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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO001**

**(Question Serial No. 0769)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Regarding the receiving of Mainland officials and overseas guests by the Chief Executive, please list the numbers of meetings with visitors from Mainland China and overseas in 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively.
- (b) Regarding the various public and social engagements attended by the wife of the Chief Executive, please list the numbers of such engagements and the actual, revised and estimated expenditures in 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively.

Asked by: Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing (Member Question No. 1)

Reply:

- (a) In order to consolidate and strengthen Hong Kong's ties with Mainland China and other countries and regions, the Chief Executive frequently receives representatives of governments, international organisations, the media and business communities, etc. from all over the world, including visitors from Mainland China and overseas. In view of the large number of organisations and visitors involved, we have not compiled information on the number of meetings, etc.

- (b) At present, the wife of the Chief Executive holds honorary posts of 75 public interest or charitable organisations, and participates in and promotes the activities of these organisations in her official capacity. The Chief Executive's Office does not have any dedicated manpower for assisting the wife of the Chief Executive in managing her official activities. The Office deploys 1 Assistant Social Secretary, 2 Administrative Assistants, 1 Assistant Clerical Officer and 1 Personal Chauffeur to provide support to the wife of the Chief Executive in addition to performing other duties. Apart from such support provided by this Office, no additional expenditure is involved in the public and social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive. In view of the large number of activities that the wife of the Chief Executive attends, this Office has not compiled information on the number of activities, etc.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 0770)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Please list the numbers of officers receiving allowances in 2014-15 and 2015-16 and the names of these allowances.
- (b) Regarding remuneration for special appointments, please set out the post titles of officers under special appointment, their job nature and the amount of remuneration received under each post title in 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Asked by: Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing (Member Question No. 2)

Reply:

- (a) In 2014-15 and 2015-16, the numbers of officers in this Office receiving allowances (such as overtime allowance and acting allowance) and job-related allowances (such as typhoon allowance) were 48 and 44 respectively.
- (b) The duties of officers under special appointment in this Office and expenditures on their remuneration in 2014-15 and 2015-16 are set out below:

| Post   | Duties   | Expenditure on remuneration |         |
|--|--|-----------------------------|---------|
|  |  | 2014-15                     | 2015-16 |
| Director of Chief Executive's Office (D,CEO) | Works with Principal Officials in policy formulation and sets policy priorities to ensure full implementation of the Chief Executive (CE)'s Policy Address and decisions; enhances communication with the Executive Council and the Legislative Council; and liaises with political parties and groups, various sectors of the community and district personalities to secure their support for the Government's work. | \$3.43m                     | \$3.60m |

| Post   | Duties   | Expenditure on remuneration                     |   |
|--|--|---|---|
|  |  | 2014-15   | 2015-16   |
| Information Coordinator                      | Formulates media and public relations strategy for and coordinates the timetable of the introduction of major policies and programmes; liaises closely with Director of Information Services and bureau press officers to ensure effective implementation of media and public relations strategy for major policies; monitors public and media feedback; and helps plan and implement CE's programme of public functions involving media interactions. | \$2.74m   | \$2.96m   |
| Senior Special Assistant                     | Advises CE on Mainland-related issues; liaises with the Central People's Government and provides support in the organisation of CE's visits to the Mainland; researches on matters relating to CE's networking with business and community organisations with strong Mainland connections.   | \$3.05m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) | \$2.16m   |
| Special Assistant                            | Assists CE's Office in liaising with various sectors of the community; and conducts research and prepares briefs for CE and senior officials.  | \$1.17m   | \$1.31m   |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive | Provides secretarial support to CE.  | \$1.20m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) | \$1.04m   |
| Driver for D,CEO                             | Performs driving duties for D,CEO.   | \$0.45m   | \$0.52m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO003**

**(Question Serial No. 0508)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Would the Government inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) Actual expenditure in 2015-16 and estimated expenditure for 2016-17 on the emoluments of the Chief Executive;
- (b) Establishment of the Chief Executive's Office in the past financial year and in the coming financial year, and the duties and salary of each post;
- (c) Expenditure on social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive in the past financial year and in the coming financial year, and a comparison with the relevant figures for the wives of previous Chief Executives;
- (d) A comparison of the utilisation of Fanling Lodge by the incumbent Chief Executive and his predecessors; the number of times that the incumbent Chief Executive has used Fanling Lodge for official and private activities since he took office; and the estimated operational expenses and establishment of Fanling Lodge for the coming financial year?

Asked by: Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (Member Question No. 44)

Reply:

- (a) The expenditure on the emoluments (including salaries and non-accountable entertainment allowance) of the Chief Executive in 2015-16 was \$5,333,520, and the estimated expenditure for 2016-17 is \$5,359,620.
- (b) The types of permanent posts in the Chief Executive's Office, their respective numbers and expenditure on their emoluments (including salaries, allowances and job-related allowances) in 2015-16 and 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| Types of duties  | 2015-16                       |   | 2016-17                       |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  | No. of posts on establishment | Revised estimate of expenditure on emoluments | No. of posts on establishment | Estimated expenditure on emoluments |
| Policy coordination; planning and arrangements for the Chief Executive's official activities; and coordination of news and public relations work | 12                            | \$19,006,349                                  | 12                            | \$18,933,083                        |
| Departmental administration  | 12                            | \$10,700,777                                  | 12                            | \$10,927,096                        |
| Translation services   | 2                             | \$2,171,460                                   | 2                             | \$2,151,780                         |
| Secretarial and other support services   | 20                            | \$7,078,098                                   | 20                            | \$8,702,015                         |
| Clerical and general support services  | 30                            | \$8,742,034                                   | 30                            | \$7,754,148                         |
| Domestic services for the Chief Executive's official residences  | 21                            | \$5,602,088                                   | 20                            | \$6,438,306                         |
| Driving services   | 7                             | \$2,188,318                                   | 7                             | \$2,393,417                         |
| Total  | 104                           | \$55,489,124                                  | 103                           | \$57,299,845                        |

- (c) Apart from general support provided by this Office, no additional expenditure is involved in the public and social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive.
- (d) The numbers of official activities held by the Chief Executive at Fanling Lodge in the past 5 years are set out below:

| <u>Year</u>                | <u>No. of official activities</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2011-12                    | 1                                 |
| 2012-13                    | 4                                 |
| 2013-14                    | 2                                 |
| 2014-15                    | 1                                 |
| April 2015 – February 2016 | 3                                 |

This Office does not keep any record of private activities conducted by the Chief Executive at Fanling Lodge.

In 2015-16, 20 domestic staff and 1 Housekeeper on the establishment of the Chief Executive's Office provided hospitality services at Government House and Fanling Lodge for the Chief Executive, as well as domestic services required. This Office plans to delete 1 permanent post of Housekeeper in 2016-17 to suit operational needs. The estimated expenditure on the management of Fanling Lodge for 2016-17 is \$820,000.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO004**

**(Question Serial No. 0509)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the taking of leave by the incumbent Chief Executive since he took office, would the Government inform this Committee of the number of times that he has taken leave and the number of leave days taken each time, and provide a comparison with the relevant figures for the former Chief Executives?

Asked by: Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (Member Question No. 45)

Reply:

Between 1 July 2012 and 29 February 2016, the incumbent Chief Executive took 51 days of leave in total in 13 periods. Former Chief Executive Mr TUNG Chee-hwa took 59.5 days of leave in 25 periods during his term of office of about 8 years. Former Chief Executive Mr Donald TSANG took 89.5 days of leave in 48 periods during his term of office of about 7 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO005**

**(Question Serial No. 0510)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding duty visits made by the incumbent Chief Executive, would the Government inform this Committee of the details of duty visits made by him since he took office, listing the purpose and place of visit, expenses involved, number of days and size of his entourage for each visit; the proportion of duty visits to the Mainland; and duty visits planned for the coming year and the estimated expenses involved?

Asked by: Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee (Member Question No. 46)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 July 2012 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

For 2015-16, planned duty visits of the Chief Executive include attending Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference in late March 2016. Since the duty visits in 2016-17 are still under planning, we cannot provide the details. For budget purpose, this Office has reserved \$3.08 million for the relevant expenses for 2016-17.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 July 2012 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                          | Place of visit         | Size of entourage | Expenses* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| 14 September 2012             | Guangzhou              | 3                 | 1,520.00       | To attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.   |
| 30 November – 1 December 2012 | Sanya                  | 4                 | 38,454.30      | To attend the 8 <sup>th</sup> Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 7 December 2012               | Guangzhou              | 2                 | 1,260.00       | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2012.  |
| 20 – 22 December 2012         | Beijing                | 4                 | 64,968.84      | To make annual work report, and call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).   |
| 6 February 2013               | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 4                 | 1,110.00       | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.   |
| 4 – 6 March 2013              | Beijing                | 4                 | 61,042.17      | To attend the opening ceremony of the first session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC), and meet with provincial leaders.  |
| 16 – 20 March 2013            | Beijing and Tianjin    | 5                 | 74,721.72      | To attend the closing ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and call on various CPG ministries in Beijing; and to call on leaders of Tianjin Municipal Government, and meet with Hong Kong people in Tianjin. |
| 21 March 2013                 | Shenzhen               | 3                 | 0              | To attend the opening ceremony of the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, and call on the Secretary of the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China.   |
| 6 – 7 April 2013              | Qionghai               | 3                 | 50,446.49      | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  |
| 25 – 26 April 2013            | Beijing                | 4                 | 51,500.96      | To call on various CPG ministries.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Expenses*<br/>(\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 4 – 5 June 2013        | Shanghai                           | 3                        | 31,623.98                 | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai.   |
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States        | 5                        | 650,199.89                | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                            | 4                        | 29,948.15                 | To attend the 9th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                          | 3                        | 32,798.33                 | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia                    | 7                        | 206,862.92                | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  |
| 22 – 24 October 2013   | Beijing                            | 4                        | 62,642.53                 | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. |
| 27 – 29 November 2013  | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                        | 41,800.46                 | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Expenses*<br/>(\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 6 – 7 December 2013   | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai         | 4                        | 5,871.57                  | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.   |
| 16 – 19 December 2013 | Beijing                                 | 4                        | 77,293.20                 | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen                       | 5                        | 59,471.33                 | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.  |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 4                        | 0                         | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.   |
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                                 | 5                        | 90,883.83                 | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th NPC and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.  |
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                        | 8,450.41                  | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou.   |
| 9 – 11 April 2014     | Qionghai                                | 3                        | 28,931.81                 | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014    | Shanghai                                | 6                        | 82,210.30                 | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                        | 482,352.72                | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>  | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Expenses*<br/>(\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 12 – 13 October 2014  | Guangzhou              | 1                        | 2,356.00                  | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.  |
| 6 November 2014       | Guangzhou              | 3                        | 2,453.09                  | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.   |
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing                | 5                        | 105,345.74                | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.  |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea           | 5                        | 111,202.34                | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.    |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                | 2                        | 0                         | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.  |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen               | 1                        | 0                         | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.  |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                  | 4                        | 9,798.95                  | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government. |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                | 5                        | 71,916.14                 | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 3                        | 1,258.48                  | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.   |
| 2 – 6 March 2015      | Beijing                | 4                        | 72,084.42                 | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.  |
| 27 – 28 March 2015    | Qionghai               | 4                        | 32,922.40                 | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.  |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Expenses*<br/>(\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai                             | 3                        | 38,749.04                 | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou                                      | 3                        | 0                         | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia                         | 4                        | 73,282.99                 | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  |
| 4 – 7 May 2015     | Boston, the United States                      | 4                        | 449,176.73                | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015     | Beijing  | 2                        | 38,404.67                 | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015        | Shenzhen                                       | 3                        | 0                         | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   |
| 7 – 12 June 2015   | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                        | 365,072.38                | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.   |
| 10 July 2015       | Shenzhen                                       | 1                        | 0                         | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Expenses*<br/>(\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 12 – 13 July 2015      | Beijing  | 4                        | 50,211.10                 | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the “Belt and Road” initiative.   |
| 12 August 2015         | Zhuhai   | 3                        | 2,585.00                  | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                       | 139,283.27                | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people’s war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                        | 73,618.04                 | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                        | 688,793.07                | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                        | 82,006.11                 | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders’ Week and other related meetings.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015    | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou        | 2                        | 5,530.02                  | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015  | Beijing  | 4                        | 67,290.01                 | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |

| Date                | Place of visit              | Size of entourage | Expenses*<br>(\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1 – 5 February 2016 | Mumbai and New Delhi, India | 4                 | 200,633.25        | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India. |

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO006**

**(Question Serial No. 0898)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) For the Chief Executive's Office, the financial provision for 2015-16 is higher than the original estimate by 4%. What are the uses of the increased provision?
- (b) The financial provision for 2016-17 is further increased by 4.9% compared with the revised provision for 2015-16, or by 9.1% compared with the original estimate for that year. However, as stated under Recurrent expenditure (page 37 of the Estimates), the Chief Executive's Office will delete 1 permanent post in 2016-17. In this case, what are the main uses of the increased provision for 2016-17? What is the permanent post to be deleted? Will it be deleted permanently or temporarily?
- (c) Regarding the item "Remuneration for special appointments", paragraph 4 under Operating Account (page 37 of the Estimates), the estimate for 2016-17 is higher than that for 2015-16 by 10.96%. What are the special appointments? What are the main uses of the increased provision?

Asked by: Hon Vincent FANG Kang (Member Question No. 6)

Reply:

- (a) The revised estimate for the Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2015-16 is higher than the original estimate by 4% mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional expenditure arising from remuneration adjustments for officers under special appointment and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs.

- (b) The estimated expenditure of the Chief Executive’s Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2016-17 is higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 by 4.9% mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional provision for remuneration for special appointments arising from payment of end-of-contract gratuities to 2 officers under special appointment, and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs. Moreover, this Office plans to delete 1 permanent post of Housekeeper in 2016-17 to suit operational needs.
- (c) The estimate of “Remuneration for special appointments” for 2016-17 is higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 mainly because end-of-contract gratuities have to be paid to 2 officers under special appointment in 2016-17. The estimated expenditure on remuneration for officers under special appointment for 2016-17 is tabulated below:

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Director of the Chief Executive’s Office            | \$3.60m                              |
| Information Coordinator                             | \$3.83m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Special Assistant                            | \$2.16m                              |
| Special Assistant                                   | \$1.75m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive        | \$1.08m                              |
| Driver for Director of the Chief Executive’s Office | \$0.49m                              |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 1259)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Regarding the expenses on entertainment and gifts of your bureau and the departments under its purview in 2014-15 and 2015-16, please provide details using the table below:

| Bureau/<br>branch/<br>department<br>and year | Estimated<br>expenses on<br>entertainment<br>and gifts in the<br>year | Actual expenses<br>on<br>entertainment<br>and gifts in the<br>year | Cap on<br>entertainment<br>expenses<br>(including<br>beverages) per<br>head for the<br>year | Cap on gift<br>expenses per<br>guest for the<br>year | Number of<br>receptions held<br>and total<br>number of<br>guests<br>entertained in<br>the year |
|--|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |   |  |   |  |  |

- (b) Regarding the expenses on entertainment and gifts of your bureau and the departments under its purview in 2015-16, please provide details using the table below:

| Bureau/<br>branch/<br>department | Date of<br>reception<br>(day/ month/<br>year) | Departments/<br>organisations<br>and titles of<br>the guests<br>entertained<br>(grouped by<br>department/<br>organisation<br>and<br>indicating the<br>number of<br>guests) | Food<br>expenses<br>incurred in<br>the reception | Beverage<br>expenses<br>incurred in<br>the reception | Gift<br>expenses<br>incurred in<br>the reception | Venue of the<br>reception<br>(department<br>office/<br>restaurant in<br>government<br>facilities/<br>private<br>restaurant/<br>others<br>(please<br>specify)) |
|----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|
|                                  |   |  |  |  |  |   |

(c) Please provide the estimated expenses on entertainment and gifts for 2016-17 using the table below:

| Bureau/ branch/ department | Estimated provision for expenses on entertainment and gifts | Cap on entertainment expenses per guest | Cap on gift expenses per guest |
|----------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------|
|                            |   |   |                                |

Asked by: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Member Question No. 4)

Reply:

As a general rule, all politically appointed officials and civil servants should observe the same principles when providing official entertainment in the form of meals. They are required to exercise prudent judgment and economy in order to avoid any public perception of extravagance, and should act in accordance with the relevant regulations and administrative guidelines. According to the existing guidelines, expenditure on official meals should not exceed \$450 per person for lunch or \$600 per person for dinner, inclusive of all expenses incurred on food and beverages consumed on the occasion, service charges and tips. The Chief Executive's Office follows the same principles and guidelines on official entertainment. In 2014-15 and 2015-16 (as at 29 February 2016), the actual expenditures on official entertainment of the Chief Executive's Office were \$270,000 and \$360,000 respectively. The estimated expenditure for 2016-17 is \$430,000.

In addition, the Chief Executive receives a non-accountable entertainment allowance for meeting expenses on official entertainment at his official residences. The amount of the allowance was \$834,200 in 2014-15 and \$870,900 in 2015-16. For 2016-17, the estimated expenditure on the allowance is \$897,000.

In line with the Government's green policy, public officers should as far as possible refrain from bestowing gifts/souvenirs on others in the conduct of official activities. According to the existing guidelines, where bestowal of gifts/souvenirs is necessary or unavoidable due to operational, protocol or other reasons, the gift/souvenir items should not be lavish or extravagant and the number should be kept to a minimum. Also, the exchange of gifts/souvenirs should only be made from organisation to organisation. This Office did not give any gifts in 2014-15 and 2015-16 (as at 29 February 2016).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 1260)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please give details of the Chief Executive's duty visits in the past year and set out in chronological order the following information for each visit: (a) purpose and place of visit; (b) titles of officials met; (c) size of entourage and post titles; (d) days of visit; and (e) total expenditure involved, including expenses on (i) transportation (air tickets and local transportation); (ii) accommodation; (iii) meals; (iv) banquets or entertainment; and (v) gifts.

| Date | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (i) | (ii) | (iii) | (iv) | (v) |
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Asked by: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Member Question No. 6)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made the Chief Executive from 1 April 2015 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

In the above period, the actual expenditure on official entertainment (both in and outside Hong Kong) of the Chief Executive's Office was about \$360,000. The Chief Executive did not give any gifts during his duty visits.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2015 – 29 February 2016)

| Date               | Place of visit         | Size of entourage # | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand Total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai     | 3                   | 8,909.68                 | 22,464.00    | 7,375.36            | 38,749.04         | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou              | 3                   | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | 4                   | 26,113.67                | 38,580.00    | 8,589.32            | 73,282.99         | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  |

| <b>Date</b>      | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage #</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand Total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 4 – 7 May 2015   | Boston, the United States                      | 4                          | 15,476.21                       | 428,380.00          | 5,320.52                   | 449,176.73               | To attend Cathay Pacific’s dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong’s aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015   | Beijing  | 2                          | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015      | Shenzhen                                       | 3                          | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and Members of the Legislative Council.  |
| 7 – 12 June 2015 | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                          | 44,800.58                       | 305,626.00          | 14,645.80                  | 365,072.38               | To attend the “Think Asia, Think Hong Kong” campaign of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.  |
| 10 July 2015     | Shenzhen                                       | 1                          | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage #</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand Total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 12 – 13 July 2015      | Beijing  | 4                          | 3,364.50                        | 40,585.00           | 6,261.60                   | 50,211.10                | To meet with various ministries of the Central People’s Government (CPG) on the development of the “Belt and Road” initiative.  |
| 12 August 2015         | Zhuhai   | 3                          | 0                               | 2,585.00            | 0                          | 2,585.00                 | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                         | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people’s war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                          | 19,167.10                       | 43,385.00           | 11,065.94                  | 73,618.04                | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                          | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                     | <b>Size of entourage #</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand Total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 16 – 19 November 2015 | Manila, the Philippines                   | 7                          | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                          | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                          | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |
| 1 – 5 February 2016   | Mumbai and New Delhi, India               | 4                          | 42,904.50                       | 137,095.00          | 20,633.75                  | 200,633.25               | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.   |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 2130)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please give details of the meetings, visits or exchanges by the Chief Executive to the relevant Mainland authorities for the past year and set out the following information for each trip in chronological order:

- (a) purpose and place;
- (b) titles of Mainland officials met;
- (c) numbers of Hong Kong officials in entourage and their post titles;
- (d) length of the trip;
- (e) total expenses involved;
- (f) whether announcement was made prior to the trip and, if not, the reasons for keeping confidence;
- (g) whether files of the minutes of the meetings have been kept and, if not, the reasons for that;
- (h) whether agreements were reached and, if yes, the details of the agreements and progress of implementing them;
- (i) transportation expenses (air tickets and local transportation);
- (ii) accommodation expenses;
- (iii) meal expenses;
- (iv) banquet or entertainment expenses; and
- (v) gift expenses.

| Date | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (ii) | (iii) | (iv) | (v) |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|------|-----|
|      |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |       |      |     |

Asked by: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Member Question No. 103)

Reply:

Details of the Chief Executive's visits to Mainland China from 1 April 2015 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

Regarding the above visits, announcements were made through press releases, and the Chief Executive also met the media to report on his visits and responded to media questions during the trips. We will compile and file minutes of meetings according to established procedures where necessary. In the above visits, the Chief Executive did not sign any agreements.

In the above period, the actual expenditure on official entertainment (both in and outside Hong Kong) of the Chief Executive's Office was about \$360,000. The Chief Executive did not give any gifts during his visits to Mainland China.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2015 – 29 February 2016)

| Date              | Place of visit     | Size of entourage# | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  |
|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015 | Wuhan and Shanghai | 3                  | 8,909.68                 | 22,464.00    | 7,375.36            | 38,749.04         | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. |
| 21 April 2015     | Guangzhou          | 3                  | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 8 – 9 May 2015    | Beijing            | 2                  | 6,028.68                 | 28,901.00    | 3,474.99            | 38,404.67         | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015       | Shenzhen           | 3                  | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and Members of the Legislative Council.  |
| 10 July 2015      | Shenzhen           | 1                  | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015 | Beijing            | 4                  | 3,364.50                 | 40,585.00    | 6,261.60            | 50,211.10         | To meet with various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG) on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.  |
| 12 August 2015    | Zhuhai             | 3                  | 0                        | 2,585.00     | 0                   | 2,585.00          | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                     | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|                       |   |                           |                                 |                     |                            |                          | inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.   |
| 2 – 4 September 2015  | Beijing                                   | 13                        | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.  |
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                         | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                         | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO010**

**(Question Serial No. 0958)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The Chief Executive's Office is responsible for ensuring that the Chief Executives receives the best advice and support for the formulation and coordination of policies as well as the administration of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. What are the expenditure and manpower involved from 2012 to next year? Have any reviews been conducted to see if the best advice has been provided for the administration of the Government? Are there any inadequacies? If yes, what are the details? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai (Member Question No. 10)

Reply:

The current-term Government is committed to promoting economic development and improving people's livelihood. It seeks positive changes while maintaining stability, adopt an appropriately proactive approach, capitalise on opportunities and make long-term planning for the economic and social development. Guided by the above governance direction and priorities, the Chief Executive's Office will continue to liaise closely with policy bureaux, departments and other parties concerned to ensure that the Chief Executive receives timely and appropriate advice and support from them for the formulation and coordination of policies.

The number of staff (including civil service permanent posts, officers under special appointment and non-civil service contract staff) in the Chief Executive's Office from 2012-13 to 2016-17 and the expenditure on their emoluments/remuneration are tabulated below:

| <b>Year</b>                | <b>No. of staff</b> | <b>Expenditure on emoluments/remuneration</b> |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---|
| 2012-13                    | 110                 | \$65.46m                                      |
| 2013-14                    | 113                 | \$65.57m                                      |
| 2014-15                    | 114                 | \$72.83m                                      |
| 2015-16 (revised estimate) | 114                 | \$74.92m                                      |
| 2016-17 (estimate)         | 113                 | \$78.21m                                      |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO011**

**(Question Serial No. 0959)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

For the Chief-Executive's Office, provision for 2016-17 is \$4.1 million (4.9%) higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16. This is mainly due to increased requirement for operating expenses. Please give details of the increased requirements for the relevant expenses, as well as details of and expenses on manpower, salaries, duty visits, hospitality functions and engagements covered by the total expenditure.

Asked by: Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai (Member Question No. 11)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure of the Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2016-17 is higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 by \$4.1 million mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional provision for remuneration for special appointments arising from payment of end-of-contract gratuities to 2 officers under special appointment, and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs.

The Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) will have an establishment of 89 permanent posts in 2016-17 and the estimated salary expenditure involved is \$44.03 million. The estimated expenditure on duty visits made by the Chief Executive is \$3.08 million.

For operational needs, the Chief Executive's Office has to maintain close liaison with members of the community, including Members of the Legislative Council, the media, local personalities and representatives of different sectors, and receive visiting political and business leaders from around the world. The estimated expenditure on entertainment of the Chief Executive's Office for 2016-17 is \$430,000. The Chief Executive will also receive a non-accountable entertainment allowance of \$897,000 for meeting expenses on official entertainment at his official residences.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO012**

**(Question Serial No. 0961)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What were the annual total expenditures on the honoraria for Non-official Members of the Executive Council and their individual attendance rates each year since 2012?

Asked by: Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai (Member Question No. 13)

Reply:

The annual total expenditures on the honoraria for Non-official Members of the Executive Council since 2012 are tabulated below:

|         | Total expenditure on the honoraria for<br>Non-official Members of the Executive Council |
|---------|---|
| 2012-13 | \$11.41m  |
| 2013-14 | \$12.05m  |
| 2014-15 | \$12.65m  |
| 2015-16 | \$14.19m*   |

\* Revised estimate

The individual attendance rates of the Members by year are set out in the following table:

|                             | Attendance rates of Non-official Members of the Executive Council<br>each year since 2012 |         |         |          |
|-----------------------------|---|---------|---------|----------|
|                             | 2012-13   | 2013-14 | 2014-15 | 2015-16* |
| LAM<br>Woon-kwong           | 94%   | 91%     | 100%    | 95%      |
| CHENG<br>Yiu-tong           | 88%   | 91%     | 87%     | 93%      |
| Laura CHA<br>SHIH May-lung  | 91%   | 71%     | 69%     | 67%      |
| Anna WU<br>Hung-yuk         | 100%  | 93%     | 96%     | 91%      |
| Arthur LI<br>Kwok-cheung    | 38%   | 78%     | 91%     | 93%      |
| Andrew LIAO<br>Cheung-sing  | 94%   | 84%     | 91%     | 91%      |
| CHOW<br>Chung-kong          | 88%   | 84%     | 93%     | 91%      |
| CHEUNG<br>Hok-ming          | 88%   | 89%     | 91%     | 84%      |
| Fanny LAW<br>FAN Chiu-fun   | 91%   | 89%     | 91%     | 88%      |
| CHEUNG<br>Chi-kong          | 100%  | 100%    | 100%    | 100%     |
| Bernard<br>Charnwut<br>CHAN | 91%   | 87%     | 82%     | 90%      |
| Regina IP LAU<br>Suk-yee    | 90%   | 89%     | 87%     | 88%      |
| Jeffrey LAM<br>Kin-fung     | 90%   | 93%     | 98%     | 98%      |

\* As at 1 March 2016

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO013**

**(Question Serial No. 2791)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Since taking office, the incumbent Chief Executive C Y Leung and principal officials have gone on vacation outside Hong Kong many times. Please set out in tabular form the dates and number of days of leave taken by the incumbent Chief Executive for vacations outside Hong Kong since he took office.

| Date of leaving Hong Kong | Date of returning to Hong Kong | Number of days outside Hong Kong |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                           |                                |                                  |
|                           |                                |                                  |

Asked by: Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee (Member Question No. 13)

Reply:

Between 1 July 2012 and 29 February 2016, the incumbent Chief Executive took 51 days of leave in total in 13 periods.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO014**

**(Question Serial No. 2792)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The work of the Chief Executive's Office includes managing the Chief Executive's Office building, the Government House and the Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling. In this regard, would the Government inform this Committee of the following in tabular form:

- (a) The respective estimated expenses on the Chief Executive's Office building, the Government House and the Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling;

|  | Breakdown of expenses (HK\$) |
|--|------------------------------|
| Chief Executive's Office building              |                              |
| Government House                               |                              |
| Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling |                              |

- (b) The numbers of times and total numbers of days that the Chief Executive used his country residence at Fanling in each financial year during his current term of office.

Asked by: Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye (Member Question No. 14)

Reply:

- (a) The estimated expenditures on the management of Government House and Fanling Lodge for 2016-17 are \$6.79 million and \$0.82 million respectively. As part of the Central Government Offices, the Chief Executive's Office building is managed by the Administration Wing of the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office. The relevant management expenses are paid by the Administration Wing. Other miscellaneous expenses and relevant operational expenses (such as expenses on telephone services) are paid under "General departmental expenses" of this Office.

Expenses on the maintenance of the Chief Executive's Office building, Government House and Fanling Lodge are paid by the Architectural Services Department.

- (b) The number of official activities held by the Chief Executive at Fanling Lodge and the total number of days of these activities in each financial year during his current term of office are set out below:

| <u>Year</u>                | <u>No. of official activities</u> | <u>No. of days</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| July 2012 – March 2013     | 3                                 | 2                  |
| 2013-14                    | 2                                 | 2                  |
| 2014-15                    | 1                                 | 1                  |
| April 2015 – February 2016 | 3                                 | 3                  |

This Office does not keep any record of private activities conducted by the Chief Executive at Fanling Lodge.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO015**

**(Question Serial No. 2793)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the item "Remuneration for special appointments" under Departmental Expenses, Subhead 000 Operational expenses of the Chief Executive's Office, the revised estimate for 2015-16 is \$11,672,000 and the estimate for the coming year increases by 10.53%. In this regard, would the Government inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) What criteria does the Chief Executive follow in making "special appointments"?
- (b) Please provide in tabular form the information about all officers under "special appointment" and the respective amount of remuneration payable to them since the incumbent Chief Executive took office.

Asked by: Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee (Member Question No. 15)

Reply:

- (a) When employing officers under special appointment, the Chief Executive will take into account the capabilities and experience of the candidates.
- (b) The expenditures of the current-term Government on remuneration for special appointments between 2012-13 (starting from 1 July 2012) and 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| Post   | Expenditure on remuneration in 2012-13# | Expenditure on remuneration in 2013-14 | Expenditure on remuneration in 2014-15          | Expenditure on remuneration in 2015-16          | Estimated expenditure on remuneration for 2016-17 |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| Director of Chief Executive's Office (D,CEO) | \$2.55m                                 | \$3.40m                                | \$3.43m   | \$3.60m   | \$3.60m   |
| Information Coordinator @                    | \$1.50m                                 | \$1.69m                                | \$2.74m   | \$2.96m   | \$3.83m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity)   |
| Senior Special Assistant                     | \$1.36m                                 | \$1.85m                                | \$3.05m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) | \$2.16m   | \$2.16  |
| Special Assistant *                          | -                                       | \$0.15m                                | \$1.17m   | \$1.31m   | \$1.75m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity)   |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive | \$0.65m                                 | \$0.90m                                | \$1.20m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) | \$1.04m   | \$1.08m   |
| Driver for D,CEO ^                           | -                                       | \$0.21m                                | \$0.45  | \$0.52m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) | \$0.49m   |

# The remuneration in 2012-13 was calculated from 1 July 2012, and hence the expenditure in that year was lower than those in other years.

@ The post was vacant in 2 periods, i.e. between July and August 2012, and between August and December 2013.

\* The post was vacant between July 2012 and February 2014.

^ Since mid-September 2013, Driver for D,CEO has been employed under special appointment.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO016**

**(Question Serial No. 2794)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please provide in tabular form details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive since 2012-13, including the date and place of visit, size of entourage, purpose of visit, expenses on hotel accommodation, air tickets and meals and total expenditure for each visit. If any of the expenses were sponsored, please set out the amounts and the sponsors.

Asked by: Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 July 2012 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 July 2012 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                          | Place of visit         | Size of entourage | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  | Details of sponsorship   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| 14 September 2012             | Guangzhou              | 3                 | 0                        | 0            | 1,520.00            | 1,520.00          | To attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.                |
| 30 November – 1 December 2012 | Sanya                  | 4                 | 0                        | 31,755.00    | 6,699.30            | 38,454.30         | To attend the 8 <sup>th</sup> Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.              | Hainan Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation. |
| 7 December 2012               | Guangzhou              | 2                 | 0                        | 0            | 1,260.00            | 1,260.00          | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2012.                               | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.                |
| 20 – 22 December 2012         | Beijing                | 4                 | 0                        | 40,785.00    | 24,183.84           | 64,968.84         | To make annual work report, and call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).                                | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.                          |
| 6 February 2013               | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 4                 | 0                        | 0            | 1,110.00            | 1,110.00          | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.                |
| 4 – 6 March 2013              | Beijing                | 4                 | 0                        | 41,875.00    | 19,167.17           | 61,042.17         | To attend the opening ceremony of the first session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC), and meet with provincial leaders. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.                          |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b> | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| 16 – 20 March 2013 | Beijing and Tianjin   | 5                        | 0                               | 47,268.00           | 27,453.72                  | 74,721.72                | To attend the closing ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and call on various CPG ministries in Beijing; and to call on leaders of Tianjin Municipal Government, and meet with Hong Kong people in Tianjin. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 21 March 2013      | Shenzhen              | 3                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend the opening ceremony of the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, and call on the Secretary of the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China.   | Nil  |
| 6 – 7 April 2013   | Qionghai              | 3                        | 4,276.37                        | 16,088.00           | 30,082.12                  | 50,446.49                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for the Chief Executive (CE) and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 25 – 26 April 2013 | Beijing               | 4                        | 2,750.88                        | 40,900.00           | 7,850.08                   | 51,500.96                | To call on various CPG ministries.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.  |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>       | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| 4 – 5 June 2013        | Shanghai                    | 3                        | 1,655.86                        | 25,012.00           | 4,956.12                   | 31,623.98                | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai. | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.        |
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States | 5                        | 63,423.05                       | 571,812.00          | 14,964.84                  | 650,199.89               | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  | Nil  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                     | 4                        | 0                               | 25,825.00           | 4,123.15                   | 29,948.15                | To attend the 9th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   | Guizhou Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                   | 3                        | 4,068.31                        | 26,646.00           | 2,084.02                   | 32,798.33                | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  | Nil  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia             | 7                        | 46,333.51                       | 141,572.00          | 18,957.41                  | 206,862.92               | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  | Indonesian Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 1 other member of his entourage. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 22 – 24 October 2013  | Beijing                            | 4                        | 8,127.60                        | 40,655.00           | 13,859.93                  | 62,642.53                | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.   |
| 27 – 29 November 2013 | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                        | 11,345.90                       | 24,086.00           | 6,368.56                   | 41,800.46                | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  | Nil   |
| 6 – 7 December 2013   | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai    | 4                        | 0                               | 0                   | 5,871.57                   | 5,871.57                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.  | Guangdong Provincial Government and Zhuhai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| 16 – 19 December 2013 | Beijing                                 | 4                        | 8,752.80                        | 42,330.00           | 26,210.40                  | 77,293.20                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen                       | 5                        | 17,030.03                       | 32,058.00           | 10,383.30                  | 59,471.33                | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.                  | Nil   |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 4                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.     | Nil   |
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                                 | 5                        | 12,579.00                       | 48,976.00           | 29,328.83                  | 90,883.83                | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th NPC and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.                              | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                        | 4,539.15                        | 0                   | 3,911.26                   | 8,450.41                 | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou. | Nil   |

| <b>Date</b>          | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 9 – 11 April 2014    | Qionghai                                | 3                        | 8,553.42                        | 9,894.00            | 10,484.39                  | 28,931.81                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014   | Shanghai                                | 6                        | 15,067.02                       | 46,490.00           | 20,653.28                  | 82,210.30                | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation for CE.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014     | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                        | 8,112.85                        | 444,375.00          | 29,864.87                  | 482,352.72               | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. | Swedish Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation in Stockholm. Belgian Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation for CE and his wife in Brussels. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014 | Guangzhou                               | 1                        | 0                               | 0                   | 2,356.00                   | 2,356.00                 | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 6 November 2014      | Guangzhou                               | 3                        | 0                               | 1,300.00            | 1,153.09                   | 2,453.09                 | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  | Nil  |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b> | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing               | 5                        | 28,289.12                       | 49,000.00           | 28,056.62                  | 105,345.74               | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.  | Ministry of Foreign Affairs sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 1 member of his entourage. |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea          | 5                        | 11,259.00                       | 87,724.00           | 12,219.34                  | 111,202.34               | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.    | Korean Government sponsored accommodation for CE, his wife and 1 other member of his entourage.  |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou               | 2                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.  | Nil  |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen              | 1                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.  | Nil  |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                 | 4                        | 0                               | 2,958.00            | 6,840.95                   | 9,798.95                 | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government. | Macao Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>  | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                | 5                        | 6,781.86                        | 51,335.00           | 13,799.28                  | 71,916.14                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage.                |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 3                        | 0                               | 1,258.48            | 0                          | 1,258.48                 | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.                | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.  |
| 2 – 6 March 2015      | Beijing                | 4                        | 13,836.96                       | 34,485.00           | 23,762.46                  | 72,084.42                | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.                                |
| 27 – 28 March 2015    | Qionghai               | 4                        | 4,350.70                        | 24,555.00           | 4,016.70                   | 32,922.40                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 3 members of his entourage. |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>     | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai        | 3                        | 8,909.68                        | 22,464.00           | 7,375.36                   | 38,749.04                | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored accommodation for CE and 1 member of his entourage in Shanghai. |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou                 | 3                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  | Nil   |
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia    | 4                        | 26,113.67                       | 38,580.00           | 8,589.32                   | 73,282.99                | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  | Malaysian Government sponsored in-town transportation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.            |
| 4 – 7 May 2015     | Boston, the United States | 4                        | 15,476.21                       | 428,380.00          | 5,320.52                   | 449,176.73               | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. | Nil   |

| <b>Date</b>       | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 8 – 9 May 2015    | Beijing  | 2                        | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation.   |
| 31 May 2015       | Shenzhen                                       | 3                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.  | Nil   |
| 7 – 12 June 2015  | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                        | 44,800.58                       | 305,626.00          | 14,645.80                  | 365,072.38               | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.                                | Nil   |
| 10 July 2015      | Shenzhen                                       | 1                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.   | Nil   |
| 12 – 13 July 2015 | Beijing  | 4                        | 3,364.50                        | 40,585.00           | 6,261.60                   | 50,211.10                | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 12 August 2015    | Zhuhai   | 3                        | 0                               | 2,585.00            | 0                          | 2,585.00                 | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. | Zhuhai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                       | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                        | 19,167.10                       | 43,385.00           | 11,065.94                  | 73,618.04                | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  | Nil  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                        | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. | Israeli Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 3 other members of his entourage in Israel. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                        | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   | Philippine Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage.        |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                     | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                        | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.   |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                        | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 1 – 5 February 2016   | Mumbai and New Delhi, India               | 4                        | 42,904.50                       | 137,095.00          | 20,633.75                  | 200,633.25               | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.   | Nil   |

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 2144)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please inform this Committee in detail and in tabular form of the estimated expenditure on the following items for 2016-17:

- (a) Monthly honorarium for each Non-official Member of the Executive Council;
- (b) Estimated expenditure on the staff of the Executive Council Secretariat, including the amounts of salaries, benefits and allowances.

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 2001)

Reply:

- (a) At present, the monthly honoraria payable to the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member are \$125,580 and \$78,420 respectively.
- (b) The types of permanent posts in the Executive Council Secretariat, their respective numbers and estimated expenditure on their emoluments (including salaries, allowances and job-related allowances paid under Head 21) for 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| Types of duties                       | No. of posts on establishment | Salaries    | Allowances | Civil Service Provident Fund contributions |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|--|
| Policy coordination                   | 2                             | \$3,377,760 | -          | \$201,654                                  |
| Departmental administration           | 2                             | \$1,532,760 | -          | \$112,023                                  |
| Secretarial services                  | 3                             | \$1,113,390 | -          | -  |
| Clerical and general support services | 7                             | \$2,338,850 | \$10,000   | -  |
| Total                                 | 14                            | \$8,362,760 | \$10,000   | \$313,677                                  |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 2145)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please inform this Committee in detail and in tabular form of the establishment of the Chief Executive's Office, the ranks, salaries, benefits and allowances of its staff and the amounts of other staff-related expenses for 2016-17.

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 2002)

Reply:

The Chief Executive's Office will have an establishment of 103 permanent posts in 2016-17. The types of permanent posts, their respective numbers and the estimated expenditure involved are tabulated below:

| Types of duties  | No. of posts on establishment | Salaries     | Allowances | Job-related allowances | Mandatory Provident Fund contributions | Civil Service Provident Fund contributions |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Policy coordination; planning and arrangements for the Chief Executive's official activities; and coordination of news and public relations work | 12                            | \$17,411,550 | \$18,690   | -                      | -                                      | \$1,502,842                                |
| Departmental administration  | 12                            | \$10,047,825 | \$250,020  | -                      | -                                      | \$629,251                                  |
| Translation services   | 2                             | \$2,151,780  | -          | -                      | -                                      | -  |

| Types of duties   | No. of posts on establishment | Salaries     | Allowances  | Job-related allowances | Mandatory Provident Fund contributions | Civil Service Provident Fund contributions |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Secretarial and other support services                          | 20                            | \$8,684,625  | \$10,000    | -                      | \$7,390                                | -  |
| Clerical and general support services                           | 30                            | \$7,371,800  | \$173,887   | -                      | \$16,310                               | \$192,152                                  |
| Domestic services for the Chief Executive's official residences | 20                            | \$5,114,715  | \$1,055,316 | \$2,000                | \$195,337                              | \$70,938                                   |
| Driving services  | 7                             | \$1,609,925  | \$743,722   | \$6,000                | \$4,978                                | \$28,792                                   |
| Total   | 103                           | \$52,392,220 | \$2,251,635 | \$8,000                | \$224,015                              | \$2,423,975                                |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO019**

**(Question Serial No. 2173)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Please provide the attendance record of each meeting of the Executive Council in the past 5 years.
- (b) What are the estimated expenditures on annual salaries, housing allowances, duty visits and entertainment, etc. for the Clerk to the Executive Council, Deputy Clerk to the Executive Council, Assistant Clerk to the Executive Council and Clerical Officer for 2016-17?
- (c) What will be the establishment of the confidential registry of the Executive Council in 2016-17? What is the estimated expenditure involved?
- (d) How many files have been destroyed by the confidential registry of the Executive Council over the past 5 years?

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 2030)

Reply:

- (a) Between 1 July 2012 and 1 March 2016, the current-term Executive Council (ExCo) held a total of 167 meetings. The participation of its Members cannot be accurately and reliably reflected by merely looking at their attendance rates. The relevant statistics for attendance of meeting by Non-official ExCo Members during the said period are tabulated below for reference:

|                | 1 July 2012 – 1 March 2016 |                          |                 |
|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
|                | No. of meetings held       | No. of meetings attended | Attendance rate |
| LAM Woon-kwong | 167                        | 159                      | 95%             |
| CHENG Yiu-tong | 167                        | 150                      | 90%             |

|                         | 1 July 2012 – 1 March 2016 |                          |                 |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
|                         | No. of meetings held       | No. of meetings attended | Attendance rate |
| Laura CHA SHIH May-lung | 167                        | 123                      | 74%             |
| Anna WU Hung-yuk        | 167                        | 158                      | 95%             |
| Arthur LI Kwok-cheung   | 167                        | 129                      | 77%             |
| Andrew LIAO Cheung-sing | 167                        | 150                      | 90%             |
| CHOW Chung-kong         | 167                        | 149                      | 89%             |
| CHEUNG Hok-ming         | 167                        | 147                      | 88%             |
| Fanny LAW FAN Chiu-fun  | 167                        | 150                      | 90%             |
| CHEUNG Chi-kong         | 167                        | 167                      | 100%            |
| Bernard Charnwut CHAN#  | 166                        | 145                      | 87%             |
| Regina IP LAU Suk-yeek* | 154                        | 136                      | 88%             |
| Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung@   | 153                        | 146                      | 95%             |

# The Member needed to withdraw from discussion of all items of one of the meetings, and hence the number of meetings that he had to attend was 166.

\* The Member was appointed as a Non-official ExCo Member on 17 October 2012. The number of meetings that she had to attend was 154.

@ The Member was appointed as a Non-official ExCo Member on 17 October 2012. He needed to withdraw from discussion of all items of one of the meetings, and hence the number of meetings that he had to attend was 153.

- (b) The estimated expenditures on the salaries of the Clerk to ExCo, Deputy Clerk to ExCo, Assistant Clerk to ExCo and Clerical Officer for 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| Post                    | Estimated expenditure on salaries |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Clerk to ExCo           | \$2,033,400                       |
| Deputy Clerk to ExCo    | \$1,546,014                       |
| Assistant Clerk to ExCo | \$858,843                         |
| Clerical Officer        | \$610,130                         |

The above officers do not receive any allowance for housing, duty visits or entertainment under Head 21.

- (c) The confidential registry of the ExCo Secretariat will have an establishment of 3 permanent posts in 2016-17, and the estimated expenditure is about \$1.03 million.
- (d) The confidential registry of the ExCo Secretariat has not destroyed any files over the past 5 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO020**

**(Question Serial No. 2659)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please provide the post titles of people to whom remuneration for special appointments is payable and a breakdown of the estimated remuneration.

Asked by: Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (Member Question No. 1)

Reply:

A breakdown of the estimated remuneration for officers under special appointment in this Office for 2016-17 is as follows:

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Director of the Chief Executive's Office            | \$3.60m                              |
| Information Coordinator                             | \$3.83m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Special Assistant                            | \$2.16m                              |
| Special Assistant                                   | \$1.75m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive        | \$1.08m                              |
| Driver for Director of the Chief Executive's Office | \$0.49m                              |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO021**

**(Question Serial No. 2660)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Would the Government inform this Committee of the total estimated remuneration payable to each of the following posts under special appointment for 2016-17?

| Post title  | Estimated remuneration for 2016-17 |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Information Coordinator                                 |                                    |
| Senior Special Assistant                                |                                    |
| Special Assistant                                       |                                    |
| Senior Personal Assistant                               |                                    |
| Driver for the Director of the Chief Executive's Office |                                    |

- (b) Would the Government inform this Committee of the annual estimated expenditure on the salaries of each of the following people for 2016-17?

| Post title                                    | Annual estimated expenditure on salaries for 2016-17 |
|---|--|
| Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office |  |
| Director of the Chief Executive's Office      |  |

Asked by: Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip (Member Question No. 30)

Reply:

- (a) A breakdown of the estimated remuneration for officers under special appointment in this Office for 2016-17 is as follows:

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Information Coordinator                             | \$3.83m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Special Assistant                            | \$2.16m                              |
| Special Assistant                                   | \$1.75m                              |
|   | (including end-of-contract gratuity) |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive        | \$1.08m                              |
| Driver for Director of the Chief Executive's Office | \$0.49m                              |

- (b) The estimated expenditures on remuneration for the Director of the Chief Executive's Office and salary of the Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office for 2016-17 are set out below:

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Director of the Chief Executive's Office      | \$3.60m |
| Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office | \$2.83m |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO022**

**(Question Serial No. 1876)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What is the estimated annual expenditure on the Chief Executive's emoluments for 2016-17?

What is the total number of days of leave taken by the Chief Executive in 2015-16?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 1)

Reply:

For 2016-17, the estimated expenditures on the salaries and non-accountable entertainment allowance of the Chief Executive are \$4,462,620 and \$897,000 respectively.

Between 1 April 2015 and 29 February 2016, the Chief Executive took 14.5 days of leave in total.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO023**

**(Question Serial No. 1877)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What are the respective estimated annual expenditures on the emoluments of the Director of the Chief Executive's Office and the Information Coordinator for 2016-17?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 2)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure on the remuneration for the Director of the Chief Executive's Office for 2016-17 is \$3,600,000. There is no other allowance.

The estimated expenditures on the salary and allowances of the Information Coordinator for 2016-17 are \$3,400,000 (including end-of-contract gratuity) and \$430,000 respectively.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO024**

**(Question Serial No. 1878)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What are the estimated expenditures on the honoraria for the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member for 2016-17?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 3)

Reply:

The estimated expenditures on honoraria payable to the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member for 2016-17 are about \$1,510,000 and \$940,000 respectively.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO025**

**(Question Serial No. 1891)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

In recent years, many major incidents happened in the community when the Chief Executive was on leave. The Chief Executive's leave arrangements have all along been decided by the Chief Executive himself, and the Office has no power to reject. Will the Office review in the coming year the procedures for applying for leave by the Chief Executive? Will clear criteria be drawn up in this regard?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

In accordance with the Basic Law, the Chief Executive's duties shall temporarily be assumed by the Chief Secretary for Administration, Financial Secretary or Secretary of Justice in this order of precedence during the vacation leave of the Chief Executive. The public are informed of the Chief Executive's leave arrangements through the Government's press releases. The above arrangement has been working effectively, and we do not see any need to review it.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO026**

**(Question Serial No. 1892)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

In recent years, the Information Coordinator has published many inappropriate comments on the Internet regarding public affairs or even his private life, tarnishing the public's perception of the Chief Executive's Office. What new measures or guidelines does the Chief Executive's Office have to govern the open comments of the Information Coordinator and officers of the Chief Executive's Office, thus protecting the Office's professional image?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 17)

Reply:

Government officials explain Government policies and set out Government positions through the media from time to time. This is to facilitate public understanding of the underlying considerations, content and details of policies, and to enhance communication so as to solicit public support.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO027**

**(Question Serial No. 1966)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

For the Chief Executive's Office, the financial provision for 2015-16 is higher than the original estimate by 4%, and the estimate for 2016-17 is higher than that for the previous year by 4.9%. Please provide the following information:

- (a) The reasons that the financial provision for 2015-16 is higher than the original estimate;
- (b) Details of the Chief Executive's visits to Mainland China in 2015-16 and the expenditure incurred, using the table below:

| Place of visit | Date of visit | Mainland officials met | Purpose of visit | Expenditure |
|----------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|
|                |               |                        |                  |             |
|                |               |                        |                  |             |
|                |               |                        |                  |             |

- (c) Details of the Chief Executive's reception of officials from Mainland China in Hong Kong in 2015-16 and the expenditure incurred, using the table below:

| Date of meeting | Place of meeting | Officials received | Purpose of meeting | Expenditure |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                 |                  |                    |                    |             |
|                 |                  |                    |                    |             |
|                 |                  |                    |                    |             |

Asked by: Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai (Member Question No. 1)

Reply:

- (a) The revised estimate for the Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2015-16 is higher than the original estimate by 4% mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional expenditure arising from remuneration adjustments for officers under special appointment and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs.
- (b) Details of the Chief Executive's visits to Mainland China from 1 April 2015 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.
- (c) In order to consolidate and strengthen Hong Kong's ties with Mainland China and other countries and regions, the Chief Executive frequently receives representatives of governments, international organisations, the media and business communities, etc. from all over the world, including visitors from Mainland China. In view of the large number of organisations and visitors involved, we have not compiled information on the number of visitors, their post titles and expenditure incurred, etc.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2015 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                  | Place of visit                            | Size of entourage | Expenses*<br>(\$) | Purpose of visit  |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015     | Wuhan and Shanghai                        | 3                 | 38,749.04         | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. |
| 21 April 2015         | Guangzhou                                 | 3                 | 0                 | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 8 – 9 May 2015        | Beijing                                   | 2                 | 38,404.67         | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015           | Shenzhen                                  | 3                 | 0                 | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and Members of the Legislative Council.  |
| 10 July 2015          | Shenzhen                                  | 1                 | 0                 | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015     | Beijing                                   | 4                 | 50,211.10         | To meet with various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG) on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.  |
| 12 August 2015        | Zhuhai                                    | 3                 | 2,585.00          | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.                            |
| 2 – 4 September 2015  | Beijing                                   | 13                | 139,283.27        | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                 | 5,530.02          | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                 | 67,290.01         | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO028**

**(Question Serial No. 1976)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Since late October last year, the Chief Executive has been using his personal Facebook account as a channel for releasing the latest information. Please provide the following information:

- (a) What were the expenditure on and establishment of the Chief Executive's Office for operating social media platforms in 2015?
- (b) Regarding friends in the Chief Executive's personal Facebook account, please set out their distribution and ratio in terms of age, country/region and gender;
- (c) How does the Chief Executive's Office assess the distribution ratio of friends in the personal Facebook account in terms of age and gender, including whether it serves the purpose of communicating with young people?

Asked by: Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai (Member Question No. 23)

Reply:

- (a) The Chief Executive's Office is responsible for managing and updating the Chief Executive's Facebook account and the Office's web page. The related work is covered by existing resources.
- (b) This Office does not analyse the Chief Executive's friends in his Facebook account in terms of age, country/region and gender.
- (c) Social media users are mostly young people. The Chief Executive tries using Facebook, a social media platform, to share with the public his reflections on life and work. Such way of communicating with the public is still being explored. The Chief Executive will keep on consolidating the experiences, exploring new platforms and adopting a variety of means, without confining himself to any particular channel so as to strengthen contact and communication with the public.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 2480)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Since late October last year, the Chief Executive has been using his personal Facebook account as a channel for releasing the latest information. Please provide the following information:

- (a) Has the Chief Executive's Office established any indicator regarding the "like" emoticons, responses or sharing received under the posts in the Chief Executive's personal Facebook account so as to assess the effectiveness?
- (b) Please set out details of the first 10 posts or photos that received the most number of "angry" emoticons in the Chief Executive's personal Facebook account in the past 60 days using the following table:

| Theme of post/photo | Date of publication | Number of emoticons received |      |      |      |     |     |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
|                     |                     | Angry                        | Like | Love | Haha | Wow | Sad |
|                     |                     |                              |      |      |      |     |     |
|                     |                     |                              |      |      |      |     |     |

- (c) Please provide the total number of "angry" emoticons received in the Chief Executive's personal Facebook account since October last year;
- (d) Has the Chief Executive's Office assessed the reason why a large number of "angry" emoticons were received, and has any review been conducted in this regard?

Asked by: Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai (Member Question No. 22)

Reply:

- (a) This Office has not established any indicator regarding the "like" emoticons, responses or sharing received in the Chief Executive's Facebook account.

- (b) This Office does not compile statistics on the number of emoticons received.
- (c) This Office does not compile statistics on the number of emoticons received.
- (d) This Office does not compile statistics on the number of emoticons received. The Chief Executive tries using Facebook, a social media platform, to share with the public his reflections on life and work. Such way of communicating with the public is still being explored. The Chief Executive will keep on consolidating the experiences, exploring new platforms and adopting a variety of means, without confining himself to any particular channel so as to strengthen contact and communication with the public.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO030**

**(Question Serial No. 1871)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According to the content of the Programme, the Chief Executive's Office is responsible for planning for the Chief Executive's public and social engagements. In this regard, would the Office provide in the table below details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive in the past 3 years (2013-14 to 2015-16), including the date and place of visit, size of entourage, purpose of visit, expenses on hotel accommodation, air tickets and meals and total expenditure for each visit? If any of the expenses were sponsored, please set out the amounts and the sponsors.

| Date of visit | Place of visit | Size of entourage | Purpose of visit | Hotel accommodation expenses | Air ticket expenses | Meal expenses | Total expenditure |
|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|
|               |                |                   |                  |                              |                     |               |                   |

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 24)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 April 2013 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2013 – 29 February 2016)

| Date               | Place of visit | Size of entourage# | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit   | Details of sponsorship   |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| 6 – 7 April 2013   | Qionghai       | 3                  | 4,276.37                 | 16,088.00    | 30,082.12           | 50,446.49         | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for the Chief Executive (CE) and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 25 – 26 April 2013 | Beijing        | 4                  | 2,750.88                 | 40,900.00    | 7,850.08            | 51,500.96         | To call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.  |
| 4 – 5 June 2013    | Shanghai       | 3                  | 1,655.86                 | 25,012.00    | 4,956.12            | 31,623.98         | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai. | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.                            |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>       | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States | 5                         | 63,423.05                       | 571,812.00          | 14,964.84                  | 650,199.89               | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York. | Nil  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                     | 4                         | 0                               | 25,825.00           | 4,123.15                   | 29,948.15                | To attend the 9th Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.  | Guizhou Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                   | 3                         | 4,068.31                        | 26,646.00           | 2,084.02                   | 32,798.33                | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.   | Nil  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia             | 7                         | 46,333.51                       | 141,572.00          | 18,957.41                  | 206,862.92               | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.                                       | Indonesian Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 1 other member of his entourage. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 22 – 24 October 2013  | Beijing                            | 4                         | 8,127.60                        | 40,655.00           | 13,859.93                  | 62,642.53                | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 27 – 29 November 2013 | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                         | 11,345.90                       | 24,086.00           | 6,368.56                   | 41,800.46                | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  | Nil   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>           | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| 6 – 7 December 2013   | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai | 4                         | 0                               | 0                   | 5,871.57                   | 5,871.57                 | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.   | Guangdong Provincial Government and Zhuhai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation. |
| 16 – 19 December 2013 | Beijing                         | 4                         | 8,752.80                        | 42,330.00           | 26,210.40                  | 77,293.20                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.   |
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen               | 5                         | 17,030.03                       | 32,058.00           | 10,383.30                  | 59,471.33                | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.              | Nil   |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen          | 4                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport. | Nil   |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|--------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 4 – 7 March 2014   | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 12,579.00                       | 48,976.00           | 29,328.83                  | 90,883.83                | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC) and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments. | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.                                |
| 27 – 28 March 2014 | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                         | 4,539.15                        | 0                   | 3,911.26                   | 8,450.41                 | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou. | Nil  |
| 9 – 11 April 2014  | Qionghai                                | 3                         | 8,553.42                        | 9,894.00            | 10,484.39                  | 28,931.81                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |

| <b>Date</b>          | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 11 – 13 April 2014   | Shanghai                                | 6                         | 15,067.02                       | 46,490.00           | 20,653.28                  | 82,210.30                | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation for CE.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014     | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                         | 8,112.85                        | 444,375.00          | 29,864.87                  | 482,352.72               | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. | Swedish Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation in Stockholm. Belgian Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation for CE and his wife in Brussels. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014 | Guangzhou                               | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 2,356.00                   | 2,356.00                 | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 6 November 2014      | Guangzhou                               | 3                         | 0                               | 1,300.00            | 1,153.09                   | 2,453.09                 | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  | Nil  |
| 8 – 12 November 2014 | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 28,289.12                       | 49,000.00           | 28,056.62                  | 105,345.74               | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   | Ministry of Foreign Affairs sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 1 member of his entourage.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b> | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea          | 5                         | 11,259.00                       | 87,724.00           | 12,219.34                  | 111,202.34               | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.    | Korean Government sponsored accommodation for CE, his wife and 1 other member of his entourage.                                   |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou               | 2                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.  | Nil   |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen              | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.  | Nil   |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                 | 4                         | 0                               | 2,958.00            | 6,840.95                   | 9,798.95                 | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government. | Macao Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing               | 5                         | 6,781.86                        | 51,335.00           | 13,799.28                  | 71,916.14                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage. |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>  | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 30 January 2015    | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 3                         | 0                               | 1,258.48            | 0                          | 1,258.48                 | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.  |
| 2 – 6 March 2015   | Beijing                | 4                         | 13,836.96                       | 34,485.00           | 23,762.46                  | 72,084.42                | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage.                                |
| 27 – 28 March 2015 | Qionghai               | 4                         | 4,350.70                        | 24,555.00           | 4,016.70                   | 32,922.40                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   | Secretariat of Boao Forum for Asia sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 3 members of his entourage. |
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai     | 3                         | 8,909.68                        | 22,464.00           | 7,375.36                   | 38,749.04                | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. | Shanghai Municipal Government sponsored accommodation for CE and 1 member of his entourage in Shanghai.  |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou              | 3                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  | Nil  |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>     | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia    | 4                         | 26,113.67                       | 38,580.00           | 8,589.32                   | 73,282.99                | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  | Malaysian Government sponsored in-town transportation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 4 – 7 May 2015     | Boston, the United States | 4                         | 15,476.21                       | 428,380.00          | 5,320.52                   | 449,176.73               | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. | Nil  |
| 8 – 9 May 2015     | Beijing                   | 2                         | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation.  |
| 31 May 2015        | Shenzhen                  | 3                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   | Nil  |

| <b>Date</b>          | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|----------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 7 – 12 June 2015     | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                         | 44,800.58                       | 305,626.00          | 14,645.80                  | 365,072.38               | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.                                | Nil   |
| 10 July 2015         | Shenzhen                                       | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.   | Nil   |
| 12 – 13 July 2015    | Beijing  | 4                         | 3,364.50                        | 40,585.00           | 6,261.60                   | 50,211.10                | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 12 August 2015       | Zhuhai   | 3                         | 0                               | 2,585.00            | 0                          | 2,585.00                 | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. | Zhuhai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation.   |
| 2 – 4 September 2015 | Beijing  | 13                        | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                         | 19,167.10                       | 43,385.00           | 11,065.94                  | 73,618.04                | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  | Nil  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                         | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. | Israeli Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 3 other members of his entourage in Israel. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                         | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   | Philippine Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage.        |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                     | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                         | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.   |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                         | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE and 2 members of his entourage. |
| 1 – 5 February 2016   | Mumbai and New Delhi, India               | 4                         | 42,904.50                       | 137,095.00          | 20,633.75                  | 200,633.25               | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.   | Nil   |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any)

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO031**

**(Question Serial No. 1872)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According to the content of the Programme, the Chief Executive's Office is also responsible for assisting the wife of the Chief Executive in undertaking effectively a wide range of public and social engagements. In this regard, would the Office provide in the table below details of duty visits made by the wife of the Chief Executive in the past 3 years (2013-14 to 2015-16), including the date and place of visit, size of entourage, purpose of visit, expenses on hotel accommodation, air tickets and meals and total expenditure for each visit? If any of the expenses were sponsored, please set out the amounts and the sponsors.

| Date of visit | Place of visit | Size of entourage | Purpose of visit | Hotel accommodation expenses | Air ticket expenses | Meal expenses | Total expenditure |
|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|
|               |                |                   |                  |                              |                     |               |                   |

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 25)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive accompanied by his wife in her official capacity from 1 April 2013 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

## Duty Visits Made by the Chief Executive Accompanied by His Wife in Her Official Capacity (1 April 2013 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                | Place of visit                  | Size of entourage# | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  | Details of sponsorship   |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| 9 – 13 June 2013    | New York, the United States     | 5                  | 63,423.05                | 571,812.00   | 14,964.84           | 650,199.89        | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York. | Nil  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013  | Bali, Indonesia                 | 7                  | 46,333.51                | 141,572.00   | 18,957.41           | 206,862.92        | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.                                       | Indonesian Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for the Chief Executive (CE), his wife and 1 other member of his entourage. |
| 6 – 7 December 2013 | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai | 4                  | 0                        | 0            | 5,871.57            | 5,871.57          | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.   | Guangdong Provincial Government and Zhuhai Municipal Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |

| Date                  | Place of visit                          | Size of entourage# | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  | Details of sponsorship   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                  | 8,112.85                 | 444,375.00   | 29,864.87           | 482,352.72        | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. | Swedish Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation in Stockholm. Belgian Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation for CE and his wife in Brussels. |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea                            | 5                  | 11,259.00                | 87,724.00    | 12,219.34           | 111,202.34        | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.   | Korean Government sponsored accommodation for CE, his wife and 1 other member of his entourage.  |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                                 | 2                  | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.   | Nil  |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                                   | 4                  | 0                        | 2,958.00     | 6,840.95            | 9,798.95          | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government.  | Macao Government sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>  |
|-----------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing  | 5                         | 6,781.86                        | 51,335.00           | 13,799.28                  | 71,916.14                | To make annual work report, and call on various officials of the Central People’s Government (CPG).   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage.                          |
| 8 – 9 May 2015        | Beijing  | 2                         | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  | CPG sponsored in-town transportation.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015  | Beijing  | 13                        | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people’s war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   | CPG sponsored in-town transportation and accommodation.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015  | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                         | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. | Israeli Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 3 other members of his entourage in Israel. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                     | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  | <b>Details of sponsorship</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| 16 – 19 November 2015 | Manila, the Philippines                   | 7                         | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.  | Philippine Government sponsored in-town transportation for full delegation and accommodation for CE, his wife and 2 other members of his entourage. |
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                         | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. | Guangdong Provincial Government sponsored in-town transportation.   |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO032**

**(Question Serial No. 2921)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What are the actual expenditures on honoraria and official allowances payable to the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member in 2015-16? What are the estimated expenditures on such honoraria and official allowances for the coming year (2016-17)?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 244)

Reply:

For 2015-16, the revised estimates of honoraria payable to the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member are about \$1,490,000 and \$930,000 respectively. For 2016-17, the estimated expenditures on honoraria payable to the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member are about \$1,510,000 and \$940,000 respectively.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO033**

**(Question Serial No. 2922)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding remuneration for special appointments in the Chief Executive's Office, the revised estimate for 2015-16 is \$11,672,000, and the estimate for 2016-17 is \$12,901,000. What are the reasons for such an increase? Would the Government provide the post titles of people to whom remuneration for special appointments is payable, as well as their estimated remuneration, amounts of allowances and specific duties?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 249)

Reply:

The estimate of remuneration for special appointments for 2016-17 is higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 mainly because end-of-contract gratuities have to be paid to 2 officers under special appointment in 2016-17. Duties of officers under special appointment in this Office and estimated expenditure on remuneration for 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| Post   | Duties   | Estimated expenditure on remuneration for 2016-17 |
|--|--|---|
| Director of Chief Executive's Office (D,CEO) | Works with Principal Officials in policy formulation and sets policy priorities to ensure full implementation of the Chief Executive (CE)'s Policy Address and decisions; enhances communication with the Executive Council and the Legislative Council; and liaises with political parties and groups, various sectors of the community and district personalities to secure their support for the Government's work.                                 | \$3.60m   |
| Information Coordinator                      | Formulates media and public relations strategy for and coordinates the timetable of the introduction of major policies and programmes; liaises closely with Director of Information Services and bureau press officers to ensure effective implementation of media and public relations strategy for major policies; monitors public and media feedback; and helps plan and implement CE's programme of public functions involving media interactions. | \$3.83m (including end-of-contract gratuity)      |
| Senior Special Assistant                     | Advises CE on Mainland-related issues; liaises with the Central People's Government and provides support in the organisation of CE's visits to the Mainland; researches on matters relating to CE's networking with business and community organisations with strong Mainland connections.   | \$2.16m   |
| Special Assistant                            | Assists CE's Office in liaising with various sectors of the community; and conducts research and prepares briefs for CE and senior officials.  | \$1.75m (including end-of-contract gratuity)      |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive | Provides secretarial support to CE.  | \$1.08m   |
| Driver for D,CEO                             | Performs driving duties for D,CEO.   | \$0.49m   |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO034**

**(Question Serial No. 0128)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the management of the Chief Executive's personal Facebook account, would the Government advise on the following:

- (a) Has the Chief Executive's Office employed any staff dedicated to managing the relevant Facebook account? If yes, what are the ranks and annual salaries of the staff? If no, which officer in the Chief Executive's Office is responsible for managing this account? What are the average daily working hours that this officer spends on such duties?
- (b) As the staff responsible for managing the Chief Executive's Facebook account need to handle invitations for friendship or make decisions on joining various groups, has the Chief Executive's Office laid down any criteria to facilitate the work of such staff? If yes, what are the details? If no, are the relevant decisions made by the Chief Executive himself? If this is not the case, through what procedures are such decisions made?

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 25)

Reply:

- (a) The Chief Executive's Office is responsible for managing and updating the Chief Executive's Facebook account and the Office's web page. The related work is covered by existing resources.

- (b) The Chief Executive tries using Facebook, a social media platform, to share with the public his reflections on life and work. Such way of communicating with the public is still being explored. Generally speaking, people can send invitations to the Chief Executive's Facebook account, asking him to be their friends or to join their groups, and those from the Chief Executive's acquaintances or from people recommended by his acquaintances will be accepted. The Chief Executive will keep on consolidating the experiences, exploring new platforms and adopting a variety of means, without confining himself to any particular channel so as to strengthen contact and communication with the public.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO035**

**(Question Serial No. 0171)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Would the Government set out the attendance rates of each Non-official Members of the Executive Council (ExCo) at ExCo meetings, the numbers of meetings not attended by them, the numbers of declarations made by them due to possible conflict of interest regarding the agenda items and/or the numbers of their withdrawals from discussions due to the same reason in the past 3 years? (Please provide a breakdown by individual ExCo Member.)

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 34)

Reply:

The relevant statistics for attendance of meetings by Non-official Members of the Executive Council (ExCo) in the past 3 years (1 April 2013 to 1 March 2016) are tabulated below:

|                         | No. of meetings held | No. of meetings attended | Attendance rate |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| LAM Woon-kwong          | 133                  | 127                      | 95%             |
| CHENG Yiu-tong          | 133                  | 120                      | 90%             |
| Laura CHA SHIH May-lung | 133                  | 92                       | 69%             |
| Anna WU Hung-yuk        | 133                  | 124                      | 93%             |
| Arthur LI Kwok-cheung   | 133                  | 116                      | 87%             |
| Andrew LIAO Cheung-sing | 133                  | 118                      | 89%             |
| CHOW Chung-kong         | 133                  | 119                      | 89%             |
| CHEUNG Hok-ming         | 133                  | 117                      | 88%             |
| Fanny LAW FAN Chiu-fun  | 133                  | 119                      | 89%             |
| CHEUNG Chi-kong         | 133                  | 133                      | 100%            |

|                       | No. of meetings held | No. of meetings attended | Attendance rate |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Bernard Charnwut CHAN | 132*                 | 114                      | 86%             |
| Regina IP LAU Suk-yee | 133                  | 117                      | 88%             |
| Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung  | 132*                 | 127                      | 96%             |

\* Members needed to withdraw from discussions of all items of one of the meetings, and hence the number of meetings that they had to attend was 132.

Statistics for withdrawal of ExCo Members from discussions at ExCo meetings due to conflict of interest are published annually by the ExCo Secretariat on its website. The relevant information is set out in the following table:

| Year | No. of meetings | No. of items for discussion | No. of items where one or more members withdrew from discussions | Total no. of withdrawals from discussions |
|------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| 2013 | 46              | 257                         | 79   | 218                                       |
| 2014 | 44              | 258                         | 69   | 139                                       |
| 2015 | 46              | 286                         | 91   | 211                                       |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO036**

**(Question Serial No. 1919)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What is the actual work of the Chief Executive's Office in coordinating the Government's media and public relations strategy? What is the expenditure involved?

What is the total number of officers in the Chief Executive's Office who are responsible for dealing with media and public relations strategy? Please provide their ranks and duties, number of officers in each relevant rank and their salaries.

| Rank | Duty | Number of officers | Salary |
|------|------|--------------------|--------|
|      |      |                    |        |
|      |      |                    |        |
|      |      |                    |        |

Asked by: Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Member Question No. 2.01)

Reply:

The Information Coordinator (IC) in this Office is responsible for formulating media and public relations strategy for and co-ordinating the timetable of the introduction of major policies and programmes in different areas. He also liaises closely with the Director of Information Services and bureau press officers to ensure effective implementation of media and public relations strategy for major policies, monitors public and media feedback, and helps plan and implement the Chief Executive's programme of public functions involving media interactions. This Office's Press Section is responsible for supporting IC in performing the above duties. The Section consists of 5 Information Officers, 1 Administrative Officer, 2 Clerical officers and 2 Personal Secretaries.

The posts, number and monthly salaries of officers in this Office's Press Section in 2016-17 are tabulated below:

| <b>Post</b>            | <b>No. of officers</b> | <b>Monthly salary</b> |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Information Officer    | 5                      | \$49,465-\$169,450    |
| Administrative Officer | 1                      | \$101,620-\$117,080   |
| Clerical officer       | 2                      | \$11,575-\$26,785     |
| Personal Secretary     | 2                      | \$28,140-\$47,235     |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO037**

**(Question Serial No. 1941)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Regarding the overseas duty visits made by the Chief Executive and officers of the Chief Executive's Office over the past 5 years, please list each of them by year in the table below, providing details of the place of visit, purpose of visit, number of participating officials and expenditure involved:

| Year | Work item and place of visit | Purpose of visit | Number of participating officials | Expenditure involved |
|------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
|      |                              |                  |                                   |                      |

- (b) For each of these overseas duty visits, please list by year the data of total carbon footprints (including those made by flight to and from the place of visit as well as on-site transportation) in the table below, providing the method of estimation:

| Year | Work item of visit | Total carbon footprints | Carbon footprints made by flights | Carbon footprints made by on-site transportation |
|------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
|      |                    |                         |                                   |  |

- (c) Has carbon offsetting for the above overseas duty visits been met by public funds or private money of the officials? If yes, please list by year the data for the past 5 years in the table below:

| Year | Work item of visit | Carbon dioxide emission offset | Method of carbon offsetting | Expenditure involved |
|------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
|      |                    |                                |                             |                      |

Asked by: Hon Kenneth LEUNG (Member Question No. 3.15)

Reply:

- (a) Details of duty visit made by the Chief Executive from 1 April 2011 to 29 February 2016 are set out in Annex.
- (b) This Office has not calculated the total carbon footprints made during duty visits.
- (c) At present, the Government does not require officials to make any carbon offsetting for their duty visits.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2011 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                         | Place of visit  | Size of entourage# | Expenses* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|------------------------------|---|--------------------|----------------|--|
| 14 – 15 April 2011           | Qionghai  | 3                  | 23,188.44      | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference.   |
| 15 – 23 June 2011            | Melbourne, Perth and Canberra, Australia                        | 6                  | 715,488.41     | To promote Hong Kong and foster bilateral relations.   |
| 31 August – 2 September 2011 | Urumpqi   | 6                  | 71,147.00      | To participate in China Eurasia Expo.  |
| 8 – 17 September 2011        | Brussels, Belgium; and London and Edinburgh, the United Kingdom | 6                  | 1,047,717.36   | To promote Hong Kong and foster bilateral relations.   |
| 14 October 2011              | Guangzhou   | 6                  | 1,680.00       | To attend the 110 <sup>th</sup> China Import and Export Fair (Canton Fair).  |
| 7 – 15 November 2011         | New York, Washington and Honolulu, the United States            | 9                  | 1,512,539.23   | To promote Hong Kong and foster bilateral relations, and attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Meeting in Honolulu. |
| 25 – 28 December 2011        | Beijing   | 5                  | 75,668.10      | To make annual work report, and meet with various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).                                 |
| 5 – 6 January 2012           | Shanghai  | 4                  | 29,257.60      | To co-chair Hong Kong-Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   |
| 27 – 29 January 2012         | Zurich and Davos, Switzerland                                   | 6                  | 892,601.38     | To attend World Economic Forum Annual Meeting to promote Hong Kong and foster bilateral relations with Switzerland.                    |
| 4 – 6 March 2012             | Beijing   | 6                  | 92,537.96      | To attend the opening ceremony of plenary meeting of the National People's Congress (NPC).   |

| <b>Date</b>                   | <b>Place of visit</b>   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 9 – 18 April 2012             | Auckland, New Zealand; San Diego, Chile; Brasilia and Sao Paulo, Brazil | 6                         | 1,076,437.95          | To pay visits to promote Hong Kong.  |
| 26 – 27 June 2012             | Beijing   | 4                         | 49,430.98             | To officiate at “Towards a Better Future” exhibition to celebrate the 15 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR).   |
| 14 September 2012             | Guangzhou   | 3                         | 1,520.00              | To attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.   |
| 30 November – 1 December 2012 | Sanya   | 4                         | 38,454.30             | To attend the 8 <sup>th</sup> Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 7 December 2012               | Guangzhou   | 2                         | 1,260.00              | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2012.  |
| 20 – 22 December 2012         | Beijing   | 4                         | 64,968.84             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG ministries.  |
| 6 February 2013               | Guangzhou and Shenzhen  | 4                         | 1,110.00              | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.   |
| 4 – 6 March 2013              | Beijing   | 4                         | 61,042.17             | To attend the opening ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and meet with provincial leaders.   |
| 16 – 20 March 2013            | Beijing and Tianjin   | 5                         | 74,721.72             | To attend the closing ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and call on various CPG ministries in Beijing; and to call on leaders of Tianjin Municipal Government, and meet with Hong Kong people in Tianjin. |
| 21 March 2013                 | Shenzhen  | 3                         | 0                     | To attend the opening ceremony of the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, and call on the Secretary of the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China.   |
| 6 – 7 April 2013              | Qionghai  | 3                         | 50,446.49             | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  |
| 25 – 26 April 2013            | Beijing   | 4                         | 51,500.96             | To call on various CPG ministries.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 4 – 5 June 2013        | Shanghai                           | 3                         | 31,623.98             | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai.   |
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States        | 5                         | 650,199.89            | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                            | 4                         | 29,948.15             | To attend the 9th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                          | 3                         | 32,798.33             | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia                    | 7                         | 206,862.92            | To attend APEC 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  |
| 22 – 24 October 2013   | Beijing                            | 4                         | 62,642.53             | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. |
| 27 – 29 November 2013  | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                         | 41,800.46             | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  |
| 6 – 7 December 2013    | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai    | 4                         | 5,871.57              | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.  |
| 16 – 19 December 2013  | Beijing                            | 4                         | 77,293.20             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen                       | 5                         | 59,471.33             | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.  |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 4                         | 0                     | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.   |
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 90,883.83             | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th NPC and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.  |
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                         | 8,450.41              | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou.   |
| 9 – 11 April 2014     | Qionghai                                | 3                         | 28,931.81             | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014    | Shanghai                                | 6                         | 82,210.30             | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                         | 482,352.72            | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014  | Guangzhou                               | 1                         | 2,356.00              | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 6 November 2014       | Guangzhou                               | 3                         | 2,453.09              | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  |
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 105,345.74            | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea                            | 5                         | 111,202.34            | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.   |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                                 | 2                         | 0                     | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.   |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen                                | 1                         | 0                     | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>     | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                     | 4                         | 9,798.95              | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao SAR and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government.  |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                   | 5                         | 71,916.14             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen    | 3                         | 1,258.48              | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 2 – 6 March 2015      | Beijing                   | 4                         | 72,084.42             | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 27 – 28 March 2015    | Qionghai                  | 4                         | 32,922.40             | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   |
| 8 – 10 April 2015     | Wuhan and Shanghai        | 3                         | 38,749.04             | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   |
| 21 April 2015         | Guangzhou                 | 3                         | 0                     | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015    | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia    | 4                         | 73,282.99             | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  |
| 4 – 7 May 2015        | Boston, the United States | 4                         | 449,176.73            | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015        | Beijing                   | 2                         | 38,404.67             | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015           | Shenzhen                  | 3                         | 0                     | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 7 – 12 June 2015       | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States   | 3                         | 365,072.38            | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.   |
| 10 July 2015           | Shenzhen   | 1                         | 0                     | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015      | Beijing  | 4                         | 50,211.10             | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.   |
| 12 August 2015         | Zhuhai   | 3                         | 2,585.00              | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                        | 139,283.27            | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                         | 73,618.04             | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                         | 688,793.07            | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                         | 82,006.11             | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015    | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou        | 2                         | 5,530.02              | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015  | Beijing  | 4                         | 67,290.01             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |

| Date                | Place of visit              | Size of entourage# | Expenses* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------|--|
| 1 – 5 February 2016 | Mumbai and New Delhi, India | 4                  | 200,633.25     | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India. |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO038**

**(Question Serial No. 2074)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please set out all expenses on the Chief Executive's salaries, regular allowances and job-related allowances in 2015-16 and the estimates of such expenses for 2016-17.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 602)

Reply:

For 2015-16 and 2016-17, the estimated expenditures on the salary of the Chief Executive are both \$4,462,620 each year, and the estimated expenditures on the Chief Executive's non-accountable entertainment allowance are \$870,900 and \$897,000 respectively.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO039**

**(Question Serial No. 0429)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What was the number of receptions held by the Chief Executive for Mainland officials in Hong Kong (excluding officers of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region) in 2015, the number of such officials received in the same year and their post titles?

Asked by: Hon Dennis KWOK (Member Question No. 49)

Reply:

In order to consolidate and strengthen Hong Kong's ties with Mainland China and other countries and regions, the Chief Executive frequently receives representatives of governments, international organisations, the media and business communities, etc. from all over the world, including visitors from Mainland China. In view of the large number of organisations and visitors involved, we have not compiled information on the visitors (including the number of receptions and visitors, and their post titles).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO040**

**(Question Serial No. 0430)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What was the number of Mainland officials (excluding Mainland officials in Hong Kong) received by the Chief Executive in 2015, the number of such receptions held in the same year and the post titles of these officials?

Asked by: Hon Dennis KWOK (Member Question No. 50)

Reply:

In order to consolidate and strengthen Hong Kong's ties with Mainland China and other countries and regions, the Chief Executive frequently receives representatives of governments, international organisations, the media and business communities, etc. from all over the world, including visitors from Mainland China. In view of the large number of organisations and visitors involved, we have not compiled information on the visitors (including the number of visitors and receptions, and their post titles).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO041**

**(Question Serial No. 0432)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What was the number of times that officers of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the Liaison Office) called on the Chief Executive between 1 January 2014 and 29 February 2016?

Asked by: Hon Dennis KWOK (Member Question No. 42)

Reply:

The Chief Executive maintains liaison with officers of offices set up by the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (including the Liaison Office) according to operational needs. We have not compiled any information relating to it.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO042**

**(Question Serial No. 2826)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office, (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The expenditure of the Chief Executive's Office will increase by more than \$4 million in the next year. Would the Government advise on what activities will be organised to make such an increase? As to the Executive Council, the expenditure will decrease by over \$300,000 in total in the coming year. What activities will be cancelled to make such a decrease? Why is the expenditure on the honoraria for Non-official Members of the Executive Council reduced? What are the total resources to be used for enhancing communication and liaison with the Legislative Council under Programmes (1) and (2)?

Asked by: Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung (Member Question No. 48)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure of the Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2016-17 is higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 by about \$4.1 million mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional provision for remuneration for special appointments arising from payment of end-of-contract gratuities to 2 officers under special appointment, and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs.

The estimated expenditure of the Executive Council for 2016-17 is lower than the revised estimate for 2015-16 by about \$300,000 mainly due to the decrease of estimated expenditure on salaries as a result of reduction of 1 Non-official Member of the Executive Council.

The current-term Government is committed to promoting economic development and improving people's livelihood. It seeks positive changes while maintaining stability, adopt an appropriately proactive approach, capitalise on opportunities and make long-term planning for the economic and social development. Guided by the above governance direction and priorities, the Chief Executive's Office will continue to liaise closely with policy bureaux, departments and other parties concerned to ensure that the Chief Executive receives timely and appropriate advice and support from them for the formulation and coordination of policies.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 4192)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: Not Specified

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the records management work of the Chief Executive's Office in the past year:

- (a) Please provide information on the number and ranks of officers designated to perform such work. If no officers were designated for such work, please provide information on the number of officers and the hours of work involved in records management duties, and the other duties they had to undertake in addition to records management;
- (b) Please list in the table below information on programme and administrative records which have been closed pending transfer to the Government Records Service (GRS) for appraisal:

| Category of records | Years covered by the records | Number and linear metres of records | Retention period approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents | Reasons for not yet transferring the records |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|                     |                              |                                     |                                  |                                 |  |

- (c) Please list in the table below information on programme and administrative records which have been transferred to GRS for retention:

| Category of records | Years covered by the records | Number and linear metres of records | Year in which the records were transferred to GRS | Retention period approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                     |                              |                                     |   |                                  |                                 |

- (d) Please list in the table below information on records which have been approved for destruction by GRS:

| Category of records | Name of records | Years covered by the records | Number and linear metres of records | Year in which the records were transferred to GRS | Retention period approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                     |                 |                              |                                     |   |                                  |                                 |

Asked by: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Member Question No. 104)

Reply:

- (a) In line with the service-wide records management requirements, the Chief Executive's Office has designated 1 Departmental Records Manager at the rank of Chief Executive Officer, underpinned by 1 Assistant Departmental Records Manager at the rank of Senior Executive Officer, to establish and implement a comprehensive departmental records management programme. We have also designated 1 directorate officer to oversee this matter. Other records management duties are mainly performed by staff at various ranks of the executive, clerical and secretarial grades. These duties include opening and closing of files, managing and maintaining an accurate file inventory, maintaining proper file storage, reviewing and arranging destruction of records, overseeing and monitoring records management activities, etc. in accordance with the departmental records management programme. Among these staff, 2 Confidential Assistants and 1 Clerical Assistant are deployed to perform these duties on a full-time basis, while the time spent by other staff on such duties varies according to actual needs.
- (b) Records closed in 2015 pending transfer from the Chief Executive's Office to the Government Records Service (GRS) for appraisal are as follows:

| Category of records | Years covered by the records | Number of files (linear metres) (lm) | Retention period recommended by this Office or approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents | Reasons for not yet transferring the records |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Programme           | 1997 – 2015                  | 396 (12.61 lm)                       | 7 – 25 years   | Some documents are confidential | Within retention period                      |
| Administrative      | 2013 – 2015                  | 20 (0.94 lm)                         | 3 years  | Yes                             | Within retention period                      |

- (c) Records transferred from this Office to GRS for retention in 2015 are as follows:

| Category of records | Years covered by the records | Number of files (linear metres) (lm) | Year in which the records were transferred to GRS | Retention period approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Programme           | 1981 – 2013                  | 51 (3.21 lm)                         | 2015  | Permanent                        | Yes                             |
| Administrative      | 1965 – 2012                  | 16 (0.72 lm)                         | 2015  | 2 – 3 years                      | No                              |

- (d) Records approved for destruction by GRS in 2015 are as follows:

| Category of records | Name of records  | Years covered by the records | Number of files (linear metres) (lm) | Retention period approved by GRS | Are they confidential documents |
|---------------------|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Administrative      | Administration   | 1971 – 2012                  | 104<br>(5.16 lm)                     | 2 – 3 years                      | No                              |
|                     | Accommodation and facilities   | 1974 – 2010                  | 11<br>(0.52 lm)                      | 3 years                          | No                              |
|                     | Procurement and supplies   | 1955 – 2012                  | 58<br>(2.91 lm)                      | 2 – 7 years                      | No                              |
|                     | Finance and accounting   | 1997 – 2011                  | 72<br>(3.6 lm)                       | 2 – 7 years                      | No                              |
|                     | Human resources  | 1997 – 2011                  | 4<br>(0.2 lm)                        | 3 years                          | No                              |
|                     | Management of information, information services and information technology | 1997 – 2009                  | 6<br>(0.3 lm)                        | 3 – 4 years                      | No                              |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO044**

**(Question Serial No. 4409)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

- (a) Please set out in tabular form the details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive since the current-term Government took office, including the place and purpose of visit, main itinerary, number of civil servants in his entourage and total expenditure;
- (b) Please set out in tabular form the date of each vacation leave taken by the Chief Executive since the current-term Government took office, specifying whether he left Hong Kong.

Asked by: Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit (Member Question No. 70)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 July 2012 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

Between 1 July 2012 and 29 February 2016, the incumbent Chief Executive took 51 days of leave in total in 13 periods.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 July 2012 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                          | Place of visit         | Size of entourage# | Expenses* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|--|
| 14 September 2012             | Guangzhou              | 3                  | 1,520.00       | To attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.   |
| 30 November – 1 December 2012 | Sanya                  | 4                  | 38,454.30      | To attend the 8 <sup>th</sup> Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 7 December 2012               | Guangzhou              | 2                  | 1,260.00       | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2012.  |
| 20 – 22 December 2012         | Beijing                | 4                  | 64,968.84      | To make annual work report, and call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).   |
| 6 February 2013               | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 4                  | 1,110.00       | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.   |
| 4 – 6 March 2013              | Beijing                | 4                  | 61,042.17      | To attend the opening ceremony of the first session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC), and meet with provincial leaders.  |
| 16 – 20 March 2013            | Beijing and Tianjin    | 5                  | 74,721.72      | To attend the closing ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and call on various CPG ministries in Beijing; and to call on leaders of Tianjin Municipal Government, and meet with Hong Kong people in Tianjin.   |
| 21 March 2013                 | Shenzhen               | 3                  | 0              | To attend the opening ceremony of the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, and call on the Secretary of the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China.   |
| 6 – 7 April 2013              | Qionghai               | 3                  | 50,446.49      | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  |
| 25 – 26 April 2013            | Beijing                | 4                  | 51,500.96      | To call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 4 – 5 June 2013               | Shanghai               | 3                  | 31,623.98      | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai. |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States        | 5                         | 650,199.89            | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                            | 4                         | 29,948.15             | To attend the 9th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                          | 3                         | 32,798.33             | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia                    | 7                         | 206,862.92            | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  |
| 22 – 24 October 2013   | Beijing                            | 4                         | 62,642.53             | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. |
| 27 – 29 November 2013  | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                         | 41,800.46             | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  |
| 6 – 7 December 2013    | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai    | 4                         | 5,871.57              | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.  |
| 16 – 19 December 2013  | Beijing                            | 4                         | 77,293.20             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |
| 23 – 25 January 2014   | Fuzhou and Xiamen                  | 5                         | 59,471.33             | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.   |
| 14 February 2014       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen             | 4                         | 0                     | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.  |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 90,883.83             | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th NPC and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.  |
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                         | 8,450.41              | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou.   |
| 9 – 11 April 2014     | Qionghai                                | 3                         | 28,931.81             | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014    | Shanghai                                | 6                         | 82,210.30             | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                         | 482,352.72            | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014  | Guangzhou                               | 1                         | 2,356.00              | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 6 November 2014       | Guangzhou                               | 3                         | 2,453.09              | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  |
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 105,345.74            | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea                            | 5                         | 111,202.34            | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.   |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                                 | 2                         | 0                     | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.   |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen                                | 1                         | 0                     | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.   |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                                   | 4                         | 9,798.95              | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government.  |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 71,916.14             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 3                         | 1,258.48              | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |

| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|--------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 2 – 6 March 2015   | Beijing  | 4                         | 72,084.42             | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 27 – 28 March 2015 | Qionghai                                       | 4                         | 32,922.40             | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   |
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai                             | 3                         | 38,749.04             | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou                                      | 3                         | 0                     | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia                         | 4                         | 73,282.99             | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  |
| 4 – 7 May 2015     | Boston, the United States                      | 4                         | 449,176.73            | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015     | Beijing  | 2                         | 38,404.67             | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015        | Shenzhen                                       | 3                         | 0                     | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   |
| 7 – 12 June 2015   | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                         | 365,072.38            | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.   |
| 10 July 2015       | Shenzhen                                       | 1                         | 0                     | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015  | Beijing  | 4                         | 50,211.10             | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Expenses* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 12 August 2015         | Zhuhai   | 3                         | 2,585.00              | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                        | 139,283.27            | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                         | 73,618.04             | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                         | 688,793.07            | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                         | 82,006.11             | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015    | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou        | 2                         | 5,530.02              | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015  | Beijing  | 4                         | 67,290.01             | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 1 – 5 February 2016    | Mumbai and New Delhi, India                      | 4                         | 200,633.25            | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.  |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 5704)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Would the Government inform this Committee of the following:

- (a) What is the present establishment of the Chief Executive's Office? Regarding the establishment, what is the estimated expenditure on emoluments (per officer) for the current year (i.e. 2016-17) (including those for the Chief Executive, the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, etc., if available)?

| Post/rank | No. of officers | Estimated expenditure on emoluments (per officer) | Remarks |
|-----------|-----------------|---|---------|
|           |                 |   |         |

- (b) How many days of paid leave per year is the Chief Executive entitled to?

- (c) C Y Leung has taken leave for a number of times since he took office. Please give the details (from the day he took office to the present) in tabular form:

| Period | Number of leave days | Reason |
|--------|----------------------|--------|
|        |                      |        |

- (d) How many days of leave did the 3 Chief Executives take each year during their terms of office? Please give the figures in tabular form:

|      | TUNG Chee-hwa | Donald TSANG | C Y LEUNG |
|------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1997 |               |              |           |
| 1998 |               |              |           |
| 1999 |               |              |           |
| 2000 |               |              |           |
| 2001 |               |              |           |
| 2002 |               |              |           |

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| 2003 |  |  |  |
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| 2015 |  |  |  |
| 2016 |  |  |  |

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 510)

Reply:

- (a) The Chief Executive's Office will have an establishment of 103 permanent posts in 2016-17. The types of permanent posts, their respective numbers and the estimated expenditure on their emoluments (including salaries, allowances and job-related allowances) are tabulated below:

| <b>Types of duties</b>   | <b>No. of posts on establishment</b> | <b>Estimated expenditure on emoluments</b> |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Policy coordination; planning and arrangements for the Chief Executive's official activities; and coordination of news and public relations work | 12                                   | \$18,933,083                               |
| Departmental administration  | 12                                   | \$10,927,096                               |
| Translation services   | 2                                    | \$2,151,780                                |
| Secretarial and other support services   | 20                                   | \$8,702,015                                |
| Clerical and general support services  | 30                                   | \$7,754,148                                |
| Domestic services for the Chief Executive's official residences  | 20                                   | \$6,438,306                                |
| Driving services   | 7                                    | \$2,393,417                                |
| Total  | 103                                  | \$57,299,845                               |

- (b) The Chief Executive is entitled to 22 working days of leave each year.
- (c) Between 1 July 2012 and 29 February 2016, the incumbent Chief Executive took 51 days of leave in total in 13 periods.
- (d) Former Chief Executive Mr TUNG Chee-hwa took 59.5 days of leave in 25 periods during his term of office of about 8 years. Former Chief Executive Mr Donald TSANG took 89.5 days of leave in 48 periods during his term of office of about 7 years. Please refer to section (c) above for information in respect of the incumbent Chief Executive.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO046**

**(Question Serial No. 5725)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please inform this Committee of the expenditures on the management of C Y Leung's Facebook and Youtube by your Office in the past 3 years and the estimated expenditure for the coming year.

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 531)

Reply:

Over the past 3 years, the Chief Executive's Office has not deployed any dedicated manpower or financial resources to manage social media platforms. No dedicated manpower or financial resources have been earmarked for this purpose in the 2016-17 Estimates.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO047**

**(Question Serial No. 4582)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The Chief Executive has appointed a number of committees which perform advisory functions or even formulate concrete policies in different areas. However, it seems that the public know very little about the work of these committees, and therefore it is hard for them to assess their effectiveness. In this regard, would the Government set out the following information:

- (a) Total expenditure related to each committee in the past 5 years;
- (b) Expenditure related to each new committee set up by the current-term Government since the committee came into operation.

Asked by: Hon Claudia MO (Member Question No. 60)

Reply:

As a general rule, the relevant bureaux/departments are responsible for providing support services for advisory and statutory bodies appointed by the Chief Executive, as well as paying for their operational expenses. This Office does not have information on the expenditure involved.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO048**

**(Question Serial No. 3477)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

In the past year, remuneration for special appointments by the Chief Executive's Office amounted to \$11,672,000. What were the posts involved and their respective numbers, job nature and annual salaries?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 253)

Reply:

Duties of officers under special appointment in this Office and expenditure on remuneration in 2015-16 are set out below:

| Post   | Duties   | Expenditure on remuneration |
|--|--|-----------------------------|
| Director of Chief Executive's Office (D,CEO) | Works with Principal Officials in policy formulation and sets policy priorities to ensure full implementation of the Chief Executive (CE)'s Policy Address and decisions; enhances communication with the Executive Council and the Legislative Council; and liaises with political parties and groups, various sectors of the community and district personalities to secure their support for the Government's work. | \$3.60m                     |

| Post   | Duties   | Expenditure on remuneration                     |
|--|--|---|
| Information Coordinator                      | Formulates media and public relations strategy for and coordinates the timetable of the introduction of major policies and programmes; liaises closely with Director of Information Services and bureau press officers to ensure effective implementation of media and public relations strategy for major policies; monitors public and media feedback; and helps plan and implement CE's programme of public functions involving media interactions. | \$2.96m   |
| Senior Special Assistant                     | Advises CE on Mainland-related issues; liaises with the Central People's Government and provides support in the organisation of CE's visits to the Mainland; researches on matters relating to CE's networking with business and community organisations with strong Mainland connections.   | \$2.16m   |
| Special Assistant                            | Assists CE's Office in liaising with various sectors of the community; and conducts research and prepares briefs for CE and senior officials.  | \$1.31m   |
| Senior Personal Assistant to Chief Executive | Provides secretarial support to CE.  | \$1.04m   |
| Driver for D,CEO                             | Performs driving duties for D,CEO.   | \$0.52m<br>(including end-of-contract gratuity) |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO049**

**(Question Serial No. 3478)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What were the expenditures on the annual salaries, honoraria and benefits of the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council and each Non-official Member of the Executive Council in the past 3 years? What were the expenditures on the annual salaries, honoraria and benefits of those Non-official Members of the Executive Council who were also Members of the Legislative Council at the same time? What is the estimated expenditure incurred by these Members for the coming year?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 254)

Reply:

The honoraria for the Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council (ExCo) and each Non-official ExCo Member in the past 3 years are tabulated below:

|                    | Expenditure on honoraria for the Convenor of the Non-official ExCo Members | Expenditure on honoraria for each Non-official ExCo Member |
|--------------------|--|--|
| 2013-14            | \$1.24m  | \$0.82m  |
| 2014-15            | \$1.38m  | \$0.86m  |
| 2015-16 (Estimate) | \$1.49m  | \$0.93m  |

ExCo Members who are also Members of the Legislative Council (LegCo) at the same time can receive the full amount of honoraria payable to them as ExCo Members and two-thirds of the salaries payable to them as LegCo Members.

The total estimated expenditure on honoraria for ExCo Members for 2016-17 is \$13.74 million.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO050**

**(Question Serial No. 3481)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According to Programme (1), the Chief Executive's Office is responsible for ensuring that the wife of the Chief Executive undertakes effectively a wide range of social engagements. In the evening of last year's Halloween, LEUNG Chai-yan, daughter of the Chief Executive, went to Lan Kwai Fong, Central, to participate in a Halloween party. In the early hours of the following day, the wife of the Chief Executive arrived there by taxi in a bid to take LEUNG Chi-yan home. In this regard, was the taxi fare paid by the wife of the Chief Executive regarded as an expenditure item on social engagements? If yes, what was the amount of expenses involved? If no, what are the criteria of the Chief Executive's Office for deciding the expenditures on the social engagements of the Chief Executive and his wife.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 278)

Reply:

This Office provides general support for the public and social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive. The above incident did not relate to any public engagements.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO051**

**(Question Serial No. 3482)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

As reported by the media, LEUNG Chi-yan, daughter of the Chief Executive, called for hire car services through the Uber app and used the services to go from Government House to Mandarin Oriental, Central in late September 2015. In this regard, was the hire car services used by the daughter of the Chief Executive regarded as an expenditure item of the Chief Executive's Office on social engagements? What was the amount of expenses involved?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 285)

Reply:

This Office does not provide support for the private activities of the Chief Executive's family members.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO052**

**(Question Serial No. 5405)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

As stated in the Policy Address, the Government will set up a steering committee for the Belt and Road. The Chief Executive will chair the committee, which will be responsible for formulating strategies and policies for Hong Kong's participation in the Belt and Road Initiative. A Belt and Road Office will also be established to take forward related studies. In this regard, would the Government advise on the purpose of setting up the steering committee, its scope of work, composition, estimated expenditure, manpower and departments involved? What are the number of projects that the Government will launch on the Belt and Road Initiative in the coming year and the amount of expenditure involved? Which projects of government departments will be involved?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 164)

Reply:

The Government will set up a steering committee for the Belt and Road. The Chief Executive will chair the committee, which will be responsible for formulating strategies and policies for Hong Kong's participation in the Belt and Road Initiative. A Belt and Road Office will also be established to take forward related studies, and coordinate work between government departments and other organisations, such as the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and the Hong Kong Tourism Board. It will also liaise with the central ministries, provincial and municipal authorities, as well as various sectors, professional bodies and community organisations in Hong Kong. The Government will consider the composition of the steering committee as well as the organisation and functions of the related office carefully. Details will be announced in due course. This Office has not earmarked any additional manpower or financial resources for the above work for 2016-17.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO053**

**(Question Serial No. 5483)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According Programme (1), the Chief Executive's Office is also responsible for assisting the wife of the Chief Executive in undertaking effectively a wide range of public and social engagements. In this regard, would the Office inform this Committee in tabular form of the organisations and associations of which the wife of the Chief Executive is the honorary president or patron? What are the details of expenses on activities attended by the wife of the Chief Executive in her official capacity in the past 3 years (2013-14 to 2015-16)?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 243)

Reply:

As at February 2016, the wife of the Chief Executive holds honorary posts of 75 public interest or charitable organisations (see Annex), and participates in and promotes the activities of these organisations in her official capacity. The Chief Executive's Office does not have any dedicated manpower for assisting the wife of the Chief Executive in managing her official activities. The Office deploys 1 Assistant Social Secretary, 2 Administrative Assistants, 1 Assistant Clerical Officer and 1 Personal Chauffeur to provide support to the wife of the Chief Executive in addition to performing other duties.

**Honorary Posts Held by the Wife of the Chief Executive**

| <b>Organisation</b>  | <b>Position</b>    | <b>Beginning date of term of office (month/year)</b> | <b>Ending date of term of office</b> |
|--|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Eye Care Charitable Foundation                              | Honorary Patron    | 1/2015   | Not specified                        |
| 2. Kowloon Women's Organisations Federation Limited            | Honorary Patron    | 6/2014   | 5/2017                               |
| 3. Ebenezer School and Home for The Visually Impaired          | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 4. Mother's Choice   | Patron             | 2/2013   | Not specified                        |
| 5. Hong Chi Association  | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 6. Guangdong Jiangmen League of Women at Homeland and Overseas | Honorary President | 9/2014   | Not specified                        |
| 7. Helping Hand  | Patron             | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 8. Against Child Abuse Limited                                 | Patron             | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 9. The Asian Foundation for the Prevention of Blindness        | Patron             | 6/2014   | Not specified                        |
| 10. Youth Outreach   | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 11. Heep Hong Society  | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 12. Harmony House Limited                                      | Patron             | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 13. Yau Tsim Mong Women Association                            | Honorary President | 6/2014   | 6/2017                               |
| 14. The YTMWA Care Foundation Limited                          | Honorary Advisor   | 3/2014   | 3/2018                               |
| 15. Social Welfare Department "Volunteer Movement"             | Volunteer-in-Chief | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 16. South China Athletic Association (Women Section)           | Honorary Advisor   | 7/2012<br>6/2014                                     | 6/2014<br>5/2016                     |
| 17. Suen Mei Speech & Hearing Centre                           | Patron             | 12/2013  | Not specified                        |
| 18. Red Ribbon Centre  | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 19. The Hong Kong Tianjin Friendship Association Ltd.          | Honorary Patron    | 5/2015   | Not specified                        |
| 20. Hong Kong Federation of Women Lawyers                      | Patron             | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 21. The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association                      | President          | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 22. The Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club                         | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 23. The Community Chest of Hong Kong                           | President          | 6/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 24. Association of Hong Kong Flag-guards                       | Honorary Patron    | 12/2013  | Not specified                        |
| 25. Hong Kong Federation of Women                              | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 26. Women's Welfare Club Western District Hong Kong            | Honorary Patron    | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 27. Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation                         | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 28. The Hong Kong Paediatric Society                           | Patron             | 7/2012<br>7/2014<br>7/2015                           | 6/2014<br>6/2015<br>Not specified    |
| 29. Hong Kong Childhealth Foundation                           | Patron             | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 30. Caritas Fund Raising Committee                             | Patron             | 9/2012<br>9/2014<br>9/2015                           | 8/2014<br>8/2015<br>Not specified    |
| 31. Hong Kong Ballet   | Honorary Patron    | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 32. The Hong Kong Ballet Group                                 | Honorary Patron    | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 33. Hong Kong Army Cadets Association                          | Commander-in-chief | 1/2015   | Not specified                        |

| <b>Organisation</b>   | <b>Position</b>    | <b>Beginning date of term of office (month/year)</b> | <b>Ending date of term of office</b> |
|---|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 34. The Hong Kong Down Syndrome Association                               | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 35. The Family Planning Association of Hong Kong                          | Honorary President | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 36. Arts with the Disabled Association Hong Kong                          | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 37. Hong Kong Island Women's Association Limited                          | Honorary Patron    | 10/2014  | 10/2017                              |
| 38. Hong Kong Sports Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability | Patron             | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 39. Hong Kong Special Olympics  | Patron             | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 40. The Hong Kong Society for the Aged                                    | President          | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 41. International Social Service Hong Kong Branch                         | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 42. The Hong Kong Association of Private Eye Surgeons                     | Honorary Patron    | 3/2013   | Not specified                        |
| 43. Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association                         | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 44. Hong Kong Women Development Association Limited                       | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 45. Hong Kong PHAB Association  | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 46. Hong Kong Federation of Handicapped Youth                             | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 47. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (HK)                 | Patron             | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 48. Hong Kong Oratorio Society  | Honorary Patron    | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 49. Hong Kong Fujian Women Association                                    | Honorary Patron    | 12/2014  | Not specified                        |
| 50. Hong Kong Dance Company   | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 51. Hong Kong Alzheimer's Disease Association                             | Patron             | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 52. The Samaritans Befrienders Hong Kong                                  | Patron             | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 53. Hong Kong Student Aid Society   | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 54. The Friends of The Hong Kong Museum of Art                            | Honorary Patron    | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 55. SAHK (The Spastics Association of Hong Kong)                          | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 56. Zonta Clubs in Hong Kong, Zonta International District 17             | Patron             | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 57. Lions Kidney Educational Centre and Research Foundation               | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012<br>6/2015                                     | 6/2015<br>Not specified              |
| 58. The Helena May  | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 59. Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care                             | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 60. Hong Kong & Kowloon Kaifong Women's Association Limited               | Honorary President | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 61. Operation Santa Claus   | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 62. Hong Kong Cheshire Home Foundation                                    | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 63. St. James' Settlement   | Honorary Patron    | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 64. Shell/Island JC Scholarship for the Disabled                          | Honorary Patron    | 9/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 65. The Society of the Academy for Performing Arts                        | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |

| <b>Organisation</b>                              | <b>Position</b>    | <b>Beginning date of term of office (month/year)</b> | <b>Ending date of term of office</b> |
|--|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 66. Watchdog Early Education Centre              | Patron             | 10/2012  | Not specified                        |
| 67. Green Power                                  | Honorary Patron    | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 68. Food for Good Limited                        | Founder and Patron | 1/2013   | Not specified                        |
| 69. The Samaritans                               | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 70. The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council      | Patron             | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 71. Hok Yau Club                                 | Honorary Patron    | 1/2013   | Not specified                        |
| 72. Treats                                       | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 73. The Hospital Authority Charitable Foundation | Honorary Patron    | 8/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 74. Care for Your Heart                          | Honorary Patron    | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |
| 75. Make-A-Wish Hong Kong                        | Patron             | 7/2012   | Not specified                        |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO054**

**(Question Serial No. 5484)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According to Programme (1), the Chief Executive's Office is responsible for ensuring the efficient management of the Chief Executive's Office building, the Government House and the Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling. In this regard, would the Office inform this Committee of the following using the table below:

|  | Staff establishment | Staff cost | Basic operational expenses (on water, electricity, town gas and telephone services) | Management and maintenance expenses | Miscellaneous expenses | Utilisation rate |
|--|---------------------|------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Chief Executive's Office building              |                     |            |   |                                     |                        |                  |
| Government House                               |                     |            |   |                                     |                        |                  |
| Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling |                     |            |   |                                     |                        |                  |

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 245)

Reply:

The Chief Executive's Office building provides office accommodation for the Chief Executive and other officers of this Office. Government House is the residence of the Chief Executive and is also used for receiving visitors and holding social functions.

Fanling Lodge is used by the Chief Executive for vacation purpose and is also used for receiving visitors and holding social functions.

The Chief Executive's Office will have an establishment of 103 permanent posts in 2016-17. The types of permanent posts, their respective numbers and estimated expenditure on their emoluments (including salaries, allowances and job-related allowances) are tabulated below:

| <b>Types of duties</b>   | <b>No. of posts on establishment</b> | <b>Estimated expenditure on emoluments</b> |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| Policy coordination; planning and arrangements for the Chief Executive's official activities; and coordination of news and public relations work | 12                                   | \$18,933,083                               |
| Departmental administration  | 12                                   | \$10,927,096                               |
| Translation services   | 2                                    | \$2,151,780                                |
| Secretarial and other support services   | 20                                   | \$8,702,015                                |
| Clerical and general support services  | 30                                   | \$7,754,148                                |
| Domestic services for the Chief Executive's official residences  | 20                                   | \$6,438,306                                |
| Driving services   | 7                                    | \$2,393,417                                |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>103</b>                           | <b>\$57,299,845</b>                        |

The estimated expenditures on the management of Government House and Fanling Lodge for 2016-17 are \$6.79 million and \$0.82 million respectively. As part of the Central Government Offices, the Chief Executive's Office building is managed by the Administration Wing of the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office. The relevant management expenses are paid by the Administration Wing. Other miscellaneous expenses and relevant operational expenses (such as expenses on telephone services) are paid under "General departmental expenses" of this Office. Expenses on the maintenance of the Chief Executive's Office building, Government House and Fanling Lodge are paid by the Architectural Services Department.

As mentioned above, while the Chief Executive's official functions are held mainly at Government House or the Chief Executive's Office building, the Chief Executive may also receive visitors at Fanling Lodge where appropriate.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**(Question Serial No. 5489)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

According to Programme (1), there are 104 staff in the Chief Executive's Office, including 5 directorate posts, in 2016-17. Would the Government inform this Committee of the types, salaries, allowances and job nature of these 5 directorate posts; and the types, salaries, allowances and job nature of the 99 non-directorate permanent posts, as well as the number of each type of these posts?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 251)

Reply:

Taking into account the proposed deletion of 1 non-directorate permanent post, the Chief Executive's Office will have 5 directorate permanent posts and 98 non-directorate permanent posts in 2016-17. The types of these posts and their respective numbers and monthly salaries are tabulated below:

| <b>Types of duties</b>   | <b>No. of directorate posts</b> | <b>No. of non-directorate posts</b> | <b>Monthly salaries</b> |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Policy coordination; planning and arrangements for the Chief Executive's official activities; and coordination of news and public relations work | 5                               | -                                   | \$154,950– \$235,950    |
|  | -                               | 7                                   | \$49,465 – \$117,080    |
| Departmental administration  | -                               | 12                                  | \$49,465 – \$117,080    |
| Translation services   | -                               | 2                                   | \$49,465 – \$117,080    |
| Secretarial and other support services   | -                               | 20                                  | \$13,970 – \$77,650     |
| Clerical and general support services  | -                               | 30                                  | \$11,575 – \$35,890     |
| Domestic services for the Chief Executive's official residences  | -                               | 20                                  | \$13,970 – \$32,560     |
| Driving services   | -                               | 7                                   | \$14,905 – \$25,505     |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>5</b>                        | <b>98</b>                           |                         |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO056**

**(Question Serial No. 5490)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please set out the dates on which the Chief Executive was away from Hong Kong in the past 3 years. During the period, how many times did the Chief Executive leave Hong Kong on official business and how many times for private reasons?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. 252)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 April 2013 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex. Announcements will be made about the Chief Executive's vacation leave and relevant acting arrangements will be gazetted. We are not supposed to disclose information about private trips made by the Chief Executive outside Hong Kong as it involves his personal data.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2013 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                   | Place of visit              | Size of entourage | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|
| 6 – 7 April 2013       | Qionghai                    | 3                 | 4,276.37                 | 16,088.00    | 30,082.12           | 50,446.49         | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  |
| 25 – 26 April 2013     | Beijing                     | 4                 | 2,750.88                 | 40,900.00    | 7,850.08            | 51,500.96         | To call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).  |
| 4 – 5 June 2013        | Shanghai                    | 3                 | 1,655.86                 | 25,012.00    | 4,956.12            | 31,623.98         | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai. |
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States | 5                 | 63,423.05                | 571,812.00   | 14,964.84           | 650,199.89        | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                     | 4                 | 0                        | 25,825.00    | 4,123.15            | 29,948.15         | To attend the 9th Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                   | 3                 | 4,068.31                 | 26,646.00    | 2,084.02            | 32,798.33         | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia             | 7                 | 46,333.51                | 141,572.00   | 18,957.41           | 206,862.92        | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>              | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 22 – 24 October 2013  | Beijing                            | 4                        | 8,127.60                        | 40,655.00           | 13,859.93                  | 62,642.53                | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. |
| 27 – 29 November 2013 | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang | 3                        | 11,345.90                       | 24,086.00           | 6,368.56                   | 41,800.46                | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium.  |
| 6 – 7 December 2013   | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai    | 4                        | 0                               | 0                   | 5,871.57                   | 5,871.57                 | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.  |
| 16 – 19 December 2013 | Beijing                            | 4                        | 8,752.80                        | 42,330.00           | 26,210.40                  | 77,293.20                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen                  | 5                        | 17,030.03                       | 32,058.00           | 10,383.30                  | 59,471.33                | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.   |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen             | 4                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.  |
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                            | 5                        | 12,579.00                       | 48,976.00           | 29,328.83                  | 90,883.83                | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC) and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.  |

| Date                  | Place of visit                          | Size of entourage | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit  |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                 | 4,539.15                 | 0            | 3,911.26            | 8,450.41          | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou.   |
| 9 – 11 April 2014     | Qionghai                                | 3                 | 8,553.42                 | 9,894.00     | 10,484.39           | 28,931.81         | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014    | Shanghai                                | 6                 | 15,067.02                | 46,490.00    | 20,653.28           | 82,210.30         | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   |
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                 | 8,112.85                 | 444,375.00   | 29,864.87           | 482,352.72        | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014  | Guangzhou                               | 1                 | 0                        | 0            | 2,356.00            | 2,356.00          | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 6 November 2014       | Guangzhou                               | 3                 | 0                        | 1,300.00     | 1,153.09            | 2,453.09          | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  |
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing                                 | 5                 | 28,289.12                | 49,000.00    | 28,056.62           | 105,345.74        | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea                            | 5                 | 11,259.00                | 87,724.00    | 12,219.34           | 111,202.34        | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.   |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                                 | 2                 | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.   |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>  | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen               | 1                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.   |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                  | 4                        | 0                               | 2,958.00            | 6,840.95                   | 9,798.95                 | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government.                                      |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                | 5                        | 6,781.86                        | 51,335.00           | 13,799.28                  | 71,916.14                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 3                        | 0                               | 1,258.48            | 0                          | 1,258.48                 | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 2 – 6 March 2015      | Beijing                | 4                        | 13,836.96                       | 34,485.00           | 23,762.46                  | 72,084.42                | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 27 – 28 March 2015    | Qionghai               | 4                        | 4,350.70                        | 24,555.00           | 4,016.70                   | 32,922.40                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   |
| 8 – 10 April 2015     | Wuhan and Shanghai     | 3                        | 8,909.68                        | 22,464.00           | 7,375.36                   | 38,749.04                | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. |
| 21 April 2015         | Guangzhou              | 3                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015    | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | 4                        | 26,113.67                       | 38,580.00           | 8,589.32                   | 73,282.99                | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.                                  |

| <b>Date</b>          | <b>Place of visit</b>                          | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 4 – 7 May 2015       | Boston, the United States                      | 4                        | 15,476.21                       | 428,380.00          | 5,320.52                   | 449,176.73               | To attend Cathay Pacific’s dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong’s aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015       | Beijing  | 2                        | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015          | Shenzhen                                       | 3                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   |
| 7 – 12 June 2015     | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States | 3                        | 44,800.58                       | 305,626.00          | 14,645.80                  | 365,072.38               | To attend the HKTDC’s “Think Asia, Think Hong Kong” campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.   |
| 10 July 2015         | Shenzhen                                       | 1                        | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015    | Beijing  | 4                        | 3,364.50                        | 40,585.00           | 6,261.60                   | 50,211.10                | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the “Belt and Road” initiative.   |
| 12 August 2015       | Zhuhai   | 3                        | 0                               | 2,585.00            | 0                          | 2,585.00                 | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015 | Beijing  | 13                       | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people’s war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>                            | <b>Size of entourage</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                        | 19,167.10                       | 43,385.00           | 11,065.94                  | 73,618.04                | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                        | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                        | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015    | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou        | 2                        | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015  | Beijing  | 4                        | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 1 – 5 February 2016    | Mumbai and New Delhi, India                      | 4                        | 42,904.50                       | 137,095.00          | 20,633.75                  | 200,633.25               | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.  |

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any)

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO057**

**(Question Serial No. 5804)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

I often found the Special Assistant of the Chief Executive's Office hanging around the Ante Chamber or other areas of the Legislative Council Complex during meetings of the Legislative Council or the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council. Would the Government explain the reasons why the officer concerned stays in the Legislative Council Complex for a long period of time? What is the relation between the Special Assistant's prolonged activities in the Complex and her job duties?

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 101)

Reply:

The Special Assistant of the Chief Executive's Office is responsible for assisting this Office in liaising with various sectors of the community, including Members of the Legislative Council; and conducting research and preparing briefs for the Chief Executive and senior officials. In order to perform these duties, the Special Assistant has to go to the Legislative Council Complex from time to time to liaise with Members of the Legislative Council.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO058**

**(Question Serial No. 6254)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What were the types, numbers and unit prices of and total expenditure on computers and electronic products purchased by the Chief Executive's Office in 2015-16?

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 386)

Reply:

The Chief Executive's Office purchases computer software and hardware as well as electronic products according to its actual needs and in compliance with the Government's procurement guidelines. The expenditure on computer software and hardware (including electronic products) of this Office from April 2015 to February 2016 was \$92,586.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO059**

**(Question Serial No. 6569)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

How many invitations were received in 2015-16 by the Chief Executive's Office, requesting the Chief Executive to officiate at activities? Of those activities, how many did the Chief Executive attend? What were the details of such activities? How many activities did the Chief Executive use to officiate at but not attend this year? What were the reasons? (Please set out in tabular form the date and content of each activity and the reasons for his absence.)

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 413)

Reply:

From time to time, the Chief Executive is invited to attend activities organised by different bodies. Besides government departments, these bodies include schools, international organisations, trade associations, foreign consulates in Hong Kong, offices set up by the Central People's Government in Hong Kong, and district organisations. The activities are of many different types, including award presentation ceremonies, graduation ceremonies, celebratory receptions, forums, seminars and trade promotion events. In 2015-16, the Chief Executive received invitations to more than 700 activities, of which he attended a total of over 260, including officiating at ceremonies and speaking at seminars. In deciding whether to accept an invitation, the Chief Executive's Office will take into account a number of factors, including the theme, nature and scale of the activity; the Chief Executive's work schedule; and whether there are suitable officials who can represent the Government in attending the activity.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO060**

**(Question Serial No. 6579)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

What were the exchanges made by the Chief Executive with Mainland China in 2015-16? Did he visit Mainland China during the year? If yes, what was the number of visits? What were the details of the exchanges? Please set out the dates and places of the activities, numbers of participants, expenditure involved and contents of the activities.

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 431)

Reply:

Details of the Chief Executive's visits to Mainland China from 1 April 2015 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 April 2015 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                  | Place of visit                            | Size of entourage | Expenses*<br>(\$) | Purpose of visit  |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| 8 – 10 April 2015     | Wuhan and Shanghai                        | 3                 | 38,749.04         | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference. |
| 21 April 2015         | Guangzhou                                 | 3                 | 0                 | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 8 – 9 May 2015        | Beijing                                   | 2                 | 38,404.67         | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |
| 31 May 2015           | Shenzhen                                  | 3                 | 0                 | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and Members of the Legislative Council.  |
| 10 July 2015          | Shenzhen                                  | 1                 | 0                 | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015     | Beijing                                   | 4                 | 50,211.10         | To meet with various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG) on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.  |
| 12 August 2015        | Zhuhai                                    | 3                 | 2,585.00          | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.                            |
| 2 – 4 September 2015  | Beijing                                   | 13                | 139,283.27        | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                 | 5,530.02          | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities.  |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                 | 67,290.01         | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO061**

**(Question Serial No. 6592)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

How many graduation ceremonies has the Chief Executive attended in the capacity of Chancellor of institutions funded by the University Grants Committee since taking office? Please provide the dates that the Chief Executive attended the ceremonies and the names of the institutions that held the ceremonies.

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 468)

Reply:

The graduation ceremonies attended by the Chief Executive in the capacity of Chancellor of institutions funded by the University Grants Committee between 1 July 2012 and 29 February 2016 are set out below:

| <u>Institutions</u>                  | <u>Date of attendance</u> |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| City University of Hong Kong         | 13 November 2012          |
| The Hong Kong Institute of Education | 16 November 2012          |
| The University of Hong Kong          | 27 November 2012          |
| The Hong Kong Polytechnic University | 27 October 2013           |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO062**

**(Question Serial No. 4805)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please explain the calculation of the Chief Executive's non-accountable entertainment allowance.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 605)

Reply:

The rate of the Chief Executive's non-accountable entertainment allowance is adjusted annually in accordance with the movement of the Composite Consumer Price Index. For example, the rate of the allowance for 2016-17 will be increased by 3% to \$897,000 according to the movement of the Composite Consumer Price Index.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO063**

**(Question Serial No. 6361)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (2) Executive Council

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The estimated provision for 2016-17 is higher than the original estimate for 2015-16 by 8%. What are the reasons?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 287)

Reply:

The estimated provision for 2016-17 is higher than the original estimate for 2015-16 by about 8%. This increase mainly reflects the adjustments on the honoraria for Non-official Members of the Executive Council, including the adjustment arising from the restoration of their honoraria to the original level with effect from 1 February 2015 when the voluntary 5.38% reduction in their honoraria adopted since July 2009 ceased to apply; and a 2.5% increase in their honoraria with effect from October 2015 under the existing mechanism, i.e. in accordance with the movement of the Composite Consumer Price Index.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO064**

**(Question Serial No. 6362)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

The estimated provision for 2016-17 is higher than the original estimate for 2015-16 by 9.1%. What are the reasons?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 288)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure of the Chief Executive's Office (excluding the Executive Council) for 2016-17 is higher than the estimate for 2015-16 by 9.1% mainly due to the additional expenditure on personal emoluments, the additional provision for remuneration for special appointments arising from payment of end-of-contract gratuities to 2 officers under special appointment, and the increase in general departmental expenses for operational needs.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO065**

**(Question Serial No. 6613)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please set out in tabular form the manpower, posts, number of working hours and expenditure involved in the operation of social media platforms of the Chief Executive's Office in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 290)

Reply:

Over the past 5 years, this Office has not deployed any dedicated manpower or financial resources to manage social media platforms.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO066**

**(Question Serial No. 6614)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the Chief Executive's country residence at Fanling, please set out the following:

- (a) The expenses involved and content of the expenses of the residence in the past 5 years;
- (b) The numbers of times that the Chief Executive used the residence in the past 5 years;
- (c) Lists of guests entertained by the Chief Executive at the residence in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 291)

Reply:

- (a) The management expenses of Fanling Lodge in the past 5 years are set out below:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Management expenses</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| 2011-12     | \$0.57m                    |
| 2012-13     | \$0.62m                    |
| 2013-14     | \$0.66m                    |
| 2014-15     | \$0.76m                    |
| 2015-16     | \$0.79m (revised estimate) |

- (b) The numbers of official activities held by the Chief Executive at Fanling Lodge in the past 5 years are set out below:

| <u>Year</u>                | <u>No. of official activities</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2011-12                    | 1                                 |
| 2012-13                    | 4                                 |
| 2013-14                    | 2                                 |
| 2014-15                    | 1                                 |
| April 2015 – February 2016 | 3                                 |

- (c) For operational needs, the Chief Executive's Office has to maintain close liaison with members of the community, including Members of the Legislative Council, the media, local personalities and representatives of different sectors. While the Chief Executive's official functions are held mainly at Government House or the Chief Executive's Office building, the Chief Executive may also receive guests at Fanling Lodge where appropriate. We have not compiled information on the guests.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO067**

**(Question Serial No. 6615)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please set out the following information from the time the Chief Executive took office: (1) places of visits (including Mainland China); (2) reasons for visits (including Mainland China); (3) ranks and sizes of entourage; (4) expenses on hotel accommodation, meals and transportation incurred by the Chief Executive and his entourage respectively.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 292)

Reply:

Details of duty visits made by the Chief Executive from 1 July 2012 to 29 February 2016 are set out at Annex.

## Duty Visits of the Chief Executive (1 July 2012 – 29 February 2016)

| Date                          | Place of visit         | Size of entourage# | Hotel accommodation (\$) | Passage (\$) | Other expenses (\$) | Grand total* (\$) | Purpose of visit   |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|
| 14 September 2012             | Guangzhou              | 3                  | 0                        | 0            | 1,520.00            | 1,520.00          | To attend the 15 <sup>th</sup> Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.   |
| 30 November – 1 December 2012 | Sanya                  | 4                  | 0                        | 31,755.00    | 6,699.30            | 38,454.30         | To attend the 8 <sup>th</sup> Pan-Pearl River Delta (PPRD) Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 7 December 2012               | Guangzhou              | 2                  | 0                        | 0            | 1,260.00            | 1,260.00          | To attend Hong Kong-Pearl River Delta (PRD) Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2012.  |
| 20 – 22 December 2012         | Beijing                | 4                  | 0                        | 40,785.00    | 24,183.84           | 64,968.84         | To make annual work report, and call on various ministries of the Central People's Government (CPG).   |
| 6 February 2013               | Guangzhou and Shenzhen | 4                  | 0                        | 0            | 1,110.00            | 1,110.00          | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.   |
| 4 – 6 March 2013              | Beijing                | 4                  | 0                        | 41,875.00    | 19,167.17           | 61,042.17         | To attend the opening ceremony of the first session of the 12th National People's Congress (NPC), and meet with provincial leaders.  |
| 16 – 20 March 2013            | Beijing and Tianjin    | 5                  | 0                        | 47,268.00    | 27,453.72           | 74,721.72         | To attend the closing ceremony of the first session of the 12th NPC, and call on various CPG ministries in Beijing; and to call on leaders of Tianjin Municipal Government, and meet with Hong Kong people in Tianjin. |
| 21 March 2013                 | Shenzhen               | 3                  | 0                        | 0            | 0                   | 0                 | To attend the opening ceremony of the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital, and call on the Secretary of the Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China.   |
| 6 – 7 April 2013              | Qionghai               | 3                  | 4,276.37                 | 16,088.00    | 30,082.12           | 50,446.49         | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2013.  |

| <b>Date</b>            | <b>Place of visit</b>       | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 25 – 26 April 2013     | Beijing                     | 4                         | 2,750.88                        | 40,900.00           | 7,850.08                   | 51,500.96                | To call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 4 – 5 June 2013        | Shanghai                    | 3                         | 1,655.86                        | 25,012.00           | 4,956.12                   | 31,623.98                | To call on leaders of Shanghai Municipal Government, and address the opening ceremony of the 2nd Annual Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific Summit; and to visit organisations and facilities, and meet with Hong Kong people who study and do business in Shanghai.   |
| 9 – 13 June 2013       | New York, the United States | 5                         | 63,423.05                       | 571,812.00          | 14,964.84                  | 650,199.89               | To attend trade promotion events organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC); and to hold meetings with political and business leaders, and meet with Hong Kong people who work and study in New York.  |
| 8 – 9 September 2013   | Guiyang                     | 4                         | 0                               | 25,825.00           | 4,123.15                   | 29,948.15                | To attend the 9th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 26 – 27 September 2013 | Chongqing                   | 3                         | 4,068.31                        | 26,646.00           | 2,084.02                   | 32,798.33                | To lead a delegation from industrial, commercial and professional sectors to visit Chongqing.  |
| 5 – 8 October 2013     | Bali, Indonesia             | 7                         | 46,333.51                       | 141,572.00          | 18,957.41                  | 206,862.92               | To attend Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2013 Leaders' Week and other related meetings; and to meet with foreign leaders to exchange views on issues of mutual concern.  |
| 22 – 24 October 2013   | Beijing                     | 4                         | 8,127.60                        | 40,655.00           | 13,859.93                  | 62,642.53                | To attend the opening ceremony of the 17th Beijing-Hong Kong Economic Co-operation Symposium; to call on leaders of Beijing Municipal Government together with representatives from Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors attending the Symposium; and to call on CPG officials and leaders of financial institutions in the Mainland. |

| <b>Date</b>           | <b>Place of visit</b>                   | <b>Size of entourage#</b> | <b>Hotel accommodation (\$)</b> | <b>Passage (\$)</b> | <b>Other expenses (\$)</b> | <b>Grand total* (\$)</b> | <b>Purpose of visit</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 27 – 29 November 2013 | Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang      | 3                         | 11,345.90                       | 24,086.00           | 6,368.56                   | 41,800.46                | To lead a delegation to visit Guangxi; to meet with leaders of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Government and Nanning, Qinzhou and Fangchenggang Municipal Governments; and to attend Guangxi-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Co-operation Exchange Meeting and Guangxi-Hong Kong Business Symposium. |
| 6 – 7 December 2013   | Guangzhou, Zhongshan and Zhuhai         | 4                         | 0                               | 0                   | 5,871.57                   | 5,871.57                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2013.   |
| 16 – 19 December 2013 | Beijing                                 | 4                         | 8,752.80                        | 42,330.00           | 26,210.40                  | 77,293.20                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 23 – 25 January 2014  | Fuzhou and Xiamen                       | 5                         | 17,030.03                       | 32,058.00           | 10,383.30                  | 59,471.33                | To lead a delegation to attend Fujian-Hong Kong Economic and Trade Cooperation Exchange Meeting, and meet with leaders of Fuzhou and Xiamen Municipal Governments.  |
| 14 February 2014      | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 4                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To meet with leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and exchange views on co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; and to visit Shenzhen Bao'an International Airport.   |
| 4 – 7 March 2014      | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 12,579.00                       | 48,976.00           | 29,328.83                  | 90,883.83                | To attend the opening ceremony of the second session of the 12th NPC and meet with leaders of CPG ministries and provincial and municipal governments.  |
| 27 – 28 March 2014    | Shenzhen, Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou | 3                         | 4,539.15                        | 0                   | 3,911.26                   | 8,450.41                 | To meet with leaders of Shantou, Jieyang and Chaozhou Municipal Governments; and to visit enterprises in Shenzhen and Shantou, as well as the Jao Tsung I Petite Ecole in Chaozhou.   |
| 9 – 11 April 2014     | Qionghai                                | 3                         | 8,553.42                        | 9,894.00            | 10,484.39                  | 28,931.81                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2014.   |
| 11 – 13 April 2014    | Shanghai                                | 6                         | 15,067.02                       | 46,490.00           | 20,653.28                  | 82,210.30                | To participate in part of the Shanghai visit programme for Legislative Council (LegCo) Members.   |

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|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 10 – 16 May 2014      | Stockholm, Sweden and Brussels, Belgium | 5                         | 8,112.85                        | 444,375.00          | 29,864.87                  | 482,352.72               | To enhance understanding of the latest economic situation and the development of innovation and technology of the two places; to meet with political and business leaders to discuss Hong Kong's latest developments; and to foster closer economic and trade ties. |
| 12 – 13 October 2014  | Guangzhou                               | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 2,356.00                   | 2,356.00                 | To attend the 10th PPRD Regional Co-operation and Development Forum and Trade Fair.   |
| 6 November 2014       | Guangzhou                               | 3                         | 0                               | 1,300.00            | 1,153.09                   | 2,453.09                 | To attend the 17th Plenary of Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation Joint Conference.  |
| 8 – 12 November 2014  | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 28,289.12                       | 49,000.00           | 28,056.62                  | 105,345.74               | To attend APEC 2014 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |
| 25 – 27 November 2014 | Seoul, Korea                            | 5                         | 11,259.00                       | 87,724.00           | 12,219.34                  | 111,202.34               | To enhance understanding of the economic situation and the development of the innovation and technology industry of Korea; and to meet with political and business leaders there.   |
| 5 December 2014       | Huizhou                                 | 2                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2014.   |
| 7 December 2014       | Shenzhen                                | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To visit the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone.   |
| 19 – 20 December 2014 | Macao                                   | 4                         | 0                               | 2,958.00            | 6,840.95                   | 9,798.95                 | To attend the 15th anniversary celebrations of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) and inauguration ceremony of the fourth-term Macao SAR Government.  |
| 25 – 27 December 2014 | Beijing                                 | 5                         | 6,781.86                        | 51,335.00           | 13,799.28                  | 71,916.14                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.  |
| 30 January 2015       | Guangzhou and Shenzhen                  | 3                         | 0                               | 1,258.48            | 0                          | 1,258.48                 | To call on leaders of Guangdong Provincial Government and Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |

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|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 2 – 6 March 2015   | Beijing                   | 4                         | 13,836.96                       | 34,485.00           | 23,762.46                  | 72,084.42                | To attend the opening ceremony of the third session of the 12th NPC and call on various CPG ministries.   |
| 27 – 28 March 2015 | Qionghai                  | 4                         | 4,350.70                        | 24,555.00           | 4,016.70                   | 32,922.40                | To attend Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2015.   |
| 8 – 10 April 2015  | Wuhan and Shanghai        | 3                         | 8,909.68                        | 22,464.00           | 7,375.36                   | 38,749.04                | To officiate at the opening ceremony of the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR in Wuhan and the third plenary session of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Economic and Trade Co-operation Conference.   |
| 21 April 2015      | Guangzhou                 | 3                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend the plaque-unveiling ceremony for the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone.  |
| 25 – 27 April 2015 | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia    | 4                         | 26,113.67                       | 38,580.00           | 8,589.32                   | 73,282.99                | To attend and speak at the 12 <sup>th</sup> Leadership Forum of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and conduct bilateral meetings with state leaders of ASEAN countries.  |
| 4 – 7 May 2015     | Boston, the United States | 4                         | 15,476.21                       | 428,380.00          | 5,320.52                   | 449,176.73               | To attend Cathay Pacific's dinner reception in Boston in celebration of the launch of direct flight services between Hong Kong and Boston to support the development of Hong Kong's aviation industry; and to lead a delegation from the innovation and technology sector to visit top-notch research institutions in Boston and learn more about the development of innovation and technology there. |
| 8 – 9 May 2015     | Beijing                   | 2                         | 6,028.68                        | 28,901.00           | 3,474.99                   | 38,404.67                | To attend the funeral of the former Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Lu Ping.  |

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|------------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 31 May 2015            | Shenzhen   | 3                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To attend a meeting between officials of the Central authorities and LegCo Members.   |
| 7 – 12 June 2015       | Toronto, Canada and Chicago, the United States   | 3                         | 44,800.58                       | 305,626.00          | 14,645.80                  | 365,072.38               | To attend the HKTDC's "Think Asia, Think Hong Kong" campaign and meet with political leaders and representatives from the business and education sectors in Canada and the United States.   |
| 10 July 2015           | Shenzhen   | 1                         | 0                               | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | To call on leaders of the Shenzhen Municipal Government.  |
| 12 – 13 July 2015      | Beijing  | 4                         | 3,364.50                        | 40,585.00           | 6,261.60                   | 50,211.10                | To meet with various CPG ministries on the development of the "Belt and Road" initiative.   |
| 12 August 2015         | Zhuhai   | 3                         | 0                               | 2,585.00            | 0                          | 2,585.00                 | To meet with leaders of the Zhuhai Municipal Government; to visit the Hengqin New Area of Zhuhai of the China (Guangdong) Pilot Free Trade Zone and inspect the construction works of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.  |
| 2 – 4 September 2015   | Beijing  | 13                        | 0                               | 87,856.00           | 51,427.27                  | 139,283.27               | To attend the commemorative activities for the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the Chinese people's war of resistance against Japanese aggression.   |
| 16 – 18 September 2015 | Jakarta, Indonesia                               | 4                         | 19,167.10                       | 43,385.00           | 11,065.94                  | 73,618.04                | To attend promotional activities organised by the HKTDC and the Hong Kong Tourism Board, and call on senior Government officials of Indonesia.  |
| 12 – 17 October 2015   | Jerusalem, Israel and London, the United Kingdom | 5                         | 33,990.65                       | 614,850.00          | 39,952.42                  | 688,793.07               | To learn more about the development of innovation and technology in Israel and attend a cocktail reception for the opening of the Tel Aviv Consultant Office of the HKTDC; to attend the signing ceremony of a Memorandum of Understanding on health co-operation between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom (UK) and the HKTDC Annual Dinner, and meet with political leaders in the UK. |
| 16 – 19 November 2015  | Manila, the Philippines                          | 7                         | 23,688.36                       | 39,758.00           | 18,559.75                  | 82,006.11                | To attend APEC 2015 Leaders' Week and other related meetings.   |

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|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 4 – 5 December 2015   | Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Foshan and Guangzhou | 2                         | 2,774.34                        | 1,170.00            | 1,585.68                   | 5,530.02                 | To attend Hong Kong-PRD Industrial and Commercial Circle Goodwill Gathering 2015 and meet with students from the Vocational Training Council who were visiting Jiangmen; and to inspect the transport and infrastructure facilities. |
| 21 – 24 December 2015 | Beijing                                   | 4                         | 10,093.50                       | 40,017.00           | 17,179.51                  | 67,290.01                | To make annual work report, and call on various CPG officials.   |
| 1 – 5 February 2016   | Mumbai and New Delhi, India               | 4                         | 42,904.50                       | 137,095.00          | 20,633.75                  | 200,633.25               | To meet with political and business leaders there to foster closer economic and trade relations between Hong Kong and India.   |

# The wife of the Chief Executive (if accompanying) was a member of the entourage.

\* Expenses include charges for accommodation and passage, subsistence allowance for duty outside Hong Kong and sundry expenses (if applicable), but exclude sponsorship (if any).

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO068**

**(Question Serial No. 6944)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Pleas set out the actual expenditure incurred by the Chief Executive in undertaking a wide range of public and social engagements in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 523)

Reply:

The expenditures on the Chief Executive's official entertainment in the past 5 years are tabulated below:

| <b>Year</b>                      | <b>Total expenditure</b> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2011-12                          | \$333,161                |
| 2012-13                          | \$462,149                |
| 2013-14                          | \$381,628                |
| 2014-15                          | \$84,909                 |
| 2015-16 (as at 29 February 2016) | \$162,173                |

The above expenditures were spent on receiving visitors to Hong Kong and entertaining people from various sectors of the local community, including Members of the Legislative Council, representatives of business and industrial associations, professionals and media representatives.

The Chief Executive also receives a non-accountable entertainment allowance for meeting expenses on official entertainment at his official residences. The amounts of the allowance in the past 5 years are tabulated below:

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Amount of allowance</b> |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| 2011-12     | \$768,300                  |
| 2012-13     | \$768,300                  |
| 2013-14     | \$799,800                  |
| 2014-15     | \$834,200                  |
| 2015-16     | \$870,900                  |

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO069**

**(Question Serial No. 6945)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Pleas provide the estimated expenditure on the wide range of public and social engagements undertaken by the Chief Executive.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 524)

Reply:

The estimated expenditure on the Chief Executive's official entertainment for 2016-17 is \$234,000. The expenditure will be spent on receiving visitors to Hong Kong and entertaining people from various sectors of the local community, including Members of the Legislative Council, representatives of business and industrial associations, professionals and media representatives.

The Chief Executive also receives a non-accountable entertainment allowance for meeting expenses on official entertainment at his official residences. The estimated amount of the allowance for 2016-17 is \$897,000.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO070**

**(Question Serial No. 6947)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Pleas set out the actual expenditure incurred by the wife of the Chief Executive in undertaking a wide range of public and social engagements in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 527)

Reply:

Apart from general support provided by this Office, no additional expenditure is involved in the public and social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO071**

**(Question Serial No. 6948)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please provide the estimated expenditure on the wide range of public and social engagements undertaken by the wife of the Chief Executive.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 528)

Reply:

Apart from general support provided by this Office, no additional expenditure is involved in the public and social engagements of the wife of the Chief Executive.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO072**

**(Question Serial No. 6954)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please set out the actual expenditures on the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 550)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the actual expenditures in the past 5 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO073**

**(Question Serial No. 6955)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Please provide the estimated expenditure on the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 551)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the estimated expenditure for 2016-17.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO074**

**(Question Serial No. 6956)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the actual expenditures relating to design in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 552)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the actual expenditures in the past 5 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO075**

**(Question Serial No. 6957)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the estimated expenditure relating to design.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 553)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the estimated expenditure for 2016-17.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO076**

**(Question Serial No. 6958)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the actual expenditures relating to video making in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 554)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the actual expenditures in the past 5 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO077**

**(Question Serial No. 6959)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the estimated expenditure relating to video making.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 555)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the estimated expenditure for 2016-17.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO078**

**(Question Serial No. 6960)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the actual expenditures relating to Facebook in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 556)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the actual expenditures in the past 5 years.

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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

**CEO079**

**(Question Serial No. 6961)**

Head: (21) Chief Executive's Office

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Chief Executive's Office

Controlling Officer: Permanent Secretary, Chief Executive's Office (Ms Alice LAU)

Director of Bureau: Director of the Chief Executive's Office

Question:

Regarding the coordination of the Government's media and public relations strategy, please set out the estimated expenditure relating to Facebook.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 557)

Reply:

As this Office does not maintain separate accounts for the item mentioned in the question, we cannot provide the estimated expenditure for 2016-17.

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