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Dear Dr Hon CHEUNG,

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2016-17
(Question Serial No: R102)

I refer to the above question which you raised during the examination of the estimates of expenditure for 2016-17 regarding the education attainments of non-elderly one-person applicants for public rental housing (PRH). Our reply is as follows.

Since applicants are not required to provide information on their education attainments when applying for PRH, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) does not maintain such information in respect of individual applicants. The education attainments of non-elderly one-person applicants as shown in the findings of the annual survey on PRH applicants conducted by HA for reference purpose are as follows -

Education Attainments	2011 Survey	2012 Survey	2013 Survey	2014 Survey	2015 Survey
Primary school or below	6%	8%	7%	5%	6%
Secondary school	60%	58%	52%	52%	49%
Post-Secondary	16%	17%	21%	20%	19%
Tertiary or above	17%	17%	19%	23%	27%
Overall	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: The findings of the surveys are based on the figures as at end-March 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 respectively. Figures in the table above may not add up to total due to rounding. Statistics for “non-elderly one-person applicants” from surveys conducted in 2014 or earlier mainly include those Quota and Points System (QPS) applicants, but also include two categories of general applicants, viz. those who are aged 58 – 59 and opt for “Single Elderly Persons Priority Scheme”; as well as female non-elderly one-person applicants who have been pregnant for 16 weeks or more. In the 2015 Survey, applicants were classified into general applicants and QPS applicants strictly in accordance with their types of application. Therefore, the statistics from the 2015 Survey in the above table reflects the survey results of those who were purely QPS applicants.

Yours sincerely,

(Original Signed)

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