LegCo Select Committee To Continue Public Hearings

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The Legislative Council Select Committee on Building Problems of Public Housing Units met today (Tuesday, 4 September 2001) to discuss how to proceed with the inquiry into the 4 incidents, namely Tin Shui Wai Area 31 Phase 1, Shatin Area 14B Phase 2, Shek Yam Estate Phase 2, and Tung Chung Area 30 Phase 3.

The Select Committee has decided at the meeting to summon four more witnesses: Mr YUEN Tze-chu, Mr CHAN Kwai-lung, Mr David LEE and Mr Walter LEE of the Housing Department to give evidence concerning the Tin Shui Wai incident.

The next witnesses to appear before the Select Committee in respect of the Tin Shui Wai incident are Mr Stephen POON Singchi, former Deputy Director of Housing/Works; Hyder Consultants Ltd, the company which prepared the Tin Shui Wai Area 31 Phase 1 Foundation Advice Report; and Mr Joseph KONG, Project Director/Central of the Housing Department, on 11, 13 and 18 September 2001 respectively.

The Committee will continue its internal deliberation at its next meeting on 6 September 2001 to discuss the findings collected regarding the organisational structure and working mechanism for the production of public housing units, and to prepare for the next hearing.

End/Tuesday, September 4, 2001
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