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PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF EXTERNAL TRADE, AUGUST 1981

THE PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 11 PER CENT AND THOSE OF IMPORTS BY 12 PER CENT IN AUGUST 1981 COMPARED WITH AUGUST 1980, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (SUNDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

AS A RESULT, THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX (EXPRESSED AS A RATIO OF THE DOMESTIC EXPORT PRICE INDEX TO THE IMPORT PRICE INDEX) DECLINED MARGINALLY.

THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS INCREASED BY 7 PER CENT WHILE THAT OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS SHOWED INSIGNIFICANT CHANGE. THE PRICES OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 7 PER CENT, WITH VOLUME UP BY 20 PER CENT, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, PRICES ROSE BY 10 PER CENT AND VOLUME ROSE BY 5 PER CENT.

FOR THE TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD TO AUGUST 1981 AS COMPARED WITH THE TWELVE MONTHS TO AUGUST 1980, THE PRICES OF BOTH DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND IMPORTS ROSE BY 9 PER CENT AND THOSE OF RE-EXPORTS BY 8 PER CENT. THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 5 PER CENT AND OF RE-EXPORTS BY 37 PER CENT, GIVING A 14 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS AS AGAINST A 16 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS.

PRICES ARE BASED ON UNIT VALUES WHICH DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF GOODS TRADED.

CHANGES IN THE VOLUME OF TRADE ARE DERIVED FROM CHANGES IN TRADE VALUES, AFTER DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP ARE SHOWN BELOW :-

CHANGES COMPARING AUGUST 1981 WITH AUGUST 1980

	EXPORT VALUE	EXPORT UNIT VALUE	EXPORT VOLUME
CLOTHING (EXCEPT FUR)	+ 9%	+13%	- 3%
TEXTILE FABRICS	+13%	+ 6%	+ 6%
TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD	+65%	+10%	+49%
TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES	- 1%	+14%	-13%

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ALL TRANSISTORIZED RADIOS	+ 9%	+12%	- 3%
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	+ 9%	+16%	- 6%
FOOTWEAR	+28%	+ 5%	+22%
METAL MANUFACTURES	-15%	+ 7%	-20%
METAL ORES AND SCRAP	-23%	- 3%	-21%
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	- 4%	-14%	+11%
COMMODITY GROUPS NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE	+17%	+15%	+ 2%
ALL COMMODITIES	+11%	+11%	INSIGNIFICANT

THE EXPORT PRICES OF MOST COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED, FROM 5 PER CENT FOR FOOTWEAR TO 16 PER CENT FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE EXPORT PRICES OF METAL ORES AND SCRAP, AS WELL AS WATCHES AND CLOCKS, FELL BY 3 PER CENT AND 14 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

CONSIDERABLE GROWTH IN THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WAS RECORDED FOR TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD (+49 PER CENT) AND FOOTWEAR (+22 PER CENT). HOWEVER, THE EXPORT VOLUME OF METAL MANUFACTURES AND METAL ORES AND SCRAP DECLINED BY 20 PER CENT AND 21 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW :-

CHANGES COMPARING AUGUST 1981 WITH AUGUST 1980

	<u>IMPORT VALUE</u>	<u>IMPORT UNIT VALUE</u>	<u>IMPORT VOLUME</u>
FOODSTUFFS	+11%	+20%	- 8%
CONSUMER GOODS	+14%	+ 5%	+ 9%
FUELS	+ 6%	+30%	-19%
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI- MANUFACTURES	+26%	+10%	+14%
CAPITAL GOODS	+25%	+13%	+11%
ALL COMMODITIES	+19%	+12%	+ 7%

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WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FOODSTUFFS AND FUELS, THE PRICES OF WHICH JUMPED BY 20 PER CENT AND 30 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY, THE PRICES OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY INCREASED MODERATELY, RANGING FROM 5 PER CENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS TO 13 PER CENT FOR CAPITAL GOODS.

ONLY SOME MAJOR IMPORTED FOODSTUFFS ROSE IN VOLUME TERMS, THE MORE SIGNIFICANT ONES BEING CEREAL AND CEREAL PREPARATIONS (OTHER THAN RICE, WHEAT AND FLOUR), LIVE POULTRY, AND VEGETABLES.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF FISH AND FISH PREPARATIONS, TEA AND COFFEE, AS WELL AS SOYA BEAN OIL, PEANUT OIL AND LARD DROPPED.

IN THE CONSUMER GOODS CATEGORY, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR CLOTHING, TEXTILE MADE-UPS, AS WELL AS SOAPS, CLEANSING AND POLISHING PREPARATIONS.

THE IMPORT VOLUME OF TOBACCO MANUFACTURES AND PASSENGER MOTOR CARS DECLINED.

IMPORTS OF FUELS DROPPED BY 19 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

THE IMPORT VOLUME OF MOST RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES INCREASED. PURCHASES OF PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS, YARN OF MAN-MADE FIBRES, AND CHEMICAL ELEMENTS AND COMPOUNDS ROSE SUBSTANTIALLY, WHEREAS DEMAND FOR RAW COTTON AND MAN-MADE FIBRES FELL.

AS FOR CAPITAL GOODS, MAJOR INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE RECORDED FOR TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT AND OFFICE MACHINES.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW :-

CHANGES COMPARING AUGUST 1981 WITH AUGUST 1980

	RE-EXPORT VALUE	RE-EXPORT UNIT VALUE	RE-EXPORT VOLUME
FOODSTUFFS	+37%	+15%	+19%
CONSUMER GOODS	+12%	- 1%	+13%
FUELS	+49%	+25%	+19%
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	+40%	+12%	+25%
CAPITAL GOODS	+51%	+15%	+31%
ALL COMMODITIES	+28%	+ 7%	+20%

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THE RE-EXPORT VOLUME OF ALL THE END-USE CATEGORIES SHOWED SIGNIFICANT INCREASES, RANGING FROM 13 PER CENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS TO 31 PER CENT FOR CAPITAL GOODS.

FURTHER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUGUST 1981 ISSUE OF THE +HONG KONG TRADE INDEX NUMBERS+, SHORTLY AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT HK\$2 PER COPY.

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WORK FOR DISABLED SHOULD BE SOCIAL COMMITMENT: SIR JACK
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IT WAS NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN AND CONVERT THE INCREASED LEVEL OF INTEREST SHOWN IN HONG KONG FOR DISABLED PERSONS INTO A SOCIAL COMMITMENT, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR JACK CATER, SAID AT THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS TALENT SHOW AT QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AT 3 PM TODAY (SUNDAY).

IN OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TALENT SHOW WHICH WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, SIR JACK SAID:

+THE MANY ACTIVITIES ORGANISED FOR THIS INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF DISABLED PERSONS ARE DIRECTED TOWARDS THE CREATION OF A GREATER COMMUNITY AWARENESS NOT ONLY OF THE PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF THE DISABLED, BUT ALSO OF THEIR POTENTIAL, THEIR ABILITIES AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS OUR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING.

+SUCH AN AWARENESS WILL LEAD TO A MORE READY ACCEPTANCE OF THE DISABLED AS NECESSARY, EQUAL AND IMPORTANT PARTNERS IN OUR DAILY LIVING, AND FACILITATE THEIR INTEGRATION INTO THE COMMUNITY - WHICH OF COURSE IS THE POLICY OBJECTIVE OF OUR REHABILITATION PROGRAMME AND OUR THEME OF THE YEAR.

+TO CREATE THIS AWARENESS REQUIRES BASICALLY TWO THINGS: FIRSTLY THE WILLINGNESS OF THE ABLE-BODIED TO TAKE A POSITIVE INTEREST IN OUR DISABLED FRIENDS AND SECONDLY AND IMPORTANTLY THE DETERMINATION OF THE DISABLED THEMSELVES TO MAINTAIN THEIR RIGHTFUL PLACE IN SOCIETY.

+REGARDING THE FIRST REQUIREMENT, THERE HAS BEEN A CLEAR INCREASE IN THE LEVEL OF INTEREST TAKEN IN THE DISABLED THROUGH NO DOUBT THE EFFORTS OF BOTH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN SPREADING THE MESSAGE OF THE YEAR. TO ENSURE THAT THIS IS NOT A TEMPORARY PHENOMENON, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SUSTAIN AND CONVERT SUCH INTEREST INTO A SOCIAL COMMITMENT.

+TO THIS END, CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE OF THE EXEMPLARY WORK STARTED THIS YEAR WILL BE ESSENTIAL.

+ON THE SECOND REQUIREMENT WHICH, SO FAR HAS NOT BEEN MUCH PUBLICISED, I HAVE BEEN PLEASED TO NOTE DEMONSTRATIONS OF SUCH DETERMINATION IN MANY OF THE EVENTS ORGANISED THIS YEAR, IN PARTICULAR THE OUTSTANDING DISABLED PERSONS AWARD, THE INDUSTRIAL SKILLS CONTEST OR ABLYMPICS, AND THE VARIOUS SPORTING EVENTS WHERE THE DISABLED HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEIR CONSIDERABLE SKILLS AND ABILITIES AND ABOVE ALL THEIR CONFIDENCE IN THEMSELVES IN REMAINING USEFUL MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY.

+THIS AFTERNOON WE ARE WITNESSING FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THIS DETERMINATION IN THE PERFORMING ARTS OF MUSIC AND DANCE.

+MADAM CHAIRMAN, I WOULD NOW LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PERFORMING GROUPS ON THEIR SPLENDID EFFORTS AND TO THE ORGANISERS FOR STAGING SUCH AN IMPORTANT EVENT, WHICH CLEARLY MEANS SO VERY MUCH.+

PERFORMING GROUPS FROM 11 VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S ABERDEEN REHABILITATION CENTRE TOOK PART IN STAGING THE TALENT SHOW, WHICH INCLUDED DANCES, MUSIC, FOLK SONG SINGING, A LION DANCE AND A VARIETY SHOW.

SOME OF THE PERFORMANCES WERE PUT ON BY BOTH DISABLED AND ABLE-BODIED PEOPLE.

PRIZES WERE PRESENTED TO WINNERS OF A SLOGAN COMPETITION HELD BY THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LIONS CLUB OF SHA TIN.

OTHERS OFFICIATING AT THE TALENT SHOW INCLUDED THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR SELWYN ALLEYNE, AND THE THREE SPONSORS OF THE SHOW -- MR NG TOR-TAI AND MR NG WAI-KEI, PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, AND MR SIU WING-HON, PRESIDENT OF THE LIONS CLUB OF SHA TIN.

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SNT OFFICIATES AT NT INTER-DISTRICT SWIMMING GALA
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A SWIMMING POOL IS BEING PLANNED FOR TUEN MUN, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

MR AKERS-JONES WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES INTER-DISTRICT SWIMMING GALA HELD AT SHA TIN ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SWIMMING COMPLEX.

HE SAID BY NEXT SUMMER THE SWIMMING POOL IN YUEN LONG WOULD BE COMPLETED, ADDING TO EXISTING ONES IN TSUEN WAN, FANLING AND SHA TIN, AND HE HOPED SOON TO ANNOUNCE CONSTRUCTION OF A SWIMMING POOL IN TUEN MUN.

THESE FACILITIES WOULD HELP CATER FOR THE RECREATIONAL NEEDS OF THE RAPIDLY INCREASING POPULATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, HE SAID.

THE GALA WAS ORGANISED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES INTER-DISTRICT SPORT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, THE HEUNG YEE KUK, AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

THE 26 RACES WERE DIVIDED INTO MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SECTIONS, INCLUDING BREAST STROKE, BACK STROKE, BUTTERFLY, FREE STYLE, AND RELAY RACES.

COURSES VARIED FROM 50 METRES TO 400 METRES. PARTICIPANTS WERE FROM ALL EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICTS.

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK, MR LAU WONG-FAT, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHAN LAU-FONG.

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GROUPS TO HELP WITH COUNTRYSIDE CLEAN-UP

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EFFORTS TO CLEAN THE COUNTRYSIDE, ESPECIALLY THE COUNTRY PARKS, WILL BE GIVEN A BOOST FROM THIS MONTH WHEN MEMBERS OF STUDENT GROUPS, ORGANISED HIKING GROUPS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WILL HELP TO PICK UP LITTER THERE.

THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT HAS ENLISTED THE SUPPORT OF THESE GROUPS IN KEEPING THE COUNTRYSIDE CLEAN.

HIKING GROUPS WILL BE COLLECTING LITTER ALONG SECTIONS OF THE POPULAR MACLEHOSE TRAIL, WHICH STRETCHES ACROSS EIGHT COUNTRY PARKS FROM TUEN MUN TO SAI KUNG.

THEY WILL PICK UP LITTER ALONG SECTIONS OF THE TRAIL FROM NOVEMBER TO FEBRUARY NEXT YEAR.

THE OTHER GROUPS WILL BE GIVEN SECTIONS OF THE TRAIL OR OTHER AREAS SUCH AS BARBECUE AND PICNIC SITES FOR +ADOPTION+ FOR AT LEAST THREE MONTHS.

DURING THIS PERIOD, THE VOLUNTEERS WILL VISIT THE TRAIL OR THE SITES AT LEAST ONCE EVERY MONTH TO CARRY OUT CONSERVATION WORK INCLUDING CLEANSING.

OTHER WORKS INCLUDE GRASS CUTTING, TREE PLANTING, TENDING AND MAINTENANCE OF FOOTPATHS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

THE DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE LITTER BAGS AND COTTON GLOVES TO THE VOLUNTEERS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT SAID LITTERING BY PICNICKERS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE, ESPECIALLY INSIDE COUNTRY PARKS, WAS ALWAYS A MAJOR PROBLEM. LAST YEAR SOME 2 300 TONNES OF LITTER WERE PICKED UP FROM COUNTRY PARKS.

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WORK ON WATER PIPE

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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN TSZ WAN SHAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR 13 HOURS FROM 10 AM TO 11 PM ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 3) FOR MAINTENANCE WORK.

THE PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE IN TSZ WAN SHAN ESTATE, SHATIN PASS ESTATE AND FUNG WONG VILLAGE.

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HK NOW A TB RESEARCH CENTRE
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HONG KONG HAS SUCCESSFULLY CONTROLLED TUBERCULOSIS SINCE THE 1950'S, AS SHOWN BY THE 60 PER CENT DROP IN NOTIFICATIONS AND 90 PER CENT DROP IN THE DEATH RATE, SAID THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, DR K.L. THONG, TODAY (SUNDAY), AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SEVENTH ASIA PACIFIC CONGRESS ON CHEST DISEASES.

HONG KONG HAD SINCE BECOME ONE OF THE MAIN AREAS FOR TUBERCULOSIS RESEARCH CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION, HE SAID.

THE PERCENTAGE OF BABIES VACCINATED AT BIRTH WITH BCG WAS ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.

+WE ARE IN THE FOREFRONT IN SHORT COURSE CHEMOTHERAPY, BOTH IN RESEARCH AND ITS APPLICATION IN PRACTICE,+ SAID DR THONG.

IN ADDITION, TOGETHER WITH THE MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL AND THE LOCAL BRANCH OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CHEST PHYSICIANS, HONG KONG HAS BEEN WORKING ON IMMUNOLOGY OF TUBERCULOSIS.

DR THONG REVEALED THAT IN THE LAST TEN YEARS, DEATH FROM LUNG CANCER HAD MORE THAN DOUBLED, DUE TO SMOKING, THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE WORK INVOLVED.

MANY OF THE CASES COULD BE PREVENTED AND THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT HAD RECENTLY TAKEN POSITIVE ACTION WITH REGARD TO SILICOSIS AND ABESTOSIS, HE SAID.

WORKERS SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASES WOULD BE GIVEN EITHER EX-GRATIA PAYMENTS OR COMPENSATION FROM A PNEUMOCONIOSIS COMPENSATION FUND, HE SAID.

+IN HONG KONG MORE THAN HALF OF SILICOSIS CASES DEVELOP ACTIVE PULMONARY TB, AND RESEARCH IS BEING CONDUCTED TO FIND OUT CHEMO-PROPHYLAXIS AND THE BEST WAY OF TREATING SILICO-TB,+ HE ADDED.

HEART DISEASE WAS SECOND ONLY TO MALIGNANCY IN THE TOP TEN CAUSES OF DEATH IN HONG KONG.

DISEASES OF THE CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM, INCLUDING HYPERTENSION AND CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASES AND THEIR COMPLICATIONS, CAUSED ABOUT A QUARTER OF ALL DEATHS.

+EPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDIES HAVE REVEALED AN INCREASING PREVALENCE OF CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE IN HONG KONG,+ HE SAID.

GRANTHAM HOSPITAL WAS BEING UPGRADED INTO A MAJOR CARDIO-THORACIC CENTRE IN RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CARDIOVASCULAR AND THORACIC DISEASES IN THE TERRITORY, HE ADDED.

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GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY
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A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT THIS MONTH. STARTED IN AUGUST, THE SURVEY IS CARRIED OUT ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS BY THE PERMANENT FIELD STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT TO COLLECT CURRENT INFORMATION ON THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION.

A RANDOM SAMPLE OF ABOUT 5 000 HOUSEHOLDS IS SELECTED EACH MONTH THROUGHOUT ALL DISTRICTS OF HONG KONG FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SURVEY.

SOME OF THESE HOUSEHOLDS WERE SELECTED IN AUGUST AND WILL BE INTERVIEWED FOR THE SECOND TIME IN NOVEMBER IN ORDER TO MEASURE MORE ACCURATELY THE CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE LAST ROUND OF THE SURVEY.

AN OFFICIAL LETTER, IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH, IS BEING SENT TO THE SAMPLE HOUSEHOLDS, EXPLAINING THE PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY AND SEEKING THEIR CO-OPERATION.

ENUMERATORS, WHO WILL IDENTIFY THEMSELVES WITH OFFICIAL IDENTITY CARDS ISSUED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, WILL VISIT THE HOUSEHOLDS DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED IN THE SURVEY COVER AGE, SEX AND EDUCATION ATTAINMENT OF INDIVIDUALS, ACTIVITY STATUS, OCCUPATION, INDUSTRY, EARNINGS, AND HOURS OF WORK OF THOSE WORKING, DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, REASON FOR NOT SEEKING JOBS, TENURE, RENT, AND INCOME OF HOUSEHOLD.

ALL INFORMATION COLLECTED WILL BE TREATED AS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND WILL NOT BE REVEALED TO ANY PERSON OR ORGANISATION OUTSIDE THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

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PRINCE EDWARD ROAD CLOSED FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION
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THE KOWLOON-CITY-BOUND AND KWUN TONG-BOUND CARRIAGEWAYS OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD OUTSIDE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 5 AM ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 3) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THE CLOSURE PERIOD.

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SHING MUN ROAD CLOSED FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

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A SECTION OF THE NORTH-BOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SHING MUN ROAD, BETWEEN CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND THE TEXACO ROAD FLYOVER, WILL BE CLOSED FROM 12.15 AM TO 6 AM ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 3) TO MAKE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE.

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INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SEMINAR

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AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SEMINAR FOR SUPERVISORS AND FOREMEN IN INDUSTRY WILL BE HELD AT THE CHINESE YMCA CENTRE AT WATERLOO ROAD, KOWLOON, ON NOVEMBER 24.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (SUNDAY), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT CALLED ON EMPLOYERS TO SEND THEIR STAFF TO ATTEND THE ONE-DAY SESSION, WHICH IS ORGANISED BY THE COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE SEMINAR IS \$40 A PERSON, WHICH ALSO COVERS TEA AND LUNCH, AND THE PROCEEDINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CANTONESE.

+REPRESENTATIVES FROM MAJOR LOCAL INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND OFFICERS FROM THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL GIVE TALKS AT THE SEMINAR.

+PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO GAIN A BETTER KNOWLEDGE OF THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, SUCH AS THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF EMPLOYERS, EMPLOYEES AND THE GOVERNMENT IN PROMOTING INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, FIRE PREVENTION, SAFE USE OF ELECTRICITY, INDUSTRIAL HEALTH AND HYGIENE AND EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION.+

IN ADDITION, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED, TWO SAFETY FILMS WOULD BE SHOWN AT THE SEMINAR.

THE FIRST FILM SHOWS A WIDE SCOPE OF SAFETY MATTERS IN A FACTORY, SUCH AS THE DANGERS OF BADLY MAINTAINED HAND-TOOLS, EYE PROTECTION, SAFE STACKING OF MATERIALS, SAFE USE OF LADDERS, MANUAL HANDLING, MACHINE GUARDING, GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING, ETC.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE SEMINAR MAY CONTACT MR HO WING-ON OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ON TELEPHONE 3-688111, EXT. 412.

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REMINDER ON AD VALOREM CHARGES

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THE TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY) REMINDED IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO LODGE TRADE DECLARATIONS AND PAY AD VALOREM CHARGES.

UNDER THE IMPORT AND EXPORT (REGISTRATION) REGULATIONS, THE TRADERS ARE REQUIRED TO DO THIS WITHIN 14 DAYS OF IMPORTING OR EXPORTING THE GOODS EXCEPT FOR CATEGORIES EXEMPTED UNDER REGULATION 3.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT TRADE DECLARATIONS SUBMITTED OUTSIDE THE PRESCRIBED PERIOD OF 14 DAYS WOULD BE LIABLE, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE, TO PENALTY CHARGES.

THE CHARGES RISE AFTER TWO MONTHS TO A MAXIMUM OF \$100 PER DECLARATION WHERE THE TOTAL VALUE OF ARTICLES SPECIFIED DOES NOT EXCEED \$20 000, AND \$200 PER DECLARATION WHERE IT EXCEEDS \$20 000.

+THOSE WHO FAIL TO LODGE THE NECESSARY TRADE DECLARATIONS WITHOUT REASONABLE EXCUSE WILL BE PROSECUTED,+ HE WARNED.

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TWO KOWLOON BAY RECLAMATION LOTS FOR SALE

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TWO LOTS OF CROWN LAND IN THE KOWLOON BAY RECLAMATION, TOTALLING ABOUT 5 100 SQUARE METRES, WILL BE PUT UP FOR AUCTION BY THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE ON NOVEMBER 26.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT THE SHOUSON THEATRE OF THE HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE, AT 2.30 PM.

BOTH SITES ARE FOR INDUSTRIAL AND/OR GODOWN PURPOSES, THE LARGER MEASURING ABOUT 2 600 SQUARE METRES AND THE OTHER ABOUT 2 523 SQUARE METRES.

AT THE SAME TIME, THREE FLATS IN TSIM SHA TSUI WILL ALSO BE OFFERED FOR SALE.

THE PREMISES, TWO OF THEM MEASURING 73.2 SQUARE METRES AND THE OTHER 65.4 SQUARE METRES, ARE AT THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH FLOORS, 7B HANOI ROAD.

PEOPLE WISHING TO INSPECT THE FLATS SHOULD CONTACT THE GOVERNMENT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SECTION OF THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE ON 3-884111 EXT. 343.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), HONG KONG AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

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