

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08  
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 138 Government Secretariat: Subhead (No. & title) :  
Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau 000 Operational expenses  
(Planning and Lands Branch)

Programme : (2) Buildings, Lands and Planning

Controlling Officer : Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands  
(Planning and Lands)

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question :

Under this programme, the revised estimate in 2006-07 is \$ 77,300,000 which represents a decrease of about 10% over the original estimate (\$86,400,000). Please account for the difference between the revised and original estimates.

Asked by : Hon. KWOK Ka-ki

Reply :

The decrease is mainly due to the transfer of the staffing and administrative support for the West Kowloon Cultural District project from the Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau to the Home Affairs Bureau with effect from 1 June 2006.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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15 March 2007

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