Controlling officer: the Secretary General, Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service will account for expenditure under this Head.

Estimate 2007–08	\$13.4m
Establishment ceiling 2007–08 (notional annual mid-point salary value) representing an estimated 23 non-directorate posts as at 31 March 2007 and as at 31 March 2008	\$9.3m
In addition, there will be an estimated four directorate posts as at 31 March 2007 and as at 31 March 2008.	

Controlling Officer's Report

Programme

Secretariat services for the following advisory bodies on civil service and judicial salaries and conditions of service—
Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service

- Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Standing Committee on Directorate Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Standing Committee on Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service

Detail

	2005–06 (Actual)	2006–07 (Original)	2006–07 (Revised)	2007–08 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	10.4	8.7	8.2 (-5.7%)	13.4 (+63.4%)

(or +54.0% on 2006–07 Original)

Aim

2 The aim is to assist in maintaining efficient and stable civil and judicial services through the advice of the advisory bodies.

Brief Description

- **3** The four advisory bodies advise the Chief Executive on the following:
- Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service matters relating to the pay and conditions of service of the non-directorate civil service;
- Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service matters relating to the pay and conditions of service of the disciplined services;
- Standing Committee on Directorate Salaries and Conditions of Service the structure of directorate posts and matters relating to pay and conditions of service; and
- Standing Committee on Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service the structure of judicial posts and matters relating to pay and conditions of service.

4 The advisory bodies take into consideration recommendations from the Administration and views of the staff before tendering their advice to the Chief Executive.

5 The effectiveness of the work of the advisory bodies is reflected in the part they play in the formulation of reasonable principles and viable practices governing the grades, ranks, salary structures and conditions of service of the civil and judicial services.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2007–08

- **6** During 2007–08, the advisory bodies will:
- continue to tender advice to the Administration on the on-going efforts to modernise the civil service pay system;
- continue to examine and tender advice to the Administration on proposals put to them by the Administration on matters within their ambits; and
- undertake reviews as requested by the Administration, including work in relation to individual grade structure reviews.

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PROVISION

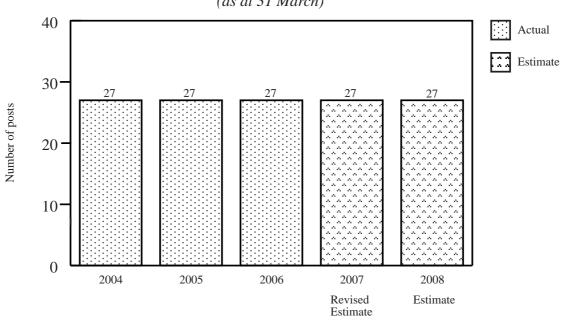
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Analysis of Financial and Staffing Provision

Provision for 2007–08 is \$5.2 million (63.4%) higher than the revised estimate for 2006–07. This is mainly due to the additional provision for undertaking work in relation to individual grade structure reviews.

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Changes in the size of the establishment (as at 31 March)

Year

Sub- head (Code)		Actual expenditure 2005–06	Approved estimate 2006–07	Revised estimate 2006–07	Estimate 2007–08
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Operating Account				
	Recurrent				
000	Operational expenses	10,441	8,650	8,169	13,446
	Total, Recurrent	10,441	8,650	8,169	13,446
	Total, Operating Account	10,441	8,650	8,169	13,446
	Total Expenditure	10,441	8,650	8,169	13,446

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2007–08 for the salaries and expenses of the Joint Secretariat for the Advisory Bodies on Civil Service and Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service (Joint Secretariat) is \$13,446,000. This represents an increase of \$5,277,000 over the revised estimate for 2006–07 and of \$3,005,000 over actual expenditure in 2005–06.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$13,446,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Joint Secretariat. The increase of \$5,277,000 (64.6%) over the revised estimate for 2006–07 is mainly due to the additional provision for undertaking work in relation to individual grade structure reviews.

3 The establishment as at 31 March 2007 will be 27 permanent posts. No change in establishment is expected by 31 March 2008. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during 2007–08, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$9,259,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2005–06 (Actual) (\$'000)	2006–07 (Original) (\$'000)	2006–07 (Revised) (\$'000)	2007–08 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments - Salaries - Allowances Departmental Expenses - General departmental expenses	8,455 304	7,641 388	7,121 221	10,864 278
	1,682	621	827	2,304
	10,441	8,650	8,169	13,446