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Mr Stephen Lam
Clerk to Establishment Subcommittee
Legislative Council Secretariat
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road, Central
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Dear Mr Lam,

**Establishment Subcommittee
Follow-up to meeting on 5 January 2011**

The Lotteries Fund

I refer to your letter dated 10 January 2011 to the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau on the above subject. At the meeting of the Establishment Subcommittee on 5 January 2011, Members requested the Administration to provide information on the details of allocation of funds by the Lotteries Fund (LF) in the past five years. Our response is set out below.

LF grants are mainly used to meet non-recurrent expenses of non-governmental organisations providing subvented welfare services, for example, the construction, fitting-out and renovation works, repairs and maintenance, and the purchase of furniture and equipment for their premises. They also fund projects which last not more than four years and are experimental or innovative in nature. LF has maintained a relatively stable financial position. Its revenue and expenditure in the past five years are presented at **Appendix**. As at 30 November 2010, the cash balance of LF was around \$7.8 billion. After deducting the commitments already made by that time, the uncommitted balance of the LF was around \$5.2 billion.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Franco Kwok'.

(Franco KWOK)

for Secretary for Labour and Welfare

c.c. Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury
(Attn: Ms Alice Lau)

Appendix

Revenue and Expenditure of the Lotteries Fund in Recent Years

Financial Year	Revenue	Actual Expenditure
2005-06	\$1,232 million	\$846 million
2006-07	\$1,452 million	\$895 million
2007-08	\$1,478 million	\$823 million
2008-09	\$1,603 million	\$600 million
2009-10	\$1,490 million	\$737 million