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FOREIGN SECRETARY TO MAKE THREE-DAY VISIT

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, SIR GEOFFREY HOWE, WILL PAY A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONG KONG EARLY NEXT MONTH TO GET FIRST-HAND INFORMATION ON THE SITUATION IN THE TERRITORY FOLLOWING THE RECENT EVENTS IN CHINA.

HE WILL TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO UPDATE HIMSELF ON DEVELOPMENTS IN VARIOUS FIELDS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE HIS LAST VISIT TO HONG KONG IN MAY LAST YEAR.

SIR GEOFFREY WILL ARRIVE ON SUNDAY (JULY 2).

HIS VISIT PROGRAMME BEGINNING ON MONDAY (JULY 3) WILL INCLUDE A SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, OMELCO MEMBERS, DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMEN AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BRITISH TRADE COMMISSION; AND LUNCHEONS WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS AS WELL AS BANKERS, BUSINESSMEN AND PROFESSIONALS.

APART FROM MEETINGS, SIR GEOFFREY WILL TAKE AN EXTENSIVE HELICOPTER TOUR TO SEE HONG KONG'S LATEST DEVELOPMENTS. DURING THE COURSE OF THE TOUR, HE WILL VISIT TWO VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE CENTRES TO SEE HOW HONG KONG IS TACKLING THIS PROBLEM.

HIS PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE A VISIT TO THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING, WHICH IS TO OPEN SHORTLY.

SIR GEOFFREY WILL ALSO ATTEND AN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING ON TUESDAY (JULY 4), AND GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE LATER IN THE AFTERNOON BEFORE RETURNING TO THE UNITED KINGDOM IN THE EVENING.

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HIGH PRIORITY ACCORDED TO EXPANSION OF HIGHER EDUCATION: GOVERNOR

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THE GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE TO ACCORD A VERY HIGH PRIORITY TO THE EXPANSION OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO MEET THE DEMAND FOR WELL EDUCATED PEOPLE THAT WOULD ARISE FROM CONTINUING GROWTH AND PROSPERITY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SIR DAVID SAID HONG KONG WOULD CERTAINLY CONTINUE TO GROW AND PROSPER DESPITE RECENT TRAUMATIC EVENTS, AND THE DEMAND FOR WELL EDUCATED PEOPLE TO FILL PROFESSIONAL AND MANAGERIAL POSITIONS WOULD ALSO CONTINUE TO INCREASE.

ADDRESSING THE PLAQUE UNVEILING CEREMONY OF THE CHUNG SZE YUEN BUILDING AT THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, SIR DAVID SAID WITH TERTIARY EDUCATION NOW GROWING AT A RATE OF FIVE PER CENT A YEAR, BY THE YEAR 2000 MORE THAN 14 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S YOUNG PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO PURSUE FIRST DEGREE COURSES AND SOME SIX PER CENT TO TAKE COURSES AT NON-DEGREE LEVEL.

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SIR DAVID SAID THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC WAS, BY ANY STANDARDS, AN OUTSTANDINGLY SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTION.

"THE QUALITY OF THE POLYTECHNIC'S GRADUATES, AND THE SPEED WITH WHICH IT HAS EXPANDED, ARE INDEED A TESTIMONY TO THE HARD WORK AND ENTHUSIASM OF THE ENTIRE POLYTECHNIC COMMUNITY," HE SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO GIVE FULL SUPPORT TO THE POLYTECHNIC'S CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT.

"WE SHARE YOUR FIRM BELIEF THAT THE INSTITUTION WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE EDUCATION OF HONG KONG," HE SAID.

THE GOVERNOR JOINED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE POLYTECHNIC COUNCIL, MR STEPHEN CHEONG, IN CONGRATULATING SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG ON STEERING THE RELATIVELY YOUNG INSTITUTION THROUGH ITS CRUCIAL EARLY YEARS.

"IT'S OFTEN SAID THAT THE FIRST YEAR IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD IS THE MOST IMPORTANT. I'M SURE THAT THE FIRST 15 YEARS IN THE LIFE OF AN INSTITUTION IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT," SIR DAVID SAID.

"IT IS A VERY FITTING GESTURE THAT THIS NEW BUILDING SHOULD BE NAMED AFTER SIR S.Y. IN APPRECIATION OF HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE POLYTECHNIC," HE ADDED.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO CONGRATULATED ALL MEMBERS OF THE POLYTECHNIC COUNCIL, STAFF AND STUDENTS, BOTH PAST AND PRESENT, FOR ALL THEY HAD DONE TO MAKE THE INSTITUTION WHAT IT WAS NOW.

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COMMUNITY SUPPORTS OMELCO

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THE HONG KONG COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO GIVE SUPPORT TO OMELCO MEMBERS IN THEIR EFFORT TO PUT ACROSS TO BRITAIN HONG KONG'S CASE ON NATIONALITY.

HONG KONG'S MESSAGE IS THAT BRITAIN HAS A MORAL OBLIGATION TO ENSURE A SAFE AND SECURE FUTURE FOR THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG AS WELL AS A DIRECT CONSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY TO RESTORE THE RIGHT OF ABODE IN THE UK TO ALL THE BRITAIN SUBJECTS HERE.

A LARGE NUMBER OF COMMUNITY LEADERS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE TWO MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND THE 19 DISTRICT BOARDS AS WELL AS LOCAL EDUCATION, YOUTH AND CHURCH GROUPS THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING ATTENDED TWO SEPARATE BRIEFINGS BY THE TWO OMELCO SENIOR MEMBERS, DAME LYDIA DUNN AND MR ALLEN LEE.

DURING THE TWO SESSIONS, DAME LYDIA AND MR LEE BRIEFED THE GROUPS ON THEIR RECENT TRIP TO LONDON AND LEARNT OF THE EFFORTS MADE BY THOSE GROUPS IN SUPPORT OF THE CASE.

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MEANWHILE, PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR HONG KONG'S CASE CONTINUES TO COME IN THE FORM OF WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS FROM ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS. DURING THE LAST THREE DAYS, OVER 1,000 SUBMISSIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE REMINDED THAT THEY MAY CONTACT THE OMELCO SECRETARIAT ON 5-264027 DURING OFFICE HOURS SHOULD THEY WISH TO SEEK INFORMATION OR ADVICE ON THE NATIONALITY ISSUE.

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HK MUST ENSURE THE TERRITORY'S LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL VIABILITY
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HONG KONG MUST AIM TO ENSURE NOT ONLY ITS ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND STABILITY, BUT ALSO THE LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL VIABILITY OF THE TERRITORY, THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR STUART REED, SAID THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR REED SAID HE APPRECIATED THAT THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE IN HONG KONG REMAINED PREOCCUPIED WITH PROBLEMS FLOWING FROM THE RECENT TRAGIC EVENTS IN CHINA.

BUT HE WENT ON TO QUOTE THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WHO IN HIS RECENT ADDRESS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, SAID: "THE TIME HAS NOW COME WHEN WE MUST MOVE ON FROM THE SENSE OF SHOCK PRODUCED BY RECENT EVENTS IN CHINA."

DR REED SAID ONE DIRECTION IN WHICH WE MUST MOVE, AND MOVE VIGOROUSLY, WAS TOWARDS SECURING HONG KONG'S LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL FUTURE.

"TO DO THIS, WE WILL HAVE TO SHIFT OUR PRIORITIES AND PUT ENVIRONMENT AT THE TOP OF OUR LIST IN TERMS OF INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE, AND AT THE TOP OF OUR PRIORITY LIST IN TERMS OF FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE CONTEXT OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENT DECISIONS."

"FOR A TERRITORY WITH FIVE-AND-A-HALF MILLION PEOPLE AND A CONCENTRATION OF INDUSTRY THAT MAKES US THE 11TH BIGGEST EXPORTER IN THE WORLD, ALL THIS CRAMMED INTO 200 SQUARE KILOMETRES, THERE IS I BELIEVE NO REAL ALTERNATIVE TO THIS SHIFT IN PRIORITIES, IF WE WISH TO DEVELOP FURTHER."

DR REED SAID THE GOVERNMENT, FOR ITS PART, HAD SPELLED OUT IN THE WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION WHAT IT CONSIDERED WAS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE ENVIRONMENTAL VIABILITY IN THE FUTURE.

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"BUT THE EXTENT TO WHICH WE CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN IMPLEMENTING THE WHITE PAPER PROGRAMMES WILL DEPEND VERY MUCH ON THE INFLUENCE OF OPINION LEADERS AND DECISION MAKERS IN THE COMMUNITY," HE SAID.

DR REED CONCLUDED BY CALLING ON OPINION LEADERS AND DECISION MAKERS, WHO HE SAID WERE ALREADY MAKING A TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION TO OUR ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND STABILITY, TO CONTRIBUTE ALSO TO ENSURING THE ENVIRONMENTAL VIABILITY OF THE TERRITORY, BOTH NOW AND FOR THE FUTURE.

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URUGUAY ROUND IMPORTANT INITIATIVE IN TRADE

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HONG KONG REGARDS THE URUGUAY ROUND OF THE GATT MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AS AN IMPORTANT GLOBAL INITIATIVE TO REVITALISE THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM, THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR JOHN CHAN, SAID THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHINESE EXECUTIVE CLUB, MR CHAN SAID HONG KONG SUPPORTED THE URUGUAY ROUND AS A MAJOR INITIATIVE TO HALT PROTECTIONIST MEASURES AND TO LIBERALISE TRADE.

"THE URUGUAY ROUND NEGOTIATIONS HOLD THE KEY TO FURTHER LIBERALISATION OF WORLD TRADE AND THE REINS TO HALT A GLOBAL DRIFT TOWARDS UNILATERALISM AND BILATERALISM," HE SAID.

"THE PROGRESS AND THE OUTCOME OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IS ALSO A MATTER OF GREAT CONCERN TO BUSINESSMEN WORLDWIDE," HE ADDED.

MR CHAN SAID THE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE CRITICAL IN DECIDING WHETHER THE WORLD TRADING SYSTEM WOULD REMAIN OPEN AND MULTILATERAL OR FRAGMENT INTO TRADING BLOCS BASED ON BILATERAL OR PLURILATERAL FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS AND CUSTOMS UNIONS, A DEVELOPMENT WHICH COULD HAVE FAR-REACHING IMPLICATIONS FOR THE WORLD, NOT ONLY ECONOMICALLY BUT ALSO POLITICALLY.

HE SAID HONG KONG'S ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE URUGUAY ROUND COULD BE TRACED BACK TO THE PREPARATORY STAGE FOR THE LAUNCHING OF THE URUGUAY ROUND.

"SINCE THEN, OUR NEGOTIATORS IN GENEVA HAVE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER WITH LIKE-MINDED DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING PARTICIPANTS, TO PURSUE PROPOSALS ON A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT SUBJECTS TO ENSURE THAT OUR TRADING INTERESTS WOULD NOT BE JEOPARDISED.

"AT THE SAME TIME, HONG KONG PLAYED THE ROLE OF A BRIDGE CLOSING THE GAPS BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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"WE SHOULD BE PROUD OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS WHICH ARE QUITE OUT OF PROPORTION TO THE SIZE OF THE POPULATION AND THE AREA OF THIS TERRITORY," HE SAID.

MR CHAN POINTED OUT THAT HONG KONG'S ACTIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS HAD PAID OFF HANDSOMELY.

"DURING THE MID-TERM REVIEW CONDUCTED IN MONTREAL AND GENEVA, WE WERE INVITED TO JOIN THE RATHER EXCLUSIVE AND HIGH LEVEL CORE GROUPS CONSISTING OF NO MORE THAN A HANDFUL OF KEY PLAYERS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

"THROUGH THESE PROCESSES, HONG KONG WAS ABLE TO INFLUENCE DIRECTLY THE OUTCOME OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS AND TO DEFEND OUR INTERESTS WHERE NECESSARY," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID WHETHER THE URUGUAY ROUND WOULD PROVE TO BE A QUANTUM LEAP FOR THE GATT REMAINED TO BE SEEN.

"MUCH DEPENDS ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE U.S. WHO HAD PLEDGED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE URUGUAY ROUND BUT WHOSE RECENT ACTIONS HAVE CAUSED WIDESPREAD CONCERNS ABOUT POSSIBLE BREACHES OF THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO THE ROUND.

"MUCH WOULD ALSO DEPEND ON THE ATTITUDE OF SOME DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHO FEEL THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED TO MAKE TOO MANY CONCESSIONS IN TOO MANY AREAS AND YET HAVE BEEN GIVEN MUCH LESS IN RETURN," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID HONG KONG WOULD OF COURSE BE PREPARED TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE CONSTRUCTIVELY AND ACTIVELY IN THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

"TOGETHER WITH OUR FRIENDS, WE WILL PRESS AHEAD SO THAT SUBSTANTIVE AGREEMENT ON ALL 15 SUBJECTS CAN BE ACHIEVED BY OCTOBER 1990 WHEN THE URUGUAY ROUND CONCLUDES.

"INDEED A DISPLAY OF POLITICAL COURAGE AND GOODWILL BY ALL TO CARRY OUT THE URUGUAY ROUND NEGOTIATIONS TO FRUITION IS REQUIRED," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID IT WAS TRUE THAT, IN RECENT TIMES RISING PROTECTIONISM, ESPECIALLY IN OUR MAJOR MARKETS, HAD INCREASINGLY OBSTRUCTED THE OPERATION OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM EMBODIED IN THE GATT.

"IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, THE INTERNATIONAL TRADING SCENE HAS WITNESSED SUCH A PROLIFERATION OF TRADE RESTRICTIVE AND DISTORTIVE MEASURES TAKEN OUTSIDE GATT RULES, AND APPLIED UNILATERALLY OR BILATERALLY, THAT THE VERY EXISTENCE OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM ITSELF IS SERIOUSLY THREATENED."

HE SAID THIS DEVELOPMENT HAD LED SOME INTERNATIONAL TRADE OBSERVERS TO ASK THE QUESTION "IS THE GATT ALREADY DEAD?"

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"I DO NOT SHARE THIS SCEPTICISM," HE SAID.

"NATURALLY THE GATT, LIKE OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS, FACES MANY CHALLENGES IN A CHANGING WORLD.

"HAVING CELEBRATED ITS 40TH BIRTHDAY AND HAVING LIVED THROUGH PROSPEROUS TIMES, SOME CRISIS MAY NOT BE A BAD THING TO STIMULATE THE GATT AND PREVENT IT FROM BECOMING THEORETICAL AND UNIMAGINATIVE," HE SAID.

MR CHAN ADDED THAT IN FACT THE GATT ENVISAGED CONSTANT EFFORTS BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO NEGOTIATE NEW AND BETTER MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.

"IN THE PAST THIS HAS ACHIEVED THROUGH SEVEN ROUNDS OF MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, AND IS CURRENTLY BEING PURSUED IN THE EIGHTH ROUND, THE URUGUAY ROUND," HE SAID.

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TOUGH SANCTIONS AGAINST INSIDER DEALERS UNVEILED
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TOUGH SANCTIONS AIMED AT ERADICATING INSIDER DEALING FROM THE MARKET PLACE ARE CONTAINED IN THE SECURITIES (INSIDER DEALING) BILL TO BE GAZETTED TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (THURSDAY) ON THE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR STEPHEN IP, SAID THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE BILL WAS TO PROVIDE A MORE COMPREHENSIVE DEFINITION OF INSIDER DEALING AND TO AUTHORISE THE INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON PERSONS IDENTIFIED AS HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN INSIDER DEALING.

AMONG THE SANCTIONS IN THE BILL ARE THE DISQUALIFICATION OF A PERSON FOUND TO BE INVOLVED IN INSIDER DEALING FROM THE DIRECTORSHIP OR THE MANAGEMENT OF ANY COMPANY FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO FIVE YEARS; THE DISGORGEMENT OF ANY PROFITS MADE OR LOSSES AVOIDED BY THAT PERSON; AND THE IMPOSITION OF A FINE OF UP TO THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT OF PROFITS MADE OR LOSSES AVOIDED.

MR IP SAID SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED SANCTIONS AGAINST INSIDER DEALERS WERE REQUIRED TO BRING HONG KONG UP TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.

"WE BELIEVE THAT IMPOSING TOUGHER SANCTIONS, COUPLED WITH THE FLEXIBILITY OF THE TRIBUNAL SYSTEM, IS THE RIGHT APPROACH IN TACKLING THE PROBLEM OF INSIDER DEALING," HE SAID.

HE NOTED THAT THE PRESENT INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL SYSTEM WAS ESTABLISHED UNDER PART XIIA OF THE SECURITIES ORDINANCE TO DETERMINE WHETHER CULPABLE INSIDER DEALING HAD TAKEN PLACE, THE IDENTITY OF THE PERSONS INVOLVED AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR CULPABILITY.

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"UPON COMPLETION OF THE INQUIRY, THE TRIBUNAL'S FINDINGS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A REPORT AND PUBLIC CENSURE IS THE ONLY SANCTION AT PRESENT AVAILABLE AGAINST INSIDER DEALERS.

"IT IS RECOGNISED THAT MORE EFFECTIVE DETERRENTS ARE REQUIRED," MR IP SAID, POINTING OUT THAT THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY HAD IN JULY LAST YEAR ANNOUNCED THAT THE PRESENT INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL SYSTEM WOULD BE RETAINED FOR THE TIME BEING, AND THAT THE SANCTIONS AGAINST INSIDER DEALING WOULD BE INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY.

REFERRING TO THE BILL, MR IP SAID: "FOR TIDINESS AND EASE OF REFERENCE, THE PROVISIONS ON INSIDER DEALING WILL EMBODIED IN A SELF-CONTAINED PIECE OF LEGISLATION."

IN ADDITION TO REPRODUCING THE EXISTING PROVISIONS IN PART XIII A OF THE SECURITIES ORDINANCE COVERING THE CONSTITUTION, POWERS AND PROCEDURES OF THE INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL, THE BILL INCORPORATES A NUMBER OF CHANGES TO THE EXISTING PROVISIONS.

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE MORE SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENTS:

(A) DEFINITIONS

THE DEFINITION OF 'RELEVANT INFORMATION' IS AMENDED TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT RELEVANT INFORMATION IS INFORMATION ABOUT A CORPORATION WHICH IS NOT GENERALLY AVAILABLE BUT, IF IT WERE, WOULD BE LIKELY TO BRING ABOUT A MATERIAL CHANGE IN THE PRICE OF ANY LISTED SECURITIES OF A CORPORATION.

THE DEFINITION OF INSIDER DEALING IS WIDENED. IT NOW CATCHES AS A PRIMARY INSIDER THE OFFEROR, I.E. THE PERSON WHO IS CONTEMPLATING OR HAS CONTEMPLATED A TAKEOVER BID, AND THE SECONDARY INSIDER TIPPEE, I.E. THE PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY RECEIVES, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AND MAKES USE OF INSIDE INFORMATION.

IT ALSO CATCHES DEALING IN THE SECURITIES OF A RELATED CORPORATION; PROCURING OR COUNSELLING ANOTHER TO DEAL OR DISCLOSING INSIDE INFORMATION TO ANOTHER; AND PROMOTING DEALS ON AN OVERSEAS STOCK EXCHANGE. MOREOVER, THE DEFINITION ADDS A NEW REQUIREMENT THAT A PERSON, BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY INSIDER, MUST KNOW THAT HE IS IN POSSESSION OF INSIDE INFORMATION.

(B) SANCTIONS

THE INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL IS EMPOWERED TO -

- I) DISQUALIFY A PERSON FOUND TO BE INVOLVED IN THE INSIDER DEALING UNDER INQUIRY FROM THE DIRECTORSHIP OF, OR FROM IN ANY WAY BEING CONCERNED OR TAKING PART IN THE MANGEMENT OF, ANY COMPANY, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO FIVE YEARS, I.E. SIMILAR TO THE COURT'S POWERS UNDER SECTION 157E OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE;

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II) REQUIRE THE DISGORGEMENT OF ANY PROFITS MADE OR LOSSES AVOIDED BY THE PERSON; AND

III) IMPOSE A FINE UPON THE PERSON OF UP TO THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT OF PROFITS MADE OR LOSSES AVOIDED BY THAT PERSON.

(C) THE TRIBUNAL'S EXPENSES

THE INSIDER DEALING TRIBUNAL IS ALSO EMPOWERED TO ORDER A PERSON FOUND TO BE INVOLVED IN THE INSIDER DEALING UNDER INQUIRY TO PAY TO THE GOVERNMENT SUCH SUMS AS IT SEES FIT TOWARDS THE EXPENSES OF THE INQUIRY AND ANY RELATED INVESTIGATION CARRIED OUT BY THE TRIBUNAL.

(D) SITTINGS OF THE TRIBUNAL

AT PRESENT, SITTINGS OF THE TRIBUNAL ARE HELD IN CAMERA. IN FUTURE, SITTINGS WILL BE HELD IN PUBLIC UNLESS THE TRIBUNAL CONSIDERS THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF JUSTICE, A SITTING OR ANY PART THEREOF SHOULD BE HELD IN PRIVATE.

(E) RIGHT OF APPEAL

ANY PERSON NAMED IN A REPORT OF THE TRIBUNAL OR WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF AN ORDER MADE AGAINST HIM BY THE TRIBUNAL WILL HAVE A RIGHT OF APPEAL ON A POINT OF LAW ALONE TO THE COURT OF APPEAL.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON JULY 12.

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SUPPORT FOR PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE DMC'S

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THE PUBLIC HAS GENERALLY EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE SPIRIT OF THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS TO REMEDY UNFAIR PROVISIONS IN EXISTING DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT (DMC'S), THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

MR LAN WAS SPEAKING AT A ROTARY CLUB OF KOWLOON NORTHEAST LUNCHEON MEETING ON THE CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSALS WHICH ENDED ON MAY 31 THIS YEAR..

HE SAID THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HAD UNDERTAKEN VERY POSITIVE AND ACTIVE STEPS TOWARDS CONDUCTING A COMPREHENSIVE CONSULTATION EXERCISE BETWEEN FEBRUARY AND MAY THIS YEAR.

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"I AM VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT, AT THE END OF THE CONSULTATION PERIOD, SOME 17 DISTRICT BOARDS, MANY CONCERNED PROFESSIONAL BODIES AND AROUND 400 INDIVIDUALS OR ASSOCIATIONS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS ON THE PROPOSALS - ALMOST ALL OF THEM ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE SPIRIT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS," HE NOTED.

ONE OF THE BASIC DILEMMA, HE SAID, WAS THAT WHILE PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT AGENTS WOULD LIKE TO BE GIVEN MORE FLEXIBILITY IN MANAGING THEIR BUILDINGS, OWNERS CORPORATIONS AND INDIVIDUAL OWNERS GENERALLY WOULD WANT TO HAVE A GREATER SAY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE BUILDING.

"I BELIEVE A WORKABLE SOLUTION TO THIS DILEMMA IS, AFTER CONSIDERING THE PROS AND CONS OF THE VIEWS FROM BOTH SIDES, TO STRIKE A PROPER BALANCE SO THAT THE MANAGERS WOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT ROOM TO EXERCISE THEIR PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT ON THE ONE HAND AND THE OWNERS WOULD HAVE A REASONABLE SAY OVER THE MANAGEMENT OF THEIR BUILDINGS ON THE OTHER," MR LAN SAID.

SOME VERY USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENT HAD BEEN EXPRESSED ON WAYS TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE PROPOSED GUIDELINES, HE SAID.

ALL THESE COMMENTS WOULD BE STUDIED BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BUILDING MANAGEMENT VERY SHORTLY. AFTER WHICH, THE COMMITTEE WOULD MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PROPOSALS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

ON THE GUIDELINE WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE TERMINATION OF THE SERVICE OF THE MANAGER, MR LAN SAID THE PERPETUAL MANAGEMENT RIGHTS PROVIDED BY CERTAIN DMC'S TO SOME MANAGERS COULD HARDLY BE ACCEPTED AT THE PRESENT DATE AND TIME.

"AS A VERY GENERAL RULE, OWNERS OF A BUILDING SHOULD BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO CHOOSE A GOOD MANAGER AND DISMISS A BAD ONE," HE SAID, ADDING THAT THE MECHANICS OF HOW THIS COULD BE PROPERLY ADMINISTERED SHOULD HOWEVER BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED.

ALSO, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY BELIEVED THAT THE COMMON PARTS OF A BUILDING WERE DESIGNATED FOR THE USE AND ENJOYMENT OF OWNERS AND THEY SHOULD NOT BE DEPRIVED OF THE USE OF THEM.

TURNING TO THE GUIDELINE WHICH PROVIDES THAT A DMC SHALL NOT PREJUDICE THE FORMATION OF AN OWNERS' CORPORATION, MR LAN SAID EXPERIENCE SHOWED THAT BUILDINGS WITH OWNERS' CORPORATIONS WERE USUALLY BETTER MANAGED THAN THOSE WITHOUT THEM.

"HOWEVER, VIEWS ARE DIVIDED AS TO WHETHER BUILDINGS AND DEVELOPMENTS OF ALL SIZES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO EXERCISE CONTROL ON MANAGEMENT MATTERS BY OWNERS' CORPORATIONS."

SOME DEVELOPERS AND PROFESSIONAL MANAGING AGENTS HAD CITED THE GREAT COMPLEXITIES INVOLVED IN MANAGING LARGE ESTATES, THE CONDITIONS OF SOME LAND GRANTS AND THE PHASED DEVELOPMENT OF SOME LARGE ESTATES AS REASONS FOR ADVOCATING THE RETENTION OF THE DEVELOPERS' RIGHT TO MANAGE THE DEVELOPMENTS.

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"IT IS NOT EASY TO FIND A GOLDEN FORMULA WHICH CAN BE APPLICABLE TO THE MULTIFARIOUS TYPES OF BUILDINGS IN HONG KONG," HE SAID.

THE IMPORTANT POINT TO NOTE WAS HOW TO BRING UP THE GENERAL STANDARD AND QUALITY OF MANAGEMENT OF PRIVATE BUILDINGS IN HONG KONG.

"THE GOVERNMENT IS NOW STUDYING ALL THE SUGGESTIONS VERY CAREFULLY SO THAT THE RIGHT BALANCE IS STRUCK SOMEWHERE, ENABLING LARGE ESTATES TO CONTINUE ENJOYING GOOD MANAGEMENT PROVIDED BY MANAGERS BUT AT THE SAME TIME THE OWNERS WILL HAVE AN ADEQUATE AND REASONABLE SAY OVER MANAGEMENT MATTERS," MR LAN SAID.

ON THE PROPOSED TRIBUNAL TO DEAL WITH MANAGEMENT DISPUTES, MR LAN SAID THE PROPOSAL WAS STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY DISTRICT BOARDS, PROFESSIONAL BODIES AND OWNERS ORGANISATIONS ALIKE.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD GIVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO THIS PROPOSAL. IN FACT, DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT WAS ALREADY ON THE CALENDAR OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BUILDING MANAGEMENT.

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VBP CENTRE WILL NOT AFFECT RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

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THE GOVERNMENT'S PLAN TO USE A REMOTE SITE IN SAI KUNG AS A CLOSED DETENTION CENTRE FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE (VBP) WILL NOT AFFECT THE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND ENVIRONMENT IN THE AREA.

THIS WAS EXPLAINED TO MEMBERS OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD TODAY (THURSDAY) IN A BRIEFING BY SECURITY BRANCH OFFICIALS.

THE REGIONAL COUNCIL WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION PLAN WHICH HAD BEEN MADE NECESSARY IN THE LIGHT OF A CONTINUING LARGE INFLUX OF VBP.

THE REFUGEE CO-ORDINATOR, MR MIKE HANSON, SAID IT WAS A REMOTE SITE FAR AWAY FROM THE CITY AND FROM HABITATION.

"THE DETENTION CENTRE WILL BE NEXT TO THE CHONG HING WATER SPORTS CENTRE BUT WILL NOT ENCROACH ON ITS FACILITIES WHICH WILL STILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC," HE SAID.

"THE PRESENCE OF THE CAMP IS NOT EXPECTED TO AFFECT FACILITIES IN THE SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK GENERALLY.

"STUDIES ARE UNDER WAY BY TECHNICAL DEPARTMENTS ON WATER AND POWER SUPPLIES AND WASTE DISPOSAL; AND MEASURES WILL BE CONSIDERED TO PREVENT POLLUTION."

/MR HANSON

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MR HANSON POINTED OUT THAT MORE THAN 22,700 VBP HAD ARRIVED THIS YEAR -- 2,918 HAD COME IN APRIL, 9,194 IN MAY AND 9,283 SO FAR THIS MONTH.

"ACCOMMODATING ALL THESE BOAT PEOPLE AND VIETNAMESE REFUGEES HAS BEEN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT," HE SAID.

"LONGER-TERM VBP ACCOMMODATION, SUCH AS WHITEHEAD STAGES 3 AND 4, WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL LATER IN THE YEAR, AND IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS NOW FOR AN ADDITIONAL CENTRE.

"THE SITE IN SAI KUNG CAN BE PREPARED WITHIN A SHORT TIME SPAN AND IS FAR AWAY FROM LOCAL HABITATION.

"IT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO PROVIDE ON THIS SITE TENTED ACCOMMODATION FOR ABOUT 7,000 BOAT PEOPLE."

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PROPOSALS TO REGISTER ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS

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PROPOSALS DESIGNED TO ESTABLISH THE PROFESSIONAL STATUS OF QUALIFIED ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS OF VARIOUS DISCIPLINES WHILE AT THE SAME TIME SAFEGUARDING THE RIGHTS OF THE CONSUMER PUBLIC HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

TWO BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHORTLY WILL FORM THE FRAMEWORK FOR SETTING UP REGISTRATION BOARDS FOR PRACTISING ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS IN HONG KONG.

THEY ARE THE ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL 1989 AND THE ENGINEERS REGISTRATION BILL 1989.

HOWEVER, A PRIVATE BILL WILL NEED TO BE INTRODUCED FIRST TO ESTABLISH THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS AS AN INCORPORATED BODY. THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS IS ALREADY AN INCORPORATED BODY ESTABLISHED UNDER THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS ORDINANCE 1975.

UNDER THE BILLS, THE PROPOSAL IS TO ESTABLISH THE REGISTRATION BOARDS INDEPENDENT OF THE TWO PROFESSIONAL BODIES INVOLVED.

"THE CONCEPT OF REGISTRATION IS TO CONFER ON SUITABLE APPLICANTS A TITLE WHICH DEMONSTRATES TO FELLOW PROFESSIONALS AND TO THE PUBLIC A HIGH STANDARD OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, CURRENT COMPETENCE TO PRACTICE AND RELEVANT BACKGROUND FOR WORKING IN HONG KONG," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE REGISTER WILL LIST ONLY COMPETENT PRACTICING PROFESSIONALS WORKING IN HONG KONG, AND REGISTRATION HAS TO BE RENEWED ANNUALLY.

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APART FROM SETTING OUT QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION, THE BILLS WILL ALSO OUTLINE DETAILS OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS WHICH ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE SCHEME TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC CONFIDENCE.

"CLOSE CONSULTATION HAD BEEN HELD WITH HKIA AND HKIE AND BOTH BODIES HAD SIGNIFIED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE TWO BILLS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF SURVEYORS AND THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS, FOR WHOM SIMILAR LEGISLATION IS PROPOSED, HAVE ALSO BEEN CONSULTED AND THEY ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH THE MAIN PRINCIPLES OF THE BILLS.

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TWO SITES TO LET BY TENDER
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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LETTING OF TWO SITES BY SHORT TERM TENANCIES.

THE FIRST ONE IS A 2,440 SQUARE METRE SITE AT LAI KING HILL ROAD, KOWLOON.

IT IS FOR A FEE-PAYING PUBLIC PARKING AREA FOR THE PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES, EXCLUDING ARTICULATED VEHICLES, CURRENTLY LICENSED UNDER THE ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE.

THE INITIAL TENANCY IS ONE YEAR, RENEWABLE MONTHLY AFTERWARDS.

THE SECOND SITE IS AN AREA ADJACENT TO WONG CHUK YEUNG STREET, FO TAN, SHA TIN.

IT IS FOR THE STORAGE OF GOODS, PLANTS AND MACHINERY, VEHICLES AND BUILDING MATERIALS (EXCLUDING CONTAINERS) BELONGING TO THE TENANT ONLY.

THE INITIAL TENANCY FOR THIS 3,150 SQUARE METRE SITE IS TWO YEARS, RENEWABLE QUARTERLY AFTERWARDS.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS FOR BOTH SITES IS NOON ON JULY 14.

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PRIVATE ROAD LEGISLATION TAKES EFFECT ON SATURDAY

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NEW LEGISLATION ON PRIVATE ROADS WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON SATURDAY (JULY 1), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT REMINDED VEHICLE OWNERS, DRIVERS AND OWNERS OF PRIVATE ROADS TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE AND ITS SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS, GAZETTED IN APRIL, HAVE BEEN AMENDED TO EXTEND TO PRIVATE ROADS TO ENSURE PUBLIC SAFETY ON THESE ROADS AND TO EMPOWER THE OWNERS OF PRIVATE ROADS TO MANAGE THE PARKING OF VEHICLES MORE EFFECTIVELY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT REMINDED VEHICLE OWNERS THAT UNDER THE NEW REGULATIONS, MOTOR VEHICLES WOULD HAVE TO BE REGISTERED, LICENSED AND INSURED AGAINST THIRD PARTY RISKS EVEN WHEN BEING USED EXCLUSIVELY ON PRIVATE ROADS.

HE ADDED THAT THE VEHICLES WOULD ALSO HAVE TO COMPLY WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS IN CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.

"A THREE-MONTH GRACE PERIOD FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE LEGISLATION THIS SATURDAY IS PROVIDED FOR VEHICLES OWNERS TO COMPLETE THE PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRATION, LICENSING AND ISSUE OF PERMITS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NEW LEGISLATION ALSO AUTHORISES PRIVATE ROAD OWNERS TO ERECT OR PUT IN PLACE CERTAIN TRAFFIC SIGNS AND ROAD MARKINGS AND TO CONTROL PARKING ON PRIVATE ROADS.

OWNERS OF PRIVATE ROADS ARE FURTHER EMPOWERED BY THE LEGISLATION TO DESIGNATE "NO-PARKING" AREAS, DETAIN OR IMPOUND UNLAWFULLY PARKED CARS AND CHARGE FEES FOR SUCH DETENTION AND IMMOBILISATION.

THE FEE FOR IMPOUNDING VEHICLES IS \$140, FOR REMOVING VEHICLES \$200, AND THE DAILY FEE FOR STORING AN IMPOUNDED VEHICLE IS \$50.

UNDER THE NEW REGULATIONS, A PERSON WHO DRIVES A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A PRIVATE ROAD MUST COMPLY WITH THE ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE AND ITS SUBSIDIARY REGULATIONS AND IS LIABLE TO PROSECUTION FOR ANY TRAFFIC OFFENCE.

WITH THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEW LAW, THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS ASSISTANT FUND SCHEME WILL BE EXTENDED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS OF ACCIDENTS ON PRIVATE ROADS.

SOME AREAS ARE GIVEN SPECIAL CONSIDERATION. FOR EXAMPLE, THE NEW LAW WILL NOT APPLY TO THE RESTRICTED ROAD IN THE AIRPORT, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO BE REGULATED BY THE HONG KONG AIRPORT (TRAFFIC) REGULATIONS.

IN AREAS MAINLY OR WHOLLY USED FOR CONSTRUCTION AND INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES, AN ELEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE WILL BE ALLOWED. HOWEVER, OFFENCES SUCH AS RECKLESS DRIVING AND CARELESS DRIVING WILL STILL RENDER A DRIVER LIABLE TO PROSECUTION.

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IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, GOLF CARTS MAY BE GRANTED A PERMIT TO BE USED ON ROADS AND WILL BE TREATED AS VILLAGE VEHICLES. OWNERS SHOULD OBTAIN A VALID VILLAGE VEHICLE PERMIT AND HAVE A THIRD PARTY INSURANCE POLICY. THE DRIVERS SHOULD HAVE A VALID DRIVING LICENCE TO DRIVE IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

A LEAFLET HAS BEEN PUBLISHED TO EXPLAIN IN GENERAL TERMS THE OBJECTIVES OF THE NEW RULES FOR PRIVATE ROADS, THEIR MAIN PRINCIPLES AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR APPLICATION.

COPIES OF THE LEAFLET ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS ON THE 28TH FLOOR, QUEENSWAY GOVERNMENT OFFICES, HONG KONG.

THEY WILL BE READY FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION LATER AT THE DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING OFFICES, VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRES AND DRIVING TEST APPOINTMENT OFFICES.

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LANTAU TAXI FARE CONVERSION TABLES AVAILABLE
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LANTAU TAXI CONVERSION TABLES SHOWING THE NEW TAXI FARE SCALES AS AGAINST THE EXISTING FARE SCALES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION BY TAXI OWNERS FROM SATURDAY (JULY 1), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

NEW FARES FOR LANTAU TAXIS WILL TAKE EFFECT ON JULY 10. THE FARE FOR THE FIRST TWO KILOMETRES AFTER FLAGFALL WILL BE \$5.50 AND THAT FOR EVERY SUBSEQUENT 0.25 KILOMETRES WILL BE \$0.70.

THE WAITING TIME CHARGE WILL BE \$0.70 FOR EVERY MINUTE AND THE TELEPHONE BOOKING SURCHARGE FOR EVERY HIRING WILL BE \$2.00.

THE FARE CONVERSION TABLES CAN BE COLLECTED AT MUI WO DISTRICT OFFICE, GRANDVIEW MANSION, GROUND FLOOR, 11 MUI WO FERRY PIER ROAD, LANTAU ISLAND, OR AT TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC VEHICLE SECTION, ROOM 27, MEZZANINE FLOOR, 2 MURRAY ROAD, HONG KONG.

TAXI OWNERS SHOULD PRODUCE THEIR TAXI REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS WHEN COLLECTING THE CONVERSION TABLES. THE TABLES SHOULD BE DISPLAYED AT A PROMINENT POSITION INSIDE THE TAXIS BEFORE TAXIMETRES ARE RECALIBRATED AND SEALED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT.

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR EASTERN YOUTHS

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OVER 200 RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN LINED UP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 25 IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT DURING THE TWO-MONTH SUMMER VACATION THIS YEAR.

THESE HAVE BEEN CO-ORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT'S YOUTH RECREATION CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE WITH SPONSORSHIP OF \$385,000 FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THE PROGRAMME HAD BEEN CAREFULLY DRAWN UP BY 34 ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING SCHOOLS, SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANISATIONS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, WITH "SHARING THE FUN, SERVING THE COMMUNITY" AS ITS CENTRAL THEME.

AMONG THE ACTIVITIES ARE LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSES, VISITS TO ORGANISATIONS, CAMPING, EXHIBITIONS, SEMINARS, CONCERTS, SOCIAL SERVICE PROJECTS, SPORTS AND OTHER YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES.

"WE HOPE TO OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF MEANINGFUL RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO SPEND THEIR LEISURE TIME IN SUMMER AS WELL AS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM TO DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL AND APPRECIATE INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIP," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES ARE MAINLY OF A COMMUNITY SERVICE NATURE, WHICH WOULD HELP CULTIVATE A SENSE OF CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS," HE ADDED.

TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE 1989 EASTERN DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME, AN ALL-STAR CONCERT FEATURING POP SINGERS MR HACKEN LEE, MISS MAN PUI-LING AND MR TAM YIU-MAN WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (JULY 2) AT KIANGSU AND CHEKIANG PRIMARY SCHOOL.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR GARY YEUNG; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG AND THE REGIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER (HONG KONG), MR KWOK NAI-SIK.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS FOR THE CONCERT AND PROGRAMME LEAFLETS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS THREE SUB-OFFICES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1989 EASTERN DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME OPENING CEREMONY AND ALL-STAR CONCERT WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON SUNDAY (JULY 2) IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF KIANGSU AND CHEKIANG PRIMARY SCHOOL, 30 CHING WAH STREET, NORTH POINT.

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YUEN LONG DB COMMITTEE TO MEET

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THE RECREATION AND SPORTS COMMITTEE OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS AT ITS SECOND MEETING FOR 1989-90 TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE APPLICATIONS ARE FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS PLANNING TO HOLD RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES BETWEEN OCTOBER AND DECEMBER.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION ON THE WORK OF THE ICAC'S REGIONAL OFFICE (NEW TERRITORIES NORTH WEST).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD'S RECREATION AND SPORTS COMMITTEE TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, 13TH FLOOR, TAI KIU GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 2 KIU LOK SQUARE, YUEN LONG. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 3 PM.

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PROTECTION OF DB LOGOS ON AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL COMMENT ON A PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO PROTECT THE USE OF DISTRICT BOARD LOGO AT A SUPPLEMENTARY MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

IT IS PROPOSED THAT ANYONE WHO USES A DISTRICT BOARD LOGOS WITHOUT THE PRIOR PERMISSION OF THE BOARD CONCERNED COMMITS AN OFFENCE AND IS LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$5,000.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO DISCUSS A LAYOUT PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED USE OF THE AREA SOUTH OF THE FANLING RAILWAY STATION.

A MEMBER WILL ASK WHETHER THE HOUSING AUTHORITY WILL CONSIDER AMENDING THE RULE THAT SINGLE TENANTS AND TWO-PERSON FAMILIES MOVING TO TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS AFTER JANUARY 1, 1985, CANNOT BE RESETTLED IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

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

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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ACCESSIBLE BUILDINGS AWARD ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA
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MEMBERS OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE WILL BE BRIEFED ON AN AWARD SCHEME FOR THE "MOST ACCESSIBLE BUILDING DESIGNS FOR THE DISABLED IN HONG KONG" AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE SCHEME IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE REHABILITATION DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE AND THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE AWARD ARE TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS THAT SUITABLE ACCESS FACILITIES CAN HELP THE DISABLED TO BECOME MORE INDEPENDENT AND TO GIVE RECOGNITION TO THE INITIATIVE AND FAR-SIGHTEDNESS OF THE DEVELOPERS AND ARCHITECTS CONCERNED.

IN ADDITION, THE MEETING WILL REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE IN TUNG YAN STREET.

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DB MEMBERS VISIT DEMONSTRATION FARMS

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NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING VISITED TWO DEMONSTRATION FARMS IN KAM TSIN VILLAGE, SHEUNG SHUI TO SEE THE OPERATION OF WASTE TREATMENT METHODS UNDER PRIVATE FARM CONDITIONS.

THE FAMILIARISATION VISIT WAS SUGGESTED AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD'S COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE LAST MONTH DURING WHICH MEMBERS EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE PROGRESS OF THE LIVESTOCK WASTE DISPOSAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WILLIAM HUI, AND THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (DEVELOPMENT), MRS TERESA WONG, THE PARTY FIRST WENT TO A PIG FARM USING THE PIG-ON-LITTER METHOD.

THEY WERE TOLD BY THE SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER OF THE LIVESTOCK WASTE DISPOSAL GROUP, MR MICHAEL WU, HOW PIG WASTE COULD BE DISPOSED OF BY ADDING A BACTERIAL PRODUCT ONTO THE BREEDING BEDS WHICH ARE COVERED WITH SAW DUST.

THEY THEN PROCEEDED TO A CHICKEN FARM WHICH TREATS WASTE BY ADOPTING THE DRY MUCK-OUT METHOD AND THROUGH A SOAKAWAY PIT.

THE TWO FARMS ARE AMONG THE NINE PRIVATE FARMS CHOSEN TO TAKE PART IN THE DEMONSTRATION OF VARIOUS TREATMENT METHODS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH ANTI-POLLUTION REGULATIONS.

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HK AND SINGAPORE TO SELL PHILATELIC PRODUCTS FOR EACH OTHER

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THE PHILATELIC BUREAU OF THE HONG KONG AND SINGAPORE POST OFFICES WILL START TO SELL STAMPS AND OTHER PHILATELIC PRODUCTS ON BEHALF OF EACH OTHER FROM SATURDAY (JULY 1), THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

CUSTOMERS WISHING TO BUY HONG KONG OR SINGAPORE PHILATELIC PRODUCTS MAY THEN MAKE THEIR PURCHASE AT THE PHILATELIC COUNTERS OF A NUMBER OF POST OFFICES IN HONG KONG AND SINGAPORE.

THEY ARE THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE POST OFFICE, PEAK POST OFFICE, TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE, GRANVILLE ROAD POST OFFICE, AND AIRPORT POST OFFICE IN HONG KONG AND THE MAIN POST OFFICES IN SINGAPORE.

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NEW ADDRESS FOR THREE CNTA OFFICES
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THE TRUST FUNDS GENERAL OFFICE, THE CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE AND THE CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERIES OFFICE OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION WILL MOVE TO THEIR NEW ADDRESS THIS SATURDAY (JULY 1).

THE THREE OFFICES WILL BE LOCATED ON THE 29TH FLOOR, SOUTHORN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.

THE NEW ENQUIRY TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE :

TRUST FUNDS GENERAL OFFICE	5-8351524
CHINESE TEMPLES COMMITTEE	5-8351519
CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERIES OFFICE	5-8341116

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VIOLET PEEL POLYCLINIC MOVING TO SOUTHORN CENTRE
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THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TODAY (THURSDAY) REMINDED THE PUBLIC THAT THE VIOLET PEEL POLYCLINIC, NOW LOCATED AT HARCOURT ROAD, WILL BE MOVED TO SOUTHORN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI, ON MONDAY (JULY 3).

THE POLYCLINIC CONSISTS OF AN OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT, THE GENERAL PRACTICE UNIT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND THE NARCOTICS AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.

FROM MONDAY, THE OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT AND THE GENERAL PRACTICE UNIT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG WILL BE LOCATED ON THE BUILDING'S FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS RESPECTIVELY, AND THE NARCOTICS AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION WILL BE ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR.

FROM THE SAME DAY, THE VIOLET PEEL METHADONE CLINIC, NOW LOCATED AT 21 STONE NULLAH LANE IN WAN CHAI, WILL OPERATE AT THE GROUND FLOOR OF SOUTHORN CENTRE.

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NEW ADDRESS FOR LANTAU CLOSED ROAD PERMIT APPLICATIONS
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM SATURDAY (JULY 1), APPLICATIONS FOR NEW OR RENEWAL OF CLOSED ROAD PERMITS FOR VEHICLES ON LANTAU ISLAND WILL BE HANDLED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S HONG KONG LICENSING OFFICE.

THE ADDRESS OF THE LICENSING OFFICE IS GROUND FLOOR, 2 MURRAY ROAD, HONG KONG. TELEPHONE ENQUIRIES MAY ALSO BE DIRECTED TO THE OFFICE ON 5-261577.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN WING FUNG ST WEST
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (JULY 1), WING FUNG STREET WEST IN WAN CHAI, NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH MONMOUTH PATH, WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE CLOSURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS FOR LAYING OF A GAS MAIN.

WING FUNG STREET WEST WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY EASTBOUND TO A TWO-WAY CUL-DE-SAC, WITH ACCESS FROM WING FUNG STREET.

THE RIGHT-TURN FROM MONMOUTH PATH TO WING FUNG STREET WEST WILL BE BANNED.

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