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Subject: (iii) The Number of Members of the Election Committee Required for Nominating Candidates for the Office of Chief Executive

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Under existing provisions, candidates for the office of Chief Executive ("CE") may be nominated jointly by not less than 100 members of the Election Committee. Each member may nominate only one candidate.

Proposed amendments as follow:

1. All persons who are either an incumbent Legislative Councillor ("LC") or an incumbent elected District Councillors ("EDC") shall have the right to nominate candidates for the office of CE. Incumbent District Councillors who are either appointees or ex-officio members, and members of the Election Committee (save for LC), shall not have such right of nomination.
2. Candidates for the office of CE may be nominated jointly by not less than one-quarter of the total number of LC together with not less than one-quarter of the total number of EDC. Each LC and/or EDC may nominate only one candidate.
3. All LC to be removed from the Election Committee.

Rationale/factors for consideration are:

1. Separation of nomination entities from Election Committee.
2. Nomination entities henceforth shall comprise solely of persons holding his/her office through election by registered voters at either the LegCo election or District Councils election.
3. The Election Committee, save for the removal of LC, shall remain unchanged.

Thank you for your consideration.

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