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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Council meeting of 9 March 2011**

**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 9 March 2011 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 Chinese and English, which the Secretary will deliver when moving the proposed resolution is also attached.

(Mrs Justina LAM)  
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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## **Public Finance Ordinance**

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### **Resolution**

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

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**Resolved that—**

1. Authority is hereby given for a sum not exceeding \$60,220,429,000 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 2011.
2. Subject to this Resolution, the sum so charged may be expended against the heads of expenditure as shown in the Estimates of Expenditure 2011–12 laid before the Legislative Council on 23 February 2011 or, if 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 must 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 must not exceed—
  - (a) for an Operating Account Recurrent subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to—
    - (i) except if the subhead is listed in Schedule 1 to this Resolution, 20% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead;

- (ii) if the subhead is listed in Schedule 1 to this Resolution, the percentage of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead that is specified in that Schedule in relation to that subhead; and
- (b) for an Operating Account Non-Recurrent subhead of expenditure or a Capital Account subhead of expenditure, an amount equivalent to—
  - (i) except if the subhead is listed in Schedule 2 to this Resolution, 100% of the provision shown in the Estimates in respect of that subhead;
  - (ii) if the subhead is listed in Schedule 2 to this Resolution, the amount that is specified in that Schedule in relation to 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.

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		<b>Schedule 1</b>		[para. 4(a)]
Head of Expenditure		Subhead		Percentage of provision shown in Estimates
90	Labour Department	280	Contribution to the Occupational Safety and Health Council	30
		295	Contribution to the Occupational Deafness Compensation Board	30
106	Miscellaneous Services	284	Compensation	40
120	Pensions	026	Employees' compensation, injury, incapacity and death related payments and expenses	40
170	Social Welfare Department	157	Assistance for patients and their families	100
		176	Criminal and law enforcement injuries compensation	25
		177	Emergency relief	100
		179	Comprehensive social security assistance scheme	30
		180	Social security allowance scheme	30

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Schedule 2

		<b>Schedule 2</b>		[para. 4(b)]
Head of Expenditure		Subhead		Amount \$
106	Miscellaneous Services	689	Additional commitments	0
		789	Additional commitments	1,000,000,000
184	Transfers to Funds	984	Payment to the Capital Works Reserve Fund	0

**Speech by the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury**  
**Moving the Vote on Account Resolution**  
**in the Legislative Council on 9 March 2011**

President,

I move the motion, as printed on the Agenda, be passed.

2. The purpose of this motion is to seek funds on account to enable the Government to carry on its services between the start of the financial year on 1 April 2011 and the time when the Appropriation Ordinance 2011 comes into operation. This is a long established and essential procedure. The specific arrangements also follow those of last year.

3. We have determined the funds on account sought under each subhead in accordance with the fourth paragraph of the resolution, by reference to the relevant provisions shown in the 2011-12 Estimates of Expenditure. Incorporating the requirements at subhead level, the initial amount of funds on account under each head is provided in the form of a footnote to this speech. Prior to the coming into operation of the Appropriation Ordinance 2011, the aggregate amount of funds on account is **\$60,220,429,000**.

4. Subject to the above aggregate amount not being exceeded, the resolution enables the Financial Secretary to vary the funds on account in respect of any subhead, but these variations must not cause an excess over the amount of provision entered for that subhead in the 2011-12 Estimates of Expenditure. To increase transparency, same as last year, we undertake to

submit reports to the Finance Committee of this Council in case the Financial Secretary has exercised this authority to meet necessary requirements.

5. The vote on account will be subsumed upon the enactment and coming into operation of the Appropriation Ordinance 2011.

6. President, I beg to move.

## **Footnote**

Remarks : The initial amount of funds on account under each head will be presented to Members as soon as the Appropriation Bill 2011 is gazetted on 23 February 2011.

## Footnote

Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of funds on account
	\$'000	\$'000
21 Chief Executive's Office .....	85,217	17,044
22 Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department .....	964,195	221,058
25 Architectural Services Department.....	1,565,434	313,087
24 Audit Commission .....	121,132	24,227
23 Auxiliary Medical Service .....	66,360	13,360
82 Buildings Department.....	993,996	199,796
26 Census and Statistics Department.....	827,607	170,242
27 Civil Aid Service .....	81,696	16,788
28 Civil Aviation Department .....	758,817	152,900
33 Civil Engineering and Development Department ....	1,996,469	404,993
30 Correctional Services Department.....	2,895,922	607,060
31 Customs and Excise Department.....	2,565,707	559,795
37 Department of Health .....	4,870,346	1,363,742
92 Department of Justice .....	1,043,191	209,407
39 Drainage Services Department .....	1,850,534	403,672
42 Electrical and Mechanical Services Department .....	345,418	117,254
44 Environmental Protection Department .....	2,425,515	662,291
45 Fire Services Department .....	4,205,211	1,184,096
49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department .....	4,572,750	971,933
46 General Expenses of the Civil Service .....	2,848,009	569,602

<b>Head of Expenditure</b>		<b>Amount shown in the Estimates</b>	<b>Initial amount of funds on account</b>
		<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
166	Government Flying Service .....	558,834	407,318
48	Government Laboratory.....	347,454	102,938
59	Government Logistics Department.....	499,456	205,012
51	Government Property Agency .....	1,800,542	374,075
143	Government Secretariat : Civil Service Bureau.....	420,026	84,102
152	Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Commerce, Industry and Tourism Branch) .....	1,355,242	336,099
55	Government Secretariat : Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Communications and Technology Branch).....	310,890	212,533
144	Government Secretariat : Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau .....	388,055	77,611
138	Government Secretariat : Development Bureau (Planning and Lands Branch) .....	831,364	722,273
159	Government Secretariat : Development Bureau (Works Branch) .....	316,711	91,701
156	Government Secretariat : Education Bureau .....	41,050,152	9,511,900
137	Government Secretariat : Environment Bureau.....	80,035	21,373
148	Government Secretariat : Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (Financial Services Branch) ...	185,493	37,339
147	Government Secretariat : Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (The Treasury Branch) .....	332,979	180,036
139	Government Secretariat : Food and Health Bureau (Food Branch).....	77,031	15,407

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		<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
140	Government Secretariat : Food and Health Bureau (Health Branch) .....	37,322,905	8,140,145
53	Government Secretariat : Home Affairs Bureau .....	1,358,524	312,808
155	Government Secretariat : Innovation and Technology Commission .....	498,232	119,244
141	Government Secretariat : Labour and Welfare Bureau.....	583,946	144,578
47	Government Secretariat : Office of the Government Chief Information Officer .....	657,581	190,077
142	Government Secretariat : Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary .....	624,800	127,593
96	Government Secretariat : Overseas Economic and Trade Offices .....	299,302	63,118
151	Government Secretariat : Security Bureau .....	272,961	54,593
158	Government Secretariat : Transport and Housing Bureau (Transport Branch).....	137,433	30,940
60	Highways Department .....	2,230,549	458,854
63	Home Affairs Department .....	1,769,413	422,576
168	Hong Kong Observatory.....	220,668	44,134
122	Hong Kong Police Force .....	13,157,929	2,813,693
62	Housing Department.....	146,083	29,217
70	Immigration Department.....	3,071,992	617,970
72	Independent Commission Against Corruption .....	824,119	165,736

Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of funds on account
	\$'000	\$'000
121 Independent Police Complaints Council .....	35,230	7,846
74 Information Services Department.....	375,902	75,181
76 Inland Revenue Department .....	1,290,339	258,068
78 Intellectual Property Department.....	97,817	19,564
79 Invest Hong Kong .....	110,647	22,130
174 Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service.....	19,244	3,849
80 Judiciary.....	1,137,930	250,711
90 Labour Department.....	1,298,408	377,360
91 Lands Department.....	1,810,067	363,738
94 Legal Aid Department .....	784,260	156,852
112 Legislative Council Commission.....	566,961	176,781
95 Leisure and Cultural Services Department .....	5,630,026	1,224,812
100 Marine Department.....	988,869	224,287
106 Miscellaneous Services.....	54,145,750	1,597,430
114 Office of The Ombudsman .....	89,391	17,939
116 Official Receiver's Office .....	136,331	27,395
120 Pensions .....	19,772,434	3,963,044
118 Planning Department .....	479,470	98,989
136 Public Service Commission Secretariat.....	18,203	3,641
160 Radio Television Hong Kong .....	563,106	145,860

Head of Expenditure	Amount shown in the Estimates	Initial amount of funds on account
	\$'000	\$'000
162 Rating and Valuation Department .....	411,711	82,343
163 Registration and Electoral Office .....	411,923	82,385
169 Secretariat, Commissioner on Interception of Communications and Surveillance .....	17,079	3,416
170 Social Welfare Department.....	41,265,733	11,225,937
173 Student Financial Assistance Agency.....	3,955,741	1,153,569
180 Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority..	78,962	15,887
181 Trade and Industry Department .....	718,441	493,505
186 Transport Department.....	1,306,014	352,166
188 Treasury .....	332,454	66,491
190 University Grants Committee .....	11,027,723	2,205,545
194 Water Supplies Department.....	6,118,761	1,226,368
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	301,809,154	60,220,429
184 Transfers to Funds .....	25,000,000	0
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Total .....	326,809,154	60,220,429
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\* The initial amount of funds on account under Head 106 includes \$1,000,000,000 under Subhead 789 Additional commitments mainly for contingency.