# PORT WELFARE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Port Welfare Committee Meeting held on 25 April 2008 at 2:30p.m. in VIP Room, Marine Department Headquarters, 24th Floor, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong

### Present

Mr. Andrew CHEN Yee

Chairman Hong Kong Shipowners' Association

Captain YU Chi-ming Member Merchant Navy Officers' Guild-Hong Kong

(on behalf of Capt. YUEN Pong-kit)

Mr. TSANG Man-ngai Member Hong Kong Seamen's Union

Captain C.A.J. Vanderperre Member Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Rajaish Bajpaee Member Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

Mr. CHICK King-fai Member Marine Department (ex-officio)

Miss Bertha CHENG Member Labour Department (ex-officio)

Miss Shirley LEUNG Secretary Marine Department (ex-officio)

In attendance

Mr. Edmond WONG Marine Department

Absent with apologies

Dr. Henry KONG Member Department of Health (ex-officio) - 2 -

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced the following person-

Capt. YU Chi-ming who attended the meeting on behalf of Capt. YUEN Pong-kit as representative of the Merchant Navy Officers' Guild- HK.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

# I. <u>Confirmation of Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 28 September 2007</u>

2. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed without amendment.

#### **II.** <u>Discussion Items</u>

#### (a) Financial Position of the Committee as at 31 March 2008

3. The Chairman briefed members on the financial position of the Committee as at 31 March 2008 as follows-

Savings Account \$209,208.23

Current Account \$8.13

Fixed Deposit Account \$184,271.70

Balance: \$393,488.06

# (b) <u>Donations received by the Committee in 2007-08</u>

4. The Chairman said that in response to the Committee's appeal for donations, a total of \$156,200 had been received from 54 donors in the financial year ended 31 March 2008. The amount of donations received was \$46,700 more than that in the 2006-07 financial year. It was noted that a total of \$109,500 had been received from 50 donors in 2006-07.

## (c) Allocation of Grants to Agencies

5. In view of the fact that there was a marked increase in the donation received in 2007-2008, the average annual donation received in the past eight years was around \$121,700 and there was no adjustment of the grant amount since 2001-2002, the Chairman proposed and members agreed that the amount of subsidies to be granted to the following two organisations should be increased by 10 percent and the grant would be-

The Sailors' Home & Missions to Seamen \$110,000
The Danish Seamen's Church \$11,000
Total :\$121,000

# III. Redevelopment of the Mariner's Club

6. In response to Mr. Bajpaee's enquiry, the Chairman said that no news in connection with the redevelopment of the Mariner's Club was recently heard of. The Chairman requested members to continue to keep in view the progress of the issue.

# IV. Date of Next Meeting

7. The Chairman advised that the next regular meeting would be held in September 2008. The Secretary would inform members of the details in due course.

(Mr. KOO Chee-kong, Kenneth)

Chairman

(Miss Shirley LEUNG)

Secretary