The Fifth Term Chief Executive Election House Rules of Central Counting Station

- 1. Only activities related to the Fifth Term Chief Executive Election will be permitted in the Central Counting Station (including the Media Centre inside the Central Counting Station) ("CCS"). Persons at the CCS must comply with these house rules.
- 2. No person shall fail to comply with a lawful direction given by the Returning Officer; or without reasonable excuse, display any propaganda material relating to any candidate or the election of the Chief Executive; or use a sound amplifying system or device for any purpose without lawful authority or the express permission of the Returning Officer; or disrupt the counting of the votes or disturb or cause inconvenience to any person; or otherwise misconduct himself in the CCS. [Section 47(3) of the Electoral Procedure (Chief Executive Election) Regulation, Cap 541J]
- 3. The Returning Officer may require a person to produce his identity card for inspection; and order a person to leave the CCS immediately if, the person contravenes rule no. 2 mentioned above; or the person's presence at the CCS is for a purpose other than that for which such presence is permitted or authorized. No person shall fail to produce his identity card when required to do so under this rule. If a person fails to leave when ordered to do so under this rule, he may be removed by a police officer or a person authorized by the Returning Officer. [Section 47(4) (6) of the Electoral Procedure (Chief Executive Election) Regulation, Cap 541J]
- 4. A person who is removed may not enter the CCS again on the same day except with the permission of the Returning Officer. [Section 47(7) of the Electoral Procedure (Chief Executive Election) Regulation, Cap 541J]
- 5. During the period at which the counting or re-counting (if any) of the votes begins and ends, a person must not film, take photograph or make any audio or video recording, in a counting zone without the express permission of a member of the Electoral Affairs Commission or the Returning Officer. [Section 47(2) and (2A) of the Electoral Procedure (Chief Executive Election) Regulation, Cap 541J]
- 6. Any person who contravenes rules no. 2 to 5 as mentioned above commits an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine of HK\$5,000 and to imprisonment for 3 months. [Section 82(1) of the Electoral Procedure (Chief Executive Election) Regulation, Cap 541J]
- 7. To keep order at the CCS, ensure public safety and ensure the proper and smooth conduct of the counting of votes, no person shall bring into the CCS any article which may cause any nuisance, inconvenience, disturbance, obstruction or danger to other persons in the CCS without the prior permission of the Returning Officer. The staff of the Registration and

Electoral Office and the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre may inspect the personal belongings of persons seeking entry to or at the CCS to ensure compliance with the above rules.

8. Only authorized persons are allowed to enter the CCS (including the media area, stage, the area for Election Committee members and the area for candidates and agents). The Returning Officer reserves the right to regulate the number of persons allowed to enter the CCS.