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GOVERNOR LEAVING FOR PEKING

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL LEAVE FOR PEKING TOMORROW (MONDAY) TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY OF THE SIGNING OF THE JOINT DECLARATION.

SIR EDWARD WILL BE TRAVELLING ON FLIGHT CA 102, ETD 1 PM.

THE GOVERNOR WILL BE ACCOMPANIED ON HIS TRIP TO PEKING BY THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR ROBIN MCLAREN AND THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INTERPRETER, MR Y.P. CHENG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A FACILITY HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS AND CAMERAMEN TO COVER THE DEPARTURE. THOSE ASSIGNED TO COVER THE EVENT SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN THE AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM BY 12.10 PM.

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HK GROUP INVITED TO CEREMONY

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THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE RT. HONOURABLE MRS MARGARET THATCHER, AND THE PREMIER OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, MR ZHAO ZIYANG, WILL FORMALLY SIGN THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION ON THE QUESTION OF HONG KONG ON DECEMBER 19, 1984. THE HONG KONG AND MACAU AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA HAS INVITED A GROUP OF WELL-KNOWN PERSONS FROM ALL CIRCLES IN HONG KONG TO BE PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY IN BEIJING.

THE GROUP WILL DEPART HONG KONG ON DECEMBER 18 AND RETURN ON DECEMBER 20. THE LIST OF THOSE INVITED WAS DECIDED AFTER CORDIAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. A TOTAL OF 101 PERSONS HAVE ACCEPTED THE INVITATION TO ATTEND. THE LIST IS AS FOLLOWS :

(IN ORDER OF THE NUMBER OF STROKES IN THE CHARACTER FOR EACH PERSON'S SURNAME.)

/MR WONG KWAN-CHENG

MR WONG KWAN-CHENG
 DR HARRY FANG
 MR SZETO WAH
 SIR Y. K. PAO
 MR A. DE O. SALES
 MR HO SAI CHU
 MR EDWARD HO
 MR STANLEY HO
 MR LI TSE CHUNG
 MR P. C. LEE
 MR LI LIAN SHENG
 MRS LEE YIP WAI KAY
 MR LI KA SHING
 MR J. P. LEE
 MR Q. W. LEE
 MISS WANG MING QUAN
 MR DEACON CHIU
 MR WU HON FAI
 MR GORDON WU
 MR T. G. FRESHWATER
 MR JACK TANG
 MR NGAI SHIU KIT
 MISS LIANG JIU MAO
 MR MAK HOI WAH
 MR ZHANG YI FAN
 MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN
 MR ZHANG SHENG GUO
 MR N. K. CHAN
 MR PERCY CHEN
 MR JOHN CHAN
 MR ROBERT H.C. CHAN
 MR PHILIP KWOK
 MR WILSON TUET
 MR HUANG KE LI
 MR WONG WAI HONG
 MR WONG LAI CHUEN
 MISS FENG RUO TING
 MR FEI YI MIN
 FR YEUNG
 MRS ELSIE ELLIOTT
 MR LIU LIT MAN
 MR LAU WONG FAT
 MR CHENG KAR SHUN
 MR DENG TONG YUAN
 MR H. M. G. FORSGATE
 MR HUO WEI ZHAO
 SIR S. Y. CHUNG
 MR KAN FOOK YEE
 MISS MARIA TAM
 MR ROGER LOBO
 REV JUE GUANG

MR PETER C. WONG
 MR FRANCIS TIEN
 MR BILL BROWN
 MR HENRY LITTON
 MR HO MAN FAT
 MR GEORGE HO
 MR HO HUNG CHIU
 MR E. P. HO
 MR LI SHAO KEE
 MR MARTIN LEE
 MR LI QI MING
 MR JUSTICE SIMON LI
 MRS LEE LO YUK SIM
 MR M. G. R. SANDBERG
 MRS LI WONG YIU PIK
 MRS SELINA CHOW
 MR ALBERT LAM
 MR HU HUNG LICK
 MR CHA CHI MING
 DR MA LIN
 MS SUN FANG ZHONG
 MR HA WING O
 MR ANTHONY LUK
 MR MICHAEL MILES
 PROF ZHANG WU CHANG
 MR CHEUNG KIN CHUNG
 MR STEPHEN CHEONG
 MRS ANSON CHAN
 MR ROBERT CHAN
 MRS WINNIE CHAN
 MR KWOK YUEN HON
 MR MOK WAH CHIU
 MR WONG WAN TIN
 MR HUANG DING FANG
 MR WONG SIU CHEUK
 DR Y. K. CHING
 SIR KENNETH FUNG
 MR YANG GUANG
 DR HENRIETTA IP
 DR RAYMOND WU
 MISS LIU YIU CHU
 MR LAU NAI KEONG
 MR TANG KWOK YUNG
 MR D. C. BRAY
 MR HENRY FOK
 DR DANIEL TSE
 THE RT REV KWONG KONG KIT
 MR L. M. DAVIES
 MR TAM YIU CHUNG
 MR LO KWEE SEONG

A NUMBER OF OTHER PEOPLE WHO WERE INVITED WERE UNABLE TO ACCEPT, OWING TO PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENTS.

PRESS FACILITIES FOR THE DEPARTURE OF THE GROUP AT THE AIRPORT ON TUESDAY WILL BE ANNOUNCED TOMORROW (MONDAY).

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OLD ID'S FOR WOMEN AGED 19 TO 29 DECLARED INVALID
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DURING THE WEEK TO DECEMBER 13, MORE THAN 400 WOMEN BORN BETWEEN 1955 AND 1965 RESPONDED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT'S FINAL CALL TO APPLY FOR NEW ID CARDS.

THIS BRINGS TO 603 040 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 19 AND 29 WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR NEW CARDS. THE FIGURE REPRESENTS 98 PER CENT OF THE ESTIMATED FEMALE POPULATION IN THESE AGE GROUPS.

+WE BELIEVE THAT THE REMAINING TWO PER CENT WERE AWAY FROM HONG KONG WHEN THEIR TURNS CAME AND HAVE NOT RETURNED SINCE THEN,+ AN IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

A TOTAL OF 610 000 OLD IDENTITY CARDS BELONGING TO WOMEN AGED 19 TO 29 WERE DECLARED INVALID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THIS WAS THE FIRST BATCH OF FEMALE ID CARDS THAT WERE DESTROYED SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW ID CARD ISSUE SCHEME IN MAY LAST YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN DESCRIBED THE RESPONSE SO FAR TO THE WOMEN'S CYCLE AS BEING MORE THAN SATISFACTORY.

+WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COMPLETE EACH PHASE ON SCHEDULE. MOST APPLICANTS COULD PROVIDE THEIR PERSONAL PARTICULARS ACCURATELY AND IN FULL, WHICH MADE OUR WORK THAT MUCH EASIER,+ HE SAID.

THE FIRST WOMEN'S CYCLE IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED BY MARCH NEXT YEAR, AFTER WHICH THE SECOND MEN'S CYCLE WILL BEGIN.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS ON BROADCASTING DEVELOPMENT
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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO LISTEN IN AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS OF THE BROADCASTING REVIEW BOARD WHICH WILL COMMENCE TOMORROW (MONDAY).

AT THE HEARINGS, THOSE ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE REPRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD WILL ELABORATE ON THEIR VIEWS ON THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF BROADCASTING.

THE HEARINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MORNING FROM 9 AM ON WEEKDAYS UP TO THE END OF JANUARY, EXCEPT ON DECEMBER 24, 27, 28 AND 31. THEY WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT EDINBURGH PLACE.

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APPLICATIONS FOR ESTATE FLATS BEGIN MONDAY

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APPLICATION WILL BE INVITED TOMORROW (DECEMBER 17) FROM TWO-MEMBER FAMILIES ALREADY LIVING IN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS, TO MOVE INTO PERMANENT PUBLIC HOUSING.

NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES WILL BE PUT UP IN ALL 47 THAS.

+THE SCHEME IS IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE RECENTLY-APPROVED NEW PUBLIC HOUSING ALLOCATION POLICIES WHICH AMONG MANY OTHER CHANGES ALLOW TWO-MEMBER FAMILIES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PERMANENT PUBLIC HOUSING,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY SAID TODAY.

+IT GIVES PRIORITY TO THE 9 000 TWO-MEMBER FAMILIES ALREADY LIVING IN THAS, INCLUDING THOSE IN HOSTELS FOR THE ELDERLY, WITH A TARGET TO HAVE THEM REHOUSED BY 1 990 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR LENGTH OF STAY IN THAS.

+IT WILL NOT ONLY PROVIDE THESE FAMILIES WITH IMPROVED ACCOMMODATION, BUT CAN ALSO HELP RELIEVE OVERCROWDING AMONG TENANTS.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID APPLICATIONS WOULD BE LIMITED TO RELATED TWO-MEMBER FAMILIES SUCH AS HUSBAND AND WIFE, PARENT AND CHILD, GRANDPARENT AND GRANDCHILD, BROTHER AND SISTER, AND APPLICANT AND A DEPENDANT RELATIVE.

TO QUALIFY FOR APPLICATION, HE SAID, APPLICANTS SHOULD INITIALLY MEET THE RELEVANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA INCLUDING:

- * APPLICANT SHOULD BE OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE,
- * APPLICANT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADMITTED INTO THA BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1985,
- * BOTH APPLICANT AND THE FAMILY MEMBER SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN HONG KONG FOR AT LEAST 10 YEARS,
- * HAVING A FAMILY INCOME NOT EXCEEDING \$4 000 A MONTH, AND
- * NEITHER THE APPLICANT NOR THE FAMILY MEMBER IS OWNER OF ANY DOMESTIC PROPERTY.

+APPLICATION WILL BE INVITED PERIODICALLY WHEN SUITABLE FLATS BECOME AVAILABLE IN ESTATES,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+AFTER EACH INVITATION, A PRIORITY LIST WILL BE COMPILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LENGTH OF STAY IN THAS OF THE APPLICANTS FOR ALLOCATION REFERENCE.

+IN CASE OF COMPETING APPLICATIONS, ALLOCATION WILL BE MADE TO THOSE FAMILIES WITH THE LONGER STAY IN THAS.+

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IN THIS APPLICATION, HE SAID THE ESTATE FLATS AVAILABLE WERE LOCATED IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS OF HONG KONG, KOWLOON EAST, CENTRAL AND WEST, TSUEN WAN, KWAI CHUNG, TUEN MUN AND YUEN LONG.

+APPLICANTS CAN INDICATE IN THEIR APPLICATIONS A PREFERENCE OF TWO DISTRICTS FOR TRANSFER.

+CHOICE OF LOCALITY IS ALSO AN IMPORTANT FACTOR FOR EARLY ALLOCATION WHICH DEPENDS VERY MUCH ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FLATS IN EACH DISTRICT.

+APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM AND ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE APPLICATION CAN BE MADE AT ALL THA MANAGEMENT OFFICES DURING THE APPLICATION PERIOD WHICH WILL CLOSE ON JANUARY 11, 1985.+

A SIMILAR EXERCISE FOR SINGLE PERSONS ALREADY LIVING IN THAS WOULD BE ANNOUNCED IN EARLY JANUARY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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CHANGEOVER OF INSULIN STRENGTH

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DIABETIC PATIENTS ARE ADVISED THAT FROM JANUARY 1, 1985, THE STRENGTH OF INSULIN WILL BE CHANGED TO U-100.

THE CHANGEOVER PERIOD WILL LAST FOR SIX MONTHS DURING WHICH DOCTORS WILL GRADUALLY INTRODUCE THE U-100 INSULIN TO THEIR PATIENTS TO REPLACE THE U-40 AND U-80 INSULIN CURRENTLY USED IN HONG KONG.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY BY A COMMITTEE SPECIALLY FORMED TO PLAN THE CHANGEOVER PROGRAMME. MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SUBVENTED HOSPITALS, THE MEDICAL FACULTIES OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES AND MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS.

A COMMITTEE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CHANGEOVER WAS BEING INTRODUCED TO SIMPLIFY AND STANDARDISE INSULIN PREPARATION FOR PATIENTS IN HONG KONG. AFTER THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD, THE U-40 AND U-80 INSULINS WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE.

HE SAID THE CHANGE WOULD HELP TO PREVENT THE RISK OF DOSAGE ERROR, WHICH SOMETIMES OCCURS WHEN PATIENTS USE THE TWO CURRENTLY AVAILABLE INSULIN STRENGTHS AT HOME.

HE EXPLAINED THAT U-100 INSULIN IS NOT A NEW TYPE OF INSULIN. IT IS A MORE CONCENTRATED FORM, WITH ONE UNIT HAVING EXACTLY THE SAME EFFECT AS ONE UNIT OF U-80 OR U-40 INSULIN. CONSEQUENTLY, PATIENTS DO NOT NEED TO CHANGE THE DAILY REQUIREMENT OF INSULIN WHEN THE CHANGEOVER IS IMPLEMENTED.

/+TO PREPARE

+TO PREPARE FOR THE CHANGE, EACH PATIENT WILL ONLY HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL HIS FIRST SCHEDULED VISIT TO THE DOCTOR DURING THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD WHEN HE WILL BE GIVEN THE U-100 INSULIN,+ HE SAID.

HOWEVER, THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED PATIENTS THAT THEY MUST USE A U-100 INSULIN SYRINGE FOR THE NEW U-100 INSULIN TO AVOID DOSAGE ERROR.

HE SAID IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR PATIENTS TO KEEP AN EXTRA STOCK OF U-40 AND U-80 INSULIN AND THE APPROPRIATE SYRINGES.

+PATIENTS SHOULD LEARN HOW TO MEASURE THE DOSAGE USING THE NEW U-100 INSULIN AND SYRINGE AND CONSULT THEIR DOCTORS IN CASE OF DOUBT,+ HE SAID.

TO EDUCATE THE PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ABOUT THE CHANGEOVER, POSTERS WILL BE PUT UP IN ALL HOSPITALS AND CLINICS. A LEAFLET EXPLAINING THE CHANGEOVER WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FROM DOCTORS UPON REQUEST.

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VOLUNTEERS HELP BOOST SOCIAL SERVICES * * *

THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF VOLUNTEER WORKERS COULD GREATLY HELP BOOST HONG KONG'S SOCIAL SECURITY SERVICES, THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR DENIS BRAY, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE VOLUNTEER DAY 1984, MR BRAY SAID ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS OF GOVERNMENT POLICY WAS THE PROVISION OF SOCIAL SECURITY SERVICES FOR THOSE MOST IN NEED.

+THE GOVERNMENT IS SPENDING OVER \$1 000 MILLION ON THESE SERVICES THIS YEAR BUT RESOURCES ARE LIMITED AND THE SERVICE CAN BE GREATLY EXTENDED BY THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE VOLUNTEER WORKERS,+ HE SAID.

MR BRAY URGED THOSE WHO DEPLOYED THE VOLUNTEERS NOT TO REGARD THEM AS CHEAP LABOUR BUT AS A SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL RESOURCE FOR NEEDS THAT SHOULD BE MET URGENTLY.

+THE VOLUNTEERS THEMSELVES CAN REASONABLY EXPECT TO RECEIVE APPROPRIATE TRAINING. AT THE SAME TIME THE VOLUNTEERS SHOULD USE THEIR INITIATIVE TO DO EVEN MORE THAN THE MINIMUM EXPECTED OF THEM.

+THEY OWE A DUTY NOT ONLY TO THE PEOPLE DIRECTLY BENEFITING FROM THEIR WORK BUT ALSO TO THE AGENCIES CONDUCTING THE OPERATION,+ MR BRAY SAID.

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VILLAGE TO BECOME LARGEST FOLK MUSEUM

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AN 18TH CENTURY WALLED VILLAGE IN TSUEN WAN WILL BECOME HONG KONG'S LARGEST FOLK MUSEUM AND A SHOWPLACE OF LIFE IN THE TERRITORY TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

COVERING ABOUT 2 000 SQUARE METRES, SAM TUNG UK, AS THE VILLAGE IS CALLED, WAS CONSTRUCTED BY A CHAN FAMILY IN THE QING DYNASTY.

A \$10-MILLION RENOVATION PROJECT NOW IN PROGRESS WILL BE COMPLETED IN 1987.

+THE VILLAGE PROVIDES A GOOD EXAMPLE OF TRADITIONAL HAKKA BUILDINGS WITH HORIZONTAL ROWS OF HOUSES LINKED TOGETHER BY AN ANCESTRAL HALL,+ SAID MR GERARD TSANG, A CURATOR OF THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN CHARGE OF MUSEUM ACTIVITIES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

+SAM TUNG UK+ IN FACT MEANS +THREE ROWS OF HOUSES+.

QING DYNASTY HAKKA HOUSES BUILT ON HILLS OR IN REMOTE REGIONS ARE THE ONLY ONES EXTANT IN HONG KONG. THE OTHERS HAVE BEEN DEMOLISHED TO MAKE WAY FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

+THESE HOUSES ALSO ENABLE US TO GAIN AN INSIGHT INTO HONG KONG'S LIFE STYLE IN THE DISTANT YEARS,+ MR TSANG SAID.

FOR INSTANCE, THE LACK OF WINDOWS ON OUTER WALLS AND THE NARROW CORRIDORS INSIDE THE VILLAGE ARE EVIDENCE THAT IT WAS BUILT AT A TIME WHEN BANDITS WERE RAMPANT.

THIS IS ONLY ONE OF THE MANY INTERESTING POINTS THE VISITORS WILL LEARN WHEN THIS VILLAGE-MUSEUM IS READY BY 1987.

ALL THE HISTORICALLY HOMOGENOUS PARTS OF THE VILLAGE WILL BE PRESERVED, MISSING FRAGMENTS REPLACED AND LATER ADDITIONS REMOVED TO RETAIN ITS ORIGINAL FLAVOUR.

LIGHTING AND MECHANICAL SYSTEMS WILL BE CONCEALED TO ENHANCE THE HISTORICAL CHARACTER OF THE COMPLEX.

THE EXISTING ANCESTRAL HALL AT THE HEART OF THE VILLAGE WILL BE KEPT. FOUR OF THE HOUSES SURROUNDING IT WILL BE DECORATED AND STOCKED WITH DIFFERENT COLLECTIONS OF FARMING IMPLEMENTS TO REFLECT THE VARYING LIFE STYLES OF THE VILLAGE IN THE FOUR SEASONS.

AT THE BACK, A MULTI-PURPOSE EXHIBITION HALL WITH MODERN EQUIPMENT WILL BE CONSTRUCTED. ITS EXTERIOR DESIGN WILL BE IN HARMONY WITH THE EXISTING VILLAGE.

/+THE HALL

+THE HALL WITH ITS NOSTALGIC ATMOSPHERE WILL BE AN EXCELLENT VENUE FOR EXHIBITIONS OF ANTIQUES,+ MR TSANG SAID.

THE EASTERN AND WESTERN PARTS OF THE VILLAGE ARE TO HOUSE THE PERMANENT COLLECTION OF THE MUSEUM, ILLUSTRATING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF LIFE AND CULTURE OF A RURAL VILLAGE.

+WE ARE ALSO CONSIDERING RENTING SOME OF THE ROOMS TO CHINESE TRADITIONAL CRAFTSMEN SO THEY MAY DEMONSTRATE VARIOUS TYPES OF HANDICRAFT ONCE PREVALENT IN THIS VILLAGE,+ HE SAID.

SHEUNG YIU IN SAI KUNG IS THE FIRST HAKKA VILLAGE TO HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO A MUSEUM. THIS MUCH SMALLER VILLAGE ATTRACTS OVER FIVE THOUSAND VISITORS A MONTH.

AS SAM TUNG UK OFFERS MORE HISTORICAL ATTRACTIONS AND IS SITUATED NEAR AN MTR STATION, MR TSANG WAS CONFIDENT IT WOULD BE AN EVEN STRONGER DRAWING CARD.

PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC HOUSES IS A FORMIDABLE SPECIALIST TASK, REQUIRING THOROUGH RESEARCH INTO THEIR SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND HISTORICAL BACKGROUNDS.

+THEN THERE IS THE PROBLEM OF GETTING MATCHABLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS. FOR EXAMPLE, GREEN TILES FOR ROOFTOPS ARE NOT PRODUCED IN HONG KONG OR CHINA ANYMORE. WE HAVE TO FIND THE NEXT BEST MATERIALS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE ROOFTOP FOR SAM TUNG UK.

+COLLECTING EXHIBITS IS A TIME-CONSUMING JOB. WE HAVE TO MAKE DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS TO GATHER INFORMATION AND ASK FOR DONATION OF OLD FURNITURE, FARMING TOOLS, HOUSEHOLD UTENSILS AND CLOTHES WHICH ARE GETTING RARER.

+WE HOPE RESIDENTS IN TSUEN WAN WILL COME FORWARD AND DONATE THESE OLD ARTICLES TO ENRICH THE COLLECTION OF THE SAM TUNG UK MUSEUM,+ HE SAID.

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FUNDS TO IMPROVE FACILITIES

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THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL SPEND \$360 000 ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS TO PROVIDE MORE FACILITIES AND BETTER SERVICES TO THE LOCAL RESIDENTS.

THESE PROJECTS INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A JOGGING TRACK AND THREE SITTING-OUT AREAS, AND THE INSTALLATION OF GROUP LETTER BOXES FOR RESIDENTS OF SAU ON VILLAGE AT SAU MAU PING ROAD.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, MR CHEUNG SHEK-FU, SAID PLANS TO DEVELOP A HILLSIDE BEHIND SHUN LEE ESTATE INTO A JOGGING TRACK AND A SITTING-OUT AREA WERE INITIATED BY THE LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE.

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+TIMBER RAILINGS, STAIRWAYS, BENCHES AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES WILL BE BUILT TO TURN THE AREA INTO AN ATTRACTIVE RECREATIONAL SPOT FOR RESIDENTS IN THE NEARBY ESTATES,+ HE SAID.

A VACANT LAND SITE NEXT TO THE BUS TERMINUS IN KO CHIU ROAD ESTATE WILL BE TURNED INTO A SITTING-OUT AREA TO PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES TO THE ESTATE RESIDENTS AND SQUATTERS IN THE NEARBY VILLAGES.

+ANOTHER SITTING-OUT AREA WILL BE BUILT AT THE JUNCTION OF SAU MAU PING ROAD AND SAU ON ROAD TO SERVE RESIDENTS OF SAU ON VILLAGE, AS THERE ARE NO RECREATIONAL FACILITIES OR OPEN SPACES AT THE VILLAGE,+ MR CHEUNG SAID.

IN ADDITION, RESIDENTS AT SAU ON VILLAGE WILL BE PROVIDED WITH IMPROVED POSTAL SERVICES SOON.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAS AGREED TO PAY HALF OF THE EXPENSES FOR THE SETTING UP OF 120 LETTER BOXES.

THE REST OF THE EXPENSES WILL BE BORNE BY THE RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO TAKE PART IN THE PROJECT.

ALL THE PROJECTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN EARLY 1985.

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INDUSTRIAL TRAINING COURSES FOR WORKERS * * *

APPLICATIONS ARE BEING INVITED FOR SIX FULL-TIME AND TWO PART-TIME COURSES OFFERED AT THE ELECTRONICS, PLASTICS AND PRINTING INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRES OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL.

+THE COURSES WILL PROVIDE BASIC TRAINING AT CRAFT AND OPERATIVE LEVELS FOR PEOPLE WHO LIKE TO JOIN, OR ARE WORKING IN, THE RELATED INDUSTRIES,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL SAID.

THE COURSES, WHICH WILL LAST FROM FOUR TO EIGHT WEEKS, WILL START EARLY NEXT MONTH (JANUARY) WHEN THE KOWLOON BAY TRAINING CENTRE COMPLEX IS READY FOR OCCUPATION.

THE \$110-MILLION COMPLEX WILL HOUSE FIVE TRAINING CENTRES FOR ELECTRONICS, PLASTICS, PRINTING, METAL WORKING AND HOTEL.

THE CENTRES WILL ORGANISE A TOTAL OF 20 FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME COURSES WHEN THEY ARE FULLY OPERATIONAL IN TWO MONTHS' TIME.

/TRAINEES ADMITTED

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TRAINEES ADMITTED TO FULL-TIME COURSES WILL BE GIVEN ALLOWANCES OF \$100 A WEEK, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

PLACEMENT SERVICE WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO HELP TRAINEES TO FIND EMPLOYMENT IN RELATED INDUSTRIES ON COMPLETION OF THE TRAINING, HE ADDED.

DETAILS OF THE COURSES WILL BE ADVERTISED IN TOMORROW'S CHINESE-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS OR CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE RECRUITMENT OFFICE AT THE COMPLEX AT 46, TAI YIP STREET, KOWLOON BAY, TELEPHONE 3-7506818.

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TSUEN WAN NEW YEAR RACE
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RUNNERS ARE BEING INVITED TO COMPETE IN THE 9TH TSUEN WAN NEW YEAR LONG-DISTANCE RUN TO BE HELD ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND ORGANISED BY THE FEDERATION OF TSUEN WAN DISTRICT SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATIONS, THE RACE WILL BE DIVIDED INTO GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL SECTIONS.

THE ROUTE, ABOUT 6 KILOMETRES LONG, WILL TAKE RUNNERS AROUND THE SHING MUN RESERVOIR.

ENTRY FORMS FOR THE RACE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ALL PUBLIC ENQUIRY CENTRES OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES.

COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN PERSON TO THE FEDERATION OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATIONS IN MEI WAN STREET, TSUEN WAN, BY DECEMBER 28.

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KENDO COURSE AND FENCING COMPETITION FOR YOUNGSTERS
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YOUNG PEOPLE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN THE ART OF JAPANESE FENCING - KENDO - WHILE THOSE EXPERIENCED IN FOIL FENCING CAN SOON COMPETE IN AN OPEN CONTEST.

BOTH EVENTS ARE BEING ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HONG KONG KENDO ASSOCIATION AND THE HONG KONG AMATEUR FENCING ASSOCIATION RESPECTIVELY.

THE ELEMENTARY COURSE IN KENDO WILL OFFER INSTRUCTIONS AND PRACTICAL SESSIONS ON RITUALS AND BASIC SKILLS OF KENDO TO 30 YOUNGSTERS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 16.

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+KENDO IS A SWORDSMANSHIP WHICH IS GOOD TO HEALTH AND CAN HELP YOUNG PEOPLE DEVELOP PATIENCE AND CHARACTER,+ SAID AN RSS SPOKESMAN.

CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT NGAU TAU KOK INDOOR GAMES HALL FROM 8 TO 10 PM ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS, STARTING ON JANUARY 3, 1985.

YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE RECEIVED TRAINING IN FENCING (FOIL) OFFERED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE, THE HONG KONG AMATEUR FENCING ASSOCIATION OR OTHER RECOGNISED ORGANISATIONS ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE 1985 FOIL FENCING NOVICE COMPETITION.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AT THE BOUNDARY STREET INDOOR GAMES HALL ON FEBRUARY 3, 1985.

THE CONTEST WILL BE LIMITED TO 60 PERSONS AT THE AGE OF 16 OR ABOVE.

BOTH EVENTS ARE FREE OF CHARGE. THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED ARE URGED TO APPLY NOW.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-458511.

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MULTI-PURPOSE SPORTS GROUND IN SHA TIN READY SOON
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A RECREATIONAL GROUND WITH THE FIRST ARTIFICIALLY TURFED SOCCER PITCH IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE READY EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE 2.47-HECTARE TSANG TAI UK RECREATION GROUND, LOCATED NEXT TO THE HISTORICAL TSANG TAI UK WALLED VILLAGE IN SHA TIN, IS BEING BUILT AT A COST OF \$12.8 MILLION.

ITS OTHER FACILITIES INCLUDE A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, A SITTING-OUT AREA, THREE BASKETBALL-CUM-VOLLEYBALL COURTS, SIX TENNIS COURTS, EIGHT TABLE-TENNIS TABLES AND A SINGLE-STOREY SERVICE BUILDING WITH A REFRESHMENT KIOSK.

THE STANDARD-SIZE SOCCER PITCH WITH ITS ARTIFICIAL TURF PERMITS SIX GAMES A DAY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

BY COMPARISON, A GRASS PITCH ALLOWS ONLY TWO GAMES A DAY AND MUST BE CLOSED FOR TWO TO THREE MONTHS EACH YEAR FOR RETURFING, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES DEPARTMENT SAID.

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FLOODLIGHTS ARE INSTALLED AT THE SPORTS VENUE FOR EVENING ACTIVITIES.

THE TSANG TAI UK RECREATION GROUND IS DESIGNED AND BUILT BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. ON COMPLETION, IT WILL BE HANDED OVER TO NTSD FOR MANAGEMENT.

NTSD IS NOW INVITING TENDERS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE REFRESHMENT KIOSK. THE CONTRACT WILL BE FOR THREE YEARS, STARTING ON MARCH 1 NEXT YEAR.

TENDER FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SHA TIN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE AT LEVEL 4, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE TENDER BOX SITUATED AT THE NTSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE), 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE 9 AM ON JANUARY 18 (FRIDAY).

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BOOKLET ON HK PORT OUT
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A NEW EDITION OF +THE PORT OF HONG KONG+ PRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES HAS JUST BEEN PUBLISHED.

RICHLY ILLUSTRATED WITH COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHS, THIS BOOK SHOWS THE RECENT DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG'S MAGNIFICENT HARBOUR WITH ITS MODERN FACILITIES.

THE 52-PAGE BOOKLET, COMPLETELY REVISED, CONTAINS UPDATED FEATURES ON THE PORT ADMINISTRATION, FACILITIES AND SERVICES. A BRIEF HISTORY ON THE PORT AND A SECTION ON MARINE INDUSTRIES ARE ALSO INCLUDED.

THE PUBLICATION IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT \$28 A COPY.

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FOOTBRIDGES PROPOSED FOR DIAMOND HILL
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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO CONSTRUCT TWO COVERED FOOTBRIDGES, ONE SPANNING PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD AND THE OTHER ACROSS FUNG TAK ROAD EXTENSION IN DIAMOND HILL, KOWLOON.

FUNG TAK ROAD EXTENSION IS A NEW ROAD WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO BE IN USE WHEN PHASE I OF LUNG POON COURT UNDER THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME IS COMPLETED IN OCTOBER 1986.

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LUNG POON COURT IS BEING BUILT AT THE JUNCTION OF PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD AND FUNG TAK ROAD EXTENSION.

THE FOOTBRIDGES, EACH ABOUT 40 METRES LONG, WILL BE BUILT ON REINFORCED CONCRETE.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED PROJECTS IS PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THEIR PLANS CAN BE SEEN AT:

- * CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG;
- * DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON EAST, 9TH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON; AND
- * WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 4TH AND 5TH FLOORS, KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG, KOWLOON.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS IN WRITING NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 12, 1985.

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FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME ENTERS SECOND PHASE

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THE SECOND PHASE OF THE 1984-85 YOUTH FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME STARTED TODAY (SUNDAY) WITH A KICK-OFF BY THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR DICKEN YUNG.

A SERIES OF SOCCER MATCHES WILL BE HELD IN THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS TO SHARPEN THE SKILLS OF THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE INTERMEDIATE TRAINING PROGRAMME ORGANISED UNDER THE SCHEME.

A TOTAL OF 63 TEAMS WILL BE TAKING PART. THE FIRST MATCH WAS HELD TODAY AND THE FINALS WILL BE IN APRIL NEXT YEAR.

SPEAKING AT THE KICK-OFF CEREMONY AT THE SOUTH CHINA STADIUM, MR YUNG DESCRIBED THE SCHEME AS 'THE CRADLE FOR LOCAL FOOTBALLERS'.

THE SCHEME FOR 1984-85, WHICH STARTED IN OCTOBER, OFFERED AN ELEMENTARY TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR ABOUT 3 000 YOUNGSTERS UNDER THE AGE OF 19. THOSE WITH POTENTIAL WERE SELECTED FOR TRAINING AT INTERMEDIATE LEVEL.

THE SCHEME IS JOINTLY PRESENTED BY THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE.

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FITNESS TRAIL FOR KOWLOON PARK

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A FITNESS TRAIL WILL BE CONSTRUCTED AT KOWLOON PARK.

THE 1 000 METRES LONG TRAIL WILL BE BUILT ALONG THE WESTERN SLOPE OF KOWLOON PARK FACING CANTON ROAD.

THERE WILL BE SEVEN FITNESS STATIONS ALONG THE TRACK WITH EQUIPMENT, CONCRETE BENCHES AND DRINKING FOUNTAINS. LIGHTS WILL ALSO BE INSTALLED.

THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRAIL.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN MARCH 1985 AND BE COMPLETED IN SIX MONTHS.

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MOUNT DAVIS PICNIC AREA OPENS

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD HAS SPENT ABOUT \$90 000 TO TURN A VAST PIECE OF BARREN LAND AT MOUNT DAVIS INTO A BEAUTIFUL PICNIC SITE.

THE SITE ON THE SUMMIT OF MOUNT DAVIS MEASURES MORE THAN 2 000 SQUARE METRES.

FACING THE SULPHUR CHANNEL, THE MOUNT DAVIS PICNIC AREA COMMANDS A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE WESTERN PART OF HONG KONG ISLAND.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE PICNIC AREA IS BEING CARRIED OUT IN TWO PHASES. THE FIRST PHASE HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY (SUNDAY) BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MR TSUI MAI-LAM.

MR TSUI SAID THAT THE PICNIC AREA SHOULD BE A WELCOMED PROJECT IN VIEW OF THE ACUTE SHORTAGE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACE IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT, ESPECIALLY IN KENNEDY TOWN.

THE AREA PROVIDES A WIDE RANGE OF FACILITIES, INCLUDING BARBECUE PITS, PICNIC TABLES AND BENCHES, ARBOURS, A PAVILION AND PLAY EQUIPMENT. WATER SUPPLY, PLANTING AND PUBLIC TOILETS WILL BE BUILT AS THE SECOND PHASE OF THE PROJECT.

SAFETY MEASURES, SUCH AS GUARD RAILINGS AND WARNING SIGNS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED IN SOME AREAS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF VISITORS.

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TAI PO SOCCER PITCH TO HAVE ARTIFICIAL TURF
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THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY AND LAYING OF ARTIFICIAL TURF FOR A SOCCER PITCH IN TAI PO.

THE SOCCER PITCH, MEASURING 52 METRES BY 91 METRES, WILL BE BUILT AT TAI PO ROAD NEAR WONG SHIU CHI MIDDLE SCHOOL. IT WILL HAVE FLOOD LIGHTING.

OTHER FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED INCLUDE CHANGING ROOMS, TOILETS, STOREROOMS AND A LANDSCAPED AREA.

THE TURFING WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN JANUARY 1985 AND BE COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER 1985.

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MEASURES TO IMPROVE KOWLOON TONG, YAU MA TEI TRAFFIC
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NEW MEASURES TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY WILL BE INTRODUCED IN KOWLOON TONG AND YAU MA TEI FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 18).

IN KOWLOON TONG, A SIGNAL-CONTROLLED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING WILL BE PROVIDED AT LA SALLE ROAD, NORTH OF BOUNDARY STREET.

EARL STREET BETWEEN BOUNDARY STREET AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND.

LEFT TURNS FROM BOUNDARY STREET EASTBOUND INTO LA SALLE ROAD NORTHBOUND AS WELL AS, RIGHT TURNS FROM LA SALLE ROAD NORTHBOUND INTO BOUNDARY STREET EASTBOUND WILL BE BANNED.

TRAFFIC ALONG BOUNDARY STREET HEADING FOR LA SALLE ROAD NORTHBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA EARL STREET AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST.

LA SALLE ROAD NORTHBOUND FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH BOUNDARY STREET TO ABOUT 35 METRES NORTH OF THE JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY, WITHIN WHICH NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM DAILY.

IN YAU MA TEI, WING SING LANE FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH NATHAN ROAD TO ABOUT 10 METRES EAST OF THE JUNCTION WILL BE MADE AN URBAN CLEARWAY BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM DAILY.

A TAXI STAND AND TWO METERED GOODS-VEHICLE PARKING SPACES WILL BE PROVIDED AT WING SING LANE EAST OF THIS CLEARWAY ZONE.

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RESTRICTED ZONES IN KOWLOON

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FROM TUESDAY (DECEMBER 18), TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN KOWLOON WILL BE MADE RESTRICTED ZONES FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY.

THEY ARE: THE NORTHBOUND SECTION OF LA SALLE ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH BOUNDARY STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 35 METRES NORTH OF THE JUNCTION, AND WING SING LANE FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH NATHAN ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 10 METRES EAST OF THE JUNCTION.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONES, MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS; OR LOADING OR UNLOADING GOODS.

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MORE PARKING METERS IN TUEN MUN

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TO REGULATE THE UTILISATION OF ON-STREET PARKING SPACES, 127 TWO-HOUR GOODS VEHICLE PARKING METERS WILL BE INSTALLED IN TUEN MUN TOWN AT YAN CHING CIRCUIT, KIN FUNG CIRCUIT, HUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND SAN ON STREET ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 18).

THE PARKING FEE WILL BE \$0.50 FOR 30 MINUTES.

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TRAFFIC DIVERSION IN TAI PO

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FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 18), THE SECTION OF LAM KAM ROAD NEAR KAU LIU HA IN TAI PO WILL BE CLOSED FOR ABOUT A MONTH FOR ROAD WORKS.

TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED TO A NEW ROAD PARALLEL TO THE CLOSED ROAD.

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TAPS OFF IN SHIU FAI TERRACE

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES IN SHIU FAI TERRACE AND TO FRENCH MEMORIAL CONVALESCENT HOME WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 PM ON WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 19) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

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