

「政制發展第二輪諮詢」講座 律政司司長袁國強主講

Seminar on the Second Round of Constitutional Development Consultation by the Secretary for Justice, Mr. Rimsky Yuen, S.C., J.P.

香港婦協向來關心香港社會事務及關注政制發展，於2月28日舉辦「政制發展第二輪諮詢」講座，邀得香港特別行政區律政司司長袁國強資深大律師擔任主講嘉賓，講解政改第二輪諮詢的重點，並收集各界婦女對政制發展的意見。是次講座共吸引了六百多人出席，參加者在會上踴躍發言。講座除了獲本會多位會長、理事及會員的積極支持外，其他出席人士包括來自教育、法律、建築、醫學、會計、工商、環保等不同專業界別的女性代表。

袁司長在講座上表示，香港是一個多元化的社會，對部份市民希望撤回全國人大常委會的「8•31」決定是可以理解的。但事實上「8•31」是有基本法及憲制基礎的，因此不可能撤回「8•31」。如期落實2017年普選行政長官，是中央、特區政府和廣大香港市民的共同願望，特區政府會盡一切努力，促使社會各界凝聚共識。袁司長並呼籲各界能夠抱着理性和務實的態度，就「雙普選」（即2017年行政長官及2016年立法會產生辦法）尋求共識，讓香港政制得以既在「量」方面——全港五百萬合資格選民普選特首，又在「質」方面——參選特首的候選人其政綱必須貼近民意及回應市民訴求以爭取支持，均能邁出一步。他強調，在2017年普選行政長官後，特區政府仍可進一步優化選舉制度。

本會希望政府和香港社會各界依照香港基本法和「8•31」的決定，共同努力，達至2017年行政長官由普選產生的目標。

HKFW strives to care about Hong Kong affairs and concern on constitutional development. On 28 February, HKFW organized a seminar on the second round of constitutional development consultation by Mr. Rimsky Yuen S.C., J.P., the Secretary for Justice. The seminar provided a platform for women to exchange their views and gather different views on political development and was well received by over 600 participants. Female representatives from different professions and sectors attended and exchanged their views at the seminar.

Mr. Rimsky Yuen stated that since Hong Kong is a pluralistic society, it is not surprising to find different views on constitutional development in the society. In response to some people suggesting the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPCSC) to withdraw its 31 August decision, Mr. Yuen pointed out that it is impossible for NPCSC to withdraw its 31 August decision since it is stipulated under the Basic Law and has a "constitutional basis". Mr. Yuen reiterated that the Central Government, the HKSAR Government and the vast majority of Hong Kong people are eager to see an election of Chief Executive by universal suffrage, while the HKSAR government is making tireless and pragmatic efforts to facilitate the building of consensus within the Hong Kong community. Lastly, Mr. Yuen emphasized that the electoral system can be further refined, and the democratic development can continue to move forward.

HKFW echoed Mr. Yuen to appeal to different sectors of the community to discuss in a rational and pragmatic manner and forge consensus under the Basic Law and the framework laid down by the Decision of the NPCSC, so that five million eligible voters can elect the next CE through "one person, one vote" in 2017 as scheduled.



本會收集各界別的女性代表意見，並寫成「政制發展第二輪諮詢」意見書，於3月6日由本會主席林貝聿嘉博士與一眾婦協執委及理事向律政司司長袁國強資深大律師呈交。

On 6 March, Chairperson Dr. Peggy Lam and Council Members presented our submission on constitutional development to the Secretary for Justice, Mr. Rimsky Yuen, S.C, J.P.