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Mr Colin CHUI
Clerk to Panel on Welfare Services
Legislative Council Complex,
1 Legislative Council Road,
Central, Hong Kong

Dear Mr CHUI,

Panel on Welfare Services

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services held on 12 November 2012, with respect to the discussion item on "Annual adjustment of payment rates under the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme and the Social Security Allowance Scheme", the Administration was requested to provide information on the comparison of the CSSA maximum rent allowance and the rent paid by CSSA households.

The Social Welfare Department has compiled the requisite information based on CSSA caseload statistics of end-November 2012. The relevant information is provided at Annex for Members' reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Simpson LO', written over a faint circular stamp.

(Simpson LO)

for Secretary for Labour and Welfare

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cc. Director of Social Welfare (Attn: Mr CHAN Wing-hoi)

**A comparison of the
Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA)
maximum levels of rent allowance (MRA) and
the actual rent paid by CSSA households
(Position as at end-November 2012)**

- As at the end of November 2012, the CSSA MRA covered the actual rent paid by about 86% of CSSA households receiving rent allowance. The breakdown by household size was as follows –

Number of eligible members	Actual rent less than or equal to MRA	Actual rent higher than MRA	Total
1	74 718	15 686	90 404
2	48 109	5 297	53 406
3	21 947	2 558	24 505
4 or above	14 670	1 824	16 494
Total	159 444 (86.3%)	25 365 (13.7%)	184 809 (100.0%)