## Bills Committee on Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Bill 2021

## Follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 29 July 2021

The Administration was requested to provide information on the following:

- (a) the number of illegal subdivided units ("SDUs") displaced under the enforcement action taken by the Buildings Department and other relevant departments/bureaux in the past five years, and whether the Administration would undertake to provide regular reports to the Legislative Council on the enforcement action taken by the Buildings Department and other relevant departments/bureaux against illegal SDUs after the passage of the Bill;
- (b) details of the extra resources, including resources in manpower, or the plan for them, that the Rating and Valuation Department has or will have in anticipation of the work involved in administering the new provisions in the Bill, including promoting public awareness of the new regulatory regime, handling enquiries, providing advisory and mediatory services on tenancy matters, publishing summary information about SDU rents reported after implementation of the new law, and taking enforcement action; and
- (c) considering that the tenancy of any domestic premises of which one room is rented out will fall under the definition of "regulated tenancy" in the Bill, and as such, the number of targeted premises to be regulated by the Bill will be much more than the number of SDUs, which are commonly understood to be inadequate housing resided by the grass-roots tenants who need protection,
  - (i) the number of domestic premises that will be regulated by the Bill;
  - (ii) among (i), the number of SDUs commonly regarded as those resided by inadequately-housed households, and the number of premises other than such SDUs such as those with one room rented out; and

(iii) the respective figures for (ii) among the 110 000 SDUs in Hong Kong which provide accommodation to tenants (according to the findings of the survey commissioned by the Task Force for the Study on Tenancy Control of SDUs).

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