SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE TO

ITEM FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE [FCR(2014-15)37]

PURPOSE

This note provides an update on the proposed funding provisions and establishment ceilings of the relevant Heads of Expenditure as well as the effective date of the staffing proposals to give effect to the proposed establishment of the Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB).

JUSTIFICATION

2. The proposed changes to the 2014-15 Estimates to give effect to the establishment of the ITB as set out in FCR(2014-15)37 were discussed at the Finance Committee (FC) meetings on 3 February, 5 February, 6 February and 14 February 2015 but were yet to be put to vote.

3. The substance of the proposals as set out in FCR(2014-15)37 remains unchanged. However, due to the lapse of time, we need to make the following necessary technical revisions to the proposals –

- (a) proposing changes to the 2015-16 Estimates instead of the 2014-15 Estimates;
- (b) adjusting the proposed funding provision on the assumption that the ITB will be established by 1 July 2015;
- (c) adjusting the proposed establishment ceilings for the new Head of Expenditure for ITB and the existing Heads of Expenditure for the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer, Communications and Technology Branch (to be renamed Communications and Creative Industries Branch) of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau and the Innovation and Technology Commission on the basis of the 2014-15 civil service pay adjustment set out in FCR (2014-15)47 as approved by the FC on 16 January 2015; and

- (d) updating the effective date of the staffing proposals for the establishment of the ITB to tie in with the commencement date of the resolution passed under section 54A of IGCO (the 2015 resolution)^{Note} on transfer of statutory functions for the proposed establishment of the ITB.
- Encl. The above revisions are shaded in grey for easy reference in the attached Enclosure to FCR(2014-15)37A.

PROPOSAL

4. We invite FC to consider FCR(2014-15)37 in conjunction with FCR(2014-15)37A and to approve the proposed changes to the 2015-16 Estimates.

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^{Note} The notice for moving the motion in respect of the 2015 resolution was given to the LegCo on 28 April 2015. The resolution was subsequently passed by the LegCo on 3 June 2015. The commencement date of the 2015 resolution is the 14th day after the day on which the FC approves the proposal to make changes to the Estimates of Expenditure 2015-16 to provide for matters arising from the establishment of the ITB, or the 14th day after the day on which the 2015 resolution is passed, whichever is the later.

ITEM FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE

NEW HEAD "GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT : INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY BUREAU"

- HEAD 47 GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT : OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER
- HEAD 55 GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT : COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY BRANCH)

HEAD 155 - GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT : INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

Members are invited to approve the following changes to the 2015-16 Estimates to give effect to the establishment of a new Innovation and Technology Bureau –

- (a) creating a new Head of Expenditure entitled "Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Bureau" and a Recurrent Subhead under the General Revenue Account to account for the expenditure of Innovation and Technology Bureau, with the Permanent Secretary for Innovation and Technology as the Controlling Officer;
- (b) renaming the Head of Expenditure for the Communications and Technology Branch of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau, and renaming the Controlling Officer;

- (c) providing a funding provision of up to \$25,495,000 to the new Head of Expenditure, assuming the new Bureau can be established within 2015-16; and
- (d) providing an establishment ceiling of \$13,485,000 in terms of total notional annual mid-point salary value to the new Head of Expenditure and making consequential changes to the establishment ceilings of –

Head 47 - Government Secretariat : Office of the Government Chief Information Officer;

Head 55 - Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Technology Branch) (to be renamed Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Creative Industries Branch); and

Head 155 - Government Secretariat : Innovation and Technology Commission.

PROBLEM

For the purpose of establishing the Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB), we need to provide funds for three politically-appointed officials (PAOs) (including the Director of Bureau (DoB), the Deputy Director of Bureau (DDoB) and the Political Assistant to the DoB), the Permanent Secretary of the proposed ITB and the necessary support for them, and make the necessary cost-neutral changes to the 2015-16 Estimates of Expenditure.

PROPOSAL

2. We propose the following changes to the 2015-16 Estimates of Expenditure to give effect to the establishment of ITB –

- (a) creation of a new Head of Expenditure with a new Recurrent Subhead under the Operating Account of the General Revenue Account (GRA) for ITB, with the Permanent Secretary for Innovation and Technology (PSIT) as the Controlling Officer;
- (b) renaming the Head of Expenditure in respect of the Communications and Technology Branch (CTB) of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (CEDB) and renaming the Controlling Officer;
- (c) assuming the new Bureau can be established within 2015-16 -
 - (i) provision of up to \$25,495,000 for the relevant Subhead of the new Head of Expenditure. The actual provision required would be adjusted downward on a pro rata basis by about \$2,708,000 per month if the new Bureau could not be established by 1 July 2015;
 - (ii) a transfer of up to \$2,118,000 from the approved provisions for Head 47 (Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO)), Head 55 (CTB) and Head 155 (Innovation and Technology Commission (ITC)) to the new Head of Expenditure of ITB. The actual reduction would be adjusted downward on a pro rata basis by about \$235,000 per month if the new Bureau could not be established by 1 July 2015;
 - (iii) provision of an establishment ceiling of \$13,485,000 expressed in terms of total notional annual mid-point salary (NAMS) value to the new Head of Expenditure; and
 - (iv) a transfer of \$2,824,000 in terms of NAMS value from Heads 47, 55 and 155 to the new Head of Expenditure,
- Encl. 1 together with other detailed changes as set out in Enclosure 1.

JUSTIFICATION

Establishment of the ITB

The justifications for establishing the ITB and the updated staffing 3. proposals have been set out in the Establishment Subcommittee (ESC) paper EC(2014-15)7 and Finance Committee paper FCR(2014-15)36A. As also explained in these papers, the staffing proposals for the establishment of the new ITB are intended to take effect from the commencement date of the resolution passed under section 54A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) for the transfer of the statutory functions (the 2015 resolution). The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development gave notice on 28 April 2015 of his intention to move the motion on the 2015 resolution at the Legislative Council (LegCo) meeting of 20 May 2015. The resolution was subsequently passed by the LegCo on 3 June 2015. For the purpose of computing the proposed changes to the 2015-16 Estimates in this paper and its enclosures, 1 July 2015 has been assumed to be the date of the establishment of ITB.

Creation of new Head and Subhead for ITB

4. The expenditure of bureaux (or branches in a bureau if the bureau concerned has more than one branch) in the Government Secretariat is charged to separate Heads of Expenditure under the GRA. With the proposed establishment of ITB, we need to create one new Head for the new bureau, and to rename the existing Head of Expenditure of CTB.

5. The proposed ITB will be headed by the Secretary for Innovation and Technology who will have overall responsibility for policy matters relating to innovation and technology and information technology (hereinafter collectively referred to as innovation and technology).

6. We propose to create a new Head to account for the expenditure of ITB with a new *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* under the Operating Account of the GRA, with PSIT as the Controlling Officer. Details of the 2015-16 provision under the new Head presented in the Estimates format with supporting explanations are in Enclosure 2.

Encl. 2

Changes in funding provision and establishment ceiling

7. Under the Operating Account of the new Head for the new ITB, we propose to earmark a funding provision of \$25,495,000 charged to *Subhead 000 Operational Expenses*, mainly for –

- (a) the proposed creation of the PAO positions, the PSIT post, and the supporting civil service posts for the new ITB; and
- (b) the transfer of provision consequential to the deployment of civil service posts from the following three relevant existing Heads to the new Head for ITB –

Head 47 - Government Secretariat : Office of the Government Chief Information Officer;

Head 55 - Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Technology Branch) (to be renamed Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Creative Industries Branch); and

Head 155 - Government Secretariat : Innovation and Technology Commission.

8. The proposed provision of \$25,495,000 is to meet the recurrent expenditure of ITB from the date of establishment of ITB to the end of the current financial year, on the assumption that the expenditure will be required for the period from 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2016. The actual provision for 2015-16 will be adjusted on a pro rata basis as from the date of establishment of the ITB if it falls on a date after 1 July 2015. The expenditure for the full year will be included in the Draft Estimates in future financial years. The relevant Non-recurrent Subheads under the Operating Account and Capital Account Subheads will be created through the standing procedures and delegation of authority as and when required after the new ITB comes into operation.

9. We also propose an establishment ceiling of \$13,485,000 in terms of total NAMS value for the creation of 27 non-directorate civil service posts, which includes the provision for a total of eight non-directorate posts to be transferred from CTB (two in number), ITC (two) and OGCIO (four) for providing the necessary support to ITB. With the transfer of eight non-directorate posts to ITB¹, the proposed ceiling of \$13,485,000 for the new Head of ITB will be partly offset by the total reduction of \$2,824,000 in the establishment ceilings of the Heads of CTB, ITC and OGCIO. The net increase of \$10,661,000 hence represents the

¹ The eight non-directorate posts include one Senior Information Officer, one Information Officer, one Executive Officer II, one Personal Secretary II, two Clerical Assistant, one Typist and one Workman II.

Encls. 3-5

Changes to the title of Controlling Officer and Head of Expenditure of CTB

Industries Branch (CCIB)), ITC and OGCIO are provided at Enclosures 3 to 5.

proposed creation of 19 non-directorate posts² for the new ITB. Details of the changes in the Estimates of CTB (to be renamed as Communications and Creative

10. With the establishment of the proposed ITB, CEDB will continue to comprise two branches. While the title and responsibilities of the Commerce, Industry and Tourism Branch remain unchanged, CTB will be renamed as CCIB after the transfer of the innovation and technology portfolio to the proposed ITB. We propose to rename the Head of Expenditure of CTB as "Government Secretariat: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Creative Industries Branch)" with the Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (Communications and Creative Industries) as the new Controlling Officer.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

For the purpose of estimating the funding provision for the proposed 11. ITB, we assume that the establishment of ITB would require a total provision of \$25,495,000 under its new Head of Expenditure from 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2016 to be partly offset by a total decrease of \$2,118,000 in provision for the Heads of CTB, ITC and OGCIO from which net transfer has to be made from their original Estimates. The net increase of \$23,377,000 represents the staff cost of the DoB, DDoB, Political Assistant to the DoB, PSIT and the necessary staffing and administrative support to them for the nine-month period up to March 2016. If the actual date of establishment of ITB is later than 1 July 2015, the provision allocated in 2015-16 to the new Head for ITB will be adjusted on a pro-rata basis through the standing administrative arrangements. The detailed supplementary provision required by the relevant Head and Subheads, and the offsetting decrease in the Estimates of other Heads and Subheads are set out in the Enclosures. Details of the 2015-16 provision under the relevant Heads presented in the Estimates format with supporting explanations are set out in the Enclosure 2 to 5.

² The 19 non-directorate posts include one Administrative Officer, one Chief Information Officer, one Principal Information Officer, one Chief Executive Officer, one Senior Executive Officer I, two Personal Assistants, one Senior Personal Secretary, three Personal Secretaries I, two Clerical Officers, three Assistant Clerical Officers, one Personal Chauffeur and one Chauffeur.

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

12. We consulted the LegCo Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting as well as the LegCo Panel on Commerce and Industry on the proposal on 14 and 15 April 2014 respectively. The Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting held a further meeting on 3 May 2014 to receive deputations. Most of the deputations supported the establishment of ITB and both Panels supported the establishment of ITB as soon as possible. The proposal was also supported by the ESC at its meeting of 11 June 2014.

BACKGROUND

13. The Chief Executive announced in the 2014 Policy Address his intention to re-initiate the setting up of an ITB and work with various sectors to formulate objectives and policies for the development of innovation and technology in Hong Kong.

14. Innovation and technology are important economic drivers. They also underpin the development of various other economic sectors. To fully capture the opportunities provided by advancements in technology and the commercial potential they offer, it is important to have a dedicated policy bureau to provide high level leadership and stronger policy coordination across the stakeholders in the innovation and technology industries. The new ITB will strengthen, both in depth and breadth, the policy and support for the development of innovation and technology.

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General Revenue Account for the 2015-16 Estimates

(a) Creation of New Subhead and Increase in Estimates and Establishment Ceiling

Head	New Subheads			Supplementary Provisions Sought		Establishment Ceiling [#] (\$)		Increase in Establishment	
	from date of transfer*	Prior to date of transfer	From date of transfer	Subheads	(\$)	Prior to date of transfer	From date of transfer	Ceiling (\$)	Head from date of transfer
New Head – Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB)	000 Operational expenses	-	, ,	000 Operational expenses	25,495,000	-	13,484,580	13,484,580	Enclosure 2
				Sub-total :	25,495,000 25,495,000		Increase in	13,484,580	
			Prov	ision Sought		Establishr	nent Ceiling		

(b) Decrease in Estimates and Establishment Ceiling

	Estimates		Savings		Establishment Ceiling [#]		Decrease in	Details of
Head	(\$)				(\$)		Establishment	
	Prior to	From date of	Subheads	(\$)	Prior to	From	Ceiling	from date of
	date of	transfer			date of	date of	(\$)	transfer
	transfer*				transfer	transfer		
55 –	340,399,000	340,127,000	000	272,000	56,977,560	56,614,080	363,480	Enclosure 3
Government Secretariat: Commerce			Operational					
and Economic Development Bureau			expenses					
(Communications and Technology								
Branch) (CTB)			Sub-total:	272,000				
155 –	620,295,000	620,050,000	000	245,000	112,071,000	111,744,780	326,220	Enclosure 4
Government Secretariat: Innovation			Operational					
and Technology Commission (ITC)			expenses					
			Sub-total:	245,000				
47 –	714,743,000	713,142,000	000	1,601,000	341,025,420	338,891,160	2,134,260	Enclosure 5
Government Secretariat: Office of			Operational					
the Government Chief Information			expenses					
Officer (OGCIO)			Sub-total:	1,601,000				

Total Decrease in Estimates Offsetting2,118,000Supplementary Provisions Sought in Part (a)1000

Total Decrease in Establishment Ceiling

2,823,960

^{* &}quot;Date of transfer" in this Enclosure means the effective date of the establishment of ITB, which is assumed to be 1 July 2015 for the purpose of computing the proposed changes to the 2015-16 Estimates in this enclosure. The actual date of transfer will be the commencement date of the resolution passed under section 54A of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) for the transfer of the statutory functions for the purpose of establishing the proposed Innovation and Technology Bureau. If eventually the date of establishment of ITB is later than 1 July 2015, the provision allocated in 2015-16 to the new Head of ITB will be adjusted on a pro-rata basis through the standing administrative arrangements. The revised provision of CTB, OGCIO and ITC arising from the transfer of eight posts to ITB will also be appropriately adjusted through standing procedures.

The Establishment Ceiling will be rounded up to the nearest thousand for the presentation in Estimates.

NEW HEAD — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY BUREAU

Sub- head (Code)	Estimate 2015–16
	\$'000
Operating Account	
Recurrent	
000 Operational expenses	
Total, Recurrent	
Total, Operating Account	
Total Expenditure	

NEW HEAD — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY BUREAU

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2015–16 for the salaries and expenses of the Innovation and Technology Bureau is \$25,495,000.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$25,495,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Innovation and Technology Bureau.

3 The establishment as at the date of transfer will be 31 permanent posts. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during the remainder of 2015-16, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$13,485,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2015–16 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments	
- Salaries - Allowances - Job-related allowances	16,691 -
Personnel Related Expenses	
- Mandatory Provident Fund contribution - Civil Service Provident Fund contribution	41
Departmental Expenses	
- General departmental expenses	8,763
	25,495

Head 55 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (COMMUNICATIONS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES BRANCH)

Sub- head (Code)		Estimate 2015–16
		\$'000
	Operating Account	
	Recurrent	
000	Operational expenses	142,371
	Total, Recurrent	142,371
	Non-Recurrent	
700	General non-recurrent	197,756
	Total, Non-Recurrent	197,756
	Total, Operating Account	340,127
	Total Expenditure	340,127

Head 55 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (COMMUNICATIONS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES BRANCH)

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2015–16 for the salaries and expenses of the Communications and Creative Industries Branch is \$340,127,000.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$142,371,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Communications and Creative Industries Branch.

3 The establishment as at the date of transfer will be 112 permanent posts. It is expected that there will be an increase of six posts including two supernumerary posts in the remainder of 2015-16. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during the remainder of 2015-16, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$56,615,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2015–16 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments	
- Salaries - Allowances - Job-related allowances	74,681 1,248 4
Personnel Related Expenses	
- Mandatory Provident Fund contribution - Civil Service Provident Fund contribution	221 1,701
Departmental Expenses	
- General departmental expenses	64,516
	142,371

Head 55 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUREAU (COMMUNICATIONS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES BRANCH)

	Commitments							
Sub- head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to <u>31.3.2015</u>	Estimated expenditure 1.4.2015 to the day prior to the day of transfer	Balance		
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		
Opera	ting Ac	count						
700		General non-recurrent						
	016	Film Guarantee Fund#	30,000	621	-	29,379		
	438	DesignSmart Initiative#	250,000	248,240	31	1,729		
	480	Film Development Fund	520,000	281,677	2,733	235,590		
	830	Design Incubation Programme	26,250	7,292	6,400	12,558		
	866	CreateSmart Initiative	600,000	363,413	36,671	199,916		
	897	Hong Kong Design Centre	250,000	170,000	12,300	67,700		
		Total	1,676,250	1,071,243	58,135	546,872		

The commitment items of Film Guarantee Fund and DesignSmart Initiative have been revoted in April 2015.

Head 155 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

Sub-head (Code)	Operating Account	Estimate 2015-16 \$'000
	Recurrent	
000	Operational expenses	547,335
	Total, Recurrent	547,335
	Non-Recurrent	
700	General non-recurrent	63,000
	Total, Non-Recurrent	63,000
	Total, Operating Account	610,335

Capital Account

	Plant, Equipment and Works	
603	Plant, vehicles and equipment	4,315
661	Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote)	5,400
	Total, Plant, Equipment and Works	9,715
	Total, Capital Account	9,715
	Total Expenditure	620,050

Head 155 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2015–16 for the salaries and expenses of the Innovation and Technology Commission is \$620,050,000.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$547,335,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Innovation and Technology Commission.

3 The establishment as at the date of transfer will be 204 permanent posts. No change in establishment is expected in the remainder of 2015-16. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during the remainder of 2015-16, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$111,745,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

		2015-16 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments	- Salaries - Allowances	129,032
Personnel Related Exp	- Job-related allowances penses - Mandatory Provident Fund contribution	2,009 2
5	- Civil Service Provident Fund contribution	513 3,026
Departmental Expense Subventions	es - General departmental expenses	78,390
	 Hong Kong Productivity Council Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute Company Limited 	192,885 141,478
		547,335

Head 155 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

	Commitments						
Sub- head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated th expenditure to 31.3.2015	Estimated expenditure 1.4.2015 to he day prior to the date of transfer	Balance	
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Operat	ing Acco	ount					
700		General non-recurrent					
	860	Research and Development Cash Rebate Scheme	200,000	115,298	15,700	69,002	
			200,000	115,298	15,700	69,002	
Capital	Accoun	nt					
603		Plant, vehicles and equipment					
	843	For Temperature Laboratory of Standards and Calibration Laboratory to replace an existing humidity chamber	2,800	1,046	=	1,754	
	844	For Length Laboratory of Standards and Calibration Laboratory to set up new service for measurement of three-dimensional spatial coordinates and dimensions	3,000	_	_	3,000	
	852	For Acoustics Laboratory of Standards and Calibration Laboratory to set up new calibration service for head and torso simulator	2,300	-	-	2,300	
	859	For Low Frequency Laboratory of Standards and Calibration Laboratory to replace the quantum hall resistance system	3,500	-	-	3,500	
	882	For Direct Current Laboratory of Standards and Calibration Laboratory to set up new calibration services for luminous flux of reference light sources	4,200	4,173	3	24	
			15,800	5,219	3	10,578	
		Total	215,800	120,517	15,703	79,580	

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Head 47 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Sub-head (Code)		Estimate 2015–16
		\$'000
	Operating Account	
	Recurrent	
000	Operational expenses	670,319
	Total, Recurrent	670,319
	Non-Recurrent	
700	General non-recurrent	42,250
	Total, Non-Recurrent	42,250
	Total, Operating Account	712,569
	Capital Account Plant, Equipment and Works	
661	Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote)	573
	Total, Plant, Equipment and Works	573
	Total, Capital Account	573
	Total Expenditure	713,142

Head 47 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2015-16 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) is \$713,142,000.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$670,319,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of OGCIO.

3 The establishment as at the date of transfer will be 640 permanent posts. No change in establishment is expected in the remainder of 2015-16. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during the remainder of 2015-16, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$338,892,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2015–16 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments	
- Salaries - Allowances - Job-related allowances	362.299 6,000 100
Personnel Related Expenses	
 Mandatory Provident Fund contribution Civil Service Provident Fund contribution 	705 3,227
Departmental Expenses	
 Hire of services and professional fees Data processing General departmental expenses 	181,180 42,200 30,465
Other Charges	
- Hosting Platform for e-Government Services	44,143

670,319

Head 47 — GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT: OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Commitments

Sub- head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment \$'000	Accumulated expenditure to <u>31.3.2015</u> 	Estimated expenditure 1.4.2015 to the day prior to the date of transfer \$`000	Balance 	
Onora	tina A a	a a unit					
Operating Account							
700		General non-recurrent					
	877	Internet Access for Needy Students	220,000	98,612	29,000	92,388	
	894	Enriched IT Programme in Secondarv Schools	75.000			75.000	
		5610013	75,000			75,000	
		Total	295,000	98,612	29,000	167,388	
