

(Translation)

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10 November 1999

Mrs Mary TANG
Clerk to LegCo Panel on Housing

Dear Mrs TANG,

In preparation for the meeting of the LegCo Panel on Housing to be held on 6 December 1999, I would like to raise the following questions. Please refer them to the Housing Bureau and request an early reply in writing.

Problems arising from shared non-self-contained accommodation (commonly referred to as “partitioned flats”) in public housing estates

1. How many unrelated single persons are now sharing accommodation in partitioned flats? What are the criteria adopted by the Social Welfare Department in making recommendations to the Housing Department (HD) for splitting of tenancy?
2. How many persons have applied for splitting of tenancy in each of the past five years? How many cases were successful?
3. Has any plan been made by HD for splitting the tenancy of those unrelated tenants who are sharing partitioned flats? If so, what is the timetable?
4. Please provide a breakdown of the yearly figures in respect of the following from 1999/2000 to 2005/2006: the number of one-person public housing flats to be produced by HD, and in addition to the existing flats, the total number of public housing flats available for allocation to single persons. How many single persons are now on the Waiting List?

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