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Clerk to the Establishment Subcommittee Legislative Council Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road, Central Hong Kong (Attn: Ms Alice CHEUNG)

Dear Ms Cheung,

Establishment Subcommittee Follow-up Actions to Meeting held on 26 June 2019

At the meeting of the Establishment Subcommittee held on 26 June 2019, Members requested the Government to provide supplementary information on EC(2019-20)11. The Government's response is enclosed for Members' reference.

Yours sincerely,

(Victor F Y CHAN)

for Secretary for Development

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c.c. Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

(Attn: Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)1) Project Manager (East), Civil Engineering and Development Department

Establishment Subcommittee Follow-up to meeting held on 26 June 2019

EC(2019-20)11

Question:

(a) Please give an account of the changes in the number of posts in professional grades (such as engineers, architects and surveyors, etc.) in the directorate establishment of the Development Bureau (DEVB) (including both permanent and supernumerary posts) over the previous five years; and

Reply: The changes in the number of posts in professional grades (such as engineers, architects, surveyors, etc.) in the directorate establishment of DEVB over the previous five years are tabulated as follows:

Year	Number of posts of	Change in the number as
	professional grades in the	compared to the same time in
	directorate establishment	the previous year (percentage
	(including the number of	change)
	supernumerary posts)	
2015	23(3)	+1
		(+4.55%)
2016	23(3)	+0
		(+0%)
2017	24(4)	+1
		(+4.35%)
2018	24(4)	+0
		(+)0%
2019	24(2)	+0
		(+0%)

Note: As at 1 April of the years concerned.

(b) Please compare the establishment of the Kai Tak Office (KTO) before and after 1 April 2019 (i.e. when the two supernumerary posts of the

Head (Kai Tak Office) (H(KTO)) and Chief Engineer/East 4 (CE/E4) lapsed), in particular having regard to the impact of this staffing proposal on the type and number of professional grade staff.

Reply: The number of posts in professional grades (including engineers and architects) of KTO of the Civil Engineering and Development Department was 32 on 31 March 2019.

Upon the lapse of the two supernumerary posts of H(KTO) and CE/E4 on 1 April 2019, the number of posts in professional grades in the KTO's establishment was reduced to 30.

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