

**Speech by the Secretary for Justice
The Honourable Rimsky Yuen, SC
in the Legislative Council on 8 July 2015**

**Motion on Committee Stage Amendment to
the Arbitration (Amendment) Bill 2015**

“Clause 9”

Acting Chairman,

I move the amendment to the clause read out just now. The amendment to that clause is set out in the paper distributed to Members.

2. As the State of Palestine became a party to the New York Convention on 2 April 2015, we propose to add “State of Palestine” to the Schedule to the Arbitration (Parties to New York Convention) Order so as to update the list of parties to the New York Convention.

3. The Bills Committee has noted the above amendment. I urge Members to support the amendment. Thank you, Acting Chairman.