNIFF (D.P.W.)*
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

Will Government make a statement on its policy regarding payment of salary for the period of the Japanese occupation to officers who were not interned?

The Honourable Mr. Ronald Dare Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. Will Government make a statement as to what is being done with regard to pay due to Civil Defence Services for the war period?
2. Will Government state what is being done with the cheques drawn in Stanley, which, by order of Mr. Gimson dated 1st September, 1945, were deposited with the Controller of Currency?
3. Will Government state on what basis houses and flats are allocated on derequisition to commercial firms by the Quartering Commandant's Department?
4. In determining how many persons should occupy a house or flat, is the same basis applied to commercial firms as is applied to members of Government and of the Fighting Services?

The Honourable Dr. Chau Sik-nin, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. With reference to recent correspondence in the Press on the subject of gratuities to Civil Servants who were not interned during the Japanese Occupation, will the Honourable Colonial Secretary kindly state whether the Government did make any promise to pay such Civil Servants any gratuity, and if so, what are the terms, and whether and when such promise will be implemented?
2. (a) What are the rehabilitation and high cost of living allowances paid to the Chinese, Indian and Portuguese employees of the Government, and  
  
(b) How do they compare with similar allowances paid to the European employees, in proportion to salaries?

#### Motions.

The Attorney General to move the First, Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance, 1929, and the Regulations thereof".

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., to move:

That this Council, whilst appreciating the World food shortage situation and the consequential obligation on the part of the Colony to assume its share of the burden of restricting consumption to the utmost extent consistent with the due maintenance of a reasonable standard of health, considers that it is its duty towards the residents of the Colony—

- (a) to voice its profound regret and disappointment at the reduction of 70% made on the allocation of rice to the Colony in respect of the second quarter of 1946.
- (b) to express its concern on the effect of the cut in the rice ration from the already drastically reduced amount of .4 catty per person per day to .25 catty.
- (c) to protest against the large quantities of "rice", consisting of 100% broken rice, old and full of debris, and totally unfit for human consumption, shipped as part of the Colony's allocation.
- (d) to express its hope that the allocation to the Colony of the next and subsequent quarters will be at the rate and on the basis of each consumer being able to have at least two proper meals of rice per day.

Accordingly it is hereby resolved that His Excellency the Governor be asked to be kind enough to transmit the above Motion together with an expression of the strong feelings of this Council to the Secretary of State for the Colonies so that the necessary action may be taken.

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Hong Kong.

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 20th June, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.

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#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### ALDEIDUM

The Honourable Dr. Chau Sik-nin, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:

"Will Government make a statement on the suppression of the 'Kwok Man Yat Po' ('National Times') for one month on the 8th June, 1946?"

The above question will be asked immediately after the second question already standing in the Honourable Dr. Chau Sik-nin's name.

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

Friday, 19th

Meeting to be held on ~~Thursday~~, 18th July, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 20th June, 1946.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Questions and Answers.
  4. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. D. F. Landale, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. Will Government make a statement as to its policy and what steps it is taking to provide the Colony, as soon as possible, with an adequate airport capable of handling the most modern types of four engine land planes.
2. Will Government state—
  - (1) Why the Pingshan Aerodrome project was abandoned.
  - (2) Whether an alternative site has been found and if so when construction work will commence, and how long it is estimated it will take to complete.
  - (3) If an alternative site has not been found what steps are being taken to find such a site.
3. Is Government aware that, in order that Hong Kong may not lose its rightful place as an important link in the chain of National and International Air Lines now being organised, it is essential that it should be equipped with the most efficient and up-to-date facilities for air transport without any delay?
4. With the opening of the Kowloon Canton Highway, and the resulting link-up of the road systems of the Colony and China, will Government consider altering the present traffic regulation whereby vehicles proceed on the left side of the road, to conform with that in force in China.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 25th July, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 19th July, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. D. F. Landale, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

Will Government make a statement as to its policy for future administration of the Port of Hongkong with special reference to the part the Port Executive Committee will be expected to play, and also state its intention with regard to the formation of a Port Trust on the lines recommended by Sir David Owen?

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. In respect of property requisitioned by, or dealt with by order of, Government, or the Services, prior to 25th December, 1941, will Government state whether it assumes responsibility regarding:—

- (1) Leasehold property requisitioned by Government or the Services which suffered damage and/or destruction by

(a) Bombing or shell fire during the actual fighting between the 8th and 25th December, 1941:

and

(b) Bombing during the Japanese occupation.

- (2) Steamer and other craft which were:—

(a) Requisitioned by Government.

(b) Ordered by Government to be scuttled:

and

- (3) Personal property such as motor cars and motor trucks which were requisitioned by Government.

The Honourable Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

In view of the improvement in trade and general economic conditions, will Government state whether they will lift the Moratorium on the financial institutions in the Colony; and if not, will they give their reasons?

The Honourable Dr. Chau Sik-nin, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

In view of various complaints voiced in the Press regarding Government's pronouncement on its policy respecting the reconstruction of demolished properties, will Government state:

(a) Whether they would undertake the reconstruction of all demolished properties and charge the cost to the owners such cost to be refunded by reasonable instalments?

(b) Or, as an alternative, whether Government would consider advancing funds to owners of properties on condition that their properties are to be repaired as soon as possible and the advances are to be repaid by such instalments as are mutually acceptable?

(c) Whether Government are prepared to purchase building materials in mass quantities and release them to builders at cost, thus reducing the cost of rebuilding.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide legal aid in criminal proceedings for members of the Armed Forces".
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to repeal the Peak District (Residence) Ordinance, 1918".
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to repeal the Cheung Chau (Residence) Ordinance, 1919".

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

2. As regards property requisitioned during the British Military Administration, in respect of which a dispute as to the amount of compensation payable has arisen:—

(1) Is it a fact that after the termination of the British Military Administration, the machinery for settling disputes as to the compensation payable in respect of requisition made since the British re-occupation is provided by sections 9 and 10 of the Compensation (Defence) Regulations 1940, and that section 10 provides inter alia—

“(3) For the purpose of determining disputes as to the payment of compensation under these regulations there shall be a General Claims Tribunal (hereinafter referred to as “the General Tribunal”) consisting of not less than three persons nominated by the Governor (including a judge of the Supreme Court) .....

(2) Has such a general tribunal been set up to which disputes can be referred? If not, why not?

#### Motions.

The Financial Secretary to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty million seven hundred and fifty-one thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1947”.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to provide legal aid in criminal proceedings for members of the Armed Forces”.

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to repeal the Peak District (Residence) Ordinance, 1918”.

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to repeal the Cheung Chau (Residence) Ordinance, 1919”.

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 1st August, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 25th July, 1946.
3. ~~2.~~ <sup>2.</sup> Papers to be laid.
4. ~~3.~~ Motions.

#### Motions.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to amend the Currency Ordinance No. 54 of 1935.”

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to remove doubts concerning the legal status of certain Bank Notes issued during the Japanese occupation of the Colony and to give power to the Financial Secretary to issue certificates of indebtedness other than in accordance with section 5 of the Currency Ordinance, 1935.”

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 15th August, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 1st August, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

### Questions.

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. In view of the Piece-Goods (Control) Order, 1946, published in the Gazette of July 2nd, under which all piece-goods are liable to be requisitioned on arrival in the Colony, the object ostensibly being to accumulate a quantity sufficient to make an equitable distribution to all rice ration ticket-holders: will Government explain why export permits are being issued for similar materials, thus reducing the quantity available for the Government rationing scheme.
2. (a) Will Government give the reasons for the delay in the registration, under Proclamation No. 27, of China Companies many of whom made applications for such registration in April; and is Government aware of the embarrassment which may be caused to such companies, or of the difficulties which they may encounter, by the failure to provide them with a proper status.  
(b) Would Government state what action is being, or has been taken, to permit the registration in Hong Kong of China Companies who availed themselves of the powers given under the Defence (China Companies Temporary Transfer of Registered Office) Regulation 1941, and the Colonial Companies (Transfer) Order in Council 1942 and Regulation 5 of the Defence (Companies) Regulation 1940 and who therefore are excluded from registration under the specific provisions of Article 4 of Proclamation No. 27.

### Motions.

The Financial Secretary to move the following resolution—

Resolved pursuant to the proviso to section 3 of the Note-issuing Banks Extension of Powers Ordinance, 1939, as modified by the Law Amendment (Transitional Provisions) Ordinance, 1946, that this Legislative Council hereby extends the powers of all the note-issuing banks to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes until and including the 12th day of July, 1947.

The Attorney General to move—

That the additional by-law made by the Urban Council under Section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 13 of 1935, on 30th July, 1946, under the heading "Markets" set forth in the Schedule to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Currency Ordinance No. 54 of 1935."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to remove doubts concerning the legal status of certain Bank Notes issued during the Japanese occupation of the Colony and to give power to the Financial Secretary to issue certificates of indebtedness other than in accordance with section 5 of the Currency Ordinance, 1935."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 27th August, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 15th August, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

### Question.

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

The Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies stated, during a debate on Malaya in the House of Commons on July 25th, that the Tin industry in Malaya had been offered loans by the local Government for an approved programme of repair. The loans to be set off against compensation for war damage. Payment of any of the loans, or payment of interest, not to commence until a decision had been taken upon the amount of compensation due for war damage. Loans on these terms to be available to Chinese as well as Europeans. Will Government consider assisting in the rehabilitation of industry in this Colony on similar terms?

### Motions.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to enable the Governor-in-Council to provide for the observance of Summer Time".

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure".

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., to move:—

1. That this Council expresses the hope that every possible step will be taken with all convenient speed for the removal of the existing restrictions imposed by the Moratorium Proclamation particularly in regard to transactions in shares and property.
2. That if the Secretary of State's decision in regard to Debtor-Creditor Relationships involves any alteration in the law of the Colony otherwise than by the Legislature of the Colony an opportunity may given to this Council to express its views before such legislation is enacted.
3. That the terms of this Motion and a record of the Debate be transmitted to the Secretary of State for his information.

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 5th September, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 27th August, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the following resolution:—

Resolved pursuant to section 3 of the Public Officers (Changes of Style) Ordinance, 1937, that the style of the office of "Bacteriological Institute" be changed to that of "Pathological Institute", that the style of the office of "Bacteriologist" be changed to that of "Pathologist", that the style of the office of "Assistant Bacteriologist" be changed to that of "Assistant Pathologist" and that the style of the office of "Local Assistant Bacteriologists" be changed to that of "Local Assistant Pathologists" for all purposes and that the following addition be made to the Schedule to the said Ordinance:—

Old style of officer, office or department.	New style of officer, office or department.
Bacteriological Institute	Pathological Institute
Bacteriologist	Pathologist
Assistant Bacteriologist	Assistant Pathologist
Local Assistant Bacteriologists	Local Assistant Pathologists.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912".

The Financial Secretary to move the Second reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty million seven hundred and fifty-one thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1947".

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to enable the Governor-in-Council to provide for the observance of Summer Time".

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure".

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Council.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 12th September, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 5th September, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

With reference to the question which I put to Government in my Budget speech on the 5th September, 1946, will Government be good enough to answer the same, which is as follows:—

"Will Government specifically give details of "European" posts in, for example, the Education, Medical, Police and Public Works Departments to which it is likely that Chinese and other local-born officers have been, or will be, appointed in 1946-47, bearing in mind that the estimates of expenditure of these four important Departments of the Government Service form a large percentage of the total Estimates of the Colony?"

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

- (a) To what class of person, and in what order of priority, does Government insist that dealers should sell new motor cars?
- (b) What check is made by Government to see that those people who are allowed to buy new cars do not resell them?
- (c) How many new cars have, in fact, been resold, and on what grounds did Government sanction the transfers?

**Motions.**

The Colonial Secretary to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1946-47 and on the Appropriation Bill for 1946-47 and to move the following resolution:—

That the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1946-47, incorporating the amendments proposed by the Select Committee, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make better provision for the safety of places declared to be protected places".

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1938".

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912".

The Financial Secretary to move the Committee stage and the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty million seven hundred and fifty-one thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1947".

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 19th September, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 12th September, 1946.
2. Questions and Answers.
3. Motions.

#### Questions.

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

- (1) What Directives have been made by the Commander-in-Chief or the Senior Officer commanding H.B.M. Forces under Article 5 of the Requisitioning Proclamation (Proclamation No. 20)?
- (2) In view of the provisions of Sections 52 and 53 of the Defence Regulations 1940 as extended and adapted by Emergency Powers (Extension) Proclamation (Proclamation No. 30) have either the Military or the Civil Government authority to requisition land for the purpose of providing married quarters for
  - (a) Service personnel, or
  - (b) Government servants

in priority to civilian requirements?

#### Motions.

The Attorney General to move—

That the amendment made by the Urban Council under section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 13 of 1935, on 3rd September, 1946, to the by-laws under the heading "Slaughter-houses" set forth in the Schedule to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to make better provision for the safety of places declared to be protected places ".

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1938 ".

The Attorney General to move the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912 ".

The Financial Secretary to move the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-one million eight hundred and seventy-one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1947 ".

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 3rd October, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 19th September, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to provide for the exhibition of British Cinematograph Films and to restrict the advance booking of cinematograph films."

A Bill intituled " An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

The Honourable Mr. D. F. Landale to move—

That this Council wishes to record its sense of deep regret at the air disaster which occurred on the 25th September, 1946, resulting in the loss of the lives of all the crew and passengers and, in the name of the Colony, wishes to extend an expression of its profound sympathy to the relatives of all those who lost their lives.

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Friday, 11th October, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 3rd October, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Factories and Workshops Ordinance, 1937."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1933."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the exhibition of British Cinematograph Films and to restrict the advance booking of cinematograph films."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 17th October, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 11th October, 1946.
  - ~~2. Oaths.~~
  2. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to present the report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921" and to move that the Bill as amended by the Select Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary of 16th October, 1946, be substituted for the Bill as read a Second time.

The Attorney General to move—

That the amendment made by the Urban Council under section 4(1) (xx) of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 15 of 1935, on 1st October, 1946, to the by-laws under the heading "Laundries" contained in Schedule A to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Pawnbrokers Ordinance, 1930."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Factories and Workshops Ordinance, 1937."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1933."

The Attorney General to move the Committee stage and the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 24th October, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 17th October, 1946.
2. Oaths.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

Is Government aware that the delay in recommencing the disposition of Crown Land by auction or by private treaty is seriously retarding building development in the Colony; and will Government state its future policy with regard to Crown Lands suitable for building sites?

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hawkers Ordinance, 1935."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to give permanent effect to amendments made to various ordinances by certain Defence Regulations and to make provision for the continuance in force of certain Defence Regulations for a limited period."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Pawnbrokers Ordinance, 1930."

The Attorney General to move the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Factories and Workshops Ordinance, 1937."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 31st October, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 24th October, 1946.

~~2. Oaths~~ *Slid*

2. Papers to be laid.

3. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move—

That the amendment made by the Urban Council under section 4 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 15 of 1935, on 15th October, 1946, to the by-laws under the heading "Dangerous and Offensive Trades" contained in Schedule A to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance for the Establishment and Administration of a Hong Kong War Services Assistance Fund".

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to clarify the position in regard to requisition and acquisition of property under Emergency Powers, and to make provision for the payment of compensation in accordance with the Compensation (Defence) Regulations, 1940 for such requisitions and acquisitions as are deemed to have been made on behalf of the Governor".

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hawkers Ordinance, 1935".

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to give permanent effect to amendments made to various Ordinances by certain Defence Regulations and to make provision for the continuance in force of certain Defence Regulations for a limited period".

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 21st November, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 31st October, 1946.
2. Oaths.
3. Papers to be laid.
4. Questions and Answers.
5. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

With reference to the concluding paragraph of His Excellency the Governor's address delivered in the Legislative Council on the 16th May, 1946 in regard to the Housing Problem, reading as follows:—

“ I can assure the Council that both it and the general public will be kept fully informed by the Government of the progress which we are able to make in this important matter, of the difficulties which we encounter, and, I hope, of our success in overcoming those difficulties ”—

Will Government make a statement by way of information to this Council and the public in respect of the matters mentioned by His Excellency?

**Motions.**

The Colonial Secretary to move—

That this Council approves the gift to Lingnam University, Canton, of \$20,000 as a token of gratitude for the assistance given to students from Hong Kong who were admitted to the University during the Pacific War.

The Attorney General to move—

That the rules dated the 9th day of November, 1946, made by the Chief Justice under section 32 of the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873, Ordinance No. 3 of 1873, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled “ An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong Police Reserve Ordinance, 1927.”

A Bill intituled “ An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.”

A Bill intituled “ An Ordinance to provide for the Licensing of Tallyclerks.”

A Bill intituled “ An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932.”

A Bill intituled “An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of meals and intoxicating liquors sold in certain establishments.”

D. R. Holmes,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**

**HONG KONG.**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 28th November, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 21st November, 1946.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

With reference to the question asked by the Honourable Mr. D. F. Landale in this Council on the 19th July, has Government come to any decision as to whether or not the existing Traffic Regulation whereby vehicles must be driven on the left-hand side of the road should be amended?

**Motions.**

The Financial Secretary to move the following resolution:—

Resolved that if an entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the organization known as Combined Services Entertainment, duty shall be charged levied and paid in like manner as if the expression "admission to the entertainment" did not include admission of any member

\* The Financial Secretary, pursuant to Section 4 of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance, 1931, to move a motion the text of which is attached.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong Police Reserve Ordinance, 1927."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the Licensing of Tally-clerks."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of meals and intoxicating liquors sold in certain establishments."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**

**HONG KONG.**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 28th November, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 21st November, 1946.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Questions and Answers.
  4. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

With reference to the question asked by the Honourable Mr. D. F. Landale in this Council on the 19th July, has Government come to any decision as to whether or not the existing Traffic Regulation whereby vehicles must be driven on the left-hand side of the road should be amended?

**Motions.**

The Financial Secretary to move the following resolution:—

Resolved that if an entertainment is provided by or on behalf of the organization known as Combined Services Entertainment, duty shall be charged levied and paid in like manner as if the expression "admission to the entertainment" did not include admission of any member of His Majesty's Forces.

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The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong Police Reserve Ordinance, 1927."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the Licensing of Tally-clerks."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of meals and intoxicating liquors sold in certain establishments."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**  
**HONG KONG.**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 12th December, 1946, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 28th November, 1946.
2. Announcement.
3. Papers to be laid.
4. Questions and Answers.
5. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. With reference to the first question which I put to Government on the 25th July, 1946 on the subject of the responsibility for the requisition of—
  - (1) Leasehold property:
  - (2) Steamer and other craft:
  - (3) Personal property:

and the answer of the Hon. the Colonial Secretary of the same day, can Government make a further statement on the matter, and if Government has not reached a decision, will Government state when a decision is likely to be reached?

2. With reference to the motion which I introduced on the 27th August, 1946 on the subject of the Moratorium and Debtor/Creditor Relationship, and to the reply of the Hon. the Attorney General, can Government make any further statement on the matter and if Government has not reached a decision on any of the points raised in the Debate will Government give an indication as to how long the Colony will have to wait before a decision can be reached?

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. In the answer given to my question at the meeting of the Legislative Council on 15th August, 1946, concerning the registration in Hong Kong of China Companies who had availed themselves of certain Defence Regulations and re-registered elsewhere as a temporary expedient, Government stated *inter alia*:—
  - (1) On 9th April last, guidance was sought from the Secretary of State and Registrar of Companies in England, but no final reply had yet been received.
  - (2) Draft legislation had been prepared here in the meantime and is now being referred to the Secretary of State.

Four months having elapsed since this reply was given, is Government now in a position to indicate when legislation will be enacted to permit of the registration of the China Companies concerned?

2. Government in its reply to the question asked on the 25th July by the Hon. Mr. D. F. Landale on the subject of the future administration of the Port of Hong Kong, stated, *inter alia*, that it was considered desirable that the late Sir David Owen's recommendations for the creation of a Port Trust should receive complete reconsideration in the light of present conditions, and that it was proposed that the Port Executive Committee should continue to function until a final decision on policy had been reached. Will Government state how the matter now stands?

The Attorney General to move—

That the rules dated the 29th day of November, 1946, made by the Chief Justice under section 74 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to general and school holidays."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**

**HONG KONG.**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 9th January, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 12th December, 1946.
2. Oaths.
3. Announcement.
4. Papers to be laid.
5. Questions and Answers.
6. Motions.

**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

On June 20th 1946, I asked Government to state what was being done with the cheques drawn in Stanley which, by order of Mr. Gimson, were deposited with the Controller of Currency.

Government replied, *inter alia*, that in view of the desirability of adopting a common policy for the disposal of cheques issued in internment camps in British Dependencies, all cheques handed over to this Government were forwarded to the Colonial Office for disposal.

Since then, there has been no further announcement by Government.

In view of the fact that these cheques have now been in the hands of the Colonial Office for well over a year, and many people are being seriously inconvenienced by the lack of a settlement, will Government ascertain from the Colonial Office whether, in fact, it has any policy with regard to these cheques and, if so, what it is?

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, 1936."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to general and school holidays."

The Honourable Mr. M. M. Watson to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Council of the Helena May Institute for Women and for vesting in the Corporation the property and rights of the Association known as The Helena May Institute for Women registered under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances, 1911 to 1915."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 16th January, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 9th January, 1947.
  2. Oaths.
  3. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to revive the Rope Company's Tramway Ordinance, 1901."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, 1936."

The Honourable Mr. M. M. Watson to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Council of the Helena May Institute for Women and for vesting in the Corporation the property and rights of the Association known as The Helena May Institute for Women registered under the provisions of the Companies Ordinances, 1911 to 1915."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 30th January, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 16th January, 1947.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the remission of taxes, duties and fees to which consuls and consular officials may be subjected when payment of such moneys is in conflict with the privileges of their office."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to revive the Rope Company's Tramway Ordinance, 1901."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 6th February, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 30th January, 1947.
  2. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the remission of taxes, duties and fees to which consuls and consular officials may be subjected when payment of such moneys is in conflict with the privileges of their office."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 13th February, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 6th February, 1947.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Pensions Ordinance, 1932."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Police Force Ordinance, 1932."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance for the Establishment and Administration of a Hong Kong War Memorial Fund."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 20th February, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 13th February, 1947.
  2. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Pensions Ordinance, 1932."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Police Force Ordinance, 1932."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance for the establishment and administration of a Hong Kong War Memorial Fund."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 27th February, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 20th February, 1947.
  2. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the following resolution:—

Resolved that under the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, as amended by the Pensions Amendment Ordinance, 1947, and Section 9 of the Police Force Ordinance, 1932, as amended by the Police Force Amendment Ordinance, 1947, the retrospective effect as expressed therein of the proposed Regulations in the Schedule hereto be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of payment for the services of dancing partners and a tax on food sold and consumed in public dance-halls."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance, 1932."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 13th March, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 27th February, 1947.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

#### Motions.

The Attorney General to move the following resolutions:—

1. Resolved that *ex gratia* additions to pensions should be granted in cases where such additions would have been permissible—

(A) under Regulation 17(1) both of Pension Regulations A and B made under the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, if the words

“ a person employed in the public service in this Colony has been permanently injured without his own default, by some injury or ill health attributable to the conditions of his detention in the Far Eastern area during the period of the Japanese invasion and occupation; or where ”

appeared between the words “ Where ” and “ a ” in the first line of paragraph 1 of Regulation 17 in both Pension Regulations A and B.

(B) under Regulations 21, 27 and 33 of the regulations made under the Police Force Ordinance, 1932, as if the words

“ an officer has been permanently injured without his own default by some injury or ill health attributable to the conditions of his detention in the Far Eastern area during the period of the Japanese invasion and occupation; or when ”

appeared between the words “ When ” and “ an ” in the first line of each of the respective regulations.

2. Resolved that *ex gratia* pensions should be granted in cases where the grant of such pensions would have been permissible under Section 18 of the Pensions Ordinance, 1932, and Regulation 14 made under the Police Force Ordinance, 1932, if the words

“ or who having been detained in the Far Eastern area during the period of the Japanese invasion and occupation dies before being passed fit for service in a Colony and before being retired on pension when death was directly attributable or aggravated by the circumstances of such detention and without his own default, ”

appeared between the word and cypher “ duties, ” and the words “ a pension ” in the sixth line of both Sub-section (1) of Section 18 of the Pensions Ordinance and paragraph (1) of Regulation 14 made under the Police Force Ordinance, 1932.

The Attorney General to move—

That the order dated the 20th day of February, 1947, made by the Chief Justice under section 32 of the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873, Ordinance No. 3 of 1873, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Telecommunication Ordinance, 1936."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to enable capital punishment to be imposed in certain circumstances on persons taking part in armed robbery or assault with intent to rob where the death of a human being takes place in connection with the commission of such offences."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of payment for the services of dancing partners and a tax on food sold and consumed in public dance-halls."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance, 1932."

The Financial Secretary to move the First reading of:—

The Appropriation Bill for 1947-48.

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 20th March, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 13th March, 1947.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move—

That the Slaughter-houses (Amendment) By-laws, 1947, made by the Urban Council under sections 5 and 7 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 13 of 1935, on 4th March, 1947, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Foreign Marriage Ordinance, 1903."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to repeal the law relating to the use of vehicles and the control of traffic and to re-enact new provisions."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Telecommunication Ordinance, 1936."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to enable capital punishment to be imposed in certain circumstances on persons taking part in armed robbery or assault with intent to rob where the death of a human being takes place in connection with the commission of such offences."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a tax in respect of payment for the services of dancing partners and a tax on food sold and consumed in public dance-halls."

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 27th March, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 20th March, 1947.
2. Papers to be laid.
3. Motions.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move—

That the Private Mortuaries By-laws made by the Urban Council under section 4(1)(xxiv) of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 15 of 1935, on 18th March, 1947, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Foreign Marriage Ordinance, 1903."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to repeal the law relating to the use of vehicles and the control of traffic and to re-enact new provisions."

The Financial Secretary to move the Second reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding one hundred and nine million four hundred and eighty eight thousand four hundred and thirty three dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1948."

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Friday, 28th March, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Paper to be laid.
  2. Motions.
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#### Motions.

The Colonial Secretary to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1947-48 and on the Appropriation Bill for 1947-48 and to move the following resolution:—

That the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1947-48, incorporating the amendments proposed by the Select Committee, be approved.

The Financial Secretary to move the Committee stage and the Third reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding one hundred and nine million four hundred and eighty eight thousand four hundred and thirty three dollars to the Public Service of the financial year ending 31st March, 1948."

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 10th April, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meetings held on 27th March, 1947, and 28th March, 1947.
2. Announcement.
3. Questions and Answers.
4. Motions.

Questions.

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

With reference to the statement on the allocation and rate of release of requisitioned property for the six months September 1946 - February 1947, which was laid on the table on the 28th March, 1947, and to the statement of the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to this Council on the 19th September, 1946 wherein he stated *inter alia*:

“ Government is however prepared to state that it proposes to use premises requisitioned prior to the 1st November, 1946, to provide married quarters for civilians as well as Government servants and members of His Majesty's Forces and that it has given instructions to the Quartering Authority to the effect that accommodation at present under requisition shall be allocated in an equitable manner as it becomes available ”—

will Government state:—

- (a) How many applications are still pending which Government has received from Chinese residents for the de-requisition of premises for their accommodation with a view to their return to the Colony?
- (b) What allocations of requisitioned premises, in accordance with Government's policy as enunciated by the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, have been made for the accommodation of Chinese civilians mentioned in the preceding question?
- (c) Regarding the 262 properties de-requisitioned and released for civilian use, as to which “it is not known how many ..... have been occupied respectively by Chinese and Europeans”, how many of these 262 properties were Chinese owned on de-requisition?

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the exhibition of British Cinematograph Films and to restrict the advance booking of cinematograph films."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to the restriction of rents."

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 24th April, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 10th April, 1947.
2. Motions.

Motions.

The Attorney General to move—

That the amendment made by the Urban Council on the 15th day of April, 1947, under Section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 13 of 1935, to the by-laws under the heading "Markets" and sub-heading "Market Stalls" contained in the Schedule to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Financial Secretary to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose an ~~Inland Revenue~~ Tax on Earnings and Profits."

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund Ordinance, 1933."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the exhibition of British Cinematograph Films and to restrict the advance booking of cinematograph films."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to the restriction of rents."

D. R. HOLMES,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 1st May, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 24th April, 1947.
2. Oaths. { Brig. Rogers  
Dr. Newton
3. Motions.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong Dollar Loan Ordinance, 1934, to provide for the redemption of bonds due for redemption in past years."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Pawnbrokers Amendment Ordinance, 1946."

The Financial Secretary to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to impose a Tax on Earnings and Profits."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund Ordinance, 1933."

D. R. HOLMES,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 8th May, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 1st May, 1947.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Questions and Answers.
  4. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. M. M. Watson, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question :—

Whether Government is aware of the urgency of provision being made for effecting the following matters, and would state the present position :—

- (a) The change of the currency of their Capital by former China Companies now registered, and
- (b) The transfer back to Hong Kong of Hong Kong and China Companies temporarily registered in the United Kingdom and elsewhere.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move—

That the amendments made by the Urban Council on the 29th day of April, 1947, under section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, Ordinance No. 13 of 1935, to the by-laws contained in the Schedule to the said Ordinance, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of :—

- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Hong Kong Dollar Loan Ordinance, 1934, to provide for the redemption of bonds due for redemption in past years."
- A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Pawnbrokers Amendment Ordinance, 1946."

ALASTAIR TODD,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 22nd May, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 8th May, 1947.
2. Oaths.
3. Papers to be laid.
4. Motions.

Motions.

The Attorney General to move the First, Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Urban Council (Transitional Provisions) Ordinance, 1946."

The Attorney General to move that the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to the restriction of rents" as published in the Gazette of 9th May, 1947, be substituted for the Bill as read a Second time and to move the Committee stage and the Third reading of the said Bill.

ALASTAIR TODD,  
Deputy Clerk of Councils.



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 5th June, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 22nd May, 1947.
  2. Papers to be laid.
  3. Motions.
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**Motions.**

The Financial Secretary to move that Schedule No. 1 of the Supplementary Expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 1947, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1933."

ALASTAIR TODD,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Friday, 13th June, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 5th June, 1947.
  2. Questions and Answers.
  3. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

- (a) Is it the fact that many applications have been received by Government from or on behalf of persons who were born in the Colony and whose births were duly registered with the Registrar of Births and Deaths, but the registers were lost as the result of the Japanese occupation, for the issue of new birth certificates?
- (b) Is it the fact that the Government's replies to such applications have been to the effect that Government has no authority to re-register such births and that the question of re-registration is still under consideration?
- (c) How long has the question of re-registration been under consideration and when will a decision be announced?
- (d) Will Government make a statement on the position generally?

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Decrees granted in the Colony for the dissolution of a marriage."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1933."

ALASTAIR TODD,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

Meeting to be held on Friday, 13th June, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ADDENDUM

The Attorney General to move the First reading of:-

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for the cessation of the emergency status attaching to certain companies registered under the Companies Ordinance, 1932, or incorporated under any other Ordinance of the Colony."

The above Bill will be moved immediately after the Divorce (Validity) (Dalziel) Bill, 1947, standing in the Attorney General's name.

Alastair Todd,

Deputy Clerk of Councils.



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG**

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 19th June, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

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**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 13th June, 1947.
  2. Questions and Answers.
  3. Motions.
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**Questions.**

The Honourable Mr. Lo Man-kam, C.B.E., pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions:—

1. Since the announcement, as published in the press on 16th June, 1946, of Government's policy in regard to the renewal of 75-years Crown Leases, which do not contain any right of renewal—
  - (a) How many applications have been received by Government for the renewal of such Crown Leases? and
  - (b) How many of such applications have been granted?
  
2. In regard to the Housing Problem and with reference to the statement which the Honourable the Colonial Secretary made to this Council on 21st November, 1946, has Government any further statement to make, for the information of this Council and of the public, by way of supplementing and bringing the statement of 21st November, 1946, up to date?

The Honourable Mr. R. D. Gillespie, pursuant to notice, will ask the following question:—

Would Government agree to allow donations to the War Memorial Fund to be deducted from salaries or profits before arriving at the net chargeable income, or profit, assessable to tax under the Inland Revenue Ordinance?

It is felt that if this could be done it would considerably encourage donations to this very deserving cause.

**Motions.**

The Attorney General to move the following resolution:—

Resolved pursuant to section 3 of the Public Officers (Changes of Style) Ordinance, 1937, that the style of the office of "Government Chemist

(Monopoly)" be changed to "Government Chemist (Imports and Exports Department)" and that the style of the office of "Assistant Government Chemist (Monopoly)" be changed to "Assistant Government Chemist (Imports and Exports Department)", for all purposes, and that the following additions be made to the Schedule to the said Ordinance—

OLD STYLE OF OFFICER, OFFICE OR DEPARTMENT.	NEW STYLE OF OFFICER, OFFICE OR DEPARTMENT.
Government Chemist (Monopoly)	Government Chemist (Imports and Exports Department)
Assistant Government Chemist (Monopoly)	Assistant Government Chemist (Imports and Exports De- partment).

The Attorney General to move the First reading of :—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of :—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Decrees granted in the Colony for the dissolution of a marriage."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to make provision for the cessation of the emergency status attaching to certain companies registered under the Companies Ordinance, 1932, or incorporated under any other Ordinance of the Colony."

ALASTAIR TODD,  
*Deputy Clerk of Councils.*



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
HONG KONG

*Meeting to be held on Thursday, 3rd July, 1947, at 2.30 p.m.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 19th June, 1947.
2. Motions.

Motions.

The Financial Secretary to move the following resolution :—

Resolved pursuant to the proviso to section 3 of the Note-issuing Banks Extension of Powers Ordinance, 1939, as modified by the Law Amendment (Transitional Provisions) Ordinance, 1946, that this Legislative Council hereby extends the powers of all the note-issuing banks to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes until and including the 12th day of July, 1948.

The Financial Secretary to move that Schedule No. 2 of the Supplementary Expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1947, be approved.

The Attorney General to move the First reading of :—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the surrender of subjects of China who, during the war period, have, in China, collaborated with the Japanese."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Trading with the Enemy Ordinance, 1914."

The Attorney General to move the Second and Third readings of :—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910."