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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 19 March 2003

Proposed resolution under the Public Finance Ordinance

I forward for Members' consideration a proposed resolution which the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury will move at the Council meeting of 19 March 2003 under the Public Finance Ordinance. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

2. The speech, in both English and Chinese versions, which the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury will deliver when moving the proposed resolution, is also attached.

(Ray CHAN) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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PUBLIC FINANCE ORDINANCE

RESOLUTION

(Under section 7(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2))

RESOLVED that –

- 1. Authority is hereby given for a sum not exceeding \$114,691,186,000 to be charged on the general revenue for expenditure on the services of the Government in respect of the financial year commencing on 1 April 2003.
- 2. Subject to this Resolution, the sum so charged may be expended against the heads of expenditure as shown in the Estimates of Expenditure 2003-04 laid before the Legislative Council on 5 March 2003 or, where the Estimates are changed under the provisions of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) as applied by section 7(2) of that Ordinance, as shown in the Estimates as so changed.
- 3. Expenditure in respect of any head of expenditure shall not exceed the aggregate of the amounts authorized by paragraph 4 to be expended in respect of the subheads in that head of expenditure.
- 4. Expenditure in respect of each subhead in a head of expenditure shall not exceed –

- (a) in the case of a Recurrent Account subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to
 - (i) except where the subhead is listed in the Schedule to this Resolution, 20% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead;
 - (ii) where the subhead is listed in the Schedule to this Resolution, the percentage of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead that is specified in the Schedule in relation to that subhead; and
- (b) in the case of a Capital Account subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead,

or such other amount, not exceeding an amount equivalent to 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead, as may in any case be approved by the Financial Secretary.

SCHEDULE [para. 4]

				Percentage of provision shown in
]	Head of Expenditure		Subhead	Estimates
28	Civil Aviation Department	170	Airport insurance	100
46	General Expenses of the Civil Service	013	Personal allowances	40
90	Labour Department	280	Contribution to the Occupational Safety and Health Council	30
		295	Contribution to the Occupational Deafness Compensation Board	30
92	Department of Justice	234	Court costs	30
106	Miscellaneous Services	163	Write-offs	50
	Scrvices	192 Refunds of revenue		100
120	Pensions	021	Ex gratia pensions, awards, allowances and increases	50
		026	Employees' compensation, injury, incapacity and death related payments and expenses	50
170	Social Welfare Department	176	Criminal and law enforcement injuries compensation	30
		177	Emergency relief	100
		179	Comprehensive social security assistance scheme	25
		180	Social security allowance scheme	25
		187	Agents' commission and expenses	100

]	Head of Expenditure		Subhead	Percentage of provision shown in Estimates
176	Subventions : Miscellaneous	414	Environmental Advisory Service	25
	iviiscenaneous	420	Asian and Pacific Development Centre	100
		437	Hong Kong - Japan Business Co-operation Committee	25
		446	Duty Lawyer Service	25
		451	Hong Kong Life Saving Society	25
		475	Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong	25
		503	Subventions to non-government organisation camps	26
	451 475 503 521 527 528	521	Skills centres	25
		Open University of Hong Kong	25	
		528	Guardianship Board	25
177	Departmental Public Bodies 526	520	Vocational Training Council	25
		526	Legal Aid Services Council	25
		537	Employees Retraining Board	25
188	Treasury	187	Agents' commission and expenses	79

SPEECH BY THE SECRETARY FOR FINANCIAL SERVICES AND THE TREASURY MOVING THE VOTE ON ACCOUNT RESOLUTION IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON 19 MARCH 2003

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I move the motion standing in my name in the Agenda.

- 2. The purpose of this motion is to seek funds on account to enable the Government to carry on existing services between the start of the financial year on 1 April 2003 and the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance. This follows the procedure long established in this Council.
- 3. We have determined the funds on account sought under each subhead in accordance with paragraph four of the resolution, by reference to percentages of the provision shown in the 2003–04 Estimates of Expenditure. If the Estimates are changed by the Finance Committee or officers under delegated powers, the provision to which the percentages are applied will also change accordingly. Thus the provision on account under each head is not constant but may vary, with every increase being matched by an equal decrease. The initial provision on account under each head is shown in the footnote to this speech. The aggregate total under all heads is fixed, however, at \$114,691,186,000 and cannot be exceeded without the approval of this Council.

- 4. The resolution also enables the Financial Secretary to vary the funds on account in respect of any subhead, provided that these variations do not cause an excess over the amount of provision entered for that subhead in the 2003–04 Estimates of Expenditure or an excess over the amount of funds on account for the relevant head.
- 5. The Financial Secretary will issue a vote on account warrant to the Director of Accounting Services, authorising him to make payments up to the amount specified in this motion and in accordance with its conditions. The vote on account will be subsumed upon the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance, and the general warrant issued after the enactment of the Appropriation Ordinance will replace the vote on account warrant.
- 6. President, I beg to move.

Footnote

Remarks: Details will be given after the Appropriation Bill 2003 is gazetted on 5.3.2003.

Footnote

	Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
		\$'000	\$'000
21	Chief Executive's Office	59,923	11,985
22	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	795,994	226,346
25	Architectural Services Department	1,536,090	307,218
24	Audit Commission	131,854	26,371
23	Auxiliary Medical Service	64,183	12,837
82	Buildings Department	769,234	175,097
26	Census and Statistics Department	534,842	107,610
27	Civil Aid Service	77,778	15,556
28	Civil Aviation Department	682,597	144,070
43	Civil Engineering Department	938,725	200,401
29	Civil Service Training and Development Institute	146,169	40,203
30	Correctional Services Department	2,605,200	531,739
31	Customs and Excise Department	2,026,041	471,711
37	Department of Health	3,220,859	682,907
92	Department of Justice	988,446	209,792
39	Drainage Services Department	1,623,296	346,313
42	Electrical and Mechanical Services Department	261,218	75,268
44	Environmental Protection Department	2,544,735	834,191
45	Fire Services Department	3,209,018	770,146
49	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	4,404,249	897,823
46	General Expenses of the Civil Service	5,105,918	1,197,384

	Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
		\$'000	\$'000
166	Government Flying Service	213,579	86,980
48	Government Laboratory	269,880	74,116
50	Government Land Transport Agency	153,074	115,415
51	Government Property Agency	1,795,092	366,796
35	Government Secretariat : Beijing Office	48,517	9,752
143	Government Secretariat : Civil Service Bureau	205,344	46,644
152	Government Secretariat : Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau (Commerce and Industry Branch)	165,601	72,526
55	Government Secretariat : Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau (Information Technology and Broadcasting Branch)	149,085	31,511
144	Government Secretariat : Constitutional Affairs Bureau	37,404	7,958
145	Government Secretariat : Economic Development and Labour Bureau (Economic Development Branch)	120,042	34,706
157	Government Secretariat : Economic Development and Labour Bureau (Labour Branch)	34,348	6,870
156	Government Secretariat : Education and Manpower Bureau	32,924,895	7,238,743
158	Government Secretariat : Environment, Transport and Works Bureau (Environment and Transport Branch)	97,637	21,192
159	Government Secretariat : Environment, Transport and Works Bureau (Works Branch)	232,545	49,739

	Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
		\$'000	\$'000
148	Government Secretariat : Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (Financial Services Branch)	159,411	44,599
147	Government Secretariat : Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (The Treasury Branch)	122,059	24,412
149	Government Secretariat : Health, Welfare and Food Bureau	160,576	49,465
53	Government Secretariat : Home Affairs Bureau	209,957	48,462
96	Government Secretariat : Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices	270,917	56,737
138	Government Secretariat: Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau (Planning and Lands Branch)	85,358	19,008
155	Government Secretariat : Innovation and Technology Commission	156,574	48,133
142	Government Secretariat : Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary	436,191	114,511
151	Government Secretariat : Security Bureau	135,344	29,677
58	Government Supplies Department	178,828	36,612
60	Highways Department	2,005,099	404,825
63	Home Affairs Department	1,362,282	315,490
168	Hong Kong Observatory	223,296	45,108
122	Hong Kong Police Force	12,189,767	2,563,647
62	Housing Department	378,010	75,602
70	Immigration Department	2,304,683	466,083
72	Independent Commission Against Corruption	708,162	143,063

	Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of provision on account
		\$'000	\$'000
121	Independent Police Complaints Council	14,009	3,242
74	Information Services Department	402,424	88,085
47	Information Technology Services Department	578,809	118,685
76	Inland Revenue Department	1,305,710	262,150
78	Intellectual Property Department	126,542	69,822
79	Invest Hong Kong	67,410	30,282
174	Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service	18,378	3,676
80	Judiciary	1,031,281	223,497
90	Labour Department	1,091,606	375,056
91	Lands Department	1,601,782	337,538
94	Legal Aid Department	826,945	165,389
112	Legislative Council Commission	376,389	81,418
95	Leisure and Cultural Services Department	5,285,678	1,148,011
100	Marine Department	990,212	221,197
106	Miscellaneous Services	4,666,100	3,817,023
114	Office of The Ombudsman	93,861	19,166
115	Official Languages Agency	122,760	24,552
116	Official Receiver's Office	139,468	32,244
120	Pensions	14,806,044	3,003,146
118	Planning Department	465,958	108,907

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		\$'000	\$'000
130	Printing Department	228,459	45,692
136	Public Service Commission	17,963	3,593
160	Radio Television Hong Kong	496,031	112,915
162	Rating and Valuation Department	406,135	81,227
163	Registration and Electoral Office	204,395	40,879
170	Social Welfare Department	32,868,899	7,730,281
173	Student Financial Assistance Agency	3,810,654	1,571,211
176	Subventions : Miscellaneous	268,416	72,970
177	Subventions: Non-Departmental Public Bodies	33,956,787	7,298,817
180	Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority	117,402	38,335
110	Territory Development Department	223,194	44,639
181	Trade and Industry Department	755,137	507,465
186	Transport Department	959,191	226,595
188	Treasury	343,903	71,368
190	University Grants Committee	13,152,349	2,681,056
194	Water Supplies Department	5,374,527	1,083,707
		216,454,734	51,677,186
184	Transfers to Funds	63,014,000	63,014,000
	Total	279,468,734	114,691,186 ======