

**Replies to initial written questions raised by Finance Committee Members
in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2016-17**

**Head : 121 Independent Police Complaints Council
Programme : Police Complaints Administration**

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 1459)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

There is an increase of 2.8% in the subvention of 2015-16 Revised Estimate over the Original Estimate. What will be the main areas that the increased subvention applied to? The Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) also indicates that it will “strive to further enhance public awareness of the role of the IPCC by engaging stakeholders and organising public activities”. How much is the budget for engaging stakeholders and organising public activities in 2016-17? Are there any concrete plans and details? What will be the expected results?

Asked by: Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

The 2.8% increase in the subvention of the 2015-16 Revised Estimate over the Original Estimate is mainly due to the payment of additional salaries arising from the Civil Service Pay Adjustment.

The IPCC's 2016-17 provision for engaging stakeholders and organising publicity activities is \$1.4 million. The corresponding budget is mainly for the recurrent publicity activities (including the production of the IPCC annual report and quarterly newsletters, and conducting of public opinion survey, etc.). A small portion of the budget is reserved for the Publicity and Survey Committee, which is one of the sub-Committees of IPCC, to implement some special publicity programmes for the year.

Through engaging with stakeholders in all respects proactively and organising publicity activities, the IPCC aims at enhancing its public awareness and the understanding of its roles as well as the two-tier police complaints system, uplifting its transparency, and enhancing its credibility as well as the public's confidence in the two-tier police complaints system.

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**SB247****(Question Serial No. 1469)**

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

How many reportable complaints cases were received from the Complaints Against Police Office (CAPO) and how many cases were returned to CAPO after being endorsed by the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) in the past 5 years? Regarding the reportable complaints cases received from CAPO, how many of them were related to the illegal Occupy Central Movement (OCM)? How many reportable complaints cases were returned to CAPO after endorsement? What are the reasons for not returning the cases to CAPO? How many allegations were related to the OCM cases? How many allegations were classified by the IPCC as "substantiated" as at now?

Asked by: Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung (Member Question No. 17)

Reply:

The number of reportable complaints cases received from CAPO and endorsed by IPCC in the past 5 years, the number of cases among which that are related to the illegal OCM, and the number of endorsed allegations which were classified as "substantiated" are as follow:

	Number of reportable complaints cases received from CAPO	Number of reportable complaints cases received from CAPO which are related to the illegal OCM
2011-12	2 840	-
2012-13	2 427	-
2013-14	2 454	-
2014-15	2 159	57
2015-16 (as at 31 January)	1 405	109

	Number of endorsed reportable complaints cases	Number of endorsed reportable complaints cases which are related to the illegal OCM
2011-12	3 145	-
2012-13	2 489	-
2013-14	2 591	-
2014-15	2 241	-
2015-16 (as at 31 January)	1 555	76

	Number of endorsed allegations which are related to the illegal OCM	Number of endorsed allegations which are related to the illegal OCM and classified as “substantiated”
2011-12	-	-
2012-13	-	-
2013-14	-	-
2014-15	-	-
2015-16 (as at 31 January)	122	1

The IPCC will follow up immediately with CAPO upon receipt of the reportable complaints cases, including raising queries, requesting CAPO to clarify or supplement more information, in order to facilitate the review of the investigation reports.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

SB248

(Question Serial No. 0056)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please provide the following information on the work of the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC):

- 1) To list out, by nature, the number of reportable complaints received from the Complaints Against Police Officer (CAPO) by IPCC in each month in the past 3 years.
- 2) As criticisms from the public against the Police are becoming more acute, has IPCC assessed the scale of increase in the number of complaints and the requirements for the workload?
- 3) Has IPCC considered increasing the manpower gradually to cope with the heavy workload?

Asked by: Hon WONG Kwok-kin (Member Question No. 16)

Reply:

- 1) The number of reportable complaints received from CAPO by IPCC in the past 3 years is as follow:

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (As at 31 January 2016)
April	203	234	158
May	192	217	170
June	161	152	168
July	195	246	125

August	201	188	170
September	198	175	135
October	166	158	107
November	269	169	153
December	214	137	105
January	218	154	114
February	202	158	N/A
March	235	171	N/A
Total	2 454	2 159	1 405

The allegations, by nature, endorsed by IPCC in the past 3 years are as follows:

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (As at 31 January 2016)
Assault	316	291	294
Misconduct/Improper Manner/ Offensive Language	1 735	1 376	984
Neglect of Duty	2 304	2 082	1 362
Unnecessary Use of Authority	140	123	131
Fabrication of Evidence	84	76	49
Threat	150	126	130
Police Procedures	4	9	7
Other Offences	7	5	6
Total	4 740	4 088	2 963

2) IPCC has been paying close attention to the changes in the number of complaints and will from time to time review the impact of the trend on its workload.

3) IPCC's required provision for salaries and expenses in 2016-17 is \$7.78 million higher than that of 2015-16. The concerned resources are mainly for employment of additional staff to enhance IPCC's capacity in accomplishing its statutory functions. IPCC will continue to review its workload and actual needs, and will make appropriate manpower arrangements through deployment of internal resources as well as applying for additional resources from the Government as and when necessary.

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 2967)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): (000) Operational Expenses

Programme: Not specified

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

IPCC's provision has increased by 5.8%, which is mainly for the recruitment of additional staff. Please list out:

- (1) the expected number of additional staff to be recruited;
- (2) the expected areas that the additional staff are responsible for; and
- (3) the reasons for recruiting additional staff?

Asked by: Hon Alvin YEUNG Ngok-kiu (Member Question No. 24)

Reply:

The IPCC plans to have 5 additional staff in 2016-17. The main areas of responsibility of the new staff include conducting researches and collecting data on complaints handling procedures, Police practices and other topics, providing more comprehensive guidelines to the Observers, etc., in order to help enhance IPCC's work efficiency, as well as enhancing public awareness of the role of the IPCC through organising more activities on engaging the community and communicating with the stakeholders.

The IPCC expects that there will be a need for recruiting more staff in 2016-17 in order to discharge IPCC's statutory functions more effectively through putting in more manpower resources to review and monitor Police's handling and investigation of reportable complaints, as well as strengthening the work in making improvement suggestions on Police's practices.

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

SB519

(Question Serial No. 4228)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please inform this Council the number of on-site observations for large-scale public order events conducted by Members of the IPCC in the past 3 years and the corresponding duration of the observations.

Asked by: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Member Question No. 90)

Reply:

The number of on-site observations for large-scale public order events conducted by IPCC Members in the past 3 years is as follow:

2013-14	: 2 times
2014-15	: 3 times
2015-16 (as at 29 February)	: 1 time

The duration of each observation varies according to the circumstances at that time. The IPCC did not record the exact duration of the observations.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

SB520

(Question Serial No. 6655)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

What is the reason for the 8.7% increase in the provision for 2016-17 as compared with the original estimate for 2015-16?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 342)

Reply:

The 8.7 increase in IPCC's provision for 2016-17 as compared with the original estimate for 2015-16 is mainly due to the need for increasing manpower to discharge IPCC's statutory functions more effectively.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**SB521****(Question Serial No. 6656)**Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints CouncilSubhead (No. & title): ()Programme: (1) Police Complaints AdministrationControlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for SecurityQuestion:

Please list out the date of IPCC's meetings, Members' attendance rate and the number of times where Members were required to withdraw from the meetings in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 343)Reply:

The details of IPCC's meetings in the past 5 years are as follows:

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
2011-12	Working Level Meeting	3	4 August 2011	Not applicable (Members' attendance is voluntary)
			13 January 2012	ditto
			25 March 2012	ditto
	Serious Complaints Committee Meeting	2	2 December 2011	54% of corresponding committee Members
			19 March 2012	58% of corresponding committee Members
	Management Committee Meeting	2	12 January 2012	63% of corresponding committee Members
			9 February 2012	63% of corresponding committee Members
	Publicity and Survey Committee Meeting	8	29 April 2011	67% of corresponding committee Members
			10 June 2011	44% of corresponding committee Members
			5 August 2011	78% of corresponding committee Members
			6 October 2011	44% of corresponding committee Members

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
			3 November 2011	33% of corresponding committee Members
			1 December 2011	89% of corresponding committee Members
			1 February 2012	75% of corresponding committee Members
			1 March 2012	75% of corresponding committee Members
	IPCC In-house Meeting	4	19 May 2011	83% of all Members
			11 August 2011	83% of all Members
			3 November 2011	83% of all Members
			17 January 2012	79% of all Members
	Joint IPCC/CAPO Meeting	4	9 June 2011	83% of all Members
			1 September 2011	71% of all Members
			19 December 2011	67% of all Members
			2 March 2012	79% of all Members
	2012-13	Working Level Meeting	4	29 May 2012
11 January 2013				ditto
6 March 2013				ditto
13 March 2013				ditto
Working Group Meeting		1	28 June 2012	100% of corresponding committee Members
Serious Complaints Committee Meeting		1	14 August 2012	75% of corresponding committee Members
Management Committee Meeting		5	3 April 2012	56% of corresponding committee Members
			26 July 2012	50% of corresponding committee Members
			17 October 2012	67% of corresponding committee Members
			16 January 2013	57% of corresponding committee Members
			8 March 2013	86% of corresponding committee Members
Publicity and Survey Committee Meeting		5	13 April 2012	88% of corresponding committee Members
			12 June 2012	50% of corresponding committee Members
	23 August 2012		50% of corresponding committee Members	
	30 November 2012		75% of corresponding committee Members	
	22 February 2013		63% of corresponding committee Members	
IPCC In-house Meeting	4	3 May 2012	79% of all Members	
		19 July 2012	78% of all Members	
		1 November 2012	88% of all Members	
		24 January 2013	83% of all Members	

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
	Joint IPCC/CAPO Meeting	3	8 June 2012	79% of all Members
			6 September 2012	64% of all Members
			31 January 2013	83% of all Members
2013-14	Working Level Meeting	2	16 September 2013	Not Applicable (Members' attendance is voluntary)
			18 September 2013	ditto
	Working Group Meeting	3	10 April 2013	75% of corresponding committee Members
			25 July 2013 (1)	75% of corresponding committee Members
			25 July 2013 (2)	75% of corresponding committee Members
	Serious Complaints Committee Meeting	2	7 December 2013	64% of corresponding committee Members
			30 December 2013	73% of corresponding committee Members
	Management Committee Meeting	5	24 July 2013	43% of corresponding committee Members
			13 September 2013	100% of corresponding committee Members
			4 November 2013	71% of corresponding committee Members
			27 January 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
			3 March 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
	Publicity and Survey Committee Meeting	7	13 May 2013	50% of corresponding committee Members
			24 July 2013	75% of corresponding committee Members
			23 August 2013	38% of corresponding committee Members
			24 September 2013	63% of corresponding committee Members
			11 November 2013	63% of corresponding committee Members
			23 December 2013	88% of corresponding committee Members
			24 January 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
	IPCC In-house Meeting	4	18 April 2013	67% of all Members
19 June 2013			88% of all Members	
17 October 2013			92% of all Members	
20 February 2014			75% of all Members	
Joint IPCC/CAPO Meeting	4	30 April 2013	92% of all Members	
		15 July 2013	83% of all Members	
		31 October 2013	79% of all Members	
		27 February 2014	88% of all Members	
2014-15	Working Level Meeting	3	22 April 2014	Not applicable (Members' attendance is voluntary)
			25 November 2014	ditto
			4 December 2014	ditto

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
	Working Group Meeting	2	24 June 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
			28 November 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
	Special Panel Meeting	1	30 December 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
	Serious Complaints Committee Meeting	4	10 October 2014	69% of corresponding committee Members
			21 October 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
			23 December 2014	62% of corresponding committee Members
			12 February 2015	69% of corresponding committee Members
	Management Committee Meeting	7	17 May 2014	83% of corresponding committee Members
			23 July 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
			26 August 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
			12 September 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
			1 December 2014	75% of corresponding committee Members
			10 February 2015	60% of corresponding committee Members
			26 March 2015	70% of corresponding committee Members
	Publicity and Survey Committee Meeting	7	24 April 2014	45% of corresponding committee Members
			23 June 2014	56% of corresponding committee Members
			1 August 2014	67% of corresponding committee Members
			23 September 2014	45% of corresponding committee Members
			18 November 2014	45% of corresponding committee Members
			2 February 2015	100% of corresponding committee Members
			31 March 2015	63% of corresponding committee Members
	Operation Advisory Committee Meeting	2	4 July 2014	73% of corresponding committee Members
			28 October 2014	100% of corresponding committee Members
IPCC In-house Meeting	7	17 May 2014	75% of all Members	
		4 September 2014	71% of all Members	
		8 October 2014	71% of all Members	
		14 November 2014	75% of all Members	
		20 November 2014	100% of all Members	
		23 January 2015	43% of all Members	

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
	Joint IPCC/CAPO Meeting	4	10 March 2015	86% of all Members
			29 May 2014	88% of all Members
			18 September 2014	88% of all Members
			11 December 2014	71% of all Members
			17 March 2015	86% of all Members
2015-16 (as at 31.1.2016)	Working Level Meeting	3	6 July 2015	Not applicable (Members' attendance is voluntary)
			25 November 2015	ditto
			12 January 2016	ditto
	Special Panel Meeting	1	24 April 2015	64% of corresponding committee Members
	Serious Complaints Committee Meeting	3	23 June 2015	43% of corresponding committee Members
			7 October 2015	52% of corresponding committee Members
			12 January 2015	63% of corresponding committee Members
	Management Committee Meeting	7	19 May 2015	54% of corresponding committee Members
			23 June 2015	31% of corresponding committee Members
			4 August 2015	69% of corresponding committee Members
			24 August 2015	69% of corresponding committee Members
			22 October 2015	62% of corresponding committee Members
			10 December 2015	46% of corresponding committee Members
			28 January 2016	75% of corresponding committee Members
	Publicity and Survey Committee Meeting	7	27 April 2015	67% of corresponding committee Members
			31 July 2015	67% of corresponding committee Members
			26 August 2015	67% of corresponding committee Members
			14 October 2015	78% of corresponding committee Members
			14 December 2015	70% of corresponding committee Members
			24 December 2015	90% of corresponding committee Members
			26 January 2016	56% of corresponding committee Members
	Operation Advisory Committee Meeting	2	29 May 2015	67% of corresponding committee Members
			5 November 2015	62% of corresponding committee Members
IPCC In-house Meeting	5	9 June 2015	89% of all Members	
		10 July 2015	64% of all Members	
		22 July 2015	75% of all Members	

Year	Meeting title	Number	Date	Attendance rate of Members
			8 September 2015	79% of all Members
			1 December 2015	86% of all Members
	Joint IPCC/CAPO Meeting	3	25 June 2015	86% of all Members
			24 September 2015	79% of all Members
			8 December 2015	75% of all Members

IPCC Members were not required to withdraw from the above meetings.

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

SB522

(Question Serial No. 6657)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please list out IPCC's entertainment expenses in the past 5 years.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 344)

Reply:

The IPCC's entertainment expenses in the past 5 years are as follows:

2011-12	: \$18,000
2012-13	: \$12,000
2013-14	: \$6,000
2014-15	: \$12,000
2015-16 (as at 31 January)	: \$3,000

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**SB523****(Question Serial No. 6658)**Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints CouncilSubhead (No. & title): ()Programme: (1) Police Complaints AdministrationControlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for SecurityQuestion:

In respect of enhancing public awareness of the role of the IPCC, how much did the IPCC spend in the past 5 years? What were the expenditure items? What is the estimated expenditure in 2015-16?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 346)Reply:

In respect of enhancing public awareness of the role of the IPCC, the IPCC's expenditure amounts and items incurred in the past 5 years are as follows:

	2011-12 (in thousand)	2012-13 (in thousand)	2013-14 (in thousand)	2014-15 (in thousand)	2015-16 (as at 31 January) (in thousand)
IPCC Annual Report, Newsletter, booklet and pamphlet	400	370	310	350	150
News monitoring service	10	40	140	140	200
Public opinion survey	-	100	100	110	-
TV programs	540	320	450	4 000	970
Media liaison	20	50	30	210	50
Others	10	20	10	50	20
Total	980	900	1 040	4 860	1 390 ^{Note}

Note: The expenditure for the production and printing of publications, the public opinion survey and the use of the news monitoring services from 31 January to 31 March 2016 are not included in this figure. The estimated total expenditure for 2015-16 is \$1.62 million.

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 6659)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please list out in table form the IPCC's manpower structure, annual staff remunerations and allowances in 2016-17.

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 347)

Reply:

The IPCC's 2016-17 manpower structure, annual staff remunerations and allowances are as follows:

<u>Rank of staff</u>	<u>Number of staff</u>	<u>Staff remunerations and allowances</u> (per annum)
Secretary-General	1	\$2.37 million
Deputy Secretary-General	2	\$2.91 million
Legal Advisor	1	\$1.44 million
Assistant Secretary-General	2	\$2.34 million
Senior Vetting Officer	6	\$5.21 million
Senior Manager	3	\$2.51 million
Vetting Officer	10	\$6.42 million
Manager	4	\$2.37 million
Personal Secretary	1	\$0.39 million
Corporate Services Officer	7	\$1.91 million
Public Relations Officer	1	\$0.32 million
Digital Communications Officer	1	\$0.34 million

<u>Rank of staff</u>	<u>Number of staff</u>	<u>Staff remunerations and allowances</u> (per annum)
Information Technology Officer	2	\$0.72 million
Administrative Assistant	12	\$2.32 million
General Assistant	2	\$0.35 million
Total	55	\$31.92 million

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 4543)

Head: (121) Independent Police Complaints Council

Subhead (No. & title): ()

Programme: (1) Police Complaints Administration

Controlling Officer: Secretary-General, Independent Police Complaints Council
(Ricky CHU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please state the number of on-site observations for large-scale demonstrations and rallies conducted by the IPCC last year.

How many complaint cases related to large-scale demonstrations and rallies did IPCC handle last year? How many of such cases were substantiated?

Asked by: Hon WONG Yuk-man (Member Question No. 54)

Reply:

In 2015-16 (as at 29 February), IPCC Members conducted 1 on-site observation for large-scale demonstrations and rallies.

In 2015-16 (as at 31 January), the IPCC endorsed 88 reportable complaints cases related to large-scale demonstrations and rallies and 1 allegation was classified as substantiated.

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