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Dear Hon TSE,

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2015-16
(Question Serial No: R109)

I refer to the above question which you raised during the examination of the estimates of expenditure for 2015-16 regarding household splitting.

The Housing Department does not maintain a yearly breakdown on applications and approvals for household splitting for the past three financial years.

Each year, the Subsidised Housing Committee of the Hong Kong Housing Authority examines and endorses the Public Rental Housing (PRH) Allocation Plan for various rehousing categories. Allocation of PRH units for splitting households is grouped under the "Compassionate Rehousing" category with an overall planned allocation of 2 000 units in year 2014-15. The PRH Allocation Plan for 2015-16 has not been drawn up yet.

In the past three financial years (i.e. 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14), the number of PRH units allocated to splitting households were 124, 124 and 135 respectively.

Yours sincerely,

(Original Signed)

(Jerry CHEUNG)

for Secretary for Transport and Housing

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