## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2005-06

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Programme</u>: (3) Legal Advice

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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question: Two posts will be deleted in the estimate for 2005-06. Please provide detailed

information of the posts to be deleted and the reasons for the deletion.

Asked by: Hon. LI Fung-ying

## Reply:

To improve efficiency, the Legal Advisory and Conveyancing Office (LACO) of the Department has relocated some of its district offices to Headquarters. This will optimize the use of resources in the provision of conveyancing and legal advisory support to the Lands Department and other government departments. As a result, two solicitor posts in the LACO can be deleted in 2005-06.

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