

## NOTE FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE

### Report on Redeployment of Funds in One-line Vote Departments

During the final quarter of the 2000-01 financial year, seven departments, namely -

- (i) Civil Service Training and Development Institute;
- (ii) Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Commission;
- (iii) Hong Kong Police Force;
- (iv) Intellectual Property Department;
- (v) Invest Hong Kong;
- (vi) Office of The Ombudsman; and
- (vii) Treasury

are operating the one-line vote financial control arrangement. Under this arrangement, other than specified exceptions, Controlling Officers are given flexibility in meeting all their operational expenditure from approved funds under a single Subhead 000 Operational expenses. This is intended to facilitate the achievement of greater efficiency and enhanced productivity. The Heads of Expenditure "Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Commission" and "Invest Hong Kong" were created on 1 July 2000 on the approval given by Members at their meeting on 9 June 2000.

2. However, for the purpose of assuring Members on disclosure of information and accountability, in the Estimates for 2000-01 approved by the Legislative Council, the Controlling Officers have continued to provide an analysis of their operational expenditure by the conventional subheads. The Administration also undertook to provide Finance Committee with quarterly reports showing actual spending and any redeployment of funds between these subheads.

Encls. 1-7 3. The Reports at Enclosures 1 to 7 contain such details for the final quarter of 2000-01.

**Head 29 — Civil Service Training and Development Institute**

Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses

Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	71,758	—	—	71,758	65,852
- Allowances .....	2,064	—	—	2,064	1,289
Departmental Expenses					
- Training expenses.....	68,852	—	—	68,852	51,903
- General departmental expenses .....	15,984	—	—	15,984	6,542
	<u>158,658</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>158,658</u>	<u>125,586</u>
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**Head 155 — Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Commission** <sup>(Note1)</sup>

Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	70,892	—	319	71,211	71,211
- Allowances .....	2,098	—	229	2,327	2,327
Departmental Expenses					
- General departmental expenses .....	21,340	—	(548) <sup>(Note2)</sup>	20,792	18,540
	<u>94,330</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>94,330</u>	<u>92,078</u>
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**Notes:**

1. The Innovation and Technology Commission was established on 1 July 2000.
2. The redeployment of \$548,000 from Departmental Expenses to Personal Emoluments was due to increased requirement arising from staff changes and creation of supernumerary posts for accommodating officers on pre-retirement leave.

**Enclosure 3 to FCRI(2001-02)4**

**Head 122 — Hong Kong Police Force**  
 Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
 Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	10,448,118	—	(39,730)	10,408,388	10,356,314
- Allowances .....	437,321	—	(51,940) <sup>(Note 1)</sup>	374,731 <sup>(Note 2)</sup>	222,688
- Job-related allowances...	6,042	—	44	6,086	5,171
Personnel Related Expenses					
- Recruiting expenses.....	—	—	—	—	—
Departmental Expenses					
- Specialist supplies and equipment .....	83,060	—	2,694	85,754	69,149
- General departmental expenses.....	1,007,824	—	86,125	1,093,949	782,912
Other Charges					
- Upkeep of land boundary security projects .....	19,400	—	560	19,960	8,221
- Investigation expenses...	34,260	—	2,247	36,507	27,345
- Pay and allowances for the auxiliary services .....	194,768	—	—	194,768	114,963
	12,230,793	—	0	12,220,143	11,586,763
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**Notes:**

1. The redeployment of \$91,626,000 from Personal Emoluments to Departmental Expenses and Other Charges was mainly to cover the salaries of non-civil service contract staff, expenditure on outsourcing of services, procurement of IT and operational equipment, and anticipated investigation expenses.
2. A total amount of \$10,650,000 was reserved under Allowances to fund the creation of two commitments for -
  - (a) consultancy study on an integrated fixed communications system for the Hong Kong Police Force (\$6,000,000); and
  - (b) replacement of sea water cooling tower system at Arsenal House Phase I (\$4,650,000).

**Head 78 — Intellectual Property Department**  
 Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
 Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	63,937	(5,096)	—	58,841	57,133
- Allowances .....	3,115	(907)	—	2,208	1,895
Departmental Expenses					
- General departmental expenses .....	13,297	6,003	—	19,300	13,347
	<u>80,349</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>80,349</u>	<u>72,375</u>
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**Head 79 — Invest Hong Kong** <sup>(Note)</sup>  
 Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
 Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	19,684	—	—	19,684	14,456
- Allowances .....	520	—	—	520	268
Departmental Expenses					
- General departmental expenses.....	7,195	—	—	7,195	6,491
	<u>27,399</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>27,399</u>	<u>21,215</u>
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**Note:**

The Invest Hong Kong was established on 1 July 2000.

**Head 114 — Office of The Ombudsman**  
 Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
 Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments					
- Salaries .....	35,101	—	3,800	38,901	38,759
- Allowances .....	2,095	—	—	2,095	964
- Job-related allowances ...	71	—	—	71	28
Departmental Expenses					
- Remuneration for special appointments .....	21,771	—	(3,800) <sup>(Note1)</sup>	15,924 <sup>(Note2)</sup>	13,676
- General departmental expenses .....	4,508	—	—	4,508	3,961
	63,546	—	0	61,499	57,388
	63,546	—	0	61,499	57,388

**Notes:**

1. Remuneration for special appointments is for the remuneration of The Ombudsman and non-civil service contract (NCSC) staff. \$3,800,000 under Remuneration for special appointments of Departmental Expenses was originally for employment of NCSC staff in replacement of civil servants in order to tie in with the Office's delinking plan. Due to the deferral of the delinking exercise, the money (i.e. \$3,800,000) was deployed to Salaries of Personal Emoluments for payment of salaries for civil servants still posted to the Office.
2. An amount of \$2,047,000 was reserved pending the employment of NCSC staff and the drawing of Home Financing Allowance by The Ombudsman.

**Head 188 — Treasury**  
 Financial Position of Subhead 000 Operational Expenses  
 Report for the final quarter of 2000-01

	Original estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead from 1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 (\$'000)	Redeployment of funds within the Subhead during the quarter (\$'000)	Amended estimate 2000-01 (\$'000)	Actual expenditure for the year to date (\$'000)
<b>Personal Emoluments</b>					
- Salaries .....	231,133	—	(775) <sup>(Note)</sup>	230,358	218,678
- Allowances .....	7,472	—	—	7,472	3,076
- Job-related allowances ...	588	—	—	588	502
<b>Departmental Expenses</b>					
- General departmental expenses .....	80,754	—	775	81,529	75,277
	<u>319,947</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>319,947</u>	<u>297,533</u>
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**Note:**

The redeployment of \$775,000 from Salaries to General departmental expenses was to cover the salaries of non-civil service contract staff employed by the Treasury.