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S-THB(H)01

(Question Serial No. SV019)

Head: (62) Housing Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (4) Rehousing of Occupants upon Clearance

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

This is a follow-up question in relation to Reply Serial No. THB(H)040.

Please advise on the numbers of the following groups of people who have stayed in Po Tin Transit Centre in the past year and the change in numbers:

- (i) occupants of illegal rooftop structures displaced by the Buildings Department's enforcement action and eligible for rehousing; and
- (ii) occupants of illegal subdivided units affected by clearance action.

Asked by: Hon WAN Siu-kin, Andrew

Reply:

- (i) In 2016-17, a total of 3 eligible persons affected by Buildings Department (BD)'s enforcement action against illegal rooftop structures were admitted to Po Tin Interim Housing in Tuen Mun. They are waiting for flat allocation through public rental housing application.
- (ii) Occupants affected by enforcement actions against illegal subdivided units need find their own alternative accommodation under normal circumstances. However, if affected occupants are rendered homeless due to enforcement actions by the government, temporary accommodation at Po Tin Transit Centre in Tuen Mun will be provided to them through referral by departments concerned (e.g. BD). In 2016-17, the Housing Department has not received any such referral.

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