

ITEM FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Encl. At the Enclosure is a summary of the recommendation of the Establishment Subcommittee (ESC).

2. Agenda item EC(2001-02)26 was recommended by ESC at its meeting on 6 February 2002. The relevant paper considered by the ESC has previously been forwarded to all Members and is therefore not enclosed.

3. Members are invited to approve the ESC recommendation.

4. The up-to-date position of the establishment of directorate posts in the civil service is as follows -

	Permanent	Supernumerary	Total
Position including posts approved by Members on 1 February 2002	1 544 (Note 1)	62	1 606
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Number of supernumerary post which lapses	-	-1 (Note 2)	-1
Total	<u>1 545</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>1 606</u>

Note 1 - Exclusive of 14 permanent posts in Independent Commission Against Corruption.

Note 2 - One post of Chief Housing Manager (D1) in Housing Department lapsed on 27 February 2002.

**Summary of the Recommendation of the Establishment Subcommittee
discussed at the meeting on 6 February 2002**

EC Item No.	Head of Expenditure	Recommendation
EC(2001-02)26	HEAD 96 – GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: OVERSEAS OFFICES	<p>To recommend to Finance Committee –</p> <p>(a) the creation of the following permanent post with effect from 1 April 2002 to head the new Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Guangdong –</p> <p>1 Administrative Officer Staff Grade B (D3) (\$134,300 - \$142,300); and</p> <p>(b) the extension of the existing flexible ranking system in the overseas offices to all directorate head and deputy head posts in Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices established in the Mainland.</p>