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Wednesday, July 12, 1972

DISCUSSIONS ON PROTECTION OF HONG KONG'S RESERVES

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Two senior British officials will arrive in Hong Kong tomorrow (Thursday) to hold discussions on the future of the sterling guarantee agreement between Hong Kong and the United Kingdom, following the floating of the pound.

The officials are Mr. Christopher Fogarty of H.M. Treasury and Mr. R.H. Turner of the Bank of England.

Commenting on their arrival, the Financial Secretary, Mr. C.P. Haddon-Cave said today: "H.M.G.'s prompt response to our request for early talks is most welcome and shows a concern for the situation in which we found ourselves as a result of the floating of sterling.

"I do not expect these talks to result in firm conclusions being reached, but I am hopeful that a good start can be made in working out new arrangements to protect our reserves".

Mr. Fogarty and Mr. Turner will leave Hong Kong on Saturday for talks in Kuala Lumpur and Singapore.

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PLANS APPROVED FOR NEW BUILDINGS

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The Building Authority approved 64 new building plans of all types in May and certified 85 completed buildings for occupation.

Of the plans approved, 33 were on Hong Kong Island, eight in Kowloon, 12 in New Kowloon and 11 in the New Territories.

They include plans for a 21-storey apartment-commercial building at 64-68 Pokfulam Road; a 21-storey commercial building at 130-136 Connaught Road Central; a 22-storey apartment-commercial building at 179-191, Lockhart Road; a 27-storey apartment-commercial building at 124, Argyle Street; two 24-storey blocks of low-cost housing at the junction of Princess Margaret Road and Chi Man Road; and a 22-storey apartment-commercial building in Kwong Fuk Road, Tai Po.

Building certified for occupation included 20 for domestic use, 25 for non-domestic and 40 for combined domestic and non-domestic purposes.

In addition, the Building Authority approved the demolition of 96 buildings -- 61 on Hong Kong Island, 23 in Kowloon, 11 in New Kowloon and one in the New Territories.

Lists giving brief particulars of all buildings concerned may be inspected at the Public Enquiry Service on the ground floor of the Central Government Offices, West Wing.

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LAI CHI KOK HOSPITAL 'TOPPED OUT'

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A topping-out ceremony on Friday (July 14) will mark a further step towards the completion of the multi-million dollar Lai Chi Kok Hospital in Kowloon.

The Director of Building Development, Public Works Department, Mr. C.R.J. Donnithorne, will officiate at the ceremony to be held on the roof of the main hospital block at 3.30 p.m. Among the guests will be the Director of Medical and Health Services, Dr. G.H. Choa.

The new Lai Chi Kok hospital consists of three inter-connected blocks. One of the blocks will house a modern casualty department providing a 24-hour emergency and accident service.

The second will be the main hospital building for both general and special patients, together with a suite of six operating theatres and other ancillary services.

The third block will accommodate an infectious diseases unit and a geriatric unit which will be the first of its kind in Hong Kong.

When it is opened in 1974, it will provide 1,320 beds and will serve the densely populated areas of north-west Kowloon, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Chung.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to cover the event.

Official transport will be provided. Press representatives wishing to make use of the facility are requested to assemble at the Kowloon Transport Sub-pool, behind the Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, not later than 2.30 p.m. on Friday.

An officer from the Public Works Department will be present to assist the press.

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EDUCATION OFFICIALS RETIRING

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Two senior education officials are retiring soon after serving a total of 28 years with the Technical College.

They are Mr. C.L. Mawhood, a Senior Education Officer, and Mr. Tan Chin-tong, Head of the Department of Mathematics and Science.

To mark their retirement, Dr. Y.K. Ching, the Principal of the Technical College, will present them souvenirs in a ceremony to be held at the College on Friday (July 14) at 4 p.m.

Mr. Mawhood joined the government service as an Education Officer (Technical) in 1959. In July 1970, he was promoted to Senior Education Officer and became Vice-Principal of the College. At one stage he acted as Principal.

Mr. Tan joined the civil service as an Assistant Education Officer in 1957 and was promoted to Education Officer in 1959. Later, he was re-graded as Education Officer (Technical).

He acted as Organiser (Technical) and Head of the Department of Mathematics and Science from September 1964 to February 1965, and again from April to October 1965, when he was promoted to that post.

From September to November 1970, and again from July to September 1971, he acted as Vice-Principal.

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Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to attend the presentation ceremony.

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RETIRING AFTER LONG SERVICE WITH GOVT.

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Mr. Chiu Kan-ye, Interpreter/Translator Class I of the District Office, Sai Kung, is retiring after more than 24 years' service with the Government.

To mark his retirement, the District Commissioner, New Territories, Mr. D.C. Bray, will present him with a memento in a ceremony to be held on Friday, (July 14).

Mr. Chiu joined the Government in 1947 as a clerk and was promoted to Interpreter/Translator Class I in 1969. Before joining the New Territories Administration in 1959, he was with the Hong Kong Police Force for over 11 years.

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Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to cover the presentation ceremony. It will be held at the District Office, Sai Kung, in San Po Kong, Kowloon on Friday, (July 14) at 4.00 p.m.

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BOOK DONATION TO URBAN COUNCIL LIBRARIES

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The Hong Kong Branch of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers is to present a collection of some 67 books to the Urban Council Public Libraries.

The books cover such subjects as law, finance, geography and insurance, in addition to various aspects of shipping.

The Chairman of the Institute, Mr. I.R. Shaffer will hand over the books to Mr. P.K. Ng, a member of the Urban Council's Cultural Affairs Select Committee on Friday afternoon.

After the ceremony, the books will be incorporated into the stock of the Urban Council Public Libraries and will be available for loan and reference to the public.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to send a reporter and or photographer to cover the presentation, which will take place in the small dining room at 2 p.m. on the 2nd floor of the Hong Kong Club.

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WATER INTERRUPTION

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Water supply to certain premises in Hung Hom will be interrupted for five hours beginning from 1 a.m. on Friday, July 14, 1972.

The temporary water stoppage is to enable the Waterworks Office to carry out a leakage test.

The area to be affected is bounded by Ma Tau Wei Road, Lok Shan Road, Chi Kiang Street, Kowloon City Road and Pau Cheung Street.

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# Press Release

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## BIG CASH PRIZES FOR SCHOOL ANTI-LITTER COMPETITIONS

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Cash prizes and book tokens with a total value of more than \$20,000 will be awarded for winning entries in four competitions on anti-litter themes which have been launched in local schools as part of the "Clean Hong Kong" drive.

The competitions are for photography, poetry, a study kit for teaching purposes and a poster and bookmark design.

Different categories have been arranged for entries from both students and teachers in the photography, poetry and study kit competitions. The poster and bookmark design competition is open to students only.

Details are being sent to 2,500 schools throughout Hong Kong with a circular from the Director of Education who is appealing to headteachers to ensure that staff and students are made fully aware of the importance of the "Keep Hong Kong Clean" campaign.

"They should give every possible encouragement and opportunity to their schools for voluntary participation in activities organised to promote the campaign," the circular says.

"The response of the school community depends to a very large extent on the enthusiasm and interest shown by heads of schools and their staff. Their efforts in encouraging students are vital to the success of the campaign."

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The theme for both the photography and poetry competitions is anything which will arouse awareness of pollution, filth and litter, or which suggests remedies for these problems.

The closing dates are September 29 for the photography competition and October 6 for the poetry competition.

The theme for the study kit competition is the effects of environmental filth and litter contributing to pollution, and the closing date is October 27.

Entries in the poster and bookmark design competition, using the slogan "Fight Filth -- Clean Hong Kong", are due in by October 6.

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Note to Editors: A photograph showing the campaign broom symbol, incorporating the slogan "Clean Hong", has already been circulated to you. We are hopeful that you will make use of this as a trademark for new items relating to the campaign. Further copies can be obtained if required from G.I.S.