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Dear Miss Yu

**Estimates of Expenditure of departments under
Communications and Technology Branch of
Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau**

Members requested at the meeting of the Panel on Information, Technology and Broadcasting on 8 April 2005 that information on the savings delivered by departments should be made available for information of the Finance Committee.

In the time available, we managed to come up with information on Estimates of recurrent expenditure of departments under the purview of the Communications and Technology Branch of the Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau (CITB) from 2002-03 to 2005-06. It is set out below -

| Department | Approved Estimate 2002-03 (\$M) | Approved Estimate 2003-04 (\$M) | Approved Estimate 2004-05 (\$M) | Draft Estimate 2005-06 (\$M) | Cumulative Change between Approved Estimate 2002-03 and Draft Estimate 2005-06 (\$M/±%) |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Innovation and Technology Commission | 141.1 | 135.6 | 128.3 (Note 1) | 121.5 (Note 1) | -19.6 (-13.9%) |
| Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (Note 2) | 616.6 | 575.2 | 505.9 | 543.1 | -73.5 (-11.9%) |

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|---|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Radio Television Hong Kong (Note 3) | 448.3 | 432.6 | 410.9 | 385.1 | -63.2 (-14.1%) |
| Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority (Note 3) | 88.9 | 87.4 | 82.3 | 71.0 | -17.9 (-20.1%) |

Note 1: Excluding the draft Estimates of expenditure for subventions

Note 2: The respective Estimates up to 2004-05 refer to those of the former Information Technology Services Department (ITSD). The Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) was formed on 1 July 2004 with the merger of the former ITSD and the former IT-related divisions of CTB. The merger resulted in savings of \$7.405M. The Estimate for 2005-06 reflects this change.

Note 3: The above figures only include Estimates of recurrent expenditure in respect of programmes under CITB's purview. In addition to CITB, Radio Television Hong Kong and Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority are also provided recurrent funding by Education and Manpower Bureau and Home Affairs Bureau respectively.

Yours sincerely



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