Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2014-15

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Head: (82) Buildings Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Buildings and Building Works

Controlling Officer: Director of Buildings (AU Choi-kai)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Development

Question (Member Question No. 10):

There will be 215 newly created posts in the Buildings Department in 2014-2015. Will the Administration advise in detail of the distribution of the new posts, including the post title, duties and salary of each post? Please list them accordingly in the table below:

Post title	Duties	Salary	Number of posts

Asked by: Hon. FAN Kwok-wai, Gary

Reply:

The post titles and salary of the 215 civil service posts to be created in 2014-15 in the Buildings Department (BD) are tabulated below:

Grade	Salary (\$)	No. of posts
Building Surveyor/Structural Engineer	\$49,495 - 86,440	62
Senior Surveyor Officer (Building)/ Senior Technical Officer (Structural)	\$35,930 – 47,290	34
Surveyor Officer (Building)/ Technical Officer (Structural)	\$17,485 – 34,315	90
Clerical	\$10,560 - 24,450	24
Others	\$24,450 - 86,440	5

Among the 215 new posts to be created in BD in 2014-15, 193 posts, comprising 58 professional staff, 110 technical staff and 25 supporting staff, will be deployed to the two Existing Buildings Divisions, the Mandatory Building Inspection Division and the Corporate Services Division of BD. They will mainly be engaged for enhancing BD's various building safety and maintenance enforcement programmes such as the enforcement action against unauthorised building works and sub-divided flats as well as the

implementation of the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and the Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme. The remaining 22 posts will be assigned for strengthening services in the approval of building plans and related applications for private development projects (five posts, comprising two professional staff, two technical staff and one supporting staff) and the Joint Office to tackle reports on water seepage through a "one-stop" approach (17 posts, comprising two professional staff, 12 technical staff and three supporting staff).