MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

ASSESSMENT OF 1 444 HISTORIC BUILDINGS FINALISATION OF THE GRADINGS OF PROPOSED GRADED BUILDINGS AND RESULTS OF ASSESSMENT OF NEW ITEMS

PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to consider endorsing the proposed gradings of the historic buildings as detailed in paragraphs 4 and 5 below.

BACKGROUND

- 2. Up to present, Members have endorsed the gradings of 909 historic buildings of the 1 444 including -
 - (a) 160 Grade 1 buildings;
 - (b) 309 Grade 2 buildings; and
 - (c) 440 Grade 3 buildings.

Members have also confirmed that 282 buildings do not warrant a grading.

- 3. In addition, Members confirmed that 8 historic buildings of the new items should be accorded with gradings listed below
 - (a) 2 Grade 1 building;
 - (b) 2 Grade 2 buildings; and
 - (c) 4 Grade 3 buildings.

Members have confirmed after consideration that 2 new items do not warrant a grading.

MORE ITEMS ON THE 1 444 LIST FOR CONSIDERATION

4. Members are invited to consider the proposed gradings of 20 historic buildings (at **Annex A**) for which the owners' previous queries have already been reviewed / addressed.

NEW ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5. The AAB decided at its meeting on 23 November 2011 that although the three buildings of the Post 1950 Former Central Government Offices (CGO), namely the Main Wing, East Wing and West Wing, were newly raised items, rather than items on the list of 1 444 historic buildings being processed with the assistance of the Expert Panel of the AAB, assessment of their gradings could be accorded with priority. On 31 May 2012, the Expert Panel discussed the CGO site and their recommendations on the gradings of the CGO site / buildings are set out at **Annex B**.
- 6. Following the usual practice, subject to Members' views on the recommendations on the gradings of the new items, the Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO) will upload the information and the proposed gradings of the new items to its website for a one-month public consultation. The AMO will report to Members on any information or views received during the public consultation for further consideration by the AAB before finalising the gradings of the new items.

ADVICE SOUGHT

7. Members are invited to consider endorsing the proposed gradings of those items mentioned in paragraphs 4 and 5 above.

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