

NOTE FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE

Changes to the Approved Estimates of Expenditure Approved under Delegated Powers

In accordance with the Public Finance Ordinance section 8(8)(a), the Financial Secretary shall at the end of each quarter of the financial year or as soon as practicable thereafter report to the Finance Committee changes made to the approved estimates of expenditure in that quarter upon approval by him or by any public officer pursuant to a delegation under section 8(3) or (4). This note contains details of such changes made during the third quarter of 1999-2000.

2. During the third quarter of 1999-2000, 26 applications for supplementary provision, nine applications for increases in commitments, 92 applications for new commitments, five applications for commitments revoked and a net decrease of 262 posts, as detailed in the Report at the Enclosure, were approved under delegated powers.

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3. The total additional funds required in the 26 applications for supplementary provision amounted to \$83,457,000. A breakdown is as follows -

Number of applications	Purpose	Supplementary provision \$
	To increase provision under Recurrent Account subheads -	
4	Personal Emoluments	2,572,000
9	Other Recurrent	16,479,000
13		19,051,000
13	To increase provision under Capital Account subheads	64,406,000
26		83,457,000

**Report of changes to the approved Estimates of Expenditure
approved under delegated powers during
the third quarter of 1999-2000
Public Finance Ordinance : Section 8**

Summary

I. AMOUNT OF SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION APPROVED

		\$
1.	Recurrent Account subheads (p.1 - p.2)	19,051,000
2.	Capital Account subheads (p.3 - p.4)	64,406,000
Total :		83,457,000

II. ADDITIONS TO NON-RECURRENT COMMITMENTS

		\$
1.	Increases in approved commitments (p.5 - p.6)	29,950,000
2.	New commitments approved (p.7 - p.14)	323,467,000
Total :		353,417,000

III. APPROVED COMMITMENTS REVOTED (p.15)	Total :	\$40,293,000
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IV. VARIATIONS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POSTS (p.16 - p.20)

1.	Net decrease in number of permanent posts	-262
2.	Net increase in number of supernumerary posts	-
Total net decrease :		-262