OPERATIONS STATISTICS – 2024 INVESTIGATION AND COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT

Investigation and Enquiry

	Year ended 31 March 2024	Year ended 31 March 2023
Investigation		
Brought forward	146	82
Initiated in the period ¹	77	72
Completed		
 Cases referred to HKICPA ² 	-	(2)
 Cases referred to Discipline Department ² 	(6)	(6)
- Without further action	(1)	-
In progress at end of period	216	146
<u>Enquiry</u>		
Brought forward	31	16
Initiated in the period ¹	14	17
Completed ³	<u>-</u>	(2)
In progress at end of period	45	31

Notes:

- 1. The number of investigations/enquiries initiated may not equal the number of complaints which required the initiation of investigations and/or enquiries as a complaint may lead to the initiation of more than one investigation and/or enquiry.
- 2. All completed investigations with auditing/reporting irregularities or misconducts identified were referred to (i) the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (in cases where engagements were completed before 1 October 2019 and related investigations were completed before 1 October 2022); or (ii) the Discipline Department of the AFRC (in all other cases) for consideration of disciplinary actions.
- 3. For all completed enquiries with significant non-compliance with accounting requirements identified, the listed companies were required to remove the non-compliance.