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NO ALTERNATIVE TO REPATRIATION FOR MAJORITY OF VBP

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THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE TO REPATRIATION FOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE WHO RISK THEIR LIVES AND SAFETY TO MAKE A HAZARDOUS VOYAGE, AND THE SOONER THAT MESSAGE IS UNDERSTOOD THE MORE HUMAN MISERY CAN BE AVOIDED, THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, MR FRANCIS MAUDE, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER VISITING A VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE DETENTION CENTRE AT HEI LING CHAU, MR MAUDE SAID THE FIRST PRIORITY WAS TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO RETURN TO VIETNAM VOLUNTARILY THROUGH COUNSELLING.

"THE SECOND PRIORITY IS TO WORK WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO FIND PERMANENT SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEM.

"EVERY SINGLE COUNTRY HAS AGREED THAT FOR THOSE WHO ARE SCREENED OUT, FOR THOSE WHO ARE DETERMINED NOT TO BE REFUGEES, THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE TO RETURNING TO VIETNAM," HE SAID.

"THERE IS NO COUNTRY WHICH BELIEVES THAT THERE IS AN ALTERNATIVE, AND WHAT WE HAVE TO DO IS WORK TOGETHER WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO MAKE THAT A REALITY.

"TO MAKE IT UNDERSTOOD BY THOSE WHO ARE HERE ALREADY AND TO THOSE WHO MAY BE THINKING OF TRYING TO COME HERE, THAT THAT IS WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS," MR MAUDE POINTED OUT.

THE MINISTER NOTED THAT THERE WAS A SERIOUS DOUBT WHETHER VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION ON ITS OWN WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM.

"I THINK IT'S IN THE HIGHEST DEGREE UNLIKELY THAT IT WILL SOLVE THE PROBLEM FULLY, SO WHAT WE HAVE TO DO IS MAKE SURE THAT WHEN WE MOVE TO OTHER SYSTEMS OF REPATRIATION, THAT IT WORKS.

"AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON AT THE MOMENT TO ENSURE THAT WHEN THAT PROCESS STARTS THAT IT IS SUCCESSFUL. WHAT WE CANNOT DO IS RUSH INTO ANOTHER SYSTEM PRECIPITATELY AND RISK THE DANGER OF IT NOT SUCCEEDING," MR MAUDE SAID.

THE MINISTER SAID HE WAS ENORMOUSLY IMPRESSED BY THE WAY IN WHICH THE HONG KONG AUTHORITIES WERE DEALING WITH WHAT WAS AN INTENSELY DIFFICULT PROBLEM.

"I THINK THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH PEOPLE ARE LIVING HERE ARE REMARKABLY GOOD GIVEN THE INEVITABLE CONSTRAINTS OF A LOT OF PEOPLE IN A VERY SMALL AREA, AND I THINK A LOT OF CONGRATULATIONS ARE DUE TO THE HONG KONG AUTHORITIES FOR THE WAY IN WHICH THEY ARE ADDRESSING THE DIFFICULTIES," HE SAID.

/MR MAUDE

MR MAUDE SAID HE FELT A SADNESS TO SEE SO MANY PEOPLE WHO HAD LEFT VIETNAM, IN THE MISTAKEN BELIEF THAT THERE WAS A DIFFERENT FUTURE OUTSIDE THEIR COUNTRY, TO THE ALMOST COMPLETE CERTAINTY FOR NEARLY ALL OF THEM THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO RETURN.

THE MINISTER ALSO VISITED THE TUEN MUN CLOSED CAMP AND FLEW OVER THE SOKO ISLANDS, SHEK KONG AND SHA TIN DURING A HELICOPTER TOUR.

MR MAUDE WAS ACCOMPANIED THIS MORNING BY THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR GEOFFREY BARNES, AND THE SECRETARY FOR WORKS, MR KENNETH KWOK.

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LEGAL SYSTEM PROVISIONS 'CORNERSTONE OF GUARANTEES' ON FUTURE
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THE PROVISIONS ABOUT THE LEGAL SYSTEM ARE AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT IN THE JOINT DECLARATION, AND MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, THEY ARE THE CORNERSTONE OF GUARANTEES THAT THE PRESENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS IN HONG KONG WILL CONTINUE AFTER 1997, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE 11TH LAWASIA CONFERENCE, SIR DAVID SAID THE PROVISIONS PROVIDED THE BASIC FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH WE WERE ALL WORKING TO ENSURE THAT OUR FREE ENTERPRISE ECONOMY COULD CONTINUE TO FLOURISH.

"THAT FREE ENTERPRISE ECONOMY MEANS THAT BUSINESSMEN IN HONG KONG ARE FREE TO CONDUCT THEIR AFFAIRS. AS THEY LIKE, WITHIN THE LAW," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

"WE BELIEVE FIRMLY THAT THIS HAD BEEN AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN HONG KONG'S SUCCESS," HE ADDED.

SIR DAVID SAID WHILE THERE WERE MANY FACTORS THAT HAD CONTRIBUTED TO CREATING THE HONG KONG WE KNEW TODAY, ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT WHOSE IMPORTANCE WAS BECOMING WIDELY RECOGNISED WAS THE EXISTENCE OF AN EFFICIENT AND RELIABLE LEGAL SYSTEM.

"THE CONTINUATION BEYOND 1997 OF THE PRESENT LEGAL SYSTEM IS GUARANTEED BY THE 1984 SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION. THIS IS A BINDING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE JOINT DECLARATION CONTAINED SPECIFIC PROVISIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE LAWS PREVIOUSLY IN FORCE IN HONG KONG.

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"FOR NEW LAWS AND REVISIONS TO THE LAW IT VESTS LEGISLATIVE POWER IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION. IT ALSO MAKES IT CLEAR THAT HONG KONG'S INDEPENDENT JUDICIAL SYSTEM WILL BE MAINTAINED INTACT, WITH THE SINGLE EXCEPTION THAT THE POWER OF FINAL ADJUDICATION WILL REST IN HONG KONG INSTEAD OF WITH THE PRIVY COUNCIL IN LONDON - OR INDEED IN PEKING," SIR DAVID SAID.

ON THE QUESTION OF HOW MUCH REGULATION HONG KONG NEEDED AS A FREE ENTERPRISE ECONOMY, THE GOVERNOR SAID: "IN HONG KONG, WE BELIEVE THAT OVER-REGULATION AND UNDER-REGULATION ARE BOTH UNDESIRABLE: WE MUST SEEK A MIDDLE WAY BETWEEN THE TWO."

"OUR BUSINESSMEN AND INDUSTRIALISTS UNDERSTAND THAT NON-INTERFERENCE IS NOT THE SAME AS NON-REGULATION," HE ADDED.

SIR DAVID POINTED OUT THAT LIMITED BUT EFFECTIVE REGULATION AND THE APPLICATION OF THE RULE OF LAW WERE KEY INGREDIENTS IN MAINTAINING DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE, AND IN CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO ECONOMIC GROWTH.

"IN GENERAL TERMS, THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY IS TO LEAVE OUR INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL SECTORS FREE FROM UNNECESSARY REGULATION SO THAT THEY CAN COMPETE WITHOUT INHIBITION IN DOMESTIC AND WORLD MARKETS," SIR DAVID SAID.

THE GOVERNOR POINTED OUT THAT THIS MEANT IMPOSING ONLY THOSE REGULATORY MEASURES THAT WERE NECESSARY TO PROVIDE BOTH THE WORK FORCE AND THE INVESTOR WITH ADEQUATE PROTECTION, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, APPLYING THE STANDARDS WHICH WERE EXPECTED OF A MAJOR WORLD TRADING AND FINANCIAL CENTRE.

"IN THE PAST, HONG KONG WAS PROBABLY UNDER-REGULATED BY CURRENT INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS," SIR DAVID NOTED.

"PARTLY AS A RESULT, OUR BANKING SECTOR SUFFERED BADLY FOLLOWING THE COLLAPSE OF THE PROPERTY MARKET IN 1982 AND THE GOVERNMENT HAD TO RESCUE SOME LOCAL BANKS TO PROTECT ORDINARY DEPOSITORS FROM SERIOUS LOSSES.

"WE LEARNT A LESSON FROM THIS. WE HAVE SINCE UNDERTAKEN A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF OUR BANKING LEGISLATION TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING IS ABLE TO EXERCISE PRUDENTIAL SUPERVISION IN A MORE EFFECTIVE WAY," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

IN THE SECURITIES SECTOR, SIR DAVID SAID THAT THE STOCK MARKET CRASH IN OCTOBER 1987 SHOWED THAT WE HAD VARIETY OF PROBLEMS WHICH NEEDED RADICAL TREATMENT. "AS A RESULT, I APPOINTED A COMMITTEE UNDER MR IAN HAY DAVISON TO REVIEW THE ENTIRE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK OF HONG KONG'S SECURITIES AND COMMODITIES TRADING INDUSTRY," HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE MAIN RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE HAD ALL BEEN IMPLEMENTED AND THAT THE STOCK AND FUTURES EXCHANGES HAD RECONSTITUTED THEMSELVES.

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"WE HAVE A NEW SECURITIES AND FUTURES COMMISSION, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE SECURITIES, FINANCIAL INVESTMENT AND COMMODITIES FUTURES INDUSTRIES IN HONG KONG, AND WHICH HAS GREATER REGULATORY POWERS THAN ITS PREDECESSOR," SIR DAVID SAID.

"THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THESE REFORMS WAS SHOWN VERY CLEARLY BY THE WAY WITH WHICH HONG KONG'S FINANCIAL SECTOR SURVIVED THE UNCERTAINTY CAUSED BY EVENTS IN CHINA IN MAY AND JUNE," HE ADDED.

"THE STOCK MARKET LOST A THIRD OF ITS VALUE IN THREE WEEKS. THERE WAS A RUN ON MAINLAND CHINESE BANKS. BUT BOTH EXCHANGES AND THE BANKING SYSTEM WEATHERED THE CRISIS. THEY EMERGED WITH THEIR REPUTATION ENHANCED," THE GOVERNOR NOTED.

SIR DAVID SAID HE DID NOT THINK THAT HONG KONG WAS OVER-REGULATED ALTHOUGH THERE WAS THE OCCASIONAL COMPLAINT OF IT BEING SO.

"INDEED WE ARE DETERMINED THAT IT SHOULD NOT BECOME SO. THE GOVERNMENT IS ACUTELY CONSCIOUS OF THE NEED TO AVOID OVER-REGULATION," HE SAID.

"IT COULD STIFLE THE VIGOUR AND INNOVATION OF OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY ON WHICH WE DEPEND.

"BUT, EQUALLY, WE KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE, AND RECENT EVENTS HAVE PROVED, THAT UNDER-REGULATION DOES NOT PROVIDE ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS FOR THE COMMUNITY AND DOES NOT CREATE THE DEGREE OF INTERNATIONAL INVESTOR CONFIDENCE THAT A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL TRADING TERRITORY LIKE HONG KONG MUST HAVE TO SURVIVE AND PROSPER," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

"THAT IS WHY IN HONG KONG WE WILL CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR THE GOLDEN MEAN -- THE RIGHT BALANCE BETWEEN OVER- AND UNDER-REGULATION," HE ADDED.

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SWAC ENDORSES STRATEGY ON SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC) ENDORSED A TWO-PART STRATEGY ON IMPROVEMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY AT ITS MEETING TODAY (MONDAY).

THE COMMITTEE ADVISED THAT IMPROVEMENTS WHICH DO NOT HAVE TO COMPETE FOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE WHILE PRIORITIES SHOULD BE SET FOR THOSE WHICH HAVE TO COMPETE FOR THE SCARCE RESOURCES. AND BE IMPLEMENTED AS RESOURCES PERMIT.

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PRESENTING THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF THE REPORT ON THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY (CCSE). THE ACTING DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR MARTIN WHITE, EXPLAINED THAT THE CCSE WAS FORMED IN MID 1987 TO REVIEW POLICIES ON SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY AND TO MONITOR PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ELDERLY SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND WELFARE AGENCIES.

IN ITS REPORT PRODUCED LAST YEAR, THE CCSE RECOMMENDED FIVE MAJOR AREAS OF SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY - COMMUNITY SUPPORTS SERVICES, ACCOMMODATION AND RESIDENTIAL CARE, MEDICAL AND HEALTH, SOCIAL SECURITY AND OTHER SUPPORTIVE SERVICES.

SWAC MEMBERS WERE GLAD TO LEARN THAT OVER 10 IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE LAST REPORT. THESE INCLUDE:

- * SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE OLD AGE ALLOWANCE SINCE SEPTEMBER 1, 1988;
- * A PILOT RESPITE SERVICE IMPLEMENTED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND SIX VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WITH A TOTAL OF 37 RESPITE BEDS;
- * THE REVISION OF THE PLANNING RATIO FOR CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOMES TO EIGHT PLACES PER 1,000 ELDERLY PERSONS AGED 60 YEARS AND ABOVE;
- * THE INTRODUCTION OF THE VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION SCHEME FOR PRIVATE HOMES FOR THE ELDERLY; AND
- * A CENTRAL WAITING LIST FOR INFIRMARY PLACES ESTABLISHED BY THE HOSPITAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

"THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO AGREED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO INCREASE THE SUBVENTION LEVEL FOR SOCIAL CENTRES AND MULTI-SERVICES CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY AND TO PROVIDE MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR INFIRMARY UNITS IN CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOMES." MR WHITE SAID.

"HOWEVER, THOSE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE GOVERNMENT'S RESOURCE ALLOCATION SYSTEM."

SWAC ALSO AGREED THAT THE CCSE REPORT SHOULD BE RELEASED TO CONCERNED BODIES FOR INFORMATION.

THE BILINGUAL REPORT WILL BE RELEASED IN DUE COURSE TOGETHER WITH AN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY.

MEANWHILE, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR STEPHEN LAW, TOLD SWAC MEMBERS THAT THE OLD AGE ALLOWANCE (OAA) EXTENSION SCHEME WAS WELL UNDERSTOOD AND WAS ABLE TO REACH THE INTENDED TARGET GROUP.

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HE SAID THAT AS A DETERRENT TO FRAUD, AN ANNUAL RANDOM CHECK OF ONE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL OAA CASELOAD WOULD BE CONDUCTED EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE EXTENSION SCHEME WAS STARTED IN SEPTEMBER 1988 TO COVER THE 68-69 AGE GROUP. PHASE II OF THE SCHEME COVERING 67-YEAR-OLD PERSONS WAS IMPLEMENTED LAST APRIL. AND PHASE III COVERING 66-YEAR-OLD PERSONS WILL TAKE EFFECT FROM NEXT APRIL. BY 1991, THE EXTENSION SCHEME WILL BE COMPLETED COVERING 65-YEAR-OLD PERSONS.

THE SWAC ALSO ENDORSED A PROPOSED REVISION TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL WORK TRAINING. THE REVISION WILL ENABLE THE COMMITTEE TO ADVISE THE GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE SWAC, ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE PLANNING OF MANPOWER TO MEET WELFARE SERVICE NEEDS.

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GREAT IMPROVEMENT TO VILLAGERS' ENVIRONMENT

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THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT OF RESIDENTS AT TAI HOM NORTH VILLAGE IN WONG TAI SIN, NEAR THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, HAS BEEN GREATLY IMPROVED AS A RESULT OF JOINT EFFORTS BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE TUNNEL PROJECT CONTRACTOR.

"SINCE 1986, THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE HAS BEEN LIAISING WITH THE CONTRACTOR, RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THE DISTRICT BOARD ON MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT IS NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE PROJECT," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DISTRICT OFFICE SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAD RECENTLY ARRANGED A MEETING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONTRACTOR, THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT AND WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM AREAS IN TAI HOM NORTH VILLAGE.

WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE GAMMON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, THE TUNNEL PROJECT CONTRACTOR, IMPROVEMENT WORKS WERE CARRIED OUT SHORTLY AFTER THE MEETING AND WERE COMPLETED WITHIN A WEEK, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THESE IMPROVEMENT WORKS INCLUDED CONSTRUCTION OF A CONCRETE FOOTPATH ON GRANDVIEW ROAD LEADING TO LUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND ERECTION OF HOARDINGS ALONG THE BOUNDARY OF THE WORK SITE, SEPARATING IT FROM THE RESIDENTS' HOUSES.

"DAMAGED FOOTPATHS IN THE AREA WERE EITHER REPAIRED OR RESURFACED, WHILE LIGHTING WAS INSTALLED ALONG GRANDVIEW ROAD AND LUEN YEE ROAD.

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"A LOCATION WAS DESIGNATED FOR RESIDENTS TO PLACE THEIR RUBBISH BINS SO AS TO IMPROVE THE HYGIENIC CONDITIONS IN THE AREA.

"IN ADDITION, RUBBISH IN DRAINS AND OTHER DEBRIS WERE REMOVED."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE IMPROVEMENT MEASURES HAD BEEN COMMENDED BY A LOCAL RESIDENTS' GROUP.

"IN A NOTICE POSTED AT THE CONSTRUCTION SITE, THE GROUP POINTS OUT THAT THE MEASURES HAVE GREATLY IMPROVED THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

"THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE HAS BEEN KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON THE PROGRESS OF THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL PROJECT AND WILL CONTINUE TO LIAISE WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE FURTHER IMPROVEMENT MEASURES," HE ADDED.

IN ADDITION TO THE LATEST IMPROVEMENT WORKS, THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE PROJECT CONTRACTOR AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED HAD EARLIER CARRIED OUT NUMEROUS OTHER WORKS FOR RESIDENTS.

THESE INCLUDED IMPROVEMENTS TO DRAINAGE, CONSTRUCTION OF A LANDSCAPED EMBANKMENT AND ERECTION OF A SOUND PROOF BARRIER AT THE TUNNEL WORK SITE TO REDUCE THE NOISE NUISANCE CAUSED BY TRAFFIC AND TUNNEL WORKS.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE PROGRAMME ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE 1989-90 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CLEARANCE PROGRAMME FOR THE DISTRICT AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

MEMBERS WILL CONSIDER A PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT A CONCRETE BRIDGE OVER A DITCH IN MOUNT PARKER COUNTRY PARK FOR THE BENEFIT OF MORNING-WALKERS.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT THE INSTALLATION OF A PETROL TANK AT THE CARPARK OF WALTON ESTATE IN CHAI WAN.

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OTHER AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE PROBLEMS IN AH KUNG NGAM VILLAGE AND THE CUMULATION OF GARBAGE AT PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS IN CHAI WAN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, 880-886 KING'S ROAD.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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DRAFT PUBLIC TRANSPORT PROGRAMME ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA
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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE DRAFT 1990-91 PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE DISTRICT AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

IT WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE 1988 ACTION PROGRAMME REVIEW ON PEDESTRIAN PROBLEM SPOTS AND THE PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE THE PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND AT SUGAR STREET.

TWO QUESTIONS CONCERNING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS ALONG MARSH ROAD AND TRAFFIC PROBLEMS AT THE JUNCTION OF LUARD ROAD AND LOCKHART ROAD WILL BE RAISED AT THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 4 PM IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, 21ST FLOOR, SOUTHERN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER SETTING UP VIP PARK
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MEMBERS OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER SETTING UP A VIP PARK IN THE DISTRICT AT THE COMMITTEE'S MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE IDEA IS TO INVITE VIP'S TO PLANT TREES IN THE PARK.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS PUBLICITY FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD'S MEET-THE-PUBLIC SCHEME.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS BY THE WORKING GROUP ON THE DISTRICT NEWSPAPER AND THE WORKING GROUP ON WELCOME TO TAI PO SIGNBOARDS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152 KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 65.4 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 383.256 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 264.203 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 45.1 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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WATER CUTS IN TWO KOWLOON DISTRICTS

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY LAI CHI KOK ROAD, MAPLE STREET, SYCAMORE STREET, TUNG CHAU STREET, NAM CHEONG STREET, BOUNDARY STREET, YEE KUK STREET AND SHEK KIP MEI STREET.

ALSO TO FACILITATE NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SAN PO KONG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, SZE MEI ROAD, CHOI HUNG ROAD, TAI YAU STREET, TSEUK LUK STREET, KING FUK STREET AND KING HONG STREET.

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TRAFFIC PLAN FOR HAPPY VALLEY RACE MEETINGS

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN HAPPY VALLEY ON RACE DAYS THROUGHOUT THE 1989-90 RACING SEASON FOR BOTH DAY AND EVENING MEETINGS. THE FIRST MEETING IN HAPPY VALLEY WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) NIGHT.

THE ARRANGEMENTS, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, WILL BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL THE CROWD HAS DISPERSED AFTER THE MEETINGS.

REROUTEING AND ROAD CLOSURES

THE FOLLOWING MEASURES WILL COME INTO EFFECT TWO HOURS BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST RACE:

- * MORRISON HILL ROAD BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD EAST AND LEIGHTON ROAD WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHEASTBOUND AND THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN WAN CHAI ROAD AND LEIGHTON ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES. ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES ENTERING FROM WAN CHAI ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED TO HENNESSY ROAD VIA TIN LOK LANE.
- * LEIGHTON ROAD BETWEEN MORRISON HILL ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND.
- * BROADWOOD ROAD BETWEEN WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD AND LINK ROAD WILL BECOME ONE-WAY EASTBOUND. HOWEVER, BETWEEN THE END OF THE FIRST RACE AND ONE HOUR BEFORE THE LAST RACE, VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL DOWNHILL ALONG BROADWOOD ROAD TO WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD.

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- * SHAN KWONG ROAD BETWEEN KING KWONG STREET AND VILLAGE ROAD WILL BECOME ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND. VEHICLES CAN TURN RIGHT TO YIK YAM STREET UNTIL NORMAL ROUTEING OF SHAN KWONG ROAD IS RESUMED.
- * VILLAGE ROAD BETWEEN SHAN KWONG ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BECOME ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND. ON COMPLETION OF THE LAST RACE, TRAFFIC ON VILLAGE ROAD WILL BE HELD SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD. TRAFFIC WILL RESUME WHEN WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD IS CLEAR OF RACEGOERS.
- * WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD BETWEEN VILLAGE ROAD AND QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND. THE UP RAMP ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD OUTSIDE THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB (RHKJC) LEADING TO ABERDEEN TUNNEL WILL BE CLOSED AND TRAFFIC HEADING FOR ABERDEEN TUNNEL WILL BE DIVERTED TO USE CANAL ROAD FLYOVER. ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FINAL RACE, THE DOWN RAMP FROM ABERDEEN TUNNEL LEADING TO WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES. AFTER THE LAST RACE, WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD BETWEEN SING WOO ROAD AND MORRISON HILL ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC IF NECESSARY. ON COMPLETION OF THE LAST RACE AND AFTER THE MAJORITY OF RACEGOERS HAVE LEFT, NORMAL TRAFFIC ROUTEING ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL RESUME.
- * SPORTS ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT THOSE REQUIRING ACCESS TO THE RHKJC CLUBHOUSE, THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT (THE VOLUNTEERS) (RHKR) AND HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB. SUCH VEHICLES WILL ENTER SPORTS ROAD FROM THE WEST. ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FINAL RACE, TRAFFIC FLOW ON SPORTS ROAD WILL BE ROUTED WESTBOUND BUT THE ROAD WILL REMAIN CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES.
- * OI KWAN ROAD CIRCUIT, EXCEPT THE SECTION BETWEEN WING CHEUNG STREET AND TANG SHIU KIN HOSPITAL, WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY ANTI-CLOCKWISE.
- * CANAL ROAD FLYOVER :
 - (I) TRAFFIC FROM CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL HEADING FOR QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL USE THE DOWN RAMP LEADING TO MORRISON HILL ROAD AND TURN RIGHT AT THE JUNCTION OF SPORTS ROAD, MORRISON HILL ROAD AND QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
 - (II) TRAFFIC HEADING FOR THE JOCKEY CLUB WILL USE THE DOWN RAMP LEADING TO CANAL ROAD EAST, TURN LEFT ONTO LEIGHTON ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD.
 - (III) TRAFFIC FROM QUEEN'S ROAD EAST OR WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD HEADING FOR CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL, CENTRAL AND NORTH POINT WILL USE THE UP RAMP AT THE JUNCTION OF QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WITH MORRISON HILL ROAD.
 - (IV) TRAFFIC FROM QUEEN'S ROAD EAST HEADING FOR WAN CHAI AND HAPPY VALLEY WILL TURN LEFT TO MORRISON HILL ROAD.

(V) TRAFFIC FROM ABERDEEN TUNNEL WILL BE PERMITTED TO USE THE DOWN RAMP LEADING TO WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD UNTIL ONE HOUR BEFORE THE LAST RACE, BUT WILL BE RESTRICTED TO TURN LEFT ONTO QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. HOWEVER, FRANCHISED BUSES AND GREEN MINIBUSES ARE NOT UNDER THE RESTRICTION.

(VI) THIRTY MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF THE LAST RACE, THE SOUTHBOUND DOWN RAMP TO QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC.

SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC HEADING FOR QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE DOWN RAMP TO CANAL ROAD EAST AND THEN VIA LEIGHTON ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD TO QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

- * BLUE POOL ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN VENTRIS ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.
- * EXCEPT DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE END OF THE FIRST RACE AND ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FINAL RACE, NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN LEFT FROM VENTRIS ROAD TO BROADWOOD ROAD WESTBOUND.

THE FOLLOWING MEASURES WILL COME INTO EFFECT ABOUT 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE LAST RACE UNTIL THE RACEGOERS HAVE DISPERSED AFTER THE RACE MEETINGS:

- * THE JUNCTION OF QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD AND MORRISON HILL ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC AND EASTBOUND VEHICLES ON QUEEN'S ROAD EAST WILL BE DIVERTED TO TURN LEFT ONTO MORRISON HILL ROAD VIA THE SLIP ROAD.
- * YIU WAH STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.
- * MATHESON STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC AND THE ACCESS TO THE LEIGHTON CENTRE CARPARK WILL BE SUSPENDED. VEHICLES LEAVING THE CARPARK WILL BE ALLOWED UNDER POLICE CONTROL AND BE DIRECTED VIA MATHESON STREET AND SHARP STREET EAST TO CANAL ROAD EAST.

LEARNER DRIVERS PROHIBITIONS

THE FOLLOWING MOVEMENTS BY LEARNER DRIVERS WILL BE BANNED ON DAY MEETINGS BETWEEN 11 AM AND 4.30 PM AND BETWEEN 7.30 PM AND 11 PM WHEN EVENING MEETINGS ARE HELD :

- * LEFT-TURNING FROM CAROLINE HILL ROAD OUTSIDE PO LEUNG KUK TO LEIGHTON ROAD;
- * ENTERING SHAN KWONG ROAD BETWEEN YIK YAM STREET AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD;

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- * ENTERING VILLAGE ROAD BETWEEN ITS UPPER AND LOWER JUNCTIONS WITH SHAN KWONG ROAD;
- * ENTERING PERCIVAL STREET BETWEEN HENNESSY ROAD AND LEIGHTON ROAD;
- * ENTERING CANAL ROAD EAST; AND
- * ENTERING THE SERVICE ROAD LEADING TO CANAL ROAD FLYOVER FROM GLOUCESTER ROAD.

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PARKING SPACES ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD, SPORTS ROAD, YIU WAH STREET, VILLAGE ROAD BETWEEN ITS TWO JUNCTIONS WITH SHAN KWONG ROAD AND OI KWAN ROAD EXCEPT THE SECTION FROM MORRISON HILL SWIMMING POOL TO SUNG TAK STREET WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 AM TO 7 PM FOR DAY MEETINGS AND BETWEEN 5 PM AND MIDNIGHT FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

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THE BUS STOP ON LEIGHTON ROAD EASTBOUND NEAR MATHESON STREET WILL BE SUSPENDED ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THE FIRST RACE AND WILL BE REINSTATED WHEN TRAFFIC FLOW RESUMES NORMAL.

THE BUS STOP OPPOSITE THE RHKJC MAIN ENTRANCE WILL BE SUSPENDED ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THE FIRST RACE AND WILL BE REINSTATED 15 MINUTES AFTER THE FIRST RACE. THE BUS STOP WILL BE SUSPENDED AGAIN 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE LAST RACE AND REINSTATED WHEN TRAFFIC FLOW RESUMES NORMAL.

STARTING FROM THE FOURTH RACE, CROSS HARBOUR BUS ROUTES 101R AND 102R RUNNING FROM HAPPY VALLEY RACE COURSES TO KWUN TONG AND MEI FOO RESPECTIVELY WILL START OPERATION UNTIL APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR AFTER THE LAST RACE.

CMB ROUTE 1M WILL BE OPERATED BETWEEN ADMIRALTY MTR STATION (EAST) AND HAPPY VALLEY TWO HOURS PRIOR TO THE START OF THE FIRST RACE AT A FREQUENCY OF 15 MINUTES. STARTING FROM THE FOURTH RACE, BUSES ON THIS ROUTE WILL WAIT IN MORRISON HILL ROAD OUTSIDE THE RHKR AND WILL DEPART WHEN FULLY LOADED.

ROUTEINGS OF CMB ROUTES NO. 5B, 10, 38, 42, 72, 75, 76, 90, 92, 96, 97, 260 AND CROSS HARBOUR ROUTES NO. 101, 107, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 116, 141 AND 170, AS WELL AS GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES NO. 4A, 4B, 4C, 6, 7, 25, 25A, 28 AND 35M, WILL BE DIVERTED.

THE TRAM STOP ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD OUTSIDE THE HONG KONG CEMETERY WILL BE SUSPENDED ONE HOUR PRIOR TO THE FIRST RACE UNTIL TRAFFIC ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD RESUMES NORMAL OPERATION.

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AS FOR PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES (PLB'S), THESE WILL BE BANNED FROM ENTERING HAU TAK LANE, CHEUNG WOO LANE, AND THE SECTION OF WAN CHAI ROAD BETWEEN TIN LOK LANE AND BOWRINGTON ROAD TWO HOURS BEFORE THE START OF THE FIRST RACE.

ALSO FROM 4.30 PM IN THE CASE OF DAY RACING AND 9.30 PM IN THE CASE OF EVENING RACING, NO PLB'S WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD BETWEEN BLUE POOL ROAD AND VILLAGE ROAD.

PLB'S PROCEEDING SOUTH ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED ALONG BLUE POOL ROAD AND BE DIRECTED TO THE TEMPORARY PLB STAND ON VILLAGE ROAD VIA SING WOO ROAD TO PICK UP PASSENGERS.

MOREOVER, ONE HOUR BEFORE THE LAST RACE AND UNTIL THE RESUMPTION OF NORMAL TRAFFIC FLOW, ALL EMPTY TAXIS WILL BE BANNED FROM ENTERING WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD BETWEEN BLUE POOL ROAD AND VILLAGE ROAD, SHAN KWONG ROAD BETWEEN VILLAGE ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD AND EASTBOUND QUEEN'S ROAD EAST BETWEEN STUBBS ROAD AND MORRISON HILL ROAD.

A TAXI STAND WILL BE DESIGNATED AT OI KWAN ROAD NEAR THE JUNCTION OF SUNG TAK STREET.

HOWEVER, THE TAXI STAND AT BLUE POOL ROAD WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 AM TO 7 PM FOR DAY MEETINGS AND FROM 5 PM TO 12 MIDNIGHT FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KWUN TONG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT STARTING FROM TODAY (MONDAY), CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ROADS IN KWUN TONG WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 70 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

THESE ROADS ARE:

THE FLYOVER LINKING JUNK BAY ROAD SOUTHBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET BETWEEN ITS NORTHERN END AT JUNK BAY ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 240 METRES FROM WAI YIP STREET.

THE FLYOVER LINKING THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET WITH LEI YUE MUN ROAD EASTBOUND BETWEEN ITS EASTERN END AT LEI YUE MUN ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 240 METRES FROM WAI YIP STREET.

THE FLYOVER LINKING LEI YUE MUN ROAD WESTBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET BETWEEN ITS EASTERN END AT LEI YUE MUN ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 270 METRES FROM WAI YIP STREET.

THE FLYOVER LINKING JUNK BAY ROAD SOUTHBOUND WITH CHA KWO LING ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 220 METRES SOUTH OF ITS NORTHERN END AT JUNK BAY ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 370 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME END.

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AT THE SAME TIME. CERTAIN ROAD SECTIONS IN KWUN TONG WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS 24 HOURS DAILY.

THESE ROADS ARE:

THE FLYOVER LINKING JUNK BAY ROAD SOUTHBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET.

THE UNNAMED ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH WAI YIP STREET AND THE WESTERN END OF THE FLYOVER AS SPECIFIED IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH.

THE FLYOVER LINKING LEI YUE MUN ROAD WESTBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET.

THE FLYOVER LINKING THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET WITH LEI YUE MUN ROAD EASTBOUND.

THE UNNAMED ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH WAI YIP STREET AND THE WESTERN END OF THE FLYOVER AS SPECIFIED IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH.

THE SECTION OF WAI YIP STREET EASTBOUND BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT SEVEN METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH KING YIP STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 35 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

THE FLYOVER LINKING JUNK BAY ROAD SOUTHBOUND WITH CHA KWO LING ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 220 METRES SOUTH OF ITS NORTHERN END AT JUNK BAY ROAD AND ITS WESTERN END AT CHA KWO LING ROAD.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

IN ADDITION, CERTAIN ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE DESIGNATED AS PUBLIC LIGHT BUS BAN ZONES 24 HOURS DAILY.

THESE ROADS ARE:

THE FLYOVER LINKING JUNK BAY ROAD SOUTHBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET FROM A POINT ABOUT 200 METRES SOUTH OF ITS NORTHERN END AT JUNK BAY ROAD.

THE FLYOVER LINKING LEI YUE MUN ROAD WESTBOUND WITH THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET.

THE FLYOVER LINKING THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJOINING WAI YIP STREET WITH LEI YUE MUN ROAD EASTBOUND.

ALL PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES, EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE BAN ZONES.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN SAI KUNG TOWN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20), TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED TO FACILITATE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION IN SAI KUNG TOWN.

THE ARRANGEMENTS ARE:

YI CHUN STREET FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH MAN NIN STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 55 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND; MAN NIN STREET BETWEEN MONA FONG GOVERNMENT CLINIC AND ROAD L7 WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND; AND ROAD L7 WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

THE GREEN MINIBUS STANDS FOR NEW TERRITORIES ROUTES 2 AND 3 AT THE SAI KUNG TOWN PLB (SCHEDULED SERVICE) TERMINUS WILL BE RELOCATED TO ROAD L7, WHILE THE STAND FOR ROUTE 4 WILL BE RELOCATED TO YI CHUN STREET.

AT THE SAME TIME, NT GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES 2, 3 AND 4 WILL BE OPERATED VIA PO TUNG ROAD, MAN NIN STREET AND ROAD L7.

THE TAXI STAND ON THE SECTION OF MAN NIN STREET AT THE WATERFRONT WILL BE RELOCATED TO YI CHUN STREET.

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ROAD CLOSURE IN SHA TIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT SIU LEK YUEN ROAD IN SHA TIN BETWEEN KWONG SIN STREET AND SHA TIN WAI ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FOR FIVE NIGHTS BETWEEN 10 PM AND 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING FROM WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 20 TO 24).

THE CLOSURE IS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL AND ITS APPROACHES IN SHA TIN.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS ON THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SIU LEK YUEN ROAD HEADING FOR CITY ONE, SHA TIN, WILL BE DIVERTED TO USE KWONG SIN STREET, AN UNNAMED ROAD AND SHA TIN WAI ROAD BEFORE RE-JOINING SIU LEK YUEN ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, MOTORISTS ON THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SIU LEK YUEN ROAD HEADING FOR WONG NAI TAU WILL BE DIVERTED TO USE THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SHA TIN WAI ROAD, AN UNNAMED ROAD AND KWONG SIN STREET BEFORE RE-JOINING SIU LEK YUEN ROAD.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN POK FU LAM

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN POK FU LAM FROM 8 AM TO 8 PM DAILY ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 20 AND 21) TO FACILITATE ROAD RESURFACING WORK.

THE SLIP-ROAD LEADING FROM POK FU LAM ROAD NORTHBOUND TO POK FU LAM INTERCHANGE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

VEHICLES ON POK FU LAM ROAD NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR POK FU LAM GARDENS WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CHI FU INTERCHANGE.

VEHICLES OVER THREE TONNES GROSS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE POK FU LAM ROAD SERVICE ROAD NORTH OF POK FU LAM INTERCHANGE FROM POK FU LAM ROAD NORTHBOUND.

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LANE CLOSURE ON TAI PO ROAD FANLING

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS, THE INNER-MOST LANE OF TAI PO ROAD FANLING NORTHBOUND NEAR SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT FOR A SECTION OF ABOUT 400 METRES WILL BE CLOSED FROM WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) TO NOVEMBER 10.

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