Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Third Quarter 2017

		Q3 16	Q2 17	Q3 17	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)		19,205	19,284	19,469	+1.0%	+1.4%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)		144,755	154,712	160,291	+3.6%	+10.7%
of which	Retail sales	142,186	152,303	157,895	+3.7%	+11.0%
	of which Hong Kong spending	119,627	125,387	130,531	+4.1%	+9.1%
	Overseas spending	22,559	26,916	27,364	+1.7%	+21.3%
	Cash advances	2,569	2,409	2,396	-0.5%	-6.7%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)		150,697	155,076	160,529	+3.5%	+6.5%
of which	Retail sales	138,514	144,252	149,207	+3.4%	+7.7%
	of which Hong Kong spending	113,211	117,325	120,447	+2.7%	+6.4%
	Overseas spending	25,303	26,926	28,761	+6.8%	+13.7%
	Cash advances	12,183	10,824	11,322	+4.6%	-7.1%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)		32,067	34,096	32,972	-3.3%	+2.8%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)		66,768	71,552	71,919	+0.5%	+7.7%

Note: Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics.