

## Press in September 1996

<i>Press September 18, 1996</i>	
<b>Headline :</b>	<b><i>Removal Allowance for Public Housing Tenants Increased</i></b>
<b>Content :</b>	<p>The following is issued on behalf of the Housing Authority</p> <p>The Housing Authority's Management and Operations Committee (MOC) today (Wednesday) agreed to increase the rate of the Ex-gratia Domestic Removal Allowance (DRA) payable to tenants affected by redevelopment and major improvement programmes.</p> <p>"Affected tenants will get their increased DRA payment from December 1 1995," said the chairman of the MOC, Mr Chan Kam-man.</p> <p>"For a one person family, the DRA payment will be increased from \$1,910 to \$2,480, representing an increase of 29.8 per cent. The amount for a family with six or more members will be increased from \$6,230 to \$7,610, with an increase rate of 22 per cent." Mr Chan said.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the Committee also agreed to stop the payment of the Special Allowance (SA) to tenants affected by future redevelopment and major improvement programmes.</p> <p>Mr Chan explained that at present only tenants affected by redevelopment and improvement programmes were entitled to receive the SA which was originally given as a gesture of goodwill, while clearerees from other categories could not get the payment.</p> <p>"The SA will, however, continue to be paid to tenants affected by all on-going programmes, but will not be payable to those affected by projects announced from now onwards," he said.</p> <p>End/Wednesday, September 18</p>

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