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FCO MINISTERS AWARE OF VIETNAMESE ARRIVAL PROBLEM

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FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE MINISTERS IN LONDON ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE PROBLEM CONCERNING THE ARRIVAL IN HONG KONG OF EX-CHINA VIETNAMESE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT ON HIS RETURN FROM LONDON, SIR DAVID SAID THEY WERE ALSO FULLY AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THEY WERE NOT REFUGEES AND THAT THEY WERE PEOPLE WHO HAD SETTLED IN CHINA.

"THEY MUST BE RETURNED TO CHINA WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES AND AS YOU KNOW URGENT DISCUSSIONS ARE GOING ON WITH THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES TO DO THAT," HE SAID.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, SIR DAVID SAID HE WOULD BE GOING TO PEKING IN THE EARLY AUTUMN AND THAT THERE WOULD BE AN ANNOUNCEMENT WHEN THE EXACT DATE HAD BEEN FINALISED.

SIR DAVID SAID THAT WHILE IN LONDON HE MET WITH THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE MINISTERS AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS.

HE SAID HE ALSO TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY YESTERDAY TO CALL ON LORD GLENARTHUR AND TALKED TO HIM BOTH ABOUT HIS VISIT HERE NEXT MONTH AND IN PARTICULAR ABOUT THE ARRIVAL OF THE EX-CHINA VIETNAMESE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

ASKED IF HE WOULD DISCUSS WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS ABOUT THE VIETNAMESE PROBLEM, SIR DAVID SAID IT WOULD DEPEND ON WHAT THE SITUATION WOULD BE AT THAT TIME.

"I HOPE, AND I EXPECT LONG BEFORE I GO PERSONALLY TO PEKING, THAT THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN DISCUSSIONS AT AN OFFICIAL LEVEL WITH THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES AND THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN MOVEMENT IN ORDER TO GET PEOPLE RETURNED TO CHINA," HE SAID.

WHEN ASKED WHOM HE WOULD BE MEETING IN PEKING, SIR DAVID SAID ALL THOSE ARRANGEMENTS WERE STILL TO BE MADE.

"I WOULD EXPECT TO MEET THE SAME SORT OF PEOPLE AS THE PREVIOUS GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, MET WHEN HE WENT," HE SAID.

ASKED IF HE WOULD TALK ABOUT POLITICAL REFORM WITH CHINESE OFFICIALS, SIR DAVID SAID HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING THE WHOLE RANGE OF ISSUES RELATING TO HONG KONG AND CHINA. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT MANY OF THOSE ISSUES WERE OF COURSE A MATTER FOR DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

COMMENTING ON THE BNO PASSPORT ISSUE, SIR DAVID SAID THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT IN THE CASE OF THAILAND, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO USE THE BNO PASSPORT IN EXACTLY THE SAME WAY AS THE BDTG PASSPORT.

"THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN IN DISCUSSION WITH THE THAI AUTHORITIES, AND I'M CONFIDENT THAT THE PROBLEM IS BEING SORTED OUT," HE SAID.

CONSULTANTS TO STUDY LION ROCK TUNNEL CONGESTION

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THE GOVERNMENT WILL COMMISSION A CONSULTANCY STUDY IN EARLY OCTOBER TO EXPLORE WAYS OF EASING CONGESTION AT THE LION ROCK TUNNEL, THE ACTING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR YEUNG YU-CHEONG, SAID THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON.

SPEAKING AT AN INFORMAL MEETING OF THE INTER-DISTRICT WORKING GROUP ON TRAFFIC PROBLEMS AT THE LION ROCK TUNNEL, MR YEUNG SAID THE \$1.5 MILLION STUDY WAS EXPECTED TO TAKE ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE STUDY WOULD LOOK INTO VARIOUS POSSIBILITIES INCLUDING THE TIDAL FLOW ARRANGEMENTS AT THE TUNNEL AND TAI PO ROAD; ONE-WAY TRAFFIC ON TAI PO ROAD; AND BANNING CERTAIN TYPES OF VEHICLES FROM USING THE TUNNEL DURING PEAK HOURS, MR YEUNG SAID.

ON FISCAL MEASURES, THE STUDY WILL ASSESS THE FEASIBILITIES OF INTRODUCING DIFFERENT TOLL LEVELS DURING DIFFERENT PERIODS OF THE DAY; DEVISING THE APPROPRIATE TOLL LEVELS AT ROUTE 5 TUNNEL BETWEEN SHA TIN AND TSUEN WAN DUE FOR COMPLETION IN LATE 1989 TO ACHIEVE THE DIVERSION OF TRAFFIC FROM THE TUNNEL AND TAI PO ROAD; AND ABOLISHING THE TUNNEL TOLLS.

THE CONSULTANTS WILL ALSO STUDY THE POSSIBILITIES OF ENHANCING THE CAPACITY OF TAI PO ROAD SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN SHA TIN AND KOWLOON; REPROVIDING THE ABANDONED KCR TUNNEL FOR ONE WAY USE; AND INCREASING PUBLIC TRANSPORT CAPACITY.

"IT IS HOPED THAT A COMBINATION OF THESE MEASURES WILL BE ABLE TO CONTAIN CONGESTION AT THE TUNNEL AND TAI PO ROAD TO A TOLERABLE LEVEL BEFORE THE COMPLETION OF THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL IN LATE 1992 WHICH PROVIDES A LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM," MR YEUNG SAID.

THE INTER-DISTRICT WORKING GROUP AND THE CONCERNED DISTRICT BOARDS WOULD BE CONSULTED BEFORE THE CONSULTANCY STUDY'S RECOMMENDATIONS WERE IMPLEMENTED, HE ADDED.

MR YEUNG ALSO TOLD THE MEETING THAT A NUMBER OF IMPROVEMENT MEASURES HAD ALREADY BEEN TAKEN TO EASE CONGESTION AT THE TUNNEL. THESE INCLUDED THE INTRODUCTION OF PRE-PAID TUNNEL TICKETS; THE PROVISION OF FOUR EXTRA TOLL BOOTHS; THE ENACTMENT OF THE EXACT TOLL PAYMENT LEGISLATION; AND THE RECENT INTRODUCTION OF THE BUS ONLY LANE BETWEEN WORLDWIDE GARDENS AND THE TOLL PLAZA DURING MORNING PEAK HOURS.

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YUEN LONG BOARD TO DISCUSS GREEN PAPER

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THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET TOMORROW (THURSDAY) TO DISCUSS THE GREEN PAPER ON THE 1987 REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

ELECTED MEMBER, MR TAI CHIN-WAH, WILL ASK ABOUT ORGANISED CRIME IN THE DISTRICT, IN PARTICULAR PROSTITUTION AMONG YOUTHS, MEASURES TO REDUCE FLOODING AND TRAFFIC FACILITIES FOR RESIDENTS OF LONG PING ESTATE.

MEMBERS' VIEWS WILL ALSO BE SOUGHT ON ROAD WORKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HAUL ROAD FROM TAI TONG ROAD NEAR FRASER VILLAGE TO TAI TONG EAST BORROW AREA.

MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS RECOMMENDATIONS BY YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD'S WORKING GROUP ON DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT AS WELL AS THE CONSULTATION PAPER ON MANAGEMENT IN PRIVATE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS.

THE BOARD WILL ALSO STUDY 14 PROGRESS REPORTS BY VARIOUS COMMITTEES UNDER THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING AT 9.30 AM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD, 13TH FLOOR, TAI KIU GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 2 KIU LOK SQUARE, YUEN LONG.

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OPINION SURVEY IN TSUEN WAN

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SOME 120 SECONDARY STUDENTS WILL CONDUCT AN OPINION SURVEY TOMORROW (THURSDAY) FOR THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD ON THE GREEN PAPER ON THE 1987 REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

THE SURVEY IS PART OF A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE GREEN PAPER.

A TOTAL OF 1,000 HOUSEHOLDS SELECTED AT RANDOM WILL BE INTERVIEWED BY THE STUDENTS IN THE FOUR-DAY EXERCISE.

ALL INTERVIEWERS WILL CARRY AN IDENTITY CARD ISSUED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND SELECTED HOUSEHOLDS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE.

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VOTER REGISTRATION VISITS IN SHA TIN

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SOME 20 "VOTER REGISTRATION AMBASSADORS" OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE WILL VISIT HOUSEHOLDS IN THE DISTRICT TO HELP RESIDENTS REGISTER AS VOTERS FROM FRIDAY (AUGUST 14) TILL SEPTEMBER 30.

"THEY WILL WEAR SPECIALLY DESIGNED UNIFORMS AND CARRY FILES BEARING A LOGO OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN," A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN TODAY (WEDNESDAY) SAID.

"THEY WILL ALSO CARRY A CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY ORGANISER'S IDENTITY CARD ISSUED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE," HE SAID.

THE VOTER REGISTRATION AMBASSADORS WILL VISIT HOUSEHOLDS FROM 5.30 PM TO 10.30 PM BETWEEN MONDAY AND SATURDAY AND 1 PM TO 6 PM ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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WORKING GROUP MEETING ON TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL

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A WORKING GROUP OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY) TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN RELATION TO THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL PROJECT.

UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR MICHAEL CHENG, WHO IS ALSO THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, THE WORKING GROUP COMPRISES DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AS WELL AS REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

THE WORK OF THE GROUP IS TO ADVISE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED ON VARIOUS PROBLEMS WHICH MAY AFFECT DISTRICT RESIDENTS DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT AND RECOMMEND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO THESE PROBLEMS.

IT WILL ALSO GIVE ADVICE ON ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON COMPLAINTS OR SUGGESTIONS BY RESIDENTS IN RELATION TO THE PROJECT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, FOURTH FLOOR, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING.

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CAS TO HOLD SWIMMING GALA

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THE CIVIL AID SERVICES (CAS) WILL BE HOLDING ITS ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) AT THE MORRISON HILL SWIMMING POOL FROM 1 PM TO 5 PM.

OVER 200 CIVIL AID SERVICES MEMBERS AND CADETS WILL COMPETE IN THE VARIOUS EVENTS WHICH INCLUDE FREE STYLE, BREAST STROKE, BACK STROKE AND 4 X 50 METRE FREE STYLE RELAY EVENTS.

TACTICAL FORCE COMMANDER, MR. WU MAN-KONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE PRESENTATION OF PRIZES WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE END OF THE EVENTS.

THE CAS ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA IS ONE OF THE RECREATIONAL FUNCTIONS ORGANISED FOR CAS VOLUNTEER MEMBERS AND CADETS, OTHER THAN THEIR ROUTINE TRAINING IN FIRST AID, YOUTH LEADERSHIP, LIGHT AND HEAVY RESCUE, MOUNTAIN SEARCH AND RESCUE, COMMUNICATION AND OPERATIONAL DUTIES SUCH AS CROWD CONTROL, COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION AND RURAL AREA PATROLLING.

THE CIVIL AID SERVICES ALSO PARTICIPATE IN MANY CHARITY DRIVES, GOVERNMENT CAMPAIGNS AS WELL AS PRIVATE FUNCTIONS.

THEY HAVE A TEAM OF TRAINED MOUNTAIN RESCUERS STANDING-BY ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS AT THE CAS KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE AT 204, ARGYLE STREET FROM 1.30 PM TO 9.30 PM .THEIR ASSISTANCE CAN BE OBTAINED BY DIALING 999 OR 3-7135334.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SWIMMING GALA ON SATURDAY. THE PRESS LIAISON OFFICER WILL BE MR. LEE CHUN-WAN.

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KWUN TONG TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY

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A MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN LAUNCHED IN KWUN TONG TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS IN THE DISTRICT.

ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE AND ASSISTED BY THE POLICE, THE CAMPAIGN FOCUSES ON PEDESTRIANS, YOUNG AND INEXPERIENCED MOTORISTS AS WELL AS CYCLISTS, PARTICULARLY CHILDREN AND SENIOR RESIDENTS WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO ACCIDENTS.

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POSTERS AND BANNERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN MOUNTED THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON ROAD TRAFFIC RULES AND ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ROAD SAFETY MEASURES.

ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 14), A ROAD SAFETY QUIZ FOR THE ELDERLY WILL BE HELD AT DELIA MEMORIAL SCHOOL, HIP WO STREET, TO EDUCATE SENIOR RESIDENTS ON TRAFFICE CODES AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY THROUGH COMPETITION.

ON AUGUST 16 (SUNDAY), A 'ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL' WILL BE STAGED AT THE HONG NING ROAD PLAYGROUND TO DRIVE HOME THE MESSAGE.

IN ADDITION, THE POLICE HAVE SECURED THE CO-OPERATION OF BICYCLE-RENTAL STALLS OWNERS IN PROMOTING CYCLIST SAFETY BY KEEPING THEIR BICYCLES IN GOOD CONDITION AND ADVISING THEIR CUSTOMERS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFE CYCLING.

THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE WAS FORMED UNDER THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE PROJECT WITH A BUDGET OF \$82,000.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES ON HONG KONG ISLAND

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FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15), A SERIES OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ON HONG KONG ISLAND. DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS:

- * IN WESTERN DISTRICT, THE WESTERN AND EASTERN KERBSIDE LANES OF KENNEDY TOWN PRAYA FROM A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH HOLLAND STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED 24-HOUR AND 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAYS RESPECTIVELY. THE MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS.
- * IN CENTRAL, A 50-METRE STRETCH ALONG THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH WELLINGTON STREET WILL BECOME A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS.

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FOR THE SAME REASON, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL WESTBOUND FROM A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH PEDDER STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 10 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH DOUGLAS STREET WILL BE MADE A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY GOODS VEHICLE RESTRICTED ZONE.

MEANWHILE, IN WAN CHAI, THE EXISTING PEAK HOUR (I.E. 7 TO 10 AM AND 4 TO 7 PM) URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON HENNESSY ROAD WESTBOUND FROM HOUSE NO. 22 TO ITS JUNCTION WITH QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL BE EXTENDED EASTWARDS FOR ABOUT 13 METRES.

NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE ABOVE URBAN CLEARWAYS FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE EXISTING BAN ON VEHICLES EXCEEDING SEVEN METRES IN LENGTH ON THE SLIP ROAD SOUTH OF THE MURRAY ROAD MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK IN CENTRAL WILL BE EXTENDED FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HARCOURT ROAD FLYOVER.

AFFECTED VEHICLES, INCLUDING CROSS HARBOUR BUS ROUTE NO. 103 ON ITS JOURNEYS TO POKFIELD ROAD, WILL BE DIVERTED VIA QUEENSWAY, TAMAR STREET AND HARCOURT ROAD TO REJOIN COTTON TREE DRIVE.

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STORAGE SITE TO LET

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A STORAGE SITE AT TUEN MUN IN THE NEW TERRITORIES IS BEING OFFERED FOR LETTING ON SHORT TERM TENANCY BY THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT.

THE SITE MEASURES 7,863 SQUARE METRES AND IS LOCATED AT TAP SHEK KOK NEAR CASTLE PEAK POWER STATION.

IT IS FOR STORING AND LOADING/UNLOADING CONTAINERS OR FOR STORAGE OF GOODS, VEHICLES, CHATTELS, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS.

THE TENANCY IS ONE-AND-A-HALF YEARS, RENEWABLE QUARTERLY AFTERWARDS.

TENDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY NOON ON AUGUST 28.

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