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TSING YI DEVELOPMENT PLAN 'SENSIBLE'

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THE GOVERNMENT'S FUTURE PLAN FOR TSING YI ISLAND IS THAT RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION SHOULD BE CONCENTRATED IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE ISLAND WHILE INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER USERS ON THE WEST AND THE SOUTH, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT THE END OF HIS THIRD DISTRICT VISIT, TO KWAI TSING, SIR DAVID SAID THE PLAN SEEMED TO BE A VERY SENSIBLE ONE.

+IN THAT WAY, YOU MAKE USE OF THE DEEP WATER ROUND THE WEST AND SOUTH OF TSING YI ISLAND, AND YOU ALSO HAVE A RIDGE OF HILLS BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA AND THE RESIDENTIAL AREA,+ HE SAID.

THE SHORT-TERM PLAN, HE ADDED, WAS TO KEEP VERY CAREFUL WATCH ON ANY POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS INSTALLATION THERE. +AND THAT'S BEING DONE,+ HE NOTED.

ASKED IF THE CHINA RESOURCES INSTALLATIONS IN THE NORTHEAST WOULD BE REMOVED TO THE SOUTH, SIR DAVID SAID IT WAS A POSSIBILITY.

+I UNDERSTAND THERE HAS BEEN SOME PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION WITH CHINA RESOURCES, AND THERE IS A LONG TERM POSSIBILITY OF MOVING THE INSTALLATION, BUT THERE ARE NO PRECISE PLANS YET TO DO IT. IT REQUIRES A LOT OF NEGOTIATION TO MOVE A SITE OF THAT SORT,+ HE SAID.

ELABORATING ON HIS VISIT TO THE DISTRICT -- FIRST TO TSING YI ISLAND AND THEN TO SHEK LEI ESTATE -- SIR DAVID SAID HE FOUND TWO ASPECTS OF THE VISIT +PARTICULARLY INTERESTING+.

ONE WAS THE CONTRAST BETWEEN OLD BUILDING ESTATES AND NEW ONES.

+I'VE SEEN SOME OF THE OLD BUILDINGS NEAR HERE WHICH ARE GOING TO BE RE-DEVELOPED. BUT I'VE ALSO SEEN SOME OF THE NEW BUILDINGS ON TSING YI ISLAND, LIKE TSING YI GARDENS FOR INSTANCE, WHERE THE STANDARD IS ENORMOUSLY IMPROVED ON THE EARLIER ESTATES,+ HE SAID.

+AND WHAT ONE IS SEEING IS STEADY DEVELOPMENT TO THE PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMME, WHICH IS VERY ENCOURAGING,+ HE ADDED.

ASKED ABOUT PROGRESS ON ACTION TAKEN AGAINST CONTRACTORS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUB-STANDARD BLOCKS, SIR DAVID SAID A LOT OF RESEARCH WAS BEING DONE INTO THAT AT THE MOMENT ON THE LEGAL SIDE.

HE ADDED THAT HE WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE WORK DONE BY A MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE IN THE ESTATE TO BRING DOWN THE CRIME RATE WITH AN ALARM SYSTEM AND TO IMPROVE THE CO-OPERATION AMONG PEOPLE LIVING IN THE ESTATE.

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GOVERNOR LOOKS AT DEVELOPMENT IN KWAI TSING  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, TODAY (THURSDAY) TOURED KWAI TSING TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DISTRICT AND HAD A WALK-ABOUT AMONG THE PEOPLE OF SHEK LEI ESTATE IN EAST KWAI CHUNG.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR JAMES HAYES, THE GOVERNOR AND LADY WILSON ARRIVED BY HELICOPTER ON TSING YI WHERE THEY WERE GREETED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK, DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR HO TUNG-CHING, AND PROJECT MANAGER, DR EDWARD PRYOR.

THEY FIRST WENT TO A VANTAGE POINT ABOVE THE HONG KONG UNITED DOCKYARD WHERE THE GOVERNOR WAS BRIEFED ON THE LAND USE POSSIBILITIES ON WEST TSING YI BY DR PRYOR.

ON HIS WAY TO THE TSING YI TOWN CENTRE, SIR DAVID WAS BRIEFED BY MR COAK ON POLITICAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL MATTERS RELATED TO THE DISTRICT AND ON PLACES OF INTEREST INCLUDING THE RESITE VILLAGES AND CHUN KWAN TEMPLE.

ON ARRIVAL AT TSING YI GARDENS, A PRIVATE HOUSING PROJECT WHICH WOULD HOUSE 8 000 PEOPLE WHEN COMPLETED, SIR DAVID WAS GREETED BY THE TSING YI RURAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN, MR CHAN TIN-SUNG AND MR WONG DAI-HEI.

ON THE ROOF OF THE GARDENS, SIR DAVID HAD A PANORAMIC VIEW OF NORTH-EASTERN TSING YI WHERE MAJOR DEVELOPMENT WORKS WERE IN PROGRESS INCLUDING THE NORTH BRIDGE.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE \$200 MILLION BRIDGE STARTED IN 1984 AND WHEN COMPLETED LATER THIS YEAR, WOULD PROVIDE A SECOND LINK BETWEEN TSING YI AND THE MAINLAND.

FURTHER RECLAMATION WORK, WHICH STARTED LAST YEAR, WOULD BE COMPLETED IN 1990 AND PROVIDE SOME 64 HECTARES OF LAND FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS, TOGETHER WITH SCHOOLS, RECREATION FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACE. WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED INTO A MODERN SELF-CONTAINED TOWNSHIP IN THE 1990'S, THE POPULATION OF TSING YI WOULD INCREASE TO AROUND 200 000.

SIR DAVID AND LADY WILSON THEN TOOK TO THE AIR BY HELICOPTER FOR BUSTLING NORTH KWAI CHUNG. THEY FLEW OVER RAMBLER CHANNEL AND HAD AN AERIAL VIEW OF THE INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS AND RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS OF CENTRAL KWAI CHUNG.

ARRIVING AT THE WO YI HOP ROAD SPORTSGROUND, THEY VIEWED THE PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL AGAINST THE CONTRASTING BACKGROUND OF FACTORY AND PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BEFORE PROCEEDING BY CAR TO SHEK LEI ESTATE.

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SIR DAVID AND LADY WILSON THEN WALKED ALONG WAI KEK STREET PAST BLOCKS 4 AND 6 WHICH ARE TO BE REDEVELOPED UNDER THE EXTENDED REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME.

SIR DAVID AND LADY WILSON NEXT VISITED A MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE IN BLOCK 14 OF THE ESTATE AND WERE MET BY CHAIRMAN, MR CHAN NGAI, WHO EXPLAINED TO THEM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UNIT ALARM SYSTEM AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE COMMITTEE TO RESIDENTS.

BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE, THE GOVERNOR AND LADY WILSON ATTENDED A TEA RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AT THE SHEK LEI ESTATE COMMUNITY CENTRE WHERE THEY MET MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, CHAIRMEN OF SEVEN AREA COMMITTEES, SOME ELDERLY PEOPLE FROM THE ESTATE AND MEMBERS OF THE YIN NGAI SOCIETY. SIR DAVID WAS PRESENTED WITH A SOUVENIR BY THE BOARD'S CHAIRMAN, MR HO TUNG-CHING AND LADY WILSON WAS PRESENTED WITH FLOWERS BY A YOUNG MEMBER OF THE KWAI TSING BALLET TROUPE WHO PERFORMED FOR THEM DURING THE RECEPTION.

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BBC TO SET UP HK RELAY STATION  
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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS GRANTED A LICENCE TO THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION TO OPERATE A FAR EASTERN RADIO BROADCAST RELAY STATION IN HONG KONG.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE RELAY STATION, LOCATED AT TSANG TSUI IN TUEN MUN, WAS EXPECTED TO START BROADCASTING THIS AUTUMN.

+THE LICENCE HAS BEEN GRANTED BEFORE THE TARGET DATE FOR COMMISSIONING TO ENABLE BBC TO START TESTING THE TRANSMITTERS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STATION THERE WOULD BE IMPROVEMENT IN THE QUALITY OF RELAYS OF BBC'S EXTERNAL BROADCASTS IN HONG KONG.

THE PROGRAMME FEED TO THE BBC RELAY STATION WILL CARRY THE WORLD SERVICE IN ENGLISH BUT IT WILL ALSO BE INTERSPERSED WITH VERNACULAR TRANSMISSIONS CONSISTING OF MANDARIN, JAPANESE AND POSSIBLY KOREAN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE BROADCASTS RELAYED BY THE BBC RELAY STATION ARE INTENDED TO COVER NORTHEAST ASIA AND THE NORTH PACIFIC INCLUDING NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CHINA, JAPAN AND THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

ONE CONDITION IN THE LICENCE IS THAT THE LICENSEE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE ALL REASONABLE PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, TO ANY OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE OR APPARATUS OPERATING IN OR OUTSIDE HONG KONG.

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JLG EXPERT GROUP MEETING  
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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE JLG SUB-GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS WILL BE HELD ON MAY 20 TO 22 IN HONG KONG.

THE BRITISH TEAM WILL BE LED BY MR F. BURROWS WHO WILL BE ASSISTED BY TWO OTHER MEMBERS, MR NORMAN CHAN AND MR ANTHONY TO.

OTHER EXPERTS FROM THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WILL ATTEND AS NECESSARY.

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NICOLLE ASSUMES DEPUTY BANKING COMMISSIONER POST  
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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MR ANTHONY (TONY) WILLIAM NICOLLE TODAY (THURSDAY) ASSUMES THE POST OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER. MR NICOLLE IS ON SECONDMENT FROM THE BANK OF ENGLAND AND IS THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING DESIGNATE.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON MR NICOLLE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BORN 1935- LONDON

EDUCATION TIFFIN SCHOOL, KINGSTON 1948-53  
KING'S COLLEGE, LONDON (LLB) 1953-56

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NATIONAL SERVICE (ROYAL ARTILLERY) 1956-58  
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CAREER BANK OF ENGLAND 1958-

INITIAL TRAINING FOLLOWED BY VARIOUS ASSIGNMENTS IN THE BANK'S OVERSEAS DEPARTMENT, BANKING DEPARTMENT-ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE DEPARTMENT. HAS WORKED ON BANKING SUPERVISION SINCE 1977; LATEST POST SENIOR MANAGER, WITH PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS

SECONDMENTS: TO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE 1968-70 (SECRETARY OF THE MOVEMENT OF EXPORTS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE)

TO THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME AND WEALTH 1974-75

PERSONAL MARRIED (JOSEPHINE (JO) ANNE) 1960  
ONE SON, ONE DAUGHTER

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UNEMPLOYMENT, UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS RELEASED  
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THE UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION REMAINED STABLE WHILE THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION IMPROVED, IN THE QUARTER JANUARY - MARCH 1987, COMPARED WITH THE LAST QUARTER OF 1986, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (THURSDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1987 WAS 2.1 PER CENT, COMPARED WITH 2.2 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 1986 AND 3.2 PER CENT FOR THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR EARLIER. THE DECREASE OF 0.1 PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE PREVIOUS QUARTER IS STATISTICALLY NOT SIGNIFICANT, WHILE THE DECREASE OF 1.1 PERCENTAGE POINTS BELOW THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR EARLIER IS STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT. THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 1987 WAS ESTIMATED AT 54 800, LESS THAN THE FIGURES OF 59 400 FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 1986 AND OF 85 000 FOR THE SAME QUARTER ENDING MARCH 1986.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1987 WAS 1 PER CENT, WHICH COMPARES WITH 1.2 PER CENT FOR OCTOBER - DECEMBER 1986. THE RATE FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1986 WAS 2.3 PER CENT. THE DECREASES OF 0.2 PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE PREVIOUS QUARTER AND OF 1.3 PERCENTAGE POINTS BELOW THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR EARLIER ARE BOTH STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT. THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1987 WAS 25 500, LESS THAN THE FIGURE OF 31 800 FOR OCTOBER - DECEMBER 1986 AND OF 61 700 FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1986. CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO), PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS (SUCH AS SLACK WORK, MATERIAL SHORTAGE, MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN AND INABILITY TO FIND FULL-TIME WORK) WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE EITHER SEEKING OR AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK.

COMMENTING ON THESE FIGURES, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS SAID THAT BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (THAT IS PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES THAT HAD BEEN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME.

THE COMMISSIONER ADDED THAT, BASED ON A SYSTEM OF MANUAL EXTRACTION OF INFORMATION FROM SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES FOR THE LATEST MONTH, PROVISIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATES COVERING THE LATEST THREE-MONTH PERIOD COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN TWO WEEKS AFTER THE SURVEY. THESE PROVIDE AN EARLY INDICATION OF THE LATEST TREND IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION. THE PROVISIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED) FOR FEBRUARY - APRIL 1987 WAS 1.8 PER CENT AND THE PROVISIONAL UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 0.9 PER CENT. (THE UNADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR JANUARY - MARCH 1987 WAS 1.9 PER CENT.)

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THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT. THIS SURVEY COVERS A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 14 000 HOUSEHOLDS OR 51 000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION IN HONG KONG. PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AGED 15 AND ABOVE IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED. IN THE SURVEY, THE DEFINITIONS USED IN MEASURING UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT FOLLOW CLOSELY THOSE RECOMMENDED BY THE ILO.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE REPORT ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR. THE NEXT REPORT COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 1987 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AROUND JUNE 20.

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GOVERNOR TO LAUNCH KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WILL OFFICIATE AT A SWITCH-ON CEREMONY AT THE HONG KONG COLISEUM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING TO LAUNCH THE 1987/88 KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN.

THE LAUNCHING SPECTACULAR, ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, IS AIMED AT DELIVERING THE CAMPAIGN'S MESSAGE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN A LIVELY AND ENTERTAINING WAY.

THE TWO-HOUR PROGRAMME WILL FEATURE SINGING PERFORMANCES, DRAMA, GAMES AND GAGS HIGHLIGHTING THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN -- WE'RE PITCHING IN TO KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN.

POPULAR SINGERS ALAN TAM, ANITA MUI, SALLY YEH, DANNY CHAN, LUI FONG, TOGETHER WITH ENJOY YOURSELF TONIGHT ARTISTES AND VARIOUS YOUTH GROUPS, WILL PERFORM TO SPREAD THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN MESSAGE.

THE SHOW, PRODUCED BY THE TELEVISION BROADCASTS LIMITED, WILL BE TELECAST LIVE FROM 9.05 PM ON TVB JADE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE LAUNCHING SPECTACULAR OF THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN WHICH STARTS AT 9.05 PM.

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THE PRESS IS REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE RECEPTION DESK OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE HONG KONG COLISEUM (BROWN GATE) BETWEEN 8 AND 8.15 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO COLLECT THEIR PRESS BADGES FROM GIS OFFICERS.

TWO FIXED PRESS POSITIONS WILL BE ARRANGED INSIDE THE ARENA TO FACILITATE REPORTERS TO COVER THE SWITCH-ON CEREMONY AND THE PROGRAMME THAT FOLLOWS.

PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE ADVISED TO BRING ALONG TELEPHOTO LENSES. USE OF FLASH LIGHT WILL NOT BE PERMITTED INSIDE THE ARENA.

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'TREE FOR PEACE' TO LAUNCH WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY  
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HONG KONG WILL COMMEMORATE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY ON JUNE 5 WITH A +TREE FOR PEACE+ CEREMONY AT THE POKFULAM COUNTRY PARK.

ON THE SAME DAY (DESIGNATED WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY HONG KONG 87), THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT 10 AM IN THE COUNTRY PARK TO REVEAL A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES TO COMMEMORATE THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY.

THE TREE-PLANTING CEREMONY, TO BE HELD AT 10.30 AM, WILL BE OFFICIATED BY A HOST OF DIGNITARIES INCLUDING CONVENOR OF THE OMELCO STANDING PANEL ON ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG; THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS; CHAIRMAN OF EPCOM, DR DAVID JOHNS; CHAIRMAN OF THE WED WORKING GROUP, MR WAN SHEK-LUN; AND DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT, DR STUART REED.

MEANWHILE, IN VIEW OF FAVOURABLE RESPONSE, THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES TO A POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION AND AN ESSAY COMPETITION TO COMMEMORATE THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY HAS BEEN EXTENDED UNTIL JUNE 30.

WITH SUPPORT FROM VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES, A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED BETWEEN MAY 18 AND JUNE 7, AND THAT THE DISTRICT BOARDS OF SHA TIN, MONG KOK, WONG TAI SIN, SOUTHERN, TUEN MUN, SAI KUNG, YAU MA TEI, EASTERN AND NORTH DISTRICTS WILL BE ORGANISING VARIOUS FUNCTIONS TO CELEBRATE THIS MEANINGFUL EVENT.

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INTERESTED PARTIES OR INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE ACTIVITIES CAN CONTACT THE ORGANISERS DIRECT. MAJOR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES/VENUE</u>	<u>CONTACT TEL. NO.</u>
MAY 18	OPENING CEREMONY OF WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP (HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL) SHANGRI-LA HOTEL	3-624351
MAY 25 TO JUNE 5	1987 TREE PLANTING WEEK (JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/ REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE)	5-8102109
MAY 27	SEMINAR ON +ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT IN HONG KONG+ (HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS, HONG KONG LANDSCAPE GROUP, UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC AND HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS) UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG	5-8482478
MAY 31 TO JUNE 4	EXHIBITION ON +NOISE POLLUTION+ (OCEAN JAYCEES) NEW TOWN PLAZA, SHA TIN	5-285771
JUNE 5 TO JUNE 7	EXHIBITION ON +NOISE POLLUTION+ (OCEAN JAYCEES) NEW WORLD CENTRE	5-285771
JUNE 5 TO JUNE 7	EXHIBITION ON +ENDANGERED SPECIES OF CHINA - MILU DEER+ (MILU FOUNDATION, FRIENDS OF THE EARTH AND HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC) HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC	5-228008/7
JUNE 6	WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY SEMINAR ON ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (KWUN TONG COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECT OF THE UCMS) TO BE DECIDED	3-7171989

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DURING THE PERIOD, THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS, THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL, THE HONG KONG LANDSCAPE GROUP AND THE HONG KONG CHEMICAL SOCIETY WILL DEVOTE THEIR JOURNALS OR NEWSLETTERS TO ENVIRONMENTAL SUBJECTS.

THE INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY (HONG KONG BRANCH) WILL ALSO BE CONTRIBUTING ARTICLES FOR PUBLICATION IN A LOCAL ENGLISH NEWSPAPER.

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**EXPERTS TO SPEAK AT INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CONFERENCE  
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SIX INTERNATIONAL HEALTH EXPERTS WILL BE SPEAKING AT A CONFERENCE ENTITLED +INTERNATIONAL UPDATE ON TOBACCO-RELATED PROBLEMS+ THIS SATURDAY (MAY 16).

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL ON SMOKING AND HEALTH AND THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH, THE CONFERENCE WILL COVER TOPICS LIKE SMOKING AND NON-CANCEROUS RESPIRATORY LUNG DISEASES, TOBACCO AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES, TOBACCO AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH, PASSIVE SMOKING, THE WORLD TOBACCO PANDEMIC AND PUBLIC EDUCATION ON TOBACCO.

THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS, WILL GIVE A WELCOMING ADDRESS, FOLLOWED BY AN INTRODUCTION BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL ON SMOKING AND HEALTH, DR RONALD LEUNG.

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE ATTENDED BY MORE THEN 100 PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING PERSONNEL FROM THE MEDICAL FIELD, MEDICAL JOURNALISTS, REPRESENTATIVES OF SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANISATIONS, COUNCILLORS AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

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**NOTE TO EDITORS:**

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CONFERENCE THIS SATURDAY AT 9.30 AM AT THE FORMER LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, CENTRAL.

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ARMY RE-CONSTRUCTS LANTAU PIER

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THREE VILLAGES IN NORTHEASTERN LANTAU WILL AGAIN BE ABLE TO TRANSPORT THEIR GOODS TO THE MARKETS WHEN THE ARMY COMPLETES RE-CONSTRUCTING A VITAL SEA LINK - THE PAK MONG PIER.

THE 30-METRE LONG PIER IS THE ONLY SEA LINK FOR PAK MONG, NGAU KAU LONG AND TAI HO VILLAGES TO THE MARKETS IN KOWLOON WHERE THEIR AGRICULTURAL GOODS ARE SOLD.

THE PIER WILL ALSO SERVE AS THE BERTHING PLACE FOR THE FLOATING CLINIC WHICH CALLS AT THE VILLAGES WEEKLY.

THE ORIGINAL PIER WAS BUILT IN LATE 1971 AND HAD DETERIORATED TO THE POINT THAT IT HAD BEEN RENDERED UNUSABLE. THIS PROMPTED VILLAGERS TO SELL THEIR GOODS AT MUI WO INSTEAD OF KOWLOON, WHICH MEANT THEY HAD TO WALK ONE-AND-A-HALF HOURS DAILY TO GET TO THE MARKET.

AT THE REQUEST OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE, THE ARMY AGREED TO PROVIDE EXPERTISE AND LABOUR TO RE-BUILD THE PIER WHILE THE DISTRICT OFFICE PROVIDED THE FUNDS AND NECESSARY MATERIALS.

THE WORK INCLUDED PEELING THE ERODED STEEL PILES, STRENGTHENING THEM AND RE-DECKING THE PIER SURFACE.

THE PROJECT WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE E TROOP, 68TH GURKHA FIELD SQUADRON OF THE QUEEN'S GURKHA ENGINEERS. WORK IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY MAY 23.

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RETIRING TRANSPORT COMMISSIONER FETED

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STAFF OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT BADE FAREWELL TO THEIR RETIRING COMMISSIONER, MR PETER LEEDS, AT A DINNER RECEPTION YESTERDAY (WEDNESDAY).

MR LEEDS WILL LEAVE THE DEPARTMENT ON MAY 18, ENDING HIS 36 YEARS' SERVICE WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

AT THE DINNER, MR LEEDS WAS PRESENTED A SOUVENIR BY THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WHO PRAISED THE COMMISSIONER FOR PLAYING A KEY ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM IN HONG KONG.

THE SOUVENIR IS MADE OF A BUS GEAR AND A ROTATIVE PLAQUE WITH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LOGO.

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THANKING HIS COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR DEDICATED ASSISTANCE AND CO-OPERATION IN THE PAST YEARS, MR LEEDS SAID THE EXPERIENCE AND CO-OPERATION HE GAINED DURING HIS 15-YEAR STAY IN THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE REMEMBERED FOREVER.

MR LEEDS FIRST JOINED THE GOVERNMENT IN 1951 AS SUB-INSPECTOR IN THE HONG KONG POLICE. SIX YEARS LATER, HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO BECOME AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

BETWEEN 1957 AND 1970, HE HAS SERVED IN A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, INCLUDING THE THEN RESETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE FINANCE BRANCH.

HE WAS POSTED TO THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AS CHIEF TRANSPORT OFFICER IN 1972. HE ROSE TO THE RANK OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER IN 1973 AND THEN DEPUTY COMMISSIONER IN 1979. IN 1982, HE BECAME COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT.

SOME OF THE MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS THAT TOOK PLACE DURING HIS SERVICE WITH THE DEPARTMENT INCLUDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD, THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR AND THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY. HE ALSO PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN THE FORMULATION OF THE NEW ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE, WHICH WAS ENACTED IN AUGUST 1984.

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IMPROVEMENT WORKS IN RURAL AREAS ON AGENDA  
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MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE BRIEFED ON IMPROVEMENT WORKS IN THE DISTRICT'S RURAL AREAS DURING ITS REGULAR MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

APART FROM THE LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS WHICH COST \$2.5 MILLION, MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THREE URBAN FRINGE IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES TO BE CARRIED OUT THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

THESE PROJECTS ARE IMPROVEMENT TO VAN TRACKS FROM MA WAT TO TUNG KOK WAI IN FANLING AND AT TSUNG PAK LONG IN SHEUNG SHUI AS WELL AS THE PROVISION OF A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND/SITTING-OUT AREA AT TUNG KOK WAI, FANLING.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE LAYOUT PLAN FOR A 5.8-HECTARE AREA SOUTH OF LUEN WO HUI AND THE PROPOSAL OF USING A SITE NORTH OF ON LOK TSUEN IN FANLING AS A PLANT NURSERY.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REQUESTS FOR MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, SQUATTER AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND VILLAGE LIGHTING PROGRAMME.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 9.30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING.

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DISTRICT SCHOOL HEADS COUNCIL TO MEET  
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THE COUNCIL OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT SCHOOL HEADS WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT 3 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY POLICE FORCE OFFICERS' MESS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

THE COUNCIL, COMPRISING HEADMASTERS AND HEADMISTRESSES OF GOVERNMENT, AIDED AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT, WAS FORMED IN 1983 UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE TO STRENGTHEN LINKS AND CO-ORDINATION AMONG SCHOOLS.

THE COUNCIL HAS IN THE PAST ORGANISED VARIOUS ACTIVITIES SUCH AS SEMINARS, VISITS AND FORUMS FOR STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND PARENTS.

THE COUNCIL PLAYS AN ACTIVE ROLE IN COMMUNITY BUILDING BY MOBILISING STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR CAMPAIGNS OR FUNCTIONS ORGANISED BY LOCAL BODIES.

BEING A FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT BODY, THE COUNCIL DRAWS ITS FUNDS FROM SPONSORSHIP BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OR THROUGH VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND RELIES ON THE DISTRICT OFFICE FOR SECRETARIAL SUPPORT.

AT THE COMING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1987-88 WILL BE ELECTED.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELIZABETH TSE, WILL BE PRESENT TO GIVE PRIZES TO WINNING STUDENTS OF A QUIZ ON CIVIC EDUCATION JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE COUNCIL AND DISTRICT BOARD EARLIER.

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AFTER THE PRESENTATION, DIRECTOR OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY PRESS, MR TSIM TAK-LUNG, WILL GIVE A TALK ON +EDUCATION -- ITS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE+.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AND THE TALK ON EDUCATION STARTING AT 3.30 PM TOMORROW.

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DONATIONS TO SIR EDWARD YOUDE FUND  
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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL FUND, MR LEE QUE-WAI, WILL RECEIVE TWO DONATIONS TOTALLY \$96 000 FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR RAYMON ANNING, AND THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE HONG KONG JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MISS CHENG PIK-NIN, TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 10 AM IN THE ANTE CHAMBER ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BUILDING IN CENTRAL.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

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CARNIVAL ON CIVIC EDUCATION

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HUNDREDS OF SCHOOL STUDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL TAKE PART IN A CARNIVAL TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION AT THE CHATER ROAD PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT IN CENTRAL ON SUNDAY (MAY 17).

THE CARNIVAL ON CIVIC EDUCATION 1987 IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY FOUR HONG KONG DISTRICT COMMITTEES OF CYC AND SPONSORED BY THE LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL OF DISTRICT 303, ZONE V.

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THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL OF DISTRICT 303, MR HENRY K.K. LUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING OF THE CARNIVAL.

APART FROM EXHIBITION STANDS ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION SET UP AT THE VENUE, STUDENTS FROM 15 SCHOOLS WILL PRESENT VARIOUS PERFORMANCES AT THE CARNIVAL FROM 11 AM TO 4 PM, WHICH WILL INCLUDE OVERTURE, MARCHING BAND, DANCE, SCOUT CAMP, FIRE SONG AND CHOIR SINGING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CARNIVAL AT THE CHATER ROAD PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT AT 11 AM ON SUNDAY (MAY 17).

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VISIT TO MACAU TERMINAL  
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A VISIT TO SEE THE OPERATION OF THE EASY TRAVEL SCHEME AT MACAU FERRY TERMINAL HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 9.30 AM.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL IMMIGRATION OFFICER (COMPUTER PROJECT), MR ANDREW LEE, WILL GIVE A BRIEFING ON COMPUTERISED IMMIGRATION CONTROL DURING THE 1-1/2-HOUR PRESS VISIT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PRESS VISIT. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING THE VISIT SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT 9.30 AM AT THE WEST GATE, DECK 3 OF MACAU FERRY TERMINAL IN FRONT OF THE FAR EAST JETFOIL ENTRANCE. STAFF OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT AND GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REMINDED NOT TO TAKE CLOSE UP SHOTS AT THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC AND THE COMPUTER TERMINAL DURING THE TOUR.

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BRIEFING ON AGRICULTURAL WASTE  
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MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE BRIEFED BY AN OFFICER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT ON THE AGRICULTURAL WASTE SCHEME AT A MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WILL STUDY THE PROPOSED BOUNDARIES OF CONTROLLED AREAS UNDER THE WASTE CONTROL SCHEME.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR THE COMMITTEE DURING THE YEAR.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE ACTION PLAN AND PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT IN RESITE VILLAGES, AND THE PROGRESS REPORT ON THE TSUEN WAN WEST ULTRA HIGH LEVEL WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM SCHEME WHICH INVOLVES PROVIDING WATER SUPPLY TO SQUATTER AREAS ON HILL SLOPES IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING AT 2.30 PM IN THE MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES IN ADMIRALTY

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TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS, THE SECTION OF COTTON TREE DRIVE GROUND LEVEL BETWEEN DRAKE STREET AND QUEENSWAY AND THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF DRAKE STREET BETWEEN TAMAR STREET AND COTTON TREE DRIVE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC DAILY FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 16) AND SUNDAY.

DURING THE CLOSURE, WESTBOUND VEHICLES ON HARCOURT ROAD HEADING FOR QUEENSWAY WILL BE DIVERTED TO COTTON TREE DRIVE FLYOVER, THE SLIP ROAD SOUTH OF ST. JOHN'S BUILDING AND GARDEN ROAD FLYOVER TO REJOIN QUEENSWAY, WHILE THOSE ON EASTBOUND HARCOURT ROAD HEADING FOR CENTRAL WILL HAVE TO USE COTTON TREE DRIVE FLYOVER, THE SLIP ROAD SOUTH OF ST. JOHN'S BUILDING AND GARDEN ROAD.

MEANWHILE, THE SECTION OF TAMAR STREET NORTHBOUND BETWEEN QUEENSWAY AND DRAKE STREET WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 18) FOR ROAD WORKS.

THE MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS, DURING WHICH AFFECTED VEHICLES, INCLUDING CMB ROUTES 12M, 40M AND 79M, WILL BE DIVERTED TO RODNEY STREET AND DRAKE STREET.

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**CLOSURE OF ARGYLE STREET WESTBOUND**

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ARGYLE STREET WESTBOUND UNDERNEATH THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER WILL BE CLOSED TO VEHICLES ON SATURDAY (MAY 16) FROM 1.30 AM TO 5.30 AM FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS HEADING WEST FOR WATERLOO ROAD OR ARGYLE STREET WILL BE DIVERTED VIA PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD SOUTHBOUND, SHEUNG HING STREET AND PUI CHING ROAD TO WATERLOO ROAD AND ARGYLE STREET; OR VIA PUI CHING ROAD AND SOARES AVENUE TO ARGYLE STREET.

MOTORISTS WISHING ACCESS TO THE PREMISES ALONG THE SECTION OF WATERLOO ROAD SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN ARGYLE STREET AND PUI CHING ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD SOUTHBOUND, SHEUNG HING STREET, PUI CHING ROAD, SOARES AVENUE, ARGYLE STREET EASTBOUND AND WATERLOO ROAD SOUTHBOUND.

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**PLB RESTRICTED ZONE IN CONNAUGHT PLACE**

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THE EXISTING 24-HOUR RESTRICTED ZONE ON THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF CONNAUGHT PLACE FROM A POINT ABOUT 20 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH HARBOUR VIEW STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 70 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE APPLIED TO PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES ONLY FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 16).

NO PUBLIC LIGHT BUS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PICK UP OR SET DOWN PASSENGERS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE.

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**PLB PROHIBITED ZONE IN HUNG HOM**

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ALL PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING HUNG HOM WAN STREET TO THE EAST OF PO LOI STREET IN HUNG HOM FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 16).

THE EXTENT OF THE PROHIBITED ZONE WILL BE INDICATED BY TRAFFIC SIGNS.

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