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## Some residents can bank on problems

Members of ethnic minorities find it difficult to open bank accounts in Hong Kong, says concern group *Unison*.

Calling for banks to review policies, *Unison* representatives met lawmakers in the public complaints office of the Legislative Council yesterday to discuss alleged discrimination.

The claim is that members of minorities trying to open accounts are often rejected or delayed.

One of those complaining, Riz Ullah, said his brother-in-law, a Pakistani resident of Hong Kong, had problems at Bank of East Asia, the Bank of China and HSBC.

Finally, Ullah contacted an HSBC manager he knows and his brother-in-law had an account the next day and then an apology from the bank.

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