

## **WOMEN'S COMMISSION**

### **Secretary's Report**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This paper informs Members of the activities undertaken by the Women's Commission (WoC) and Welfare Team 2 of the Labour and Welfare Bureau (LWB) since the 58<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30 March 2010.

#### **ACTIVITIES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

2. The activities held since the last meeting are as follows -

- 4 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended a charity concert of "Melody of Spring" organised by the Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation as officiating guest.
- 18 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson officiated at the Opening Ceremony of CEDAW Public Education Campaign cum Carnival organised by the LWB. The Secretary for Labour and Welfare was one of the officiating guests. Two WoC Members<sup>1</sup>, PAS(Welfare)2, AS(Welfare)2C and PPO(Welfare)2 also attended the Opening Ceremony. The WoC was a supporting organisation of the event.
- 20 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson, five WoC Members<sup>2</sup> and two co-opt Members<sup>3</sup> had a brainstorming session on women's development goals with the women's groups and non-governmental organisations.

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<sup>1</sup> Ms AU YEUNG Po-chun and Mrs Judith ELLIS.

<sup>2</sup> Dr Miranda CHAN, Ms Jacqueline CHENG, Ms LAU Ka-shi, Dr LEUNG Lai-ching and Ms Ayesha MACPHERSON.

<sup>3</sup> Ms CHAU Chuen-heung and Ms KO Po-ling.

PAS(Welfare)2 and the Secretary also attended the session.

- 24 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson officiated at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gathering cum Award Ceremony organised by 母嬰康逸社.
- 27 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended the reception for the National Freedom Day of the Republic of South Africa.
- 28 April 2010 : The WoC Chairperson had a private lunch meeting with Mr LAM Woon-kwong, the Chairperson of the Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC), and Ms Shana WONG, Head of Corporate Communications and Training of EOC. A WoC Member<sup>4</sup> also attended the meeting.
- 4 May 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended the Reception for the 62<sup>nd</sup> Independence Day of the State of Israel.
- 13 May 2010 : The Sixth Graduation Ceremony of the Capacity Building Mileage Programme was officiated by Mr Matthew CHEUNG, Secretary for Labour and Welfare; Ms Michelle LI, Deputy Secretary for Education; WoC Chairperson; Prof Danny WONG, Vice President of Open University of Hong Kong; Prof YH LUI, Director of LiPACE; and Ms Rita CHAN, General Manager of Commercial Radio Hong Kong. A total of 657 students were awarded certificates of various levels. Three WoC Members<sup>5</sup> attended the Ceremony.
- 15 May 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended the Happy Family Info Hub Launching Ceremony of the Family Council.

PAS(Welfare)2 attended the Gender Role Workshop

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<sup>4</sup> Ms LAU Ka-shi.

<sup>5</sup> Ms Jacqueline CHENG, Mrs Judith ELLIS and Mr Christopher LAW.

2010 organised by the Gender Research Centre of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and gave a speech on women's education and training. A WoC Member, Dr Miranda CHAN, also gave a speech on the same topic.

- 19 May 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended 中國企業領袖年會 • 2010 香港論壇 organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council.
- 24 May 2010 : The WoC Chairperson and a WoC member<sup>6</sup> attended the Consultation Session of the Social Welfare Advisory Committee on long-term social welfare planning in Hong Kong.

The WoC Chairperson and two WoC members<sup>7</sup> attended the Press Conference on the Capacity Building Mileage Programme.

## **ADVICE SOUGHT**

3. Members are invited to note the activities as listed in paragraph 2 above.

## **Women's Commission Secretariat May 2010**

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<sup>6</sup> Mrs Judith ELLIS

<sup>7</sup> Ms Jacqueline CHENG and Ms Joanna LAU