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 will continue its public hearing tomorrow (Saturday, May 12) at 9.30 am in the Legislative Council Chamber. Dominic Wong Shing-wah, Secretary for Housing, will give evidence to the Select Committee for the first time. The main areas of evidence to be obtained include the scope of responsibilities of the Housing Bureau; Housing Bureau's relationship with the Housing Authority and the Housing Department; the role of the Housing Bureau in making housing production forecasts, formulating housing policies and monitoring the implementation of these policies. If necessary, Mr Wong Shing-wah will attend the next hearing of the Select Committee (Saturday, May 19) to continue to give evidence.

After taking the evidence of Mr Wong Shing-wah, the Select Committee will summon three other witnesses to attend its public hearings. They are Mr Edward Ho Sing-tin, Chairman of Building Committee, Housing Authority, 1995-96; Mr Daniel Lam Chun, Chairman of Building Committee, Housing Authority, since 1996-97; and Mrs Fanny Law Fan Chiu-fun, former Deputy Director (Housing Management and Works) of the Housing Department. Their hearing dates will be May 22, May 26 and June 5, 2001 respectively.

The Select Committee has been set up to inquire into the building problems in the production of public housing units in Tin Chung Court (Tin Shui Wai), Shatin Area 14B Phase 2, Tung Chung Area 30 Phase 3 and Shek Yam Estate Phase 2.