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The interviewee used to live in Thủ Thiêm, rowing her boat, shrimping, and selling. Now, she lives in Thạnh Mỹ Lợi apartment (provided by government as compensation for eviction); she likes living here better than in Thủ Thiêm. She likes the policy for compensation as it has provided her with a stable home compared to her old one in Thủ Thiêm. Her biggest suggestion is for the local government to provide an avenue for businesses (e.g. small markets) near the apartment so that people like her can make a living and so that residents can have easier access to food and other products.

**Interviewer:** So với chỗ ở cũ thì chỗ ở mới này có gì thuận lợi và khó khăn hơn không cô ?

**Interviewee:** Thuận lợi lắm vì có nhà cửa khang trang nên rất vui, cảm thấy cuộc sống bớt phải lo lắng hơn yên tâm hơn. Ngày trước lúc còn bên Thủ Thiêm ở nhà bằng gỗ những lúc trời mưa nước ngập khổ lắm, che chắn cũng khổ mà chẳng ăn thua gì, từ hồi chuyển đây nhà cửa kiên cố, cố định, sạch sẽ, khí hậu thì trong lành, cô thấy thoải mái hơn hơn nhiều.

**Interviewer:** Compared to your old home, what are the advantages and disadvantages of your new home?

**Interviewee:** There are many advantages because our house is spacious, and so I'm very happy. I feel less worried, more assured. Before when we still lived in Thủ Thiêm , our house had wood flooring, which was very problematic when there was flooding. The house here is solid, stable, and clean. The air is clean. I feel much more comfortable here.