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SHA TAU KOK VEHICULAR BORDER LINK OPENED

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THE NEW VEHICULAR BORDER LINK AT SHA TAU KOK, THE SECOND ROAD CROSSING BUILT BY THE GOVERNMENT, WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY (THURSDAY).

AT PRESENT THE ONLY ACCESS FOR CARS AND TRUCKS PLYING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA IS AT THE MAN KAM TO CROSSING.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WERE THE POLITICAL ADVISER OF HONG KONG, MR JOHN BOYD, AND THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF SHENZHEN, MR ZHEN XIPEI.

WORK ON THE ROAD, WHICH COST $14 MILLION, STARTED IN JANUARY LAST YEAR, AND INVOLVED CONSTRUCTION OF AN 800-METRE-LONG TWO-WAY CARRIAGEWAY WITH WIDTHS RANGING FROM 7.3 METRES TO 80 METRES, TWO PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS ACROSS THE VEHICULAR BORDER LINK, AND ANCILLARY DRAINAGE WORKS.

THE WHOLE PROJECT ALSO INCLUDED BORDER CONTROL FACILITIES, ON WHICH WORK INVOLVING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TERMINAL BUILDING AT A COST OF $10 MILLION, BEGAN IN FEBRUARY LAST YEAR. THE FACILITIES INCLUDED AN ARRIVAL-DEPARTURE HALL, OFFICE ACCOMMODATION FOR THE POLICE, IMMIGRATION, CUSTOMS AND THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENTS, CARGO EXAMINATION PLATFORMS, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS KIOSKS AND AN EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR ELECTRICITY BACK UP.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, MR BOYD SAID SINCE THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SHENZHEN AND HONG KONG IN 1982 ON OPENING UP NEW LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES, THE LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES HAD CONTINUED TO GROW, TO MUTUAL SATISFACTION.

+I HAVE BEEN STRUCK, ON MY RETURN TO HONG KONG AFTER A BREAK OF SEVERAL YEARS, BY THE RAPID UPWARD CURVE IN CROSS-BORDER TRAFFIC IN RECENT YEARS, BOTH IN TERMS OF PASSENGERS AND COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC,+ HE SAID.

+THIS IS A MATTER OF NOT ONLY QUANTITY BUT QUALITY. THERE ARE NOW WELL-ESTABLISHED LINKS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES, BOTH IN THE BORDER LIAISON SYSTEM FOR EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION AND FOR RESOLVING PROBLEMS IN POLICE, IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS MATTERS; AND IN THE JOINT WORKING GROUPS SET UP TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE AGREEMENT WHICH I MENTIONED EARLIER.

+IT IS A MEASURE OF THE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES THAT THESE VARIOUS GROUPS HAVE FUNCTIONED EFFECTIVELY AND PRODUCTIVELY SINCE THEIR ESTABLISHMENT.

+I AM SURE THAT SUCH WORK WILL CONTINUE TO OUR MUTUAL BENEFIT IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

/+I LOOK .....

+I LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY OF WELCOMING, IN THE NEAR FUTURE, OUR COUNTERPARTS FROM SHENZHEN TO HONG KONG FOR ONE OF THE REGULAR REVIEWS OF THE PROGRESS OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUPS.+

MR BOYD SAID THAT SINCE THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT FERRY SERVICES BETWEEN SHA TIN AND DA AND XIAO MEISHA HAD BEEN INTRODUCED, AND RECENTLY THE SECOND ROAD BRIDGE AT MAN KAM TO HAD BEEN OPENED TO TRAFFIC.

CURRENTLY WORK CONTINUES ON NEW FACILITIES AT LO WU AND MAN KAM TO, ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE PLANNED BORDER CROSSING POINT AT LOK MA CHAU, AND ON POLLUTION AND FLOOD CONTROL MATTERS RELATED TO THE SHENZHEN RIVER.

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+USEFUL POLICE MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CHINA VISIT+

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FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR ROY HENRY'S STATEMENT ON HIS RETURN TODAY (THURSDAY) AFTER A THREE-DAY VISIT TO CHINA :

FIRST OF ALL LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, APOLOGIES FOR BEING FOUR HOURS LATE BUT THERE WERE THUNDER, LIGHTNING AND CLOUDS BETWEEN CANTON AND HERE.

I'VE JUST SPENT TWO DAYS IN BEIJING AND A DAY IN GUANGZHOU AS THE GUEST OF THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU. THIS AROSE FROM THE FACT THAT CHINA, AS YOU KNOW, JOINED INTERPOL LAST YEAR.

IN BEIJING I HELD GENERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH VICE-MINISTER YU LEI OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY AND I HELD DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH MR LIU WEN WHO IS HEAD OF THEIR INTERPOL BUREAU AND MR ZHU ENTAO WHO IS DEPUTY HEAD OF THE BUREAU.

OUR DISCUSSIONS WERE BASED ON VERY FUNDAMENTAL PROFESSIONAL POLICE SUBJECTS AND INDEED THE DISCUSSIONS WERE EXTREMELY USEFUL AND VERY CONSTRUCTIVE.

THE MAIN POINTS WHICH WE DISCUSSED IN BEIJING WERE AS FOLLOWS :

FIRST OF ALL, COMMUNICATIONS AND LIAISON, BASICALLY HOW FROM NOW ON WE HERE IN HONG KONG WILL COMMUNICATE WITH THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU OFFICIALS IN CHINA. ONE OF THE POINTS UNDER THIS HEADING THAT WAS AGREED WAS THE OBVIOUS NEED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYSTEM OF REGULAR MEETINGS ALTERNATIVELY IN BEIJING AND IN HONG KONG.

/WE AGREED .....

WE AGREED THE FUNDAMENTAL FACT WHICH IS SO COMMON AMONG POLICE FORCES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD THAT PERSONAL CONTACT AND KNOWING WHO YOU ARE DEALING WITH CONCERNING POLICE PROBLEMS WAS A MAJOR STEP AHEAD AS OPPOSED TO JUST OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

SO WE NOW ENVISAGE A REGULAR PROCESS OF MEETINGS PREFERABLY ABOUT ONCE EVERY FOUR MONTHS. THESE MEETINGS WILL REVIEW THE PROGRESS AND THE RESULTS OF THE POINTS THAT WE DISCUSSED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

SO IN OTHER WORDS THIS HAS BEEN THE FIRST OF A NOW PERMANENT SERIES OF SUCH MEETINGS.

OTHER SPECIFIC SUBJECTS THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED AND MADE DECISIONS ON WERE PROBLEMS CONCERNING COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY. IT BECAME QUITE OBVIOUS THAT THE PROBLEMS CAUSED BY COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY IN HONG KONG WERE ALSO AFFECTING CHINA AND IT'S ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE VERY MUCH CLOSER AND QUICKER CONTACT OVER SUCH PROBLEMS.

WE DEALT WITH THE SUBJECT OF NARCOTICS AND WE DECIDED THAT BECAUSE WE WERE SUCH CLOSE NEIGHBOURS THE NORMAL INTERPOL CONNECTION AND LIAISON CONCERNING THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM WAS INADEQUATE AND THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO ESTABLISH MUCH CLOSER AND MUCH QUICKER LIAISON AS FAR AS THE PROBLEMS OF NARCOTICS MOVING TO AND FROM ACROSS OUR BORDER IS CONCERNED.

A PARTICULAR PROBLEM WHICH THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES RAISED WAS THE SMUGGLING OF NATIONAL TREASURES FROM CHINA, OUT OF CHINA AND WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO OUT OF CHINA AND INTO HONG KONG.

AND WE AGREED THAT THIS WAS A PROBLEM WHICH HAD TO BE FURTHER EXAMINED, BEARING IN MIND THAT THE LAWS OF CHINA AND THE LAWS OF HONG KONG DO NOT IN FACT COINCIDE. THIS WAS AN AREA WHICH WE MUST OBVIOUSLY EXAMINE AND SOLVE.

WE DISCUSSED IN CONSIDERABLE DEPTHS THE SUBJECT OF COUNTER-TERRORISM AND COUNTER-HIJACKING PROCEDURES. RECOGNISING THAT THIS AGAIN WAS VERY MUCH AN INTERNATIONAL POLICE PROBLEM WE REALISED THAT BECAUSE OF OUR CLOSE PROXIMITY THE NORMAL MACHINE WAS NOT SUFFICIENT AND THAT WE MUST SET UP VERY MUCH CLOSER LIAISON AND CLOSER CO-OPERATION IN INCIDENTS WHERE THERE IS INVOLVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISTS OR HIJACKERS.

WE DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM OF FUGITIVE OFFENDERS, THAT IS CITIZENS OF CHINA WHO COMMIT OFFENCES IN HONG KONG AND WHO RETURN TO CHINA. THEY HAVE IN FACT BROKEN HONG KONG LAWS, HOW DO WE DEAL WITH IT AND VICE VERSA.

WE REALISE OF COURSE THAT THERE WAS DIFFERENCE IN LAW BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA ON THIS SUBJECT BUT FROM A POLICE POINT OF VIEW, FROM PURELY A POLICE PROFESSIONAL POINT OF VIEW, WE BOTH SUBSCRIBED TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT FUGITIVES SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THEIR PLACE OF ORIGIN IN WHICH THEY HAD COMMITTED THE CRIME, BUT OF COURSE WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF LAW.

/THE PUBLIC .....

THE PUBLIC SECURITY OFFICIALS ASKED IF WE COULD ASSIST CHINA IN THE STUDY OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND TRAFFIC CONTROL AND ALSO IN IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES AND IMMIGRATION CONTROL AND WE AGREED THAT THIS, OF COURSE, WAS SOMETHING THAT WE COULD ASSIST WITH AND I OFFERED SUCH ASSISTANCE IN THE SHAPE OF INVITING THEM TO COME AND EXAMINE OUR SYSTEMS OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND IMMIGRATION CONTROL AND THE LIKE.

WE THEN MOVED TO GUANGZHOU WHERE WE HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH AGAIN PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU OFFICIALS PARTICULARLY THE DIRECTOR OF THE GUANGDONG PUBLIC SECURITY OFFICE, MR SONG ZHIYING, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR MR LUO YUEKANG, MR ZHANG QINGPING OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIVISION OF GUANGDONG PROVINCE, AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU OF GUANGZHOU ITSELF, MR SONG SHUZHONG.

THERE OUR DISCUSSIONS WERE NOT QUITE SO MUCH ON AN INTERPOL NET BUT ON A MUCH MORE PRACTICAL NET OF WHAT ONE MIGHT REFER TO AS DAY-TO-DAY LIAISON AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN GUANGDONG PROVINCE AND HONG KONG.

THE SUBJECT MATTERS WERE ALMOST IDENTICAL WITH THOSE THAT WE HAD DISCUSSED IN BEIJING BUT WE WERE ABLE IN GUANGZHOU TO GET DOWN TO A LITTLE BIT MORE PRACTICAL DETAIL SUCH AS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS AND REGULAR MEETINGS.

WE AGREED THAT THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF BORDER LIAISON THROUGH THE BORDER LIAISON COMMITTEE WAS IN FACT WORKING WELL AND ADVANTAGEOUS TO BOTH SIDES BUT THAT IT DEALT WITH VERY MUCH LOCAL MATERIAL WHEREAS A SLIGHTLY HIGHER LEVEL OF LIAISON WAS REQUIRED BETWEEN OURSELVES AND GUANGZHOU ITSELF.

SO ALL IN ALL A VERY PROFITABLE SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN PROFESSIONALS AND I MUST SAY I WAS EXTREMELY IMPRESSED WITH THE WAY IN WHICH THEY REGARDED THE OVERALL PROBLEMS. THEY LOOKED AT IT IN EXACTLY THE SAME MANNER AS WE IN THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE LOOKED AT IT.

THERE WAS NO QUESTION OF AN ATMOSPHERE OF MISUNDERSTANDING. IT WAS LOOKED AT FROM BOTH POINTS OF VIEW THROUGH PROFESSIONAL POLICE EYES.

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JANUARY CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A) ROSE BY 3.3 PER CENT AND THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (B) BY 3.9 PER CENT BETWEEN JANUARY 1984 AND JANUARY 1985, ACCORDING TO FIGURES PUBLISHED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE CPI(A) AND CPI(B) FOR JANUARY 1985 WERE 156.5 AND 157.0 RESPECTIVELY, OR 4.9 POINTS AND 5.9 POINTS HIGHER THAN THOSE FOR JANUARY 1984. COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1984, HOWEVER, CPI(A) DECREASED BY 0.2 POINT OR 0.1 PER CENT, WHILE CPI(B) REMAINED UNCHANGED.

/THE AVERAGE .....

THE AVERAGE CPI(A) AND AVERAGE CPI(B) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 1985, AT 155.3 AND 155.1 RESPECTIVELY, WERE 7.4 PER CENT AND 7.8 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THE AVERAGES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 1984.

DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 1985, BOTH THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED CPI(A) AND CPI(B) INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 0.4 PER CENT EACH MONTH.

DURING JANUARY, PRIVATE DWELLING RENTALS WERE HIGHER BUT RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES DECREASED.

THE CPI(A) AND CPI(B) ARE BASED ON THE EXPENDITURE PATTERNS OF 50 PER CENT AND 30 PER CENT, RESPECTIVELY, OF URBAN HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG, WHICH WERE DERIVED FROM THE 1979/80 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY. THE CPI(A) REFERRED TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN $1 000 AND $3 499 A MONTH, AND THE CPI(B) TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN $3 500 AND $6 499 A MONTH AT THAT TIME.

THE INDEXES FOR JANUARY 1985 IN RESPECT OF THE NINE COMMODITY/SERVICE SECTIONS IN THE TWO CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES ARE GIVEN BELOW, TOGETHER WITH THOSE FOR DECEMBER 1984 AND JANUARY 1984.

(OCTOBER 1979 TO SEPTEMBER 1980 AVERAGE = 100)

	CPI(A)			CPI(B)		
SECTION	JAN 84	DEC 84	JAN 85	JAN 84	DEC 84	JAN 85
FOODSTUFFS	152.3	153.9	153.4	152.8	154.6	154.3
HOUSING	141.5	152.7	153.2	142.2	152.2	152.8
FUEL AND LIGHT	151.2	146.8	146.8	151.0	146.7	146.7
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO (FOR HOME CONSUMPTION)	207.3	208.3	208.5	199.6	200.8	201.0
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	149.5	165.3	165.2	149.7	167.3	166.7
DURABLE GOODS	123.3	124.1	124.2	126.4	128.5	128.6
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	146.1	150.3	149.5	143.2	146.7	145.4
TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES	164.5	172.6	173.0	166.2	175.1	175.5
SERVICES	165.4	178.6	179.4	163.7	174.8	175.5
ALL ITEMS	151.6	156.7	156.5	151.1	157.0	157.0

/COMPARED WITH .....

COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1984, THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS DROPPED BY 0.5 POINT IN CPI(A) AND 0.3 POINT IN CPI(B). THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES DECLINED, DUE TO INCREASED SUPPLY, AS DID THOSE OF PORK AND FRESH-WATER FISH. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SALT-WATER FISH AND LIVE POULTRY INCREASED. THE EFFECT OF MOVEMENTS IN THE RETAIL PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS ON THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS WAS INSIGNIFICANT.

THE INDEX FOR HOUSING ROSE BY 0.5 POINT IN CPI(A) AND 0.6 POINT IN CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF HIGHER RENTS FOR SOME PRIVATE DWELLINGS.

LOWER PRICES OF MEN'S AND WOMEN'S OUTERCLOTHING CAUSED THE INDEX FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR TO FALL BY 0.1 POINT IN CPI(A) AND 0.6 POINT IN CPI(B).

THE INDEX FOR MISCELLANEOUS GOODS DROPPED BY 0.8 POINT IN CPI(A) AND 1.3 POINTS IN CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF LOWER PRICES OF JEWELLERY.

THE INDEX FOR SERVICES ROSE BY 0.8 POINT IN CPI(A) AND 0.7 POINT IN CPI(B) BECAUSE OF HIGHER CHARGES FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT, EXPENSES ON DINNER PARTIES, AND EXAMINATION FEES.

ON THE OTHER HAND, CHARGES FOR ADMISSION TO NIGHT CLUBS AND DISCOTHEQUES WERE LOWER AFTER THE CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER SECTIONS WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

(FIGURES PRESENTED IN THIS PRESS RELEASE REFER TO CPI SERIES NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. ALL PERCENTAGE CHANGES ARE DERIVED FROM CPI FIGURES TO TWO DECIMAL PLACES.)

DETAILS OF THESE PRICE MOVEMENTS ARE GIVEN IN THE +CONSUMER PRICE INDEX REPORT+ FOR JANUARY 1985, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT $3 PER COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG, OR FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, ROOM 1904, 19TH FLOOR, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG. FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES, PLEASE CONTACT THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NO. 3-7216512.

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YUEN LONG FESTIVAL FOR ALL AGES

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THE FIFTH YUEN LONG ARTS FESTIVAL WAS OPENED THIS (THURSDAY) EVENING BY THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR NEW TERRITORIES, DR J.W. HAYES.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, DR HAYES SAID: +THE FESTIVAL IS MORE THAN JUST AN ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME FOR ALL AGES; IT IS A REMINDER OF THE HIGH STANDARDS OF TALENTED PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT WHO HAVE BENEFITED FROM LOCAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES.+

+CREDIT FOR THEIR SUCCESS IS DUE TO VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS IN YUEN LONG WHO ARRANGE TRAINING CLASSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN DANCE, CHORAL MUSIC, OPERA AND DRAMA,+ HE SAID.

HE HOPED THAT THIS WOULD PROVIDE AN INCENTIVE FOR MORE STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN THE EXTRAMURAL ARTISTIC AND CULTURAL TRAINING ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT ARTS COMMITTEE, THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL AND OTHER DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS.

THE 18-DAY FESTIVAL FEATURES A VARIETY OF PROGRAMMES, INCLUDING CONCERTS, DRAMAS, OPERAS, DANCES, FILMS AND EXHIBITIONS -- FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAS CONTRIBUTED $300 000 TOWARD THE TOTAL COST OF ABOUT $700 000 FOR THE FESTIVAL.

THE FESTIVAL, WHICH WILL LAST UNTIL MARCH 17, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD, THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT ARTS COMMITTEE AND THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

ADMISSION TO 18 OF THE FESTIVAL EVENTS IS FREE AND TICKETS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL, THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE BRANCH OF THE STANDARD CHARTERED BANK IN CASTLE PEAK ROAD, YUEN LONG.

TICKETS FOR OTHER EVENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BOX OFFICE AT LUT SAU HALL WHICH IS OPENED BETWEEN 1.30 PM AND 8.30 PM DAILY.

TICKETS FOR THE MIME PERFORMANCE BY NOLAR RAE; A CHILDREN'S MUSICAL BY YIP'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR; A NIGHT OF BALLET BY THE HONG KONG BALLET AND YUEN LONG SCHOOL OF BALLET AND THE PIANO RECITAL BY WOLFRAM LORENZEN ARE AT $15, $10 AND $5; THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA CONCERT AT $40, $30, $20 AND $10; THE JOY WITH THE STARS (POP CONCERT) AT $30, $20 AND $10; AND THE CHOR FUNG MING OPERA TROUPE PERFORMANCES AT $90, $70, $55 AND $40.

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DB ELECTIONS GO ON AIR
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VARIOUS PROGRAMMES ON THE TERRITORY-WIDE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7 WILL BE BROADCAST IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, TVB, ATV, COMMERCIAL RADIO AND RTHK RADIO.

TWO FIVE-MINUTE SEGMENTS ON THE ELECTIONS WILL BE FEATURED IN RTHK'S TELEVISION PROGRAMME +ACCESS+. THE FIRST SEGMENT ON HOW TO VOTE WILL BE BROADCAST ON TVB JADE AT 7 PM AND ON ATV CHINESE AT 8 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING.

THE SECOND SEGMENT ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ELECTIONS WILL BE AIRED ON MARCH 6 AT 7 PM ON TVB JADE AND 8 PM ON ATV CHINESE.

A DISTRICT BOARD ELECTION SPECIAL FEATURING AN INTERVIEW WITH THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR ALBERT LAM, WILL BE AIRED ON ATV CHINESE ON SATURDAY (MARCH 2) AT 7.30 PM AND ON TVB JADE ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) AT 7 PM.

A DRAMA PRODUCTION ENTITLED +STREETS OF HONG KONG+ WILL BE AIRED ON TVB JADE ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) AT 7.30 PM.

A NUMBER OF REGULAR TVB JADE PROGRAMMES SUCH AS +WOMEN TODAY+, +HONG KONG 85+ AND +ENJOY YOURSELF TONIGHT+ WILL FEATURE SOME ASPECTS OF THE ELECTIONS.

THE STATION WILL BROADCAST THE +INTER DISTRICT TELEMATCH GAMES GRAND FINALS+ AT 12 NOON ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3).

AN ELECTION SPECIAL IS BROADCAST DAILY ON ATV AFTER THE LATE NEWS. ON MARCH 5 THE +GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY+ PROGRAMME WILL FEATURE DISCUSSION ON THE ELECTIONS.

ON RADIO STATIONS, RTHK RADIO ONE BEGAN A +CIVIC EDUCATION FORTNIGHT+ EARLIER THIS WEEK, AND WILL PRESENT SOMETHING ON THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS DURING THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

THE STATION'S +IN PERSPECTIVE+ PROGRAMME AT 10 PM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 2) AND SATURDAY (MARCH 9) WILL FEATURE DISCUSSIONS ON THE ELECTIONS, AND THERE WILL BE A WEEKDAY LATE MIDNIGHT PHONE-IN SPECIAL FOR CALLERS TO TALK ABOUT THE ELECTIONS.

ITS +HONG KONG TONIGHT+ PROGRAMME ON WEEKDAYS BETWEEN 5 AND 6.30 PM WILL FEATURE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTION QUIZ. ON MARCH 2 (SATURDAY) ITS +HONG KONG BEAT+ PROGRAMME WILL FEATURE AN INTERVIEW WITH A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR C.M. LEUNG.

COMMERCIAL RADIO (RADIO ONE) HAS BEEN BROADCASTING CANDIDATES' PLATFORMS TWICE DAILY DURING THE PAST WEEK AND WILL CONTINUE TO AIR THESE SEGMENTS UNTIL THE ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7.

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SPOTLIGHT ON CANDIDATES
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A LARGE-SCALE VARIETY SHOW WILL BE HELD AT THE HAPPY VALLEY RACECOURSE ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) TO INTRODUCE THE 21 CANDIDATES OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS TO THE PUBLIC.

THE SHOW, ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES, IS ALSO PART OF THE DISTRICT'S LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS FOR RESIDENTS.

THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION VARIETY SHOW WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM AT THE PUBLIC GRANDSTAND AND FORECOURT OF THE RACECOURSE.

APART FROM PROVIDING FREE ENTERTAINMENT TO RESIDENTS, THE SHOW WILL ALSO FEATURE PUBLICITY ON THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WITH REMINDERS TO REGISTERED VOTERS TO GO TO THE POLLS ON MARCH 7.

THERE WILL BE SINGING AND DRAMA PERFORMANCES, ORIENTAL DANCES, LION DANCES AND AN ACROBATIC SHOW.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE, SIX YOUTH CENTRES IN THE DISTRICT AND FIVE BRANCH OFFICES OF CITIBANK IN WAN CHAI.

ELECTION PUBLICITY PAMPHLETS AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO PARTICIPANTS AS WELL AS PASSERS-BY DURING THE AFTERNOON.

THE SHOW IS SPONSORED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD AND CITIBANK.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE VARIETY SHOW WILL BE THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LAM KAM-KWONG; THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RAYMOND YOUNG; THE SENIOR INFORMATION OFFICER, MR STEPHEN SIU; THE DISTRICT BUSINESS MANAGER OF CITIBANK, MR CHEUNG YIU-TONG; THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MRS GRACE WAN; AND THE CHAIRMEN OF THE FIVE AREA COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION VARIETY SHOW AT 3 PM ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) AT THE PUBLIC GRANDSTAND, HAPPY VALLEY RACECOURSE.

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VINTAGE CARS HELP ELECTION DRIVE
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A VINTAGE CAR PARADE -- ONE OF THE MOST COLOURFUL EVENTS ORGANISED TO PUBLICISE THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS -- WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY (MARCH 2) AFTERNOON IN YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK.

THE PARADE AND A VARIETY SHOW HAVE BEEN ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD TO URGE PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN THE ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7.

SPONSORED BY THE CLASSIC CAR CLUB OF HONG KONG, 12 VINTAGE CARS DECORATED WITH ELECTION BANNERS WILL TOUR TSIM SHA TSUI, YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK ALONG NATHAN ROAD.

THE PARADE WILL BE LED BY A BUS BROADCASTING ELECTION MESSAGES.

CELEBRITIES TRAVELLING IN THE VINTAGE CARS INCLUDE MISS HONG KONG, MISS MINA GODENZI AND THE VITALITY TEAM FROM TVB WHO WILL BE HANDING OUT ELECTION PAMPHLETS AFTER THE PARADE.

THE VINTAGE CAR PARADE WILL START AND END AT THE NEW WORLD PLAZA IN TSIM SHA TSUI, WHERE A VARIETY SHOW WILL BE HELD FEATURING A NUMBER OF WELL-KNOWN SINGERS AND PERFORMERS FROM COMMERCIAL RADIO.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER OF YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK, MR BOWEN LEUNG WILL OFFICIATE AT A CEREMONY TO START THE PARADE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER BOTH THE VINTAGE CAR PARADE AND THE VARIETY SHOW AT 2 PM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 2) AT THE NEW WORLD PLAZA (BETWEEN THE NEW WORLD CENTRE AND TOKYU DEPARTMENT STORE) IN SALISBURY ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI.

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CANDIDATES MEET THE PEOPLE

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THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD A SERIES OF FORUMS BETWEEN MARCH 2 AND 4 TO INTRODUCE CANDIDATES STANDING FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE FORUMS WILL GIVE CANDIDATES THE CHANCE TO PRESENT THEIR PLATFORMS AND ANSWER QUERIES FROM THE PUBLIC.

ORIGINALLY THERE WERE 17 CANDIDATES CONTESTING THE SEVEN SEATS IN THE ELECTIONS, BUT AS THE SEAT IN LAMMA AND PO TOI IS UNCONTESTED, ONLY 16 CANDIDATES ARE VYING FOR THE REMAINING SIX SEATS.

LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE FORUMS WHICH WILL BE HELD AT VARIOUS VENUES AS FOLLOWS :-

DATE	TIME	CONSTITUENCY	VENUE
MARCH 2, SATURDAY	10.30 AM	MUI WO, SOUTH LANTAU AND ASSOCIATED ISLANDS	MUI WO RECREATION CENTRE
MARCH 2,	2.30 PM	TUNG CHUNG AND TAI O	TAI O TOWN HALL
MARCH 3, SUNDAY	2 PM	CHEUNG CHAU EAST	CARITAS ST. PAUL PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL
MARCH 3, SUNDAY	2.30 PM	CHEUNG CHAU WEST	DITTO
MARCH 3, SUNDAY	3 PM	CHEUNG CHAU NORTH	DITTO
MARCH 4, MONDAY	7.30 PM	PENG CHAU	CHI YAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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NOTE TO EDITORS :

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE FORUMS.

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NEW ENQUIRY CENTRE OPENING

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A NEW PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE WILL BE OPENED TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE SERVING RESIDENTS IN FANLING.

LOCATED AT CHEUNG CHUNG HOUSE IN CHEUNG WAH ESTATE, THE CENTRE WILL PROVIDE SERVICES, SUCH AS ADMINISTERING STATUTORY DECLARATIONS, GIVING ADVICE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, DISTRIBUTING GOVERNMENT FORMS AND INFORMATION LEAFLETS, AND DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS AND FREE LEGAL ADVICE BY LAWYERS FROM THE HONG KONG LAW SOCIETY.

THE CENTRE WILL OPEN BETWEEN 8.45 AM AND 5.15 PM FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY, AND BETWEEN 9 AM AND 12 NOON ON SATURDAYS. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR THE CENTRE IS 0-908747.

APART FROM THIS NEW CENTRE, THERE ARE TWO OTHER CENTRES SERVING RESIDENTS IN NORTH DISTRICT AT CHOI YUEN ESTATE AND SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEUNG SHUI.

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TAXI TENDER RESULTS OUT TOMORROW

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DETAILS OF THE LATEST TENDERS FOR 100 URBAN, ONE NEW TERRITORIES AND 10 LANTAU TAXI LICENCES, WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TOMORROW.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT 343 TENDERS FOR THE 100 URBAN TAXI LICENCES HAD BEEN RECEIVED WHEN THE OFFER CLOSED ON JANUARY 18.

THE HIGHEST TENDER ACCEPTED WAS $201 000, AND THE LOWEST $196 189.

THE AVERAGE PREMIUM OF $199 255.92 WAS 20.84 PER CENT OVER THE PREVIOUS FIGURE.

TWENTY-TWO TENDERS WERE LODGED FOR THE SINGLE NEW TERRITORIES TAXI LICENCE. THE SUCCESSFUL BID WAS $25 000, WHICH WAS 181.98 PER CENT OVER THE PREVIOUS PRICE.

TWENTY-FOUR TENDERS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE TEN LANTAU TAXI LICENCES.

THE HIGHEST ACCEPTED BID WAS $25 100, AND THE LOWEST $8 800.

THE AVERAGE PREMIUM OF $18 400 WAS 34 PER CENT BELOW THE PREVIOUS ONE.

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TRAM SERVICES TO START LATE ON SUNDAY

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TRAM SERVICES IN EASTERN DISTRICT WILL START LATER THAN USUAL ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) DUE TO WORK ON A FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS KING'S ROAD.

DETAILS ARE:

WESTBOUND TRAM SERVICES

FROM	TO	FIRST DEPARTURE
SHAU KEI WAN	WESTERN MARKET	7.23 AM
SHAU KEI WAN	HAPPY VALLEY	7.24 AM
NORTH POINT	WHITTY STREET	7.11 AM

EASTBOUND TRAM SERVICES

FROM	TO	FIRST DEPARTURE
WHITTY STREET	NORTH POINT	6.32 AM
WESTERN MARKET	SHAU KEI WAN	6.39 AM
HAPPY VALLEY	SHAU KEI WAN	6.50 AM

PRIOR TO THE ABOVE TIMES, TRAM SERVICES WILL BE CUT OFF AT THE CAUSEWAY BAY TERMINUS.

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DB PONDERS LINK WITH FIGHT CRIME GROUP

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TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE DETACHMENT OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE FROM THE BOARD AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) MORNING.

AT PRESENT, ALL DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES, EXCEPT THE ONE FOR TAI PO, REPORT THEIR WORK DIRECTLY TO THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND ARE INDEPENDENT FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT BOARDS.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS REPORTS BY VARIOUS COMMITTEES.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR J.W. HAYES, WILL BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

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FEAST FOR THE ELDERLY

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ABOUT 900 OLD PEOPLE IN THE NORTH DISTRICT WILL BE TREATED TO A LUNAR NEW YEAR DINNER TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE +MILLENNIUM FEAST+ IS BEING ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR ELDERLY ACTIVITIES, CHAIRED BY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR TAO MAN-KWONG.

GOLD MEDALS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE 12 OLDEST PERSONS AND ALL GUESTS WILL RECEIVE GIFTS, SOME OF WHICH ARE HANDMADE BY THE OLD PEOPLE LIVING IN HOMES FOR THE AGED.

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SEMINARS FOR SCIENCE TEACHERS

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A SERIES OF SEMINARS WILL BE HELD IN APRIL FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS OF BIOLOGY AND INTEGRATED SCIENCE.

TEACHERS OF HIGHER LEVEL BIOLOGY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON APRIL 13 ON RECENT BIOLOGICAL CONCEPTS WHICH ARE COMMONLY MISCONCEIVED BY HIGHER LEVEL STUDENTS.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION IN KOWLOON FOR 250 TEACHERS.

NOMINATIONS FROM HEADS OF SCHOOLS SHOULD REACH THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (BIOLOGY), ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, HONG KONG ON OR BEFORE MARCH 22.

EIGHT SEMINARS ON THE TEACHING OF INTEGRATED SCIENCE AT FORM III LEVEL WILL BE HELD AT THE SCIENCE TEACHING CENTRE IN PAK FUK ROAD, NORTH POINT BETWEEN APRIL 3 AND 12.

THE SEMINARS FOR INTEGRATED SCIENCE PANEL CHAIRMEN DEAL WITH THE CURRICULUM GUIDE FOR FORM 3 SCIENCE TOPICS, RECENTLY PRODUCED BY THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

THIRTY PLACES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT EACH SEMINAR.

HEADS OF SCHOOLS WISHING TO NOMINATE THEIR TEACHERS TO THE SEMINARS SHOULD APPLY BEFORE MARCH 13 TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (PHYSICS), ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, HONG KONG.

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PARADE INSPECTION

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THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE, MR HARNAM GREWAL, WILL INSPECT A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF SIX INSPECTORS AND 69 CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL AT TAI LAM CHUNG AT 10.30 AM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 2).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A GOVERNMENT COACH, AM 2988 WILL BE WAITING AT HUNG HOM FERRY PIER BETWEEN 8.45 AM AND 9 AM ON MARCH 2 TO TAKE GUESTS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL AND LATER RETURN THE PARTY TO KOWLOON.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT. GUESTS AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD BE SEATED BY 10.15 AM.

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PART-TIME LIFE GUARDS NEEDED

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THE CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS RECRUITING SOME 200 PART-TIME LIFE GUARDS TO STRENGTHEN ITS NORMAL LIFE-SAVING SERVICES IN THE COMING SWIMMING SEASON.

THE PART-TIME LIFE GUARDS WILL EITHER BE EMPLOYED ON A SHORT CONTRACT TERM WITH A MONTHLY SALARY OF $2 755, OR ON A $109-A-DAY BASIS.

THEY WILL BE DEPLOYED AT VARIOUS GAZETTED BEACHES AND PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS THROUGHOUT THE URBAN AREAS.

APPLICANTS, PREFERABLY AGED UNDER 35, SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST PRIMARY 6 EDUCATION, HOLD A BRONZE MEDALLION CERTIFICATE AWARDED BY THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AND A VALID FIRST-AID CERTIFICATE.

PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO HAVE ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR POSSESS HIGHER LIFE SAVING QUALIFICATIONS.

THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE POST MAY APPROACH ANY BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE. ENQUIRIES CAN ALSO BE MADE AT 5-270622, 3-666615, 3-695525 OR 3-265123.

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KWUN TONG SITE FOR RENT

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A 3 900-SQUARE-METRE SITE AT HOI BUN ROAD, KWUN TONG, IS BEING OFFERED FOR RENT BY THE LANDS DEPARTMENT.

THE TENANCY IS FOR TWO YEARS AND IS RENEWABLE QUARTERLY AFTERWARDS.

THE SITE IS FOR OPEN STORAGE, CONTAINER CONSOLIDATION, THE REPAIRING-MAINTAINING OF CONTAINERS, BUT EXCLUDING THE STORAGE OF VEHICLES.

TENDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 15.

TENDER FORM, NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND PLAN INSPECTED AT, THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY DIVISION, MURRAY BUILDING, 5TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG= AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON EAST, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON.

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DB TO DISCUSS VACANT SITE USES

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF VACANT SITES UNDER THE WEST KOWLOON CORRIDOR FLYOVER WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON.

SEVERAL PROPOSALS FOR USE OF THE SITES, AS SPORTS GROUNDS, RECREATIONAL GROUNDS, CAR PARKS AND TEMPORARY MARKETS, HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP BY THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

THE SITES MEASURE A TOTAL OF 8 800 SQUARE METRES.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE CONSULTED ON THE REVISED VERSION OF THE SHEK KIP MEI OUTLINE ZONING PLAN, WHICH HAS INCORPORATED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC IN THE TAT CHE AVENUE AREA.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD REPORT, THE PROPOSED PROVISION OF A FUNERAL PARLOUR IN LAI CHI KOK AND THE SHAM SHUI PO INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR PROGRAMME.

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PHOTOS ON SHOW

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MORE THAN 50 OUTSTANDING ENTRIES OF THE +WAN CHAI AND I+ PHOTO COMPETITION WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT AN EXHIBITION FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) UNTIL MARCH 5 (TUESDAY) AT THE LOBBY OF THE HENNESSY CENTRE IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SELECTED FROM HUNDREDS OF ENTRIES SUBMITTED DURING THE RECENT PHOTO CONTEST WHICH WAS AIMED AT PROMOTING DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND ENCOURAGING PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT TO TAKE PART IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE EXHIBITION WILL ALSO INCLUDE A REVIEW ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD DURING ITS FIRST TERM FROM 1982 TO 85.

INFORMATION ON 21 WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD CANDIDATES, TOGETHER WITH THEIR COLOUR PHOTOGRAPHS, WILL ALSO BE ON DISPLAY.

THE FIVE-DAY EXHIBITION, OPEN DAILY FROM 10 AM TO 9.30 PM, WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LAM KAM-KWONG, TOMORROW (FRIDAY). AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY, HE WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO THE WINNERS.

ADMISSION IS FREE.

THE EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT ARTS, CULTURE, RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE FUJI FILM AND PHOTO COMPANY AND THE HYSAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

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WINNERS IN HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT ANNOUNCED

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THE URBAN COUNCIL TODAY ANNOUNCED WINNERS OF THE 1985 SCHOOLS' HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT EXHIBITION COMPETITION.

YUEN LONG MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION SECONDARY SCHOOL, WINNER OF THE 1984 COMPETITION, AGAIN TOPPED THE WINNING LIST THIS YEAR BY BEATING 23 OTHER SCHOOLS.

THE SECOND PRIZE WENT TO HO TUNG TECHNICAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AND THE THIRD PRIZE TO VALTORTA COLLEGE.

YU CHUN KEUNG MEMORIAL COLLEGE NO. 2 AND MADAM LAU KAM LUNG SECONDARY SCHOOL OF MIU FAT BUDDHIST MONASTERY TOOK THE FOURTH AND THE FIFTH PRIZES RESPECTIVELY. THERE WERE ALSO TEN MERIT PRIZES AND A BEST ARTWORK DESIGN PRIZE.

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THE PRIZES, INCLUDING TROPHIES AND CASH AWARDS, WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE WINNERS AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT THE EXHIBITION HALL, CITY HALL, ON MARCH 15.

THE SCHOOLS' HEALTH EDUCATION PROJECT EXHIBITION COMPETITION, WHICH IS OPEN TO ALL SECONDARY SCHOOLS, IS AN ANNUAL EVENT JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN THE COMPETITION ARE REQUIRED TO SELECT ONE OF THE GIVEN THEMES AND TO ILLUSTRATE IT BY MEANS OF A DISPLAY CONSISTING OF MODELS, SPECIMENS, PICTURES, PHOTOGRAPHS, CHARTS, FEATURE ARTICLES AND TAPE/SLIDE/FILM PRESENTATION.

THE THEMES FOR THIS YEAR WERE: PROPER USE OF RECREATION FACILITIES SANITARY PROBLEMS IN MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS AND A HEALTHY ATTITUDE TOWARDS SEX IN ADOLESCENCE.

OF THE 15 WINNERS, THREE USED THE FIRST THEME, FIVE USED THE SECOND ONE AND SEVEN USED THE THIRD ONE.

A JOINT EXHIBITION OF THE WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE PUT ON DISPLAY AT THE EXHIBITION HALL FROM MARCH 15 TO 18. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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TREAT FOR OLD FOLK

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ABOUT 1 200 ELDERLY PEOPLE IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT WILL BE TREATED TO A TWO-HOUR SHOW TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE KIANGSU AND CHEKIANG PRIMARY SCHOOL IN NORTH POINT.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE EASTERN DISTRICT WOMEN'S WELFARE CLUB AND THE WAH KIU YAT PO, THE EVENT IS AIMED AT FOSTERING RESPECT FOR THE ELDERLY.

IT WILL FEATURE CHINESE OPERA PERFORMANCES AND A CHINESE ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION THEME SONG 'A VOICE'.

EACH PARTICIPANT WILL ALSO RECEIVE A GIFT PARCEL CONTAINING NOODLES AND SWEETS.

THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LUI HAU-TUEN, WILL ATTEND THE SHOW WHICH WILL START AT 3 PM.

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CORRIDOR WORK

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THE ACCESS ROAD TO THE SAI WAN HO FERRY CONCOURSE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 5.45 AM ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY (MARCH 3 AND 4) FOR WORK ON THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR.

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FIRING PRACTICE

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE FOR 21 DAYS NEXT MONTH (MARCH).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN THE RED FLAGS ARE HOISTED.

FIRING PRACTICE WILL BE HELD FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS: MARCH 1-2, 6, 8, 11, 15-16, 18-23 AND 25-29.

ON MARCH 12-14, FIRING PRACTICE WILL BE FROM 8 AM TO 11 PM.

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