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<u>Head</u>: 82 Buildings Department <u>Subhead</u> (No. & title): 000 Operational expenses

Programme : Buildings and Building Works

Controlling Officer : Director of Buildings

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Development

Question :

There are 177 posts to be created under this Programme. Please give information on these posts, including their job contents and payroll costs.

<u>Asked by</u> : Hon. LI Fung-ying

<u>Reply</u>:

The 177 new posts include one Assistant Director post, 75 professional posts (i.e. 10 Senior Building Surveyor/Senior Structural Engineer and 65 Building Surveyor and Structural Engineer posts), 62 technical posts (i.e. eight Senior Survey Officer (Building)/Senior Technical Officer (Structural) and 54 Survey Officer (Building) and Technical Officer (Structural) posts), as well as 39 general grades posts (such as Information Officer, Executive Officer, Accounting Officer and Clerical Officer grades posts). These posts are created to assist the Department to implement new initiatives including large-scale operations for removal of unauthorised building works and investigation and repair of dilapidated buildings, public education and publicity programme, implementation and enforcement of the proposed Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme/Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme and the proposed signboards control system, etc. to enhance building safety in Hong Kong and to strengthen the support services of the Department. The estimated expenditure is \$74.4M per year.

Signature _____

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Post Title _____ Director of Buildings

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