MAMAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF
THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 1996

PARAGRAPH

15  **External Transportation of Tung Chung**

An inter-departmental working group on the provision of facilities and services for Tung Chung New Town was formed. The concern of this Committee about external transportation of Tung Chung was conveyed to the working group. We were assured that adequate external transportation services in Tung Chung would be provided to match with the intake programme of our residents as there would be seven bus routes in operation by mid 1997.

30 & 33  **Explanation of Housing Authority’s Surplus and Deficit in its Domestic Operating Account**

A newspaper article (copy attached) by Deputy Director/Housing Management & Works was published in the Hong Kong Economic Times on 20 December 1996. It gave a detailed account of the Authority’s current financial position. Other publicity measures on this issue will be taken as opportunity arises.
Application for Public Rental Housing by Ex-Home Ownership Scheme Flat Owners and Ex-Home Purchase Loan Recipients

The restriction on ex-HOS flats owners or ex-HPL recipients for applying PRH will be clearly stated in the new batch of application forms to be printed soon. For the time being, a copy of the notice to the same effect will be attached to each application form for distribution to the applicants. The notice will also be displayed in the waiting halls of the Applications Section and the Housing Information Centres.

The effect of the new policy on prospective HOS/PSPS purchasers will be incorporated into the guidance notes from Phase 18C onwards. Successful applicants of HPLS will also be informed of the same w.e.f. 9.12.96, when they come to collect the Certificate of Eligibility.

The exercise of discretionary power by Assistant Director/Applications and Home Ownership to accept future applications on special grounds had been included as one of the approved recommendations.

A paper on analysing the outstanding applications from ex-HOS owners and ex-HPL recipients has been prepared for discussion under Agenda Item 6.