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NOTE FOR ESTABLISHMENT SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Creation and Deletion of Shadow Posts for Civil Servants Working in the Vocational Training Council

INTRODUCTION

This paper informs Members of the number of shadow posts created and deleted by the Administration for civil servants working in the Vocational Training Council (VTC) in 2006-07.

BACKGROUND

- 2. Upon the transfer of operational responsibilities and staff from the former Technical Education and Industrial Training Department to the VTC with effect from 1 August 1991, the Finance Committee delegated to the Administration the authority to create and delete shadow posts, in both directorate and non-directorate ranks, required to accommodate civil servants working under the VTC. The objective of the shadow posts is to preserve the promotion prospects and pension benefits of these civil servants for so long as they remain in the civil service, even though they are not working in a government department per se. The shadow posts will be deleted when the incumbents move on to other positions within the VTC (in which case shadow posts corresponding to the new positions will be created) or leave the civil service. The Administration has undertaken to submit annually to the Establishment Subcommittee a consolidated return on the shadow posts so created and deleted (Establishment Subcommittee Paper EC 1991-92 Item 22).
- 3. The delegated authority referred to in paragraph 2 above has been exercised by the Permanent Secretary for Education and Manpower since 1 January 2003.

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SHADOW POSTS CREATED AND DELETED IN 2006-07

4. In 2006-07, ten shadow posts were deleted and one was created in the VTC, resulting in a balance of 50 shadow posts as at 31 March 2007. The net Encl. deletion of nine posts is due to natural wastage. Details are at the Enclosure.

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Number of Shadow Posts Created and Deleted for Civil Servants Working in VTC during the Period 1 April 2006 – 31 March 2007

Year	Month	No. of posts created	No. of posts deleted
2006	April	+1 (1 Senior Assistant Executive Director (VTC)) #	-1 (1 Chief Industrial Training Officer (VTC))
	May	-	-
	June	-	-1 (1 Centre Manager (VTC))
	July	-	-1 (1 Chief Industrial Training Officer (VTC))
	August	-	-
	September	-	-2 (2 Assistant Lecturer (VTC))
	October	-	-2 (1 Senior Lecturer (VTC) and 1 Workshop Instructor II (VTC))
	November	-	-
	December	-	-
2007	January	-	-
	February	-	-
	March	-	-3 (1 Artisan (VTC), 1 Workshop Instructor II (VTC), 1 Inspector (Graduate) (VTC))
		+1	- 10

[#] The post was created to accommodate a civil servant who was promoted from the Chief Industrial Training Officer (VTC) rank to the Senior Assistant Executive Director (VTC) rank. The creation was offset by a corresponding deletion of the Chief Industrial Training Officer (VTC) post previously held by the officer before promotion.

As at 31 March 2007, there were 50 shadow posts for accommodating civil servants working in the VTC.
