

Equal Opportunity Training Video

This video is an example of day to day discrimination felt by some seeking rental accommodation. In this case, a former refugee is refused rental accommodation because of her race.

Key personalities in this scene are:

Atong - Looking for rental accommodation

Sittina - Her friend



Transcript

Sittina: Hi Atong, how's all your house hunting going?

Atong: Ok.

Sittina: Take a seat. Had a good day?

Atong: Not really, had a bad day.

Sittina: Why a bad day?

Atong: Oh, cause I didn't get a unit.

Sittina: You didn't get it? Well it was only advertised today, what happened?

Atong: I went to the office and he, he said, he looked at his computer and he told me that the place, the unit was already taken.

Sittina: Did he show you any other, like are you interested in any other places he's got or....

Atong: No.

Sittina: Nothing?

Atong: Nothing.

Sittina: That's strange.

Atong: I know, I was surprised because I thought I could get the house.

Sittina: And that place was so good and it was so close.

Atong: Yeah, close to your house.

Sittina: You could come by more.

Atong: There's nothing we can do about it though.

Sittina: I'm going to call the agent and see if it's still available cos it's not very likely that a unit advertised today is going to be gone today.

Atong: Don't cause yourself problems.

Sittina: It's not a problem to call him, I want you living down the street from me and if it's available I want you living in it. Have you got his phone?

Atong: Yeah.

Sittina: It doesn't sound right that it was advertised today and you go in first thing and he says no, no it's taken.

Atong: I think he didn't want to give me the place, mm.

Sittina: Well let's see if it's still available.

Sittina gets on the phone

Sittina: Oh hello, yes hi I'm just wondering about the unit in Fredericks Street, in Woodville, advertised in today's paper. Yes, is that still available? It is...

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