## **Press Release**

## Financial results for the three months ended June 30, 2017

Monday, July 31, 2017

The Government announced today (July 31) its financial results for the three months ended June 30, 2017.

There was a surplus of HK\$40.1 billion in the month of June, thereby bringing a cumulative year-to-date surplus of HK\$35.4 billion. Expenditure for the period April to June 2017 amounted to HK\$110.5 billion and revenue HK\$145.9 billion.

A government spokesperson said that the surplus in June was mainly due to the receipt of land premium.

The fiscal reserves stood at HK\$989.1 billion as at June 30, 2017.

More detailed figures are shown in Tables 1 and 2.

TABLE 1. CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT (Note 1)

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	Month ended June 30, 2017 HK\$ million	Three months ended June 30, 2017 HK\$ million	
Revenue	80,737.4	145,948.8	
Expenditure	(40,632.3)	(110,552.7)	
Surplus	40,105.1	35,396.1	
Financing			
Domestic			
Banking Sector (Note 2)	(40,236.3)	(36,839.2)	
Non-Banking Sector	131.2	1,443.1	
External	-	-	
Total	(40,105.1)	(35,396.1)	

Government Debts as at June 30, 2017 (Note 3)
HK\$1,500 million
Debts Guaranteed by Government as at June 30, 2017 (Note 4)
HK\$27,391.6 million

TABLE 2. FISCAL RESERVES

	Month ended	Three months ended
		June 30, 2017
	HK\$ million	HK\$ million
Fiscal Reserves at start of period	949,030.1	953,739.1
Consolidated Surplus	40,105.1	35,396.1
Fiscal Reserves at end of period (Note 5)	989,135.2	989,135.2

## Notes:

- 1. This Account consolidates the General Revenue Account and the following eight Funds: Capital Works Reserve Fund, Capital Investment Fund, Civil Service Pension Reserve Fund, Disaster Relief Fund, Innovation and Technology Fund, Land Fund, Loan Fund and Lotteries Fund. It excludes the Bond Fund, the balance of which is not part of the fiscal reserves. The Bond Fund balance as at June 30, 2017, was HK\$148,867 million.
- 2. Includes transactions with the Exchange Fund and resident banks.
- 3. These were the outstanding institutional notes as at June 30, 2017, which were denominated in Hong Kong dollars with maturity in July 2019. They do not include the outstanding bonds with nominal value of HK\$110,768 million and alternative bonds with nominal value of US\$3,000 million (equivalent to HK\$23,417 million as at June 30, 2017) issued under the Government Bond Programme (with proceeds credited to the Bond Fund). Of these bonds under the Government Bond Programme (including Silver Bonds with nominal value of HK\$5,968 million, which may be redeemed before maturity upon request

from bond holders), bonds with nominal value of HK\$21,400 million will mature within the period from July 2017 to June 2018 and the rest within the period from July 2018 to March 2032.

- 4. Includes guarantees provided under the SME Loan Guarantee Scheme launched in 2001, the Special Loan Guarantee Scheme launched in 2008, the Special Concessionary Measures under the SME Financing Guarantee Scheme launched in 2012, and a commercial loan of the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation.
- 5. Includes HK\$219,730 million being the balance of the Land Fund held in the name of "Future Fund" as from January 1, 2016, for long-term investments initially up to December 31, 2025. As from July 1, 2016, the Future Fund also includes HK\$4,800 million, being one-third of the actual surplus in 2015-16 as top-up.

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