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<i>Press July 10,1996</i>	
Headline :	<i>Government Explains Position on Tiu Keng Leng Clearance</i>
Content :	<p>The following is issued on behalf of the Housing Authority:</p> <p>The Government will hold further discussions on compensation with residents of the Tiu Keng Cottage Area (TKLCA) following the High Court's judgement on the issue on June 27, a Government spokesman said today (Wednesday).</p> <p>The spokesman said the Housing Department would begin clearance of the cottage area on July 30, as scheduled. He urged the remaining residents to move out peacefully in accordance with the court judgement.</p> <p>"The clearance operation will not affect eligible residents' rights to any compensation which may be reached," the spokesman said.</p> <p>He pointed out the Judge considered the Notices to Quit issued by the Department valid.</p> <p>"The Judge also recognised that modern housing is urgently required in Hong Kong and the cleared land will provide the opportunity for many people to live there," he said.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the Housing Department appealed to the small number of families who had not yet registered to come forward as soon as possible so that alternative accommodation could be arranged for them in good time.</p> <p>The Department's registration team at TKLCA will extend their working hours to 8 pm daily from July 12 (Friday) to 14 (Sunday) to help the residents to complete the necessary procedure.</p> <p>The spokesman added that a letter will be sent to all the remaining residents to explain the Government's position and to appeal for their co-operation.</p> <p>"The Tseung Kwan O new town development will produce 12,000 public housing flats in 2002. The clearance is long overdue. Any further delay in the clearance operation will affect the target completion date of the flats as well as the related infrastructure and community projects," the spokesman said.</p> <p>End/Wednesday, July 10,1996</p>

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