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News

The Hong Kong Institute of Environmentalists would like to pledge our staunch support for and sincere gratitude to the passage of the decision on improving the electoral system of the Hong Kong SAR by the National People's Congress (NPC) on 11 March, 2021.

The Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR, Carrie Lam said that having considered the actual situation in Hong Kong, the central authorities take the initiative from the national level to improve the electoral system of Hong Kong, aiming to ensure that Hong Kong can stay true to the original aspiration in implementing the principle of "one country, two systems" and get Hong Kong back on the right track; it is only by putting in place institutional safeguards to ensure patriots administering Hong Kong that the principle of "one country, two systems" can be fully and faithfully applied in the Hong Kong SAR which is conducive to the long term prosperity and stability of the city.

Tam Yiu-chung, Member of NPC Standing Committee, said the Hong Kong People's Congress met with Vice Premier Han Zheng during the two sessions of the National People's Congress and pointed out that the central government had decided carefully and had assessed the cost to the country. Mr. Tam thinks that the central authorities decision-making this time may be attacked and criticized diplomatically, but what should be done is to improve Hong Kong's electoral system this time, and that Hong Kong will not have to experience a constitutional shock two or three years apart so that the community can enjoy long-term stability.

The amendment of the electoral system to implement the patriot rule of Hong Kong is aimed at closing loopholes in the present system and avoiding the entry into Hong Kong's governance system of various unconstitutional ideas, such as separatism, which is related to the long-term stability of Hong Kong society and whether there can be a stable development environment for people's livelihood and the economy. Improving the electoral system will not only help to promote and enhance Hong Kong's construction and development in all its aspects, but also create space, and gradually sort out Hong Kong's deep-seated economic and livelihood problems.

Best regards,

Secretariat



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