MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

ASSESSMENT OF 1,444 HISTORIC BUILDINGS FINALISATION OF THE GRADINGS OF PROPOSED GRADED BUILDINGS

PURPOSE

This paper requests Members to consider endorsing the gradings of the items as detailed in paragraphs 2 to 4 below.

BACKGROUND

2. At the 141st AAB Meeting held on 18 December 2009, Members discussed Board Paper AAB/32/2009-10 which lists out the proposed gradings of the historic buildings for which no adverse comments have been received during the earlier consultation with the owners and the public. Members have endorsed the gradings of the proposed Grade 1 and Grade 2 buildings as listed in that paper. At the meeting on 22 January 2010, Members will proceed to consider the gradings of the proposed Grade 3 and nil grade buildings as listed in the aforementioned paper.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3. In addition to those listed in the aforementioned paper, there are 22 other buildings for which notification letters have successfully reached the owners and the Antiquities and Momuments Office (AMO) has received no adverse comments on the proposed grading. They are set out at **Annex A** for Members' consideration of the proposed gradings of these buildings.
- 4. As the next step, the AAB will proceed to consider those proposed graded buildings with queries/requests for delisting/upgrading. The AMO has gathered new information on some of these buildings with queries on their proposed gradings. Those items have been reviewed by the Expert Panel and

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their recommendations on the gradings are listed at <u>Annex B</u> for Members' consideration of their gradings.

ADVICE SOUGHT

5. With the information provided in paragraphs 2 to 4 above, Members are advised to consider endorsing the gradings of the proposed graded items. Members are also welcome to give views as to whether site visits to some proposed Grade 1 items would be required, before the endorsement of the gradings.

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