Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2006-07

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Question: The 2006-07 estimate for lease enforcement cases marks a drastic increase (from 885 to 1 080). Please advise this Council of: (a) the estimated amount of resources involved; (b) the amount of additional resources involved compared with 2005; and (c) the types of the breach of lease cases covered by the 2006-07 estimate.

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Hok-ming

Reply:

- (a) & (b) On the basis of an enhanced target of 1 080 lease enforcement cases in 2006, the estimated amount of additional resources involved is about \$4.8 million representing an estimated increase of 22% over the resources in 2005.
- (c) The types of lease enforcement work will include various types of non-compliances of lease conditions such as the erection of structures without approval and non-compliance with the building covenant clause, etc.

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