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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (2015-2016) BILL

INTRODUCTION

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At the meeting of the Executive Council on 4 October 2016, the Council ADVISED and the Chief Executive ORDERED that the Supplementary Appropriation (2015-2016) Bill, at **Annex A**, seeking approval for supplementary appropriation of \$20,687,926,615.94 from the general revenue for the services of the Government in the 2015-16 financial year, should be introduced into the Legislative Council (LegCo).

JUSTIFICATIONS AND BACKGROUND

- 2. The Appropriation Ordinance 2015 authorized the expenditure of a total sum of \$361,347,460,000 from the general revenue for the services of the Government in the 2015-16 financial year and the provision for each head of expenditure as provided for in the 2015-16 estimates of expenditure.
- 3. In the course of the 2015-16 financial year, the Government has either sought the LegCo Finance Committee's approval for, or approved under delegated authority, supplementary provisions for various heads of expenditure mainly for meeting additional expenses arising from the 2015-16 civil service pay adjustment, provision of \$10 billion for the Hospital Authority to establish an endowment fund for Public-Private Partnership Initiatives, implementing one-off relief measures such as paying one month's rent for public housing tenants and provision of extra allowances to social security recipients, etc. As required under section 8(8) of the Public Finance Ordinance (PFO), the Government has provided quarterly updates to LegCo on supplementary provisions approved.

4. The annual accounts for the 2015-16 financial year have been finalised. In accordance with section 9* of the PFO, we need to introduce a Supplementary Appropriation Bill into LegCo as soon as practicable. The purpose is to reconcile the differences between the sums originally appropriated for each head of expenditure under the General Revenue Account and the actual expenditure if these sums are exceeded.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (2015-2016) BILL (THE BILL)

5. For 49 of the 84 heads of expenditure under the General Revenue Account, the actual expenditure for the 2015-16 financial year has exceeded the original appropriation by a total of \$20,687,926,615.94, as detailed in **Annex B**. Accordingly, the Bill provides for a supplementary appropriation of this amount over and above the sum appropriated by the Appropriation Ordinance 2015.

LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE

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6. The legislative timetable will be as follows –

Publication in the Gazette 14 October 2016

First Reading and commencement of 19 October 2016 Second Reading debate

Resumption of Second Reading to be notified debate, committee stage and Third Reading

^{*} **Note** Section 9 – "If at the close of account for any financial year it is found that expenditure charged to any head is in excess of the sum appropriated for that head by an Appropriation Ordinance, the excess shall be included in a Supplementary Appropriation Bill which shall be introduced into the Legislative Council as soon as practicable after the close of the financial year to which the excess expenditure relates."

IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL

- 7. The proposal does not have economic, financial, civil service, environmental, productivity, sustainability, family or gender implications.
- 8. The proposal is in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

9. The Bill is largely technical. Public consultation is considered not necessary.

PUBLICITY

10. A spokesperson will be available to handle any enquiries.

ENQUIRIES

11. Enquiries on this brief should be directed to Mr Edmond Chu, Principal Assistant Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)H, at 2810 3726.

Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau 12 October 2016

Supplementary Appropriation (2015–2016) Bill

Clause 1

A BILL

To

Approve a supplementary appropriation to the services of the Government in the financial year that ended on 31 March 2016.

Enacted by the Legislative Council.

1. Short title

This Ordinance may be cited as the Supplementary Appropriation (2015–2016) Ordinance.

2. Approval of appropriation

The appropriation in the manner expressed in the Schedule of a sum of \$20,687,926,615.94 from the general revenue for the services of the Government in the financial year that ended on 31 March 2016 is approved.

Annex A

Supplementary Appropriation (2015–2016) Bill

Schedule

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Number of Vote	Head of Expenditure	Amount of Vote \$
21	Chief Executive's Office	4,736,919.57
24	Audit Commission	5,824,097.30
25	Architectural Services Department	52,337,353.75
28	Civil Aviation Department	6,474,136.87
30	Correctional Services Department	103,909,303.72
33	Civil Engineering and Development Department	15,634,458.15
37	Department of Health	148,585,374.30
45	Fire Services Department	84,526,030.67
47	Government Secretariat: Office of the Government Chief Information Officer	4,586,516.08
48	Government Laboratory	5,824,578.56
49	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	112,143,904.36
53	Government Secretariat: Home Affairs Bureau	20,668,114.54
60	Highways Department	7,579,139.28
62	Housing Department	1,136,368,809.30
63	Home Affairs Department	26,217,611.88
70	Immigration Department	116,840,431.04

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Number of Vote	Head of Expenditure	Amount of Vote
72	Independent Commission Against	
	Corruption	28,755,454.84
76	Inland Revenue Department	2,348,951.66
78	Intellectual Property Department	169,447.71
79	Invest Hong Kong	542,326.83
82	Buildings Department	8,714,295.74
91	Lands Department	57,982,823.63
94	Legal Aid Department	15,387,975.70
95	Leisure and Cultural Services	
	Department	98,106,887.14
100	Marine Department	17,663,763.92
112	Legislative Council Commission	18,308,065.67
114	Office of The Ombudsman	4,150,000.00
116	Official Receiver's Office	2,524,935.44
118	Planning Department	7,074,874.92
121	Independent Police Complaints Council	1,621,000.00
122	Hong Kong Police Force	264,060,694.69
135	Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Bureau	10,959,176.94
136	Public Service Commission Secretariat	632,072.80
140	Government Secretariat: Food and Health Bureau (Health Branch)1	1,652,818,972.69
144	Government Secretariat: Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau	3,958,875.64

Supplementary Appropriation (2015–2016) Bill

Schedule

Number of Vote	Head of Expenditure	Amount of Vote
184	Transfers to Funds	50,000,000.00
	Total2	20,687,926,615.94

Supplementary Appropriation (2015–2016) Bill

Explanatory Memorandum

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Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill provides for the appropriation of \$20,687,926,615.94 for the financial year that ended on 31 March 2016 in addition to the sum appropriated by the Appropriation Ordinance 2015 (8 of 2015).

Supplementary Appropriation (2015-2016) Bill

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
21	Chief Executive's Office	101,508,000	106,244,919.57	4,736,919.57	
24	Audit Commission	152,589,000	158,413,097.30	5,824,097.30	
25	Architectural Services Department	1,892,270,000	1,944,607,353.75	52,337,353.75)	
28	Civil Aviation Department	903,375,000	909,849,136.87	6,474,136.87)	
30	Correctional Services Department	3,519,735,000	3,623,644,303.72	103,909,303.72)	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
33	Civil Engineering and Development Department	2,257,938,000	2,273,572,458.15	15,634,458.15)	
37	Department of Health	6,470,478,000	6,619,063,374.30) 148,585,374.30)	
45	Fire Services Department	5,380,447,000	5,464,973,030.67	84,526,030.67)	

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
47	Government Secretariat: Office of the Government Chief Information Officer	714,743,000	719,329,516.08	4,586,516.08)))
48	Government Laboratory	445,799,000	451,623,578.56	5,824,578.56))
49	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department	5,923,986,000	6,036,129,904.36	112,143,904.36) 2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
53	Government Secretariat: Home Affairs Bureau	1,672,933,000	1,693,601,114.54	20,668,114.54))
60	Highways Department	2,639,769,000	2,647,348,139.28	7,579,139.28)
62	Housing Department	280,437,000	1,416,805,809.30	1,136,368,809.30	One month's rent payments for lower income tenants living in the public rental units of the Hong Kong Housing Authority and the Hong Kong Housing Society
63	Home Affairs Department	2,370,979,000	2,397,196,611.88	26,217,611.88))
70	Immigration Department	3,910,311,000	4,027,151,431.04	116,840,431.04	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
72	Independent Commission Against Corruption	977,866,000	1,006,621,454.84	28,755,454.84	,)))

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
76	Inland Revenue Department	1,451,062,000	1,453,410,951.66	2,348,951.66))
78	Intellectual Property Department	137,480,000	137,649,447.71	169,447.71))
79	Invest Hong Kong	115,139,000	115,681,326.83	542,326.83)
82	Buildings Department	1,243,103,000	1,251,817,295.74	8,714,295.74)) 2015 16 sivil samiles pay adjustment
91	Lands Department	2,265,591,000	2,323,573,823.63	57,982,823.63) 2015 -16 civil service pay adjustment
94	Legal Aid Department	845,148,000	860,535,975.70	15,387,975.70	
95	Leisure and Cultural Services Department	7,482,663,000	7,580,769,887.14	98,106,887.14))
100	Marine Department	1,178,092,000	1,195,755,763.92	17,663,763.92))
112	Legislative Council Commission	758,559,000	776,867,065.67	18,308,065.67	2015-16 pay adjustment and remuneration and reimbursements for Members of the Legislative Council
114	Office of The Ombudsman	107,146,000	111,296,000.00	4,150,000.00	2015-16 pay adjustment

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
116	Official Receiver's Office	154,373,000	156,897,935.44	2,524,935.44	
118	Planning Department	629,834,000	636,908,874.92	7,074,874.92) 2015-16 civil service pay adjustment)
121	Independent Police Complaints Council	57,282,000	58,903,000.00	1,621,000.00	2015-16 pay adjustment
122	Hong Kong Police Force	16,800,671,000	17,064,731,694.69	264,060,694.69	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
135	Government Secretariat: Innovation and Technology Bureau	-	10,959,176.94	10,959,176.94	Establishment of the Innovation and Technology Bureau on 20 November 2015
136	Public Service Commission Secretariat	21,943,000	22,575,072.80	632,072.80	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
140	Government Secretariat: Food and Health Bureau (Health Branch)	50,400,595,000	62,053,413,972.69	11,652,818,972.69	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment, provision of \$10 billion for the Hospital Authority to establish an endowment fund for Public-Private Partnership Initiatives
144	Government Secretariat: Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau	580,613,000	584,571,875.64	3,958,875.64	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
147	Government Secretariat: Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (The Treasury Branch)	408,697,000	425,890,567.98	17,193,567.98	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
148	Government Secretariat: Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (Financial Services Branch)	229,784,000	241,082,366.49	11,298,366.49	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment and repayment of bona vacantia receipts
152	Government Secretariat: Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (Commerce, Industry and Tourism Branch)	1,829,156,000	2,173,287,459.97	344,131,459.97	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment and additional cash flow requirement of a general non-recurrent item "SME Financing Guarantee Scheme - Special Concessionary Measures"
156	Government Secretariat: Education Bureau	51,382,677,000	52,286,461,972.57	903,784,972.57	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
159	Government Secretariat: Development Bureau (Works Branch)	416,442,000	437,867,086.96	21,425,086.96	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment, handling the excess lead in drinking water incident and additional cash flow requirements for non-recurrent commitments on construction manpower

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
160	Radio Television Hong Kong	823,102,000	840,936,997.64	17,834,997.64	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment and purchase of broadcasting equipment for analogue TV services
166	Government Flying Service	583,253,000	1,023,011,924.04	439,758,924.04	Additional cash flow requirement of two commitment items "Procurement of seven helicopters and associated mission equipment" and "Replacement of two fixed-wing aircraft and the associated mission equipment"
168	Hong Kong Observatory	275,514,000	281,466,711.75	5,952,711.75	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
170	Social Welfare Department	58,349,247,000	62,482,922,011.40	4,133,675,011.40	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment and provision of a one-off extra payment, equal to two months of the standard rates/allowances, to social security recipients
174	Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service	29,191,000	30,711,880.24	1,520,880.24)))) 2015-16 civil service pay adjustment
188	Treasury	371,085,000	377,218,379.20	6,133,379.20)))
190	University Grants Committee	16,988,115,000	17,581,142,058.92	593,027,058.92)))

	Expenditure Head	Original Estimate \$	Actual Expenditure \$	Supplementary Appropriation \$	Major Reasons
194	Water Supplies Department	7,564,794,000	7,658,946,823.45	94,152,823.45	2015-16 civil service pay adjustment, price adjustment on contract maintenance and handling the excess lead in drinking water incident
		263,095,514,000	283,733,440,615.94	20,637,926,615.94	
184	Transfers to Funds	3,130,000,000	3,180,000,000.00	50,000,000.00	Injection of funds into the Disaster Relief Fund
	Total	266,225,514,000	286,913,440,615.94	20,687,926,615.94	