

PUBLIC FINANCE ORDINANCE

RESOLUTION

(Under section 7(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2))

RESOLVED that -

1. Authority is hereby given for a sum not exceeding \$76,256,151,000 to be charged on the general revenue in advance of an Appropriation Ordinance for expenditure on the services of the Government in respect of the financial year commencing on 1 April 2002.
2. Subject to this Resolution, the sum so charged may be expended against the heads of expenditure, and expenditure for each such head shall be arranged in accordance with the subheads, shown in the draft Estimates of Expenditure 2002-03 laid before the Legislative Council on 6 March 2002 or, where such estimates are changed under the provisions of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) as applied by section 7(2) of that Ordinance, in accordance with such estimates as so changed.
3. Expenditure in respect of any head shall not exceed the aggregate of the amounts specified in respect of each subhead in that head, by reference to percentages, in section 4(a) and (b).
4. Expenditure in respect of each subhead in a head shall not exceed -
 - (a) in the case of a Recurrent Account subhead, an amount equivalent to -

- (i) except where the subhead is listed in the Schedule hereto, 20% of the provision shown in respect of it in the draft Estimates;
 - (ii) where the subhead is listed in the Schedule hereto, that percentage of the provision shown in respect of it in the draft Estimates which is specified in relation to that subhead in the Schedule; and
- (b) in the case of a Capital Account subhead, an amount equivalent to 100% of the provision shown in respect of it in the draft Estimates,

or such other amount, not exceeding the provision shown in respect of the subhead in the draft Estimates, as may in any case be approved by the Financial Secretary.

SCHEDULE

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	Head of Expenditure		Subhead	Percentage of provision shown in draft Estimates
28	Civil Aviation Department	170	Airport insurance	100
30	Correctional Services Department	149	General departmental expenses	40
40	Education Department	325	Direct Subsidy Scheme	36
		326	Kindergarten Subsidy Scheme	50
		330	Assistance to private secondary schools and bought places	27
		340	English Schools Foundation junior schools	41
		345	English Schools Foundation secondary schools	41
		489	Miscellaneous educational services	23
46	General Expenses of the Civil Service	013	Personal allowances	40
53	Government Secretariat: Home Affairs Bureau	536	Uniformed groups and other youth organisations	25
63	Home Affairs Department	110	Honoraria for members of committees	25
76	Inland Revenue Department	189	Interest on tax reserve certificates	30

	Head of Expenditure		Subhead	Percentage of provision shown in draft Estimates
92	Department of Justice	234	Court costs	25
		243	Hire of legal services and related professional fees	25
		287	Legal services for construction dispute resolution	25
106	Miscellaneous Services	163	Write-offs	50
		192	Refunds of revenue	100
120	Pensions	015	Public and judicial service pension benefits and compensation	30
		017	Surviving spouses' and children's pensions, widows' and orphans' pensions and increases	30
		021	Ex gratia pensions, awards, allowances and increases	50
		026	Employees' compensation, injury, incapacity and death related payments and expenses	50
170	Social Welfare Department	176	Criminal and law enforcement injuries compensation	25
		177	Emergency relief	100
		179	Comprehensive social security assistance scheme	25
		180	Social security allowance scheme	25

Head of Expenditure	Subhead	Percentage of provision shown in draft Estimates
	187 Agents' commission and expenses	100
	214 Hire of services	30
	412 Refunds of rates	30
176 Subventions : Miscellaneous	414 Environmental Advisory Service	25
	420 Asian and Pacific Development Centre	100
	437 Hong Kong - Japan Business Co-operation Committee	25
	446 Duty Lawyer Service	25
	475 Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong	25
	503 Subventions to non-government organisation camps	26
	521 Skills centres	25
	527 Open University of Hong Kong	25
	528 Guardianship Board	25
177 Subventions : Non- Departmental Public Bodies	520 Vocational Training Council	25
	526 Legal Aid Services Council	25
	537 Employees Retraining Board	25
188 Treasury	187 Agents' commission and expenses	70

**SPEECH BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE TREASURY
MOVING THE VOTE ON ACCOUNT RESOLUTION
IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ON 13 MARCH 2002**

President,

I move the motion standing in my name in the Agenda.

2. The purpose of this motion is to seek funds on account to enable the Government to carry on existing services between the start of the financial year on 1 April 2002 and the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance. This follows the procedure long established in this Council.

3. We have determined the funds on account sought under each subhead in accordance with paragraph four of the resolution, by reference to percentages of the provision shown in the 2002–03 draft Estimates of Expenditure. If the draft Estimates are changed by the Finance Committee or officers under delegated powers, the provision to which the percentages are applied will also change accordingly. Thus the provision on account under each head is not constant but may vary, with every increase being matched by an equal decrease. The initial provision on account under each head is shown in the footnote to this speech. The aggregate total under all heads is fixed, however, at \$76,256,151,000 and cannot be exceeded without the approval of this Council.

4. The resolution also enables the Financial Secretary to vary the funds on account in respect of any subhead, provided that these variations do not cause an excess over the amount of provision entered for that subhead in the 2002–03 draft Estimates of Expenditure or an excess over the amount of funds on account for the relevant head.

5. The Financial Secretary will issue a vote on account warrant to the Director of Accounting Services, authorising him to make payments up to the amount specified in this motion and in accordance with its conditions. The vote on account will be subsumed upon the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance, and the general warrant issued after the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance will replace the vote on account warrant.

6. President, I beg to move.

Footnote

Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the draft Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
	\$'000	\$'000
21 Chief Executive's Office	54,798	11,378
22 Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	819,663	238,963
25 Architectural Services Department.....	1,596,293	319,259
24 Audit Commission.....	135,701	27,200
23 Auxiliary Medical Service	65,592	13,119
82 Buildings Department.....	854,641	195,703
26 Census and Statistics Department	554,272	111,756
27 Civil Aid Service	79,399	16,043
28 Civil Aviation Department	685,216	144,076
43 Civil Engineering Department	915,157	195,741
29 Civil Service Training and Development Institute	170,260	45,252
30 Correctional Services Department.....	2,657,349	601,569
31 Customs and Excise Department.....	2,019,809	443,808
37 Department of Health	3,681,191	802,441
92 Department of Justice	981,820	215,440
39 Drainage Services Department	1,662,016	361,280
40 Education Department	32,608,883	7,537,630
42 Electrical and Mechanical Services Department ..	289,085	99,938
44 Environmental Protection Department	2,283,070	536,701
45 Fire Services Department	3,264,512	822,838
49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department ...	4,730,306	1,003,155
46 General Expenses of the Civil Service	4,944,203	1,131,147

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166 Government Flying Service	271,278	147,745
48 Government Laboratory	263,548	70,344
50 Government Land Transport Agency	152,666	111,044
51 Government Property Agency	1,870,714	382,926
35 Government Secretariat : Beijing Office	50,920	11,664
143 Government Secretariat : Civil Service Bureau ...	217,879	55,575
152 Government Secretariat : Commerce and Industry Bureau	112,841	37,174
144 Government Secretariat : Constitutional Affairs Bureau	36,575	9,459
145 Government Secretariat : Economic Services Bureau	120,143	40,992
146 Government Secretariat : Education and Manpower Bureau	395,983	282,523
154 Government Secretariat : Environment and Food Bureau	58,742	12,349
147 Government Secretariat : Finance Bureau	120,006	24,002
148 Government Secretariat : Financial Services Bureau	165,394	43,997
149 Government Secretariat : Health and Welfare Bureau	124,088	34,672
53 Government Secretariat : Home Affairs Bureau ..	216,873	54,669
96 Government Secretariat : Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices	270,208	84,922
150 Government Secretariat : Housing Bureau	43,243	9,209
55 Government Secretariat : Information Technology and Broadcasting Bureau	143,753	36,057
155 Government Secretariat : Innovation and Technology Commission	156,406	43,538

Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the draft Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
	\$'000	\$'000
142 Government Secretariat : Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary.....	384,687	105,433
56 Government Secretariat : Planning and Lands Bureau and Works Bureau	291,038	64,035
151 Government Secretariat : Security Bureau	130,245	30,681
153 Government Secretariat : Transport Bureau	86,398	22,343
58 Government Supplies Department	177,482	37,522
60 Highways Department	1,994,279	403,160
63 Home Affairs Department	1,408,682	338,169
168 Hong Kong Observatory.....	227,341	46,493
122 Hong Kong Police Force	12,445,751	2,629,421
62 Housing Department.....	387,593	77,519
70 Immigration Department	2,265,240	471,924
72 Independent Commission Against Corruption	719,832	146,708
121 Independent Police Complaints Council	15,014	3,803
74 Information Services Department.....	416,787	92,558
47 Information Technology Services Department.....	616,600	123,320
76 Inland Revenue Department	1,349,635	278,080
78 Intellectual Property Department.....	113,667	51,542
79 Invest Hong Kong	73,709	34,199
174 Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service.....	18,730	3,746
80 Judiciary.....	1,037,782	227,090
90 Labour Department.....	941,518	237,552

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	\$'000	\$'000
91 Lands Department.....	1,727,562	364,581
94 Legal Aid Department	791,403	158,385
112 Legislative Council Commission	383,013	80,480
95 Leisure and Cultural Services Department	5,243,008	1,129,562
98 Management Services Agency.....	61,263	12,253
100 Marine Department.....	988,820	215,531
106 Miscellaneous Services	7,554,141	5,947,103
114 Office of The Ombudsman	99,084	20,880
115 Official Languages Agency	128,327	25,902
116 Official Receiver's Office	144,065	35,861
120 Pensions.....	12,784,952	4,244,764
118 Planning Department	481,208	120,824
130 Printing Department	234,170	46,834
136 Public Service Commission.....	21,234	4,247
160 Radio Television Hong Kong.....	514,989	115,241
162 Rating and Valuation Department	416,866	83,374
163 Registration and Electoral Office	114,805	22,961
170 Social Welfare Department	32,292,685	7,675,011
173 Student Financial Assistance Agency.....	2,737,043	547,409
176 Subventions : Miscellaneous	301,155	83,048
177 Subventions : Non-Departmental Public Bodies ..	34,821,580	7,524,980
180 Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority	120,539	40,124
110 Territory Development Department	231,607	46,571
181 Trade and Industry Department	1,040,884	789,048

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	\$'000	\$'000
186 Transport Department.....	956,472	229,457
188 Treasury	338,999	70,042
190 University Grants Committee	13,497,105	2,701,068
194 Water Supplies Department.....	5,493,398	1,109,014
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	218,466,883	55,237,151
184 Transfers to Funds	21,019,000	21,019,000
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Total.....	239,485,883	76,256,151
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