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Head: (82) Buildings Department

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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Development

Question:

Report No. 64 of the Director of Audit pointed out that long time had been taken in registering warning notices at Land Registry. Has any improvement been made in this regard in the past two years? What is the latest situation?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Hak-kan (Member Question No. 44)

Reply:

The Buildings Department (BD) has been taking actions to strengthen the monitoring of the progress of registration of warning notices (WNs) at the Land Registry (LR). In particular, BD is currently upgrading its information system to enable the automatic uploading of the LR's computer data on the registration of WNs so as to facilitate its monitoring of the registration of newly-issued WNs at the LR.

For the 1 132 WNs not yet registered at the LR as identified in Report No. 64 of the Director of Audit, 569 WNs were registered as at end of January 2017. The BD will arrange for the registration of the remaining 563 WNs as soon as possible.