

Bureau Serial No.

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Question Serial No.

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Examination of draft Estimates of Expenditure 2000-01
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : As regards the crimes that get priorities in handling by the Police under the programme of prevention and detection of crime, why are the crimes concerning computers and networks not mentioned? How much resources will be deployed by the Government to combat the computer crimes in the Estimates of 2000-2001?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply : (a) Whilst computer crime has multiplied in 1999 as compared with 1998, the nature and number of the offences as well as the associated damages were relatively mild when compared with many other categories of crime. It is therefore not listed as a key target of crime prevention and detection in the Controlling Officers' Report. However, noticing its rising trend with the increase in use of Internet in Hong Kong, the Police has been closely monitoring the situation and undertaking various measures to face the new challenge. In 1999, a wide range of public education programmes on awareness and prevention of computer-related crime were conducted by the Crime Prevention Bureau and Police Public Relations Bureau. Some of the events were organised in conjunction with the Education Department and Information Technology Services Department (ITSD).

In addition, a Computer Crime Investigation Cadre (CCIC) comprising 83 officers from different formations was formed in December 1999 to assist in computer crime investigation in front-line formations. In January 2000, 11 officers have completed an advanced training in computer crime investigation and forensic examination of computers at the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology. The training facilitates an accreditation of the officers' expertise against computer-related crime. The educational and preventive measures will continue. In March, a Senior Superintendent was seconded to the Security Bureau to assist an Inter-departmental Working Group in studying legal issues pertinent to computer-related crime.

- (b) The Computer Crime Section (CCS) comprising 17 officers was formed within the Commercial Crime Bureau since 1993. It is responsible for investigation into computer-related crime that is complex or transnational. The CCS also provides technical support in other investigations related to computer and will identify any deficiencies in existing legislation. Expansion of the CCS in 2000 is being studied, and the CCIC may also expand if necessary. Such an expansion will be met within existing resources allocation. In addition, \$2.7 million will be spent to establish a Forensic Examination and Computer Crime Investigation Laboratory in 2000-01 in order to enhance the current examination capability. Besides, other bureaux/departments will continue to take necessary actions to combat computer-related crime. For example, ITSD will continue to organize publicity activities to raise public awareness on computer security and the proper use of the Internet.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Why in the 2000 estimate is there a drastic fall in the number of arrested illegal immigrants both by land and by sea, respectively by 15.75% and 18.13%?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply : Statistics in the past 7 years show that the number of illegal immigrants arrested decreased steadily by 17% on average each year. This trend is expected to continue in 2000. The ratio of illegal immigrants entering Hong Kong by land and by sea also changed from 40/60 to 55/45. Given the projected total number of 10,120 arrests in 2000 in this connection, the corresponding numbers of illegal immigrants entering by land and by sea are estimated to be 5,560 (i.e. decreased by 15.75%) and 4,560 (i.e. decreased by 18.13%) respectively.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Why in the 2000 estimate is there such a great increase of 12.5% in the number of officers receiving internal security training? Does it imply anxiety on the part of the government about any problems with order and security at any future public meetings? Has it anything to do with the Legco election to be held in September?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply :

The increase of 12.5% in the number of officers receiving internal security training must be seen in the context of training cycle. The Police Tactical Unit training cycle covers a period of three years. Over this period, a total of 26 companies will receive training: eight in the first year, nine in the second year and nine in the third year. The 12.5% increase in 2000 represents the move from year 1 to year 2 whereby one additional company receives training. In year 4, a new cycle will begin and there will be a reduction of about 12.5% as one less company will receive training.

The Hon. member may rest assured that there is no undue anxiety on the part of Government in respect of public order situation, and there is absolutely nothing to do with the Legco election in September.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Why the number of fixed penalty tickets for parking offences is estimated to be increased by 11.79% in 2000? Will Force liaise with the Transport Department to solve this problem?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply :

The figure is a projected one taking into consideration the continuing growth of new towns, the steady increase of motor vehicles registered & licensed and the improved economic climate.

Police will continue to work closely with Transport Department to monitor the general parking situation in Hong Kong, and will step up enforcement actions where necessary.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Additional manpower will be deployed to the new towns in the new financial year. Will additional manpower be deployed to the built-up areas also? If it is so, what is the figure and resources involved?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply : The Police constantly review the deployment of manpower in the light of the crime situation of each area. They will not only deploy additional manpower to the new towns to cope with their development, but also endeavour to improve the law and order in the built-up areas, as necessary.

For example, in 2000-2001, the establishment of Mongkok District will be increased by 2 Sergeants, 27 Police Constables and 4 Traffic Wardens involving resources of \$6,128,880. The establishment of Yaumatei Division will be increased by 6 Police Constables involving resources of \$1,117,440.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : There are decreases in the estimated figures for 2000 under item "response to 999 calls" in comparison with that in 1999. What are the reasons for such decreases?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply : The Police Force continues to run a publicity campaign which aims at educating the public to use the 999 system properly. This should reduce the number of nuisance and non-emergency calls made to 999 so that calls involving genuine emergencies can be handled in a more efficient and timely manner. The decrease in estimates is attributable to the anticipation of the success of this campaign.

As shown in the Controlling Officer's Report, the figure under "Emergency Calls" consists of calls involving "genuine emergencies" as well as cases that can be handled by the Police Force according to normal schedule or can be diverted to other departments for assistance. The number of "genuine emergency" calls per year has been consistent and is expected to remain so in 2000/01. The decrease of "Emergency Calls" in the 2000/01 Draft Estimates actually reflects a drop in the number of calls which are not "genuine emergencies".

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : In respect of the matters requiring special attention, what is the purpose of the improvement of 59 police premises in three years' time? While the major tasks of the police should focus on the maintenance of law and order, is it necessary to make such great number of improvements within a short duration of time? Will it turn out that grand style police stations are being built?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply :

This refers to the Station Improvement Project (SIP). This project is part of a Force wide initiative to bring about an improvement to the services provided to the public at police stations. Following consultation with community groups, the then Provisional District Boards and the District Fight Crime Committees, the project was endorsed by the Public Works Sub-committee in June 1999 and approved by the Finance Committee in July 1999.

The scope of the project is mainly focused on the improvement of the areas of police stations where the public has access and does not involve the building of police stations. The project will help to meet the service needs and expectation of the public and to facilitate the provision of quality services to the public.

Implementing the project within three years will result in early benefits to the public and is more efficient than spreading the project over a longer period.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : How much additional manpower will be deployed to Ma On Shan and Tseung Kwan O respectively in 2000-2001? How do they differ from the original establishment?

Asked by : The Hon Gary CHENG Kai-nam

Reply : In 2000-01, the number of posts to be created in Tseung Kwan O and Ma On Shan Divisions is as follows:

2000-2001		Tseung Kwan O	Ma On Shan
		No. of posts	No. of posts
Creation of Posts	Chief Inspector	1	0
	Inspector/ Senior Inspector	1	2
	Station Sergeant	1	1
	Sergeant	5	5
	Police Constable	18	12
	Disciplined Total	26	20
	Assistant Clerical Officer	1	0
	Clerical Assistant	1	1
	Senior Traffic Warden	1	0
	Traffic Warden	6	0
	Police Translator I	0	1
	Civilian Total	9	2
Total	35	22	

After the creation of posts in 2000-01, the number of disciplined and civilian staff of Tseung Kwan O Division will increase from 121 to 147 and from 26 to 35 respectively.

Similarly, the number of disciplined and civilian staff of Ma On Shan Division will increase from 110 to 130 and from 33 to 35 respectively.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : How much of the 1999-2000 expenditure was used for the investigation and detection of illegal activities on the internet? Has any review of the adequacy of resources and manpower been conducted? How much of the 2000-2001 expenditure for the prevention and detection of crime will be used for the same purpose?

Asked by : The Hon NG Leung-sing

Reply : (a) Illegal activities on the Internet form part of computer-related crime, which feature in different offences. Both the Computer Crime Section (CCS) comprising 17 officers within the Commercial Crime Bureau and front-line formations are responsible for investigation into computer-related crime. The former deals with the more complex or serious cases and provides technical support in other investigations. In December 1999, a Computer Crime Investigation Cadre (CCIC) comprising 83 officers from different formations was formed to assist in computer crime investigations in front-line formations. In January 2000, 11 officers have completed an advanced training in computer crime investigation and forensic examination of computers at the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology. In March 2000, a Senior Superintendent was seconded to the Security Bureau to assist the Inter-departmental Working Group in studying legal issues pertinent to computer crime.

- (b) The emerging issues of computer-related crimes have posed new challenges to the Police. The Police Force constantly reviews its policy, strategy and resource adequacy in order to strengthen its capability in tackling the growth of computer-related crime. Additional resource requirements for the CCS are being examined and the CCIC may expand if necessary. Any expansion plan in 2000-01 can be met within existing resources allocation should the need arise. In addition, \$2.7 million will be spent to establish a Forensic Examination and Computer Crime Investigation Laboratory in 2000-01 in order to enhance the current examination capability.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : There is a 2.6% increase in the estimated provision under this programme, but the estimated figure in the overall crimes detected is smaller than that of the last year. Please explain.

Asked by : The Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, JP

Reply : Compared with 1998, 1999 registered a slight decrease in detection rate. Such a decrease is mainly due to the changes in crime pattern such as the increase in the report of quick cash crimes e.g. pick-pocketing, deception, theft from vehicles and crimes in relation to debt-collection activities. These crimes are relatively difficult to be detected according to past experience.

Based on the crime trend, crime pattern and detection rate of 1999, the Police have made a slight downward adjustment (less than 1%) in the estimated figure of overall crimes detected in 2000. In order to strengthen our capability in tackling crimes, a 2.6% increase in the estimated provision under this programme has been requested.

Detection of a crime depends on a combination of factors, such as the complexity of the case, the availability and co-operation of witnesses, victims and members of the public, the evidence that can be gathered at the scene of a crime, etc. The detection rate only serves as an indicator of the extent of Police's success but is not a precise reflection of the efforts that went into the prevention and detection of crimes.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please detail the provision for the expenses of witnesses, prisoners and deportees under Sub-head 207.

Asked by : The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Reply : In 2000/2001, \$8.557 million will be provided under Subhead 207 to meet the expenses of meals and general supplies for prisoners, and expenses of travelling, accommodation and meals for overseas witnesses and deportees.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : What is the difference between item 771 (provision of video interviewing equipment) and item 791 (provision of video interviewing equipment at divisional level) under Sub-head 603?

Asked by : The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Reply :

The two items cover funding for different phases of the video interview room (VIR) project.

Funding under item 771 was approved in 1996 for the first phase of the project which aimed to set up 20 VIRs at Police Regional Headquarters, Crime Wing Bureaux and Detective Training School.

Funding under item 791 was approved in 1998 for another phase of the project. An additional 20 VIRs were set up at major divisional police stations at the end of 1998.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Cases of family violence are on the increase year by year as revealed by the report submitted by the government under the United Nation Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. In co-operation with other institutions and women organizations, approximately 1600 police officers were given training in crisis intervention and understanding of victims' trauma and psychology in 1998. Will the government inform the LegCo if any provision has been reserved in the 2000/01 estimate to offer such training to the serving officers as well as the new recruits? If so, how many police officers will be able to receive training with that provision? Has the government estimated the time and the cost involved for training all officers?

Asked by : The Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Reply :

In 2000-01, the Police Training School is expected to train 16 Probationary Inspectors (PI) and 160 Recruit Constables (RPC). Three one-hour training sessions on domestic violence are included in the training programme for both the RPC and PI. This is reinforced by another three one-hour training sessions during Regional Continuation Training.

2. Two one-hour training sessions on domestic violence are conducted during the Police Constables 5th year continuation training course. A total of 960 officers will go through the continuation training course in the coming financial year.

3. The Training Development Bureau is also planning to design a training day package (including a video) on the handling of domestic violence. This will be delivered in the coming financial year and all front line officers will undergo this training.

4. All the above training will be provided with the existing available resources and no additional fund will be required.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - 04

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please give the post titles, ranks and duties of the 43 non-directorate posts to be increased in 2000/01.

Asked by : The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Reply : The 43 non-directorate posts to be increased in 2000/01 reflect an increase of 115 posts to be offset by a reduction of 72 posts achieved by Enhanced Productivity Programme. As shown in the annexed table, a total of 115 posts will be created mainly to strengthen Police's frontline operational capability in new towns, reclamation areas and new infrastructure projects. The breakdown of these posts is also shown in the annexed table.

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Annex

(A) Projects	Disciplined Staff *					Civilian #			Total
	CIP	IP/SIP	S/SGT	SGT	PC	CO/ ACO/ CL A/ OA	PT I	STW/ TW	
1) West Rail Implementation Team	1		1	1	5				8
2) Ma On Shan Police Division		2	1	5	12	1	1		22
3) Tseung Kwan O Police Division	1	1	1	5	18	2		7	35
4) Tai Kok Tsui Division and New Mong Kok District Headquarters				2	27			4	33
5) New Yaumatei Divisional Station					6				6
6) Administration and Support									11
Sub-total:									115
<u>Less :</u> (B) Enhanced Productivity Programme									-72
Total :									43

* Key : CIP (Chief Inspector)
IP/SIP (Inspector/Senior Inspector)
S/SGT (Station Sergeant)
SGT (Sergeant)
PC (Police Constable)

Key : CO (Clerical Officer)
ACO (Assistant Clerical Officer)
CL A (Clerical Assistant)
OA (Office Assistant)
PT I (Police Translator I)
STW (Senior Traffic Warden)
TW (Traffic Warden)

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : In the Brief Description of Reduction of Traffic Accidents under Programme (3) in the Controlling Officers Report, it is mentioned that the Police Force will strengthen traffic law enforcement against offences which are leading factors in causing accidents. Please give details of the work, estimated expenditure and manpower to be deployed.

Asked by : The Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Reply :

In 2000/2001 the Police Force plan to spend \$3,521,000 to acquire equipment for strengthening enforcement action against drink driving and speeding, both of which are identified to be leading factors in causing accidents :-

<u>Enforcement Activity</u>	<u>Equipment to be Procured</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Drink Driving Enforcement	Five sets of Evidential Breath Analysing Instrument and sixty sets of screening devices	\$1,911,000
Speed Detection	i) 14 sets of In-car video equipment for traffic patrol vehicles ii) 23 sets of Palm Pilot computer and printing device for the laser speed detection gun.	\$1,270,000 \$340,000
	Total :	\$3,521,000

The Police Force regularly review their traffic enforcement policy taking into account the latest traffic accident trends, and make corresponding staff redeployment to carry out necessary enforcement actions. As such, no additional manpower is required to implement the aforesaid enforcement activities.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : As regard "Matters requiring special attention in 2000-2001", it is mentioned that the Police Force will make "continued investment in the Force's information technology". Does it include making improvement to tackle the abuse of Police Hotlines? If yes, please give the details. How many cases of false reports are there out of the total number of "calls received by Police Hotlines" in 1999-2000? How much government money is involved?

Asked by : The Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Reply : There is no indication of abuse of the Police Hotlines. Hence, no provision has been made in the Force's information technology investment to address this issue. Unlike calls to the 999 service, most of the calls made to the Police Hotlines relate to crime information of a confidential nature and are anonymous. The information provided often requires prolonged and detailed analysis to determine their validity. In 1999-2000, no cases have been treated as false reports.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - 04

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please elaborate the ambit of item 770 ("hire of consultancy on implementation of the Force strategy on service quality") under Subhead 700. Which consultancy company has been hired? Will the consultancy report be published? If so, when?

Asked by : The Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Reply :

This consultancy is being undertaken by Pricewaterhouse Coopers.

The consultancy lasts for about one year. Its main task is to assist the Police Force in designing and organising Forcewide culture change programmes. The consultancy has also conducted researches and surveys to collate opinion to assist the Police Force management to review and work out its strategy on service quality. The consultancy also provides advice and assistance to the Police Services Quality Wing in reviewing and drawing up service quality programme.

Improvement on service quality is a continuous task and requires expert advice and external experience in working out the overall strategy and long-term programmes.

As the consultancy provides continuous advice and support services to the Police Force for a specified period and is not based on a single project, it is not expected to publish any report.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : The number of "crimes reported" shows an increase from 1998 (actual figure) to 2000 (estimated figure) but that of "crimes detected" from 1998 (actual figure) to 2000 (estimated figure) is decreasing. What accounts for this? Does it indicate a lower efficiency of police in crime detection?

Asked by : The Hon David CHU Yu-lin

Reply :

Compared with 1998, 1999 registered a slight decrease in detection rate. Such a decrease is mainly due to the changes in crime pattern such as the increase in the report of quick cash crimes e.g. pick-pocketing, deception, theft from vehicles and crimes in relation to debt-collection activities. Based on the crime trend in 1999, the Police has estimated the number of overall crimes reported and detected for 2000 - 2001.

Detection of a crime depends on a number of factors, such as the complexity of the case, the availability and co-operation of victims, witnesses and members of the public, the evidence that can be gathered etc. The detection rate only serves as an indicator of the extent of Police success in preventing and detecting crimes. The actual rate will fluctuate depending on a combination of factors mentioned above.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : There is a remarkable decrease in the number of fixed penalty tickets issued in 1999 when compared with that of 1998. Why the number of fixed penalty tickets is expected to increase in 2000?

Asked by : The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-ye, JP

Reply : The number of fixed penalty tickets fluctuates from year to year. Such fluctuation can be attributable to several factors such as weather and the economic condition. As for the number of fixed penalty tickets that may be issued in 2000, it is projected with reference to the continuing growth of new towns, the steady increase of motor vehicles registered and licensed, and the improved economic climate.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : As regards prosecutions:

- (a) Speed limit has been relaxing, why is the estimated figure for prosecution of speeding offences for the year 2000 much the same as that of 1999?
- (b) The figure for prosecution of pedestrian offences has been decreasing since 1998 and the estimated figure for the year 2000 is 30,000. What is the reason for such decrease?

Asked by : The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP

Reply :

- (a) The adjustment of the speed limit on certain roads does not negate the continual need for vigorous enforcement actions against speeding, which has proved to be an effective measure in reducing traffic accidents. The Force will maintain a high level of speed enforcement action in 2000 and the prosecution figure for 1999 is considered as a reasonable reference for estimating the 2000 figure.

- (b) The projected decrease in prosecution of pedestrians is based on the followings :-
- (i) Greater use of warnings in lieu of prosecution in less serious cases;
 - (ii) Increased public awareness on road safety through continuing publicity/education; and
 - (iii) Greater involvement of Road Safety Patrol members in road safety campaigns.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide details of the further promotion of the Road Safety Ambassador Scheme in 2000/01 and resources involved?

Asked by : The Hon Mrs Miriam LAU Kin-ye, JP

Reply : Since the introduction of the Road Safety Ambassador Scheme in November 1999, a total of 750 Road Safety Patrol members from 45 secondary schools have joined the scheme. In the year 2000/2001, we aim to double the number of participants from 750 to 1500. Road Safety Ambassadors will work with uniform police of the Road Safety Section to conduct on-street education at locations with crossing facilities near their schools.

The resource requirements for the scheme are met within the existing resources and no additional resources are required.

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

Date _____ March 2000

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SB074

Question Serial No.

0933

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide a breakdown of the establishment of Complaints Against Police Office (CAPO) and its estimated expenditure in 2000-2001. Please list all the Sub-heads under which the estimated expenditure will be incurred and their amount.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

The establishment of CAPO for the year 2000/2001 is :

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Establishment</u>
Senior Superintendent	1
Superintendent	4
Chief Inspector	14
Inspector/Senior Inspector	23
Station Sergeant	10
Sergeant	66
Police Constable	6
Assistant Clerical Officer	4
Clerical Assistant	14
Personal Secretary II	4
Senior Typist	3
Typist	10
Senior Police Translator	3
Police Translator I	21
Workman II	3
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Total :	186

The financial resources provided for the operation of CAPO for the year 2000/2001 will be \$64.040 million under Subhead 000 - Operational Expenses.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

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SB075

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WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide breakdowns of the establishment and ranks of officers in Security Wing, and also the total provision, for the years 1999/2000 and 2000/2001.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

In 1999/2000 Security Wing has an establishment of 413 personnel, a breakdown of which by rank is shown in the table attached. The total provision for Security Wing for 1999/2000 is \$128 million.

It is projected that the establishment for Security Wing for 2000/2001 would remain at the same level as 1999/2000 with a provision of \$128 million.

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Attachment

<u>Rank</u>	<u>No. of Post</u>
<u>Disciplined</u>	1999/2000 (as at 1.3.2000)
Assistant Commissioner	1
Chief Superintendent	1
Senior Superintendent	3
Superintendent	9
Chief Inspector	22
Inspector/Senior Inspector	54
Station Sergeant	22
Sergeant	80
Police Constable	131
Sub-total	323
<u>Civilian</u>	
Senior Clerical Officer	1
Clerical Officer	2
Assistant Clerical Officer	9
Clerical Assistant	9
Office Assistant	2
Senior Confidential Assistant	3
Confidential Assistant	42
Executive Officer I	1
Senior Chinese Language Officer	1
Chinese Language Officer I	2
Personal Secretary I	1
Personal Secretary II	1
Supplies Supervisor II	1
Supplies Assistant	1
Police Research Officer	1
Workman II	13
Sub-total	90
TOTAL	413

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0964

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide breakdowns of the man-hours spent by Security Wing on intercepting communications in the past three years.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

For operational and security reasons, I am unable to comment on the operational details relating to interception of communications.

Signature _____

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

Date _____ March 2000

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SB077

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0974

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide details of the overtime allowance in the years 1998/1999 and 1999/2000 and the number of officers drawing overtime allowance, their ranks and the average hours of overtime work performed by each officer by rank.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

- (i) The number of officers claiming overtime allowance and the breakdown of overtime expenditure for 1998/1999 and 1999/2000 are as follows:-

	Number of Officers Claiming Overtime Allowance		Expenditure (\$M)	
	1998-1999	1999-2000 (up to January 2000)	1998-1999	1999-2000 (up to January 2000)
Disciplined	10,913	6,144	170.0	67.3
Civilian	1,460	865	9.4	4.2
Total	12,373	7,009	179.4	71.5

- (ii) Statistics by rank of officers drawing overtime allowance are not readily available. The eligibility criteria for disciplined and civilian officers claiming overtime allowance are as follows :

Overtime for Disciplined Officers

Eligible rank : Officers of Chief Inspector of Police and below are eligible for Disciplined Services Overtime Allowance but the majority of the claimants are Junior Police Officers working in the front-line. A Chief Inspector of Police will be granted Disciplined Services Overtime Allowance only in very exceptional circumstances.

Overtime for Civilian Officers

Eligible rank : Junior civilian staff in ranks with pay scales starting on or below Master Pay Scale Point 19 (\$24,320) and ending on or below Master Pay Scale Point 25 (\$32,190). The most common ranks involved are Clerical Officers. Officers in administration/professional grade and training pay scales are not eligible.

- (iii) The average hours of overtime work performed by each officer claiming overtime allowance are as follows:-

	Average Hours of Overtime Work Per Officer	
	1998/1999	1999/2000 (up to January 2000)
Disciplined	111	76
Civilian	63	46

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide the numbers of identity card checks in 1997/1998, 1998/1999 and 1999/2000, the number and the percentage of wanted persons arrested as a result of these checks.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

The numbers of identify card checks and the number of wanted persons arrested in 1997/1998, 1998/1999 and 1999/2000 are as follows :

	1997/1998	1998/1999	1999/2000 (Up to February 2000)
ID Card checks	1,409,515	1,824,979	2,130,363
No. of arrests	9,325 (0.66%)	13,731 (0.75%)	14,088 (0.66%)

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Name in block letters _____ HUI Ki-on

Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

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SB079

Question Serial No.

0976

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide a breakdown of beats by police region in 1999/2000.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

The breakdown of the number of patrolling beats by police region in 1999/2000 is as follows :-

Police Region	Number of patrolling beats
Hong Kong Island	271
Kowloon West	220
Kowloon East	234
New Territories South	246
New Territories North	221
Marine	15

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SB080

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0977

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Will the manpower of Personnel Checking Unit, which is responsible for extended checking be increased in 2000-2001? Please detail establishment in 2000-2001 with a breakdown by rank.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : (1) There is currently no plan to increase the manpower of the Personnel Checking Unit in 2000-2001.
(2) The establishment of the Personnel Checking Unit in 2000-2001 by rank is the same as last year. The breakdown is as follows :

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Establishment</u>
Senior Superintendent of Police	1
Head Interviewer	6
Senior Confidential Assistant	2
Confidential Assistant	6
Total :	15

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

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SB081

Question Serial No.

0978

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please detail current Police Force establishment and strength by police district. Also, please provide the proposed establishment for 2000-2001, especially the breakdowns of uniformed police officers and criminal investigation officers.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : The information on establishment and strength of police disciplined staff by police district is annexed.

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Establishment and Strength By Disciplined Staff By District

Region / District	Current Situation (1.3.2000)				Projected Establishment	
	Establishment		Strength		00/01	
	Uniform Branch	Crime	Uniform Branch	Crime	Uniform Branch	Crime
Hong Kong Island Region						
<i>Central District</i>	646	102	696	101	646	102
<i>Eastern District</i>	614	145	664	144	614	145
<i>Wan Chai District</i>	518	116	584	137	518	116
<i>Western District</i>	606	113	646	119	606	113
<i>Hong Kong Island Regional HQs</i>	921	226	1034	232	921	226
Sub-total	3305	702	3624	733	3305	702
Kowloon East Region						
<i>KwunTong District</i>	438	120	576	121	472	131
<i>Mass Transit Railway District</i>	289	0	302	0	289	0
<i>Sau Mau Ping District</i>	483	147	582	144	483	147
<i>Wong Tai Sin District</i>	700	145	748	142	700	145
<i>Kowloon East Regional HQs</i>	743	170	849	179	743	170
Sub-total	2653	582	3057	586	2687	593
Kowloon West Region						
<i>Kowloon City District</i>	680	157	764	154	680	157
<i>Mongkok District</i>	403	158	486	154	432	158
<i>Sham Shui Po District</i>	668	188	746	188	668	188
<i>Yau Tsim District</i>	715	211	792	210	721	211
<i>Kowloon West Regional HQs</i>	1057	308	1123	294	1057	308
Sub-total	3523	1022	3911	1000	3558	1022
New Territories North Region						
<i>Border District</i>	1132	48	1037	45	1121	48
<i>Tai Po District</i>	519	143	613	143	519	143
<i>Tuen Mun District</i>	559	145	654	141	559	145
<i>Yuen Long District</i>	577	156	650	152	577	168
<i>New Territories North Regional HQs</i>	1039	211	1111	206	1049	211
Sub-total	3826	703	4065	687	3825	715
New Territories South Region						
<i>Airport District</i>	344	32	320	30	344	32
<i>Kwai Tsing District</i>	503	112	530	113	503	112
<i>Lantau District</i>	270	38	286	39	257	43
<i>Shatin District</i>	659	154	721	154	670	179
<i>Tsuen Wan District</i>	612	162	671	161	612	162
<i>New Territories South Regional HQs</i>	850	205	922	203	850	210
Sub-total	3238	703	3450	700	3236	738
Marine Region	2554	75	2285	79	2560	81
Other Formations	3619	1491	1882	1786	3760	1524
Leave Reserve under PHQ	41	88	242	7	41	88
Training Reserve in PTS	683	0	353	0	683	0
Sub total	4343	1579	2477	1793	4484	1612
Grand total	28808		28447		29118	

Notes:

1. Staff under Other Formations (e.g. PTU Companies) and Training Reserves have been deployed to Police Districts to perform front-line duties. These are the reasons for the strength of Police Districts exceeding their establishments.
2. Officers on leave prior to retirement are included in the Leave Reserve under Police Headquarters (PHQ LRVE). It is the reason for the strength of PHQ LRVE exceeding its establishment.

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SB082

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0984

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community &
12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : May the government provide the figure of identity card checks and searches conducted by the police on the public in 1998 and 1999 and the number of cases in which clues were found or successful prosecution was brought about as a result of such checks and searches?

Asked by : The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Reply :

The number of Identity Card checks and searches conducted in 1998/1999 and 1999/2000 and the number of arrests are as follows :

	1998/1999	1999/2000 (Up to February 2000)
Identity Card checks and searches	1,824,979	2,130,363
No. of arrests	13,731	14,088

As we do not keep separate record on the number of prosecution brought about as a result of Identity Card checks and searches, the requested figures on successful prosecution are not available.

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

Date _____ March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB083

Question Serial No.

0985

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community &
12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : The government indicated that additional resources will be deployed to Ma On Shan and Tseung Kwan O. Please provide the increase in number of police officers and specify any other special measures taken for the maintenance of law and order in these two new towns.

Asked by : The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Reply :

- (i) In 2000-01, the number of disciplined posts to be created in Ma On Shan and Tseung Kwan O will be as follows :

Rank	Ma On Shan	Tseung Kwan O
	No. of posts	No. of posts
Chief Inspector	0	1
Inspector/Senior Inspector	2	1
Station Sergeant	1	1
Sergeant	5	5
Police Constable	12	18
Disciplined Total	20	26

(ii) Apart from increasing manpower resources, the following measures will also be adopted for the maintenance of law and order in these two new towns:

- Increase anti-triad and anti-youth crime operations.
- Deploy police officers who are originally responsible for in-door duties for patrol duties.
- Increase anti-burglary operations and patrols at black spots and peak hours.
- Liaison with estate management companies and Owner's Corporation to advise them on improvements of security of private premises.
- Set up a Youth Support Team to assist problematic youths.
- Maintain close liaison with schools and parents of problematic youths and provide counselling.
- Conduct regular anti-vehicle crime operations at selected car parks.
- Conduct regular checks on private security personnel to enhance their awareness.

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

Date _____ March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB084

Question Serial No.

0986

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community &
12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide the figure on the use of video interviewing rooms in 1998 and 1999 and its percentage to the total number of interviews conducted.

Asked by : The Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Reply :

Funding for the establishment of additional video interview rooms (VIR) was approved in 1998 and the project was completed in December of the same year. The usage rate of these rooms was therefore not available for the year 1998.

Statistics on usage rate of the VIRs has been maintained since 1 January 1999. A total of 2,228 video interviews were conducted between 1 January 1999 and 31 December 1999.

As the Police does not maintain figures on the total number of interviews conducted, the percentage to the total number of interviews is not available.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB085

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

- Question :
- (a) How many summonses were issued by the Force to various Government Departments and franchised bus companies in the past three years?
 - (b) How does the Force arrive at the estimate of summonses to be issued in the year?

Asked by : Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

Reply :

- (a) The Force does not maintain separate statistics on traffic summonses issued to Government Departments. As to the number of summonses issued to franchised bus companies, such statistics were not maintained until 1998 :-

<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
Not available	641	630

- (b) The projected number of summonses to be issued in 2000 is based on the corresponding figures for the previous two years, the availability of new equipment for enforcement actions, and the likelihood of new legislation enacted later this year including prohibiting the use of mobile phones whilst driving.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB086

Question Serial No.

1053

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : In respect of Sub-head 103, please provide the total expenditure for informer fees, the maximum amount for informer fees, the number of people receiving informer fees and the expenditure on manpower and equipment for the past year.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : The Rewards and Special Services Sub-head covers a wide range of expenses, including rewards and other operational expenses which are confidential in nature. It would not be appropriate to disclose full details of this expenditure. Expenses under this vote are used by units at Police Headquarters, Region and District level. No statistics on the number of people who received rewards are kept therefore we cannot provide the information as requested. The number of such payments for the current financial year is estimated to be in the region of 1000.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB087

Question Serial No.

1054

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please list the number and types of exercise conducted for major incidents, disasters or counter-terrorist activities in 1999/2000.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : In 1999/2000, a total of 10 territory-wide exercises were conducted by the Police Force. The breakdown is shown below :-

Type	No.
Counter-terrorism	5
Internal Security	1
Contingency Plan for Y2K Disruptions	3
Disaster	1
TOTAL	10

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

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SB112

Question Serial No.

1085

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme :

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : As regards the service mentioned in the "Aim" of Programme (4), please provide the number of police officers attached to or on loan to other government departments, and public/private organisations receiving training in 1999-2000, with their ranks, as well as the nature of their duties together with the names of the departments and organisations to which they were attached.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : In 1999-2000, a total of 16 police officers are attached to or on loan to other departments/organizations. The details are set out below :-

Year 1999/2000			
<u>Name of Government Department, Public or Private Agencies</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Nature of Duties</u>
Aviation Security Company Limited (subsidiary of Airport Authority)	Senior Assistant Commissioner	1	● oversee the provision of proper aviation security protection for airlines and passengers
	Senior Superintendent	1	
Security Bureau	Senior Superintendent	2	● liaise with Police and other law enforcement agencies on operational and security matters ● assist in the review of policy issues in SB ● contingency planning in response to terrorism, aeronautical and maritime search and rescue, nuclear powered vessel safety ● preparatory work relating to the official opening of the Disciplined Services Sports and Recreation Club
	Superintendent	1	
	Chief Inspector	1	

Year 1999/2000			
<u>Name of Government Department, Public or Private Agencies</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Nature of Duties</u>
Civil Service Bureau	Superintendent	2	● review civil service housing benefits and job-related allowances
ICAC	Police Constable	3	● ICAC operational duties
Information, Technology & Broadcasting Bureau	Chief Superintendent	1	● coordinate the ratification work, contingency planning and publicity work in respect of Y2K project
Business and Services Promotion Unit	Senior Inspector	1	● review on the Massage Establishment Ordinance Study
Bramshill Police Staff College	Senior Superintendent	1	● review newly developed policing techniques and technologies of developed countries ● Liaise with other law enforcement agencies on training and development matters
General Secretariat Interpol, Lyon, France	Superintendent	1	● liaise with other law enforcement agencies on international operational police matters in Asia
Economic and Trade Office, Sydney, Australia	Chief Inspector	1	● liaise with the Australian Government on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters and tackling economic and serious crimes
	Total	16	

No police officer is attached or on loan to private organizations in 1999-2000.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

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SB113

Question Serial No.

1087

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WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12204 - Operations

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please detail the ranks and main duties of the six posts to be deleted under the Enhanced Productivity Programme and the three posts to be created, with justifications for the deletion and creation, and the expenditure thus saved.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

Creation of Posts

The breakdown of the created posts by rank and by project is shown in the Annex A. The additional 3 posts shown in the Annex A are created mainly to strengthen Police's operational support for Marine Region.

Deletion of Posts under Enhanced productivity programme (EPP)

Through the streamlining in organization and procedures in various administration formations/units, a net total of 6 posts will be deleted under in Programme 4 without affecting the front-line operations. The ranks of such posts are set out in Annex B. Further information on EPP savings by the Police Force are available at the web page on report on the Enhanced Productivity Programme (<http://www.info.gov.hk/fb>).

After the creation and deletion of posts mentioned above, there will be a saving of \$2,181,630.

Signature _____

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Annex A

(A) <u>Projects</u>	Disciplined Staff	Civilian #			Total
		APTI	SRM	CLO II	
1) New Radio System for Marine Region	0	1	1	0	2
2) Administration and Support	0	0	0	1	1
Sub-total:					3
Less: (B) Enhanced Productivity Programme (Annex B)					-6
Total :					-3

#Key : APTI (Assistant Police Telecommunications Inspector)
SRM (Senior Radio Mechanic)
CLO II (Chinese Language Officer II)

Annex B

Programme 4					
	Disciplined Staff *			Civilian #	
	CIP	SGT	PC	COOK	APTI/ SRM/RM
1	Rationalization of Border District Establishment				
2	Streamlining the organization of Personnel Wing		-1	-2	
3	Revision of various training courses	-1	-1	-2	
4	Civilianization of Border Catering			-2	2
5	Streamlining Administrative Procedure				
	Total	-1	-2	-6	2

☆ No. of posts of savings from administration and support functions allocated to Programme 4

* Key :

CIP

Chief Inspector

SGT

Sergeant

PC

Police Constable

Key :

COOK

Cook

APTI/SRM/RM

Assistant Police Telecommunication

Senior Radio Mechanic/Radio Mechl

Bureau Serial No.

SB114

Question Serial No.

1088

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please detail expenditure incurred last year by the Technical Services Division in connection with police duties under Subhead 103.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : The provision under Subhead 103 covers appropriate expenditure of the Police element of the Technical Services Division. No specific provision is allocated for the Division. Expenses are covered as they are incurred on a need basis.

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Name in block letters _____ HUI Ki-on _____

Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police _____

Date _____ March 2000 _____

Bureau Serial No.

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Question Serial No.

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Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : As regards the reduction of traffic accident :

- (a) How will traffic enforcement equipment be enhanced and increased in 2000/01? Please provide details of the plan, estimated expenditure and manpower to be deployed.
- (b) In the Brief Description of Reduction of Traffic Accidents under Programme (3) in the Controlling Officers Report, it is mentioned that the Police Force adopted a partnership approach to promote road safety with the transport trade and other traffic related sectors of the community. What sectors are the government referring to by 'other traffic related sectors'? Please name them. What are the specific plans and their details? How about the estimated expenditure and deployed manpower?

Asked by : The Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo

Reply :

- (a) In 2000/2001 the Police Force plans to spend \$3,521,000 to enhance and increase the traffic enforcement equipment for both drink driving and speed enforcement with details as follows :-

<u>Enforcement Activity</u>	<u>Equipment to be Procured</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Drink Driving Enforcement	Five sets of Evidential Breath Analysing Instrument and sixty sets of screening devices	\$1,911,000

<u>Enforcement Activity</u>	<u>Equipment to be Procured</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Speed Detection	i) 14 sets of In-car video equipment for traffic patrol vehicles	\$1,270,000
	ii) 23 sets of Palm Pilot computer and printing device for the laser speed detection gun	\$340,000
Total :		\$3,521,000

The new equipment procured will be used by existing traffic officers. No additional manpower is required.

- (b) The "other traffic related sectors" under Programme (3) include insurance trade, schools, social welfare organisations, mass media, driving institutes, motorist associations and Road Safety Association. Detailed work plans are formulated by the Road Safety Campaign Committee which operates under the Road Safety Council and meets quarterly, taking into consideration the latest traffic accident trends. The following is a broad outline of the approach :-

- Publicity through mass media
- Publicity through printed material
- Targetted publicity at schools
- Targetted publicity towards professional drivers
- Publicity relating to target enforcement
- District level campaign activities

An estimated budget of \$1.15 million is required for implementing these plans in 2000/01. The implementation of the work plans will be carried out by the relevant parties. No additional manpower is required.

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Bureau Serial No.

SB116

Question Serial No.

1150

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12201 - Maintenance of Law and Order in the Community

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please detail the ranks and main duties of the 65 posts to be created in 2000/01 and the 35 posts to be deleted under the Enhanced Productivity Programme, with justifications for the creation and deletion, and the net expenditure thus increased.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

Creation of posts

The breakdown of the created posts by rank by project is shown in the Annex A. The additional 65 posts shown in the Annex A mainly serve to strengthen Police's front-line operational capability in new towns and reclamation areas.

Deletion of posts under Enhanced Productivity Programme (EPP)

Through the amalgamation of the Field Patrol Detachment with Border District, civilianisation of Border Catering, and streamlining in organization and procedures in various formations/units, a net total of 35 posts will be deleted under EPP in Programme 1 without affecting the front-line operations in maintaining law and order. The ranks of such posts are set out in Annex B. Further information on EPP savings by the Police Force are available at the web page on Report on Enhanced Productivity Programme (<http://www.info.gov.hk/fb>).

No additional expenditure will be incurred as the resource requirements for the creation of posts will be offset by the savings from Enhanced Productivity Programme (EPP).

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Annex A

(A) Projects	Disciplined Staff *					Civilian #		Total
	CIP	IP/SIP	S/SGT	SGT	PC	CO/ ACO/ CL A/ OA	PT I	
1) Ma On Shan Police Division	0	1	0	1	4	1	1	8
2) Tseung Kwan O Police Division	1	0	1	3	14	2	0	21
3) Tai Kok Tsui Division and New Mong Kok District Headquarters	0	0	0	1	24	0	0	25
4) New Yaumatei Divisional Station	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4
5) Administration and Support								7
Sub-total:								65
Less:								
(B) Enhanced Productivity Programme (Annex B)								-35
Total :								30

*Key : CIP (Chief Inspector)
IP/SIP (Inspector/Senior Inspector)
S/SGT (Station Sergeant)
SGT (Sergeant)
PC (Police Constable)

#Key : CO (Clerical Officer)
ACO (Assistant Clerical Officer)
CL A (Clerical Assistant)
OA (Office Assistant)
PT I (Police Translator I)

Annex B

Programme 1										
	Disciplined Staff *						CO/ACO/ CLA/OA	PSII/TYP/ CA	S	
	SSP	CIP	IP/SIP	S/SGT	SGT	PC				
1 Rationalization of Border District Establishment	-1	-3	-6		-9	12	10	2		
2 Streamlining the organization of Personnel Wing			-1		-3	-6				
3 Revision of various training courses		-3	-1	-1	-4	-3	-1			
4 Civilianization of Border Catering						-11				
5 Streamlining Administrative Procedure										
Total	-1	-6	-8	-1	-16	-8	9	2		

☆ No. of posts of savings from administration and support functions allocated to Programme 1

* Key :

SSP Senior Superintendent
 CIP Chief Inspector
 IP/SIP Inspector/Senior Inspector
 S/SGT Station Sergeant
 SGT Sergeant
 PC Police Constable

Key :

CO/ACO/CLA/OA
 PSII/TYP/CA
 SA
 APTI/SRM/RM
 COOK
 FORE/ART/WK I/II

Bureau Serial No.

SB117

Question Serial No.

1186

Examination of draft Estimates of Expenditure 2000-01
CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide details of the establishment and strength of Criminal Intelligence Bureau in 1999/2000 and estimated establishment for 2000/2001?

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply : The establishment and strength of the Criminal Intelligence Bureau in 1999/2000 are :-

<u>Disciplined Staff</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	
	<u>Establishment</u>	<u>Strength</u>
Chief Superintendent	1	1
Senior Superintendent	1	1
Superintendent	5	4
Chief Inspector	15	16
Inspector/Senior Inspector	31	30
Station Sergeant	21	19
Sergeant	66	56
Constable	163	176
Disciplined Total :	303	303

<u>Civilian Staff</u>	<u>1999-2000</u>	
	<u>Establishment</u>	<u>Strength</u>
Chinese Language Officer II	1	1
Executive Officer I	1	1
Clerical Officer	1	1
Assistant Clerical Officer	3	2
Clerical Assistant	2	2
Personal Secretary II	6	6
Senior Typist	1	1
Typist	3	3
Confidential Assistant	23	23
Supplies Assistant	3	2
Assistant Police Research Officer	1	1
Artisan	1	1
Civilian Total :	<hr/> 46	<hr/> 44
Grand Total (Disciplined + Civilian)	349	347

The estimated establishment of CIB for 2000/2001 is very similar. The only change will be the deletion of one post of Supplies Assistant.

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WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12202 - Prevention and Detection of Crime

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide details of the ranks and main duties of the 22 posts to be created in 2000/2001 and the 27 posts to be deleted under the Enhanced Productivity Programme, with justifications for the creation and deletion, and the expenditure thus saved.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

Creation of posts

The breakdown of the created posts by rank by project is shown in the Annex A. The additional 22 posts shown in the Annex A mainly serve to strengthen Police's crime prevention and detection capability in new towns.

Deletion of posts under Enhanced Productivity Programme (EPP)

Through the centralization of Crime Bureau control rooms and streamlining in organization and procedures in various administration formations/units, a net total of 27 posts will be deleted under EPP in Programme 2 without affecting the front-line operations in preventing and detecting crime. The ranks of such posts are set out in Annex B. Further information on the EPP savings by the Police Force are available at the web page on Report on Enhanced Productivity Programme (<http://www.info.gov.hk/fb>).

After the creation and deletion of posts mentioned above, there will be a net saving of \$2,688,270.

Signature _____

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Post Title _____ Commissioner of Police

Date _____ March 2000

Annex A

(A) Projects	<u>Disciplined Staff *</u>				<u>Total</u>
	IP/SIP	S/SGT	SGT	PC	
1) Ma On Shan Police Division	1	1	4	8	14
2) Tseung Kwan O Police Division	1	0	2	4	7
3) Administration and Support					1
Sub-total:					22
Less:					
(B) Enhanced Productivity Programme (Annex B)					-27
Total :					-5

*Key : IP/SIP (Inspector/Senior Inspector)
S/SGT (Station Sergeant)
SGT (Sergeant)
PC (Police Constable)

Annex B

Programme 2									
	Disciplined Staff *				Civilian #				
	CIP	IP/SIP	SGT	PC	CO/ACO/ CLA/OA	PSII/TYP/ CA	SA	APTI/ SRM/RM	
1	Rationalization of Border District Establishment				-1	-1			
2	Centralization of Crime Bureau Control Rooms				-1	-6	-3	-4	-1
3	Streamlining the organization of Personnel Wing				-1	-1			
4	Revision of various training courses				-1	-1	-1		
5	Civilianization of Border Catering					-4			
6	Streamlining Administrative Procedure					-1			
	Total	-1	-1	-4	-14	-5	-4	-1	0

☆ No. of posts of savings from administration and support functions allocated to Programme 2

* Key :

CIP Chief Inspector
IP/SIP Inspector/Senior Inspector
S/SGT Station Sergeant
SGT Sergeant
PC Police Constable

Key :

CO/ACO/CLA/OA
PSII/TYP/CA
SA
APTI/SRM/RM

COOK
FORE/ART/WK I/II

Bureau Serial No.

SB119

Question Serial No.

1188

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force

Programme : 12203 - Reduction of Traffic Accidents

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : Please provide details of the ranks and main duties of the 25 posts to be created in 2000/2001 and the 4 posts to be deleted under the Enhanced Productivity Programme, with justifications for the creation and deletion, and the net expenditure thus increased.

Asked by : The Hon James TO Kun-sun

Reply :

Creation of Posts

The breakdown of the 25 posts to be created by rank and project is shown in the Annex A. The additional 25 posts shown in the Annex A with the additional expenditure of \$3,454,800 mainly serve to strengthen Police's traffic enforcement capability in new towns, new infrastructure and reclamation areas.

Deletion of posts under Enhanced Productivity Programme (EPP)

Through the streamlining in organisation and procedures in various administration formations/units, a net total of 4 posts will be deleted under the Enhanced Productivity Programme (EPP) in Programme 3 without affecting the front-line operations in traffic enforcement. The ranks of such posts are set out in Annex B. Further information on EPP savings by the Police Force are available at the web page on Report on Enhanced Productivity Programme (<http://www.info.gov.hk/fb>).

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Post Title Commissioner of Police

Date March 2000

Annex A

(A) Projects	Disciplined Staff *				Civilian#	Total
	CIP	S/SGT	SGT	PC		
1) West Rail Implementation Team	1	1	1	5	0	8
2) Tseung Kwan O Police Division	0	0	0	0	7	7
3) Tai Kok Tsui Division and New Mong Kok District Headquarters	0	0	1	3	4	8
4) New Yaumatei Divisional Station	0	0	0	2	0	2
Sub-total:						25
Less:						
(B) Enhanced Productivity Programme (Annex B)						-4
Total :						21

*Key : CIP (Chief Inspector)
S/SGT (Station Sergeant)
SGT (Sergeant)
PC (Police Constable)

#Key : STW (Senior Traffic Warden)
TW (Traffic Warden)

Annex B

Programme 3						
	Disciplined Staff *				Civilian #	
	CIP	IP/SIP	SGT	PC	COOK	FORE/ ART/WK I&II
1 Rationalization of Border District Establishment						3
2 Streamlining the organization of Personnel Wing				-2		
3 Revision of various training courses	-1		-1	-2		
4 Civilianization of Border Catering				-1	1	
5 Streamlining Administrative Procedure		-1				
Total	-1	-1	-1	-5	1	3

☆ No. of posts of savings from administration and support functions allocated to Programme 3

* Key :

CIP

Chief Inspector

IP/SIP

Inspector/Senior Inspector

SGT

Sergeant

PC

Police Constable

Key :

COOK

Cook

FORE/ART/WK I&II

Foreman/Artisan/Workman I/II

Bureau Serial No.

SB109

Question Serial No.

1263

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WRITTEN/SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head/Subhead : 122 - Hong Kong Police Force
Subhead 700 - General Other Non-Recurrent

Programme :

Controlling Officer : Commissioner of Police

Bureau Secretary : Secretary for Security

Question : In prior years, responses to questions regarding expenditures on consultants and outside contractors have resulted in vague responses such as :

"while we do not anticipate any immediate savings through contracting out services, the employment of contractors permits greater flexibility in varying the number of staff employed on the various types of services according to demand. We anticipate that this will result in savings in costs in the longer term, though it is difficult to quantify these savings." (11 March 1999 response by the Director of Lands to question on consultants and contractors, Bureau Serial Number PEL 173).

This year, there has been \$4,350,000 included in the approved commitments and estimated 1999-2000 expenditures for various consultations by just Hong Kong Police Force alone.

In light of the stated difficulty in quantifying savings through contracting out services, what criteria are established to ensure that the government and taxpayers are getting value for money?

Subhead (Code)	Item (Code)	Approved commitment \$'000
700	769	850
	770	3,500
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		4,350

Asked by : The Hon Christine LOH

