#### Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

# CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Head:</u> 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene <u>Subhead (No. & title):</u>

Department

Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

<u>Controlling Officer:</u> Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

<u>Director of Bureau:</u> Secretary for Food and Health

#### Question:

According to current legislation, charitable fund-raising activities involving on-street selling are covered by the Temporary Hawker Licence (THL) issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) pursuant to the Hawker Regulation (Cap 132AI). In this connection, please provide information on the following:

(a) the total number of applications for THL received by the Department, licences issued, organisations issued with THL, applications rejected, appeals lodged with the Licensing Appeals Board (LIAB) and cases dismissed in each of the past five years; and

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total number of applications received					
Number of licences issued					
Number of organisations issued with THL					
Number of applications rejected					
Number of appeals lodged with LIAB					
Number of appeals dismissed by LIAB					

(b) the average number of applications made by and licences granted to the organisations issued with THL in each of the past five years (i.e. in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012).

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Kwok-che

### Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows –

## <u>Temporary Hawker Licence (THL) issued by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department for charitable fund-raising activities involving on-street selling of commodities</u>

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of applications received	533	1 353	960	1 603	862
Number of licences issued	345	881	694	1 232	575
Number of organisations issued with THL	50	72	58	69	70
Number of applications rejected	103	184	147	164	105
Number of appeals lodged with LIAB	0	0	0	0	0
Number of appeals dismissed by LIAB	0	0	0	0	0
Average number of applications made by each organisation	11	19	17	23	12
Average number of licences issued to each organisation	7	12	12	18	8

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