

Press in March 1996

<i>Press March 7, 1996</i>	
Headline :	<i>Good Response to Public Housing Consultation</i>
Content :	<p>The following is issued on behalf of the Housing Authority:</p> <p>The Housing Department collected a lot of views through various channels during its recent public consultation on safeguarding rational allocation of public housing resources which ended yesterday(Wednesday).</p> <p>"The department has so far received 121 written submissions by individuals on the consultation document and 34 written submissions from various organisations." said a spokesman for the department today (Thursday).</p> <p>"Of them, four are from political parties, ten from concern groups, five from professional bodies and 15 from area committees,Mutual Aid committees and residents associations,"he said.</p> <p>"There are also 929 pre-printed letters and questionnaires and two submissions with 1,214 signatures collected in signature campaigns."</p> <p>"A further 92 individuals expressed their views on the document through our telephone hotlines."</p> <p>"We are pleased to note that people are willing to come forward with views and comments on the consultation document," he said.</p> <p>He added that relevant public views in the newspapers and those collected during the six public hearing sessions earlier, where 19 groups and 25 individuals had expressed their opinions, would be carefully considered.</p> <p>"We also heard the views of the Legislative Council, all District Boards as well as tenant bodies in our estates." Views were divided among the submissions received.</p> <p>"For example, some advocated termination of tenancy of the better-off tenants whereas others objected to asset declaration and the requirement to pay market rent. Views were also split on the criteria for setting the income and asset limits and the implementation details."</p> <p>The Ad Hoc Committee on Private Domestic Property Ownership by Public Rental</p>

Housing Tenants will deliberate on the public opinions collected when it meets later this month. End
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