

**Commission on Strategic Development
Task Group on Constitutional Development**

Issues to be Discussed at Future Meetings

Purpose

This paper invites Members to note the issues to be discussed at future meetings of this Task Group.

Background

2. The Decision made by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress ("NPCSC") on 29 December 2007 makes it clear that the Chief Executive ("CE") may be elected by universal suffrage in 2017, and that after the CE is elected by universal suffrage, all members of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") may also be elected by universal suffrage in 2020. In attaining universal suffrage, we should first deal with the issue of how the two electoral methods for 2012 should be amended. In this regard, the CE has appointed this Task Group to discuss specifically the two electoral methods for 2012 within the framework set out by NPCSC's Decision.

3. The Task Group will hold its first meeting on 28 February 2008, and will meet once every month thereafter. We hope that the Task Group will complete discussions around the middle of this year.

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4. At this meeting, the Task Group will discuss issues relating to the method for electing the CE in 2012, including different options for the size and composition of the Election Committee and the nominating arrangements (CSD/TGCD/2/2008).

5. Issues to be discussed at future meetings are as follows:

Meetings	Discussion topics	Issues to be discussed
March & April	Electoral method for forming LegCo in 2012	(i) Number of geographical constituency and functional constituency (FC) seats. (ii) Delineation and size of the electorate of FCs. (iii) Whether the provision that the proportion of members who have the right of abode in foreign countries does not exceed 20 percent of the total membership of LegCo should be maintained.
May	Workshop	To listen to the views of academics, think tanks, as well as different organizations and individuals on the two electoral methods for 2012.
June	Conclusion of discussions	

6. Members are invited to note the list of issues for discussion as set out in paragraph 5 above.

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