

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

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Head : 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Subhead (No. & title) :

Programme : (1) Food Safety and Public Health

Controlling Officer : Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

Question :

In relation to the 125 posts to be created to perform food safety regulatory functions and provide pest control services, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki requested the Administration to confirm the number of new posts (with a breakdown by type of posts) to be created for the food surveillance work undertaken in the Mainland.

Asked by : Hon. KWOK Ka-ki

Reply :

Of the net 125 posts provided under Programme (1) in 2007-08, 36 posts are to be created for strengthening import control of food from the Mainland and other exporting countries including enhancing farm inspections. These include 28 Health Inspector grade officers as well as 2 Veterinary Officers and 6 Field Officers. The resources to undertake food surveillance work in the Mainland is not separately identifiable.

Signature _____

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Date _____ 23.3.2007 _____