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Dear Mr Chu,

Public Accounts Committee Consideration of Chapter 8 of the Director of Audit's Report No. 66 Procurement and inventory management of ICT products and services

Thank you for your letter dated 12 May 2016 to our department about the procurement and inventory management of ICT products and services.

We have provided a detailed reply in response to the information you requested. Please refer to the enclosure. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

(YIP Man-chung)

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Part 4: Disposal of ICT Products

1. What measures has the Government Logistics Department (GLD) taken to promote the formulation of ICT disposal strategies by Bureaux/Departments(B/Ds)?

The Stores and Procurement Regulations (SPRs) provide clear guidelines for B/Ds to dispose of unserviceable or surplus stores. According to SPRs, B/Ds may consider different methods of disposal (including donation to non-government organisations, commercial disposal or dumping) depending on the merits of each case. In general, factors including the residual value, resaleable value and public interest are taken into consideration.

GLD arranges contracts for the sale of used or unserviceable computers and accessories for B/Ds on a regular basis. In some of the contracts for the procurement of electronic office equipment, trade-in terms are added to facilitate the disposal of used items.

In respect of Audit's recommendation that GLD should promote the formulation of ICT disposal strategies by B/Ds, GLD will, with due regard to the guidelines to be issued by OGCIO on the replacement of ICT products, issue a circular memorandum to B/Ds on the factors to be considered (including the service period, condition and serviceability of the items, etc.) for the disposal of these items. GLD will also request B/Ds to formulate good management practices and disposal strategies to facilitate periodic reviews and the timely disposal of obsolete ICT products.