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Headline:	Elderly Public Housing Tenants' Talent Show
Content:	The following is issued on behalf of the Housing Authority:

Over 40 elderly public housing tenants from eight estates today (Thursday) participated in the Elderly's Talent Show 1996. Organised by the Housing Department's Estate Liaison Officers, the Show was held to encourage the elderly's participation in social activities. Watched by over 200 fellow elderly tenants and guests, the elderly tenants performed chorus singing, Chinese musical instrument playing, Cantonese opera, and comic shows at the Studio Theatre of the Hong Kong Cultural Centre. The Show serves as an ideal opportunity for elderly tenants to socialise with each other. Prior to the Show, Deputy Director of Housing (Housing Management and Works), Mrs Fanny Law presented souvenirs to 40 individuals and organisations who had lent invaluable support to the Estate Liaison Officers Scheme."Since its inception in 1990, the scheme has now been extended to 10 estates," Mrs Law said, noting that elderly tenants in another 15 estates will also enjoy the service in the near future. Our Estate Liaison Officers visit elderly tenants and organise social and recreational activities for them. They also refer cases in need of help to the Social Welfare Department and voluntary organisations concerned, and liaise with local organisations to co-ordinate service provided to the elderly. "The scheme has won the support of community leaders, territory-wide organisations and people from all walks of life whose contribution include commodity donations or free services, she said. End

Note to Editors: A photograph taken at the event will be boxed at GIS later. Thursday, February 1, 1996

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