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**Headline :** *Tenants affected by redevelopment are offered more choices  
(Issued on behalf of the Housing Authority)*

**Content :** A pilot scheme to offer more choice to the tenants affected by Comprehensive Redevelopment Programme (CRP) is tried out in the redevelopment of Chai Wan Estate Phase 2. Under this new scheme, the reception flats earmarked for the operation exercise is open for selection by tenants and the priority of flat selection is determined by a ballot. The ballot for the redevelopment of Chai Wan Estate Phase 2 is held today (Thursday) to determine the priority for the flat selection. "A ballot system for flat selection is more transparent and fairer than the current practice of making individual offers. The households affected by redevelopment will have more choices of flats and the vacancy period will be reduced significantly." The spokesman said that at present, reception flats earmarked for the redevelopment operation exercise are offered to tenants by means of batch allocation. Usually the tenants would be given three or more offers, but they very often refused the offer for The Housing Authority will assess the effectiveness of this pilot scheme. Of the 400 households affected by the redevelopment of Chai Wan Estate Phase 2, 100 have opted to buy Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) flats or move to refurbished flats in other housing estates. Another 308 will be moved to Hing Tung Estate which is located Hing Tung Estate Phase 2 and a three-storey Commercial Complex in the estate are expected to be completed in the second quarter of this year. Comprehensive facilities there in Hing Tung Estate include a modern market and various community services. The priority of flat selection by individual tenants is determined by balloting similar to the current system adopted for the sale of HOS flats. In the selection of flats of the same size, large families will have priority over small families. For singl A letter with selection number for individual tenant has been sent to all affected tenants in advance together with a pamphlet provide detail information on the estimated completion date of the new estate, location, orientation, floor plans of the build Tenants will be notified in writing of the date of flat selection. A list of the units available will be enclosed in the letter. The chairman of Eastern District Board, Mr. Chan Bing Woon, officiated at today's ballot in the Yue Wan Community Hall. The priority list for flat selection, which is determined by computer on the basis of the ballot result, will be displayed at the Ch "Each tenant will have only one chance to pick up a flat. A tenant can authorise a member of the household to attend the selection session. For tenants who refuse or fail to select a flat will be offered a flat, after completion of the flat selection ex "A maximum of three offers will be made and, if rejected, the tenants will be deemed to have given up the right to rehousing. The tenancy will be terminated," he said. "A tenant who feel aggrieved may seek a review to the

Appeal Panel which is independent of Housing Authority," he added.

Note to editors: A photograph taken at the ballot will be boxed at GIS later today (Thursday) End Thursday, January 18, 1996

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