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BUSY PROGRAMME FOR GOVERNOR, EXCO MEMBERS IN LONDON
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL LEAVE ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 8) EVENING ON A FOUR-DAY VISIT TO LONDON.

HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: SIR MICHAEL SANDBERG, MR CHEN SHOU-LUM, MISS MARIA TAM AND MR ALLEN LEE; HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY, MR RICHARD HOARE; AND THE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (COUNCILS), MR ALISTAIR LANG.

OTHER UNOFFICIAL EXCO MEMBERS WILL JOIN THEM IN LONDON.

SOON AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 9, SIR EDWARD AND ALL UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF EXCO WILL HOLD A MEETING AT NOON WITH THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR HONG KONG, MR TIMOTHY RENTON, AND ATTEND A LUNCH HOSTED BY HIM.

AT 3 PM. ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 10), THE PARTY WILL CALL ON THE PRIME MINISTER. THEY WILL LATER ATTEND A RECEPTION AT THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE.

THE NEXT DAY (SEPTEMBER 11), THEY WILL CALL ON THE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, SIR GEOFFREY HOWE AT NOON. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A LUNCH HOSTED BY SIR EDWARD AND EXCO MEMBERS.

THE GOVERNOR AND THE EXCO UNOFFICIALS WILL ATTEND THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN THE EVENING.

SIR EDWARD AND THREE UNOFFICIALS WILL BE LEAVING LONDON ON FRIDAY, ARRIVING BACK IN HONG KONG ON SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 13).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, AND FOUR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL WILL BE LEAVING FOR LONDON ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 8) BY FLIGHT CX 201, ETD 11 PM.

A PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITY WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE AIRPORT TO COVER THEIR DEPARTURE.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO MAKE USE OF THE FACILITY SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM AT 10.10 PM. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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CRIME PREVENTION PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN BEGINS

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AN INTENSIVE CRIME PREVENTION PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN IS NOW UNDER WAY TO CONVINCING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT SIMPLE, SENSIBLE AND INEXPENSIVE PRECAUTIONS WOULD PROTECT THEMSELVES, THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR PROPERTY.

IT FORMS PART OF THE 1986/87 FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN, DETAILS OF WHICH WERE ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (SATURDAY).

+THIS YEAR PUBLICITY EFFORTS ARE CONCENTRATED ON THE PREVENTION OF BURGLARIES IN THE HOME AND THE EXPANSION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME,+ SIR DAVID SAID AT THE CONFERENCE.

HE SAID BURGLARIES IN THE HOME CONTINUED TO POSE A SERIOUS PROBLEM, DESPITE IT IS AN EASY CRIME TO PREVENT.

+IN 1985 ONE BURGLARY OF PEOPLE'S HOMES WAS REPORTED EVERY HOUR, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF A STAGGERING 38.9 MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF PROPERTY.

+IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, THE AVERAGE INCIDENCE OF BURGLARIES DROPPED SLIGHTLY TO ONE EVERY 80 MINUTES.+

SIR DAVID SAID OPEN WINDOWS, UNLOCKED DOORS, BADLY FITTED LATCHES, CHEAP LOCKS WERE AN OPEN INVITATION TO BURGLARS.

+IN FACT, HALF OF ALL THE CASES REPORTED TO THE POLICE DID NOT INVOLVE BREAKING-IN AND WERE CAUSED BY SHEER CARELESSNESS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSEHOLDER,+ HE SAID.

SIR DAVID GAVE DETAILS OF THE ACTIVITIES ORGANISED FOR SEPTEMBER, WHICH HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS 'FIGHT CRIME MONTH'. THEY INCLUDE:

- * A SPECIAL +HOTLINE+ (5-277177) WILL BE SET UP TO PROVIDE ROUND-THE-CLOCK ADVICE ON CRIME PREVENTION MEASURES FROM EXPERIENCED OFFICERS.
- * THERE WILL BE A TRAVELLING EXHIBITION AND AN EXHIBITION IN ONE OF OUR DEPARTMENT STORES.
- * BUSES AND TRAMS WILL CARRY THE CRIME PREVENTION MESSAGE TO THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC.
- * 19 DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES WILL ARRANGE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING VARIETY SHOWS, SEMINARS, DISPLAYS AND COMPETITIONS.
- * TELEVISION, RADIO AND NEWSPAPERS WILL ASSIST IN DISSEMINATING THE CRIME PREVENTION MESSAGE TO A WIDE AUDIENCE THROUGH SPECIAL PROGRAMMES.

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+THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE THE 'HOME SECURITY DAY' ON SEPTEMBER 28 (SUNDAY) WHEN JUNIOR POLICE CALL MEMBERS, BOYS AND GIRLS FROM OTHER YOUTH ORGANISATIONS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, WILL DISTRIBUTE CRIME PREVENTION PUBLICITY AND ADVICE TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD IN HONG KONG.

+THE ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM THESE ORGANISATIONS IN ITSELF DEMONSTRATES THE WILLINGNESS OF A LARGE SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY ACTIVELY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME.

+THEY DESERVE RECOGNITION AND PRAISE,+ SIR DAVID SAID.

HE APPEALED TO ALL SMALL HOUSEHOLDERS TO SUPPORT 'HOME SECURITY DAY' BY RECEIVING THOSE YOUNG VOLUNTEERS WITH A SMILE AND A PROMISE THAT THEY WOULD PAY MORE ATTENTION TO THE SECURITY OF THEIR HOME IN FUTURE.

POINTING OUT THAT THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE EXISTED TO CO-ORDINATE THE COMMUNITY'S ATTACK ON CRIME, SIR DAVID SAID THE FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN ORGANISED EACH YEAR WAS TO MAKE PEOPLE REALISE WHAT THEY COULD DO TO PREVENT CRIME AND TO EMPHASIZE THAT IT WAS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THEM ALL TO FIGHT CRIME.

TURNING TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME WHICH IS NOW IN ITS SECOND PHASE, SIR DAVID SAID MORE THAN 28 500 FAMILIES HAD TAKEN PART IN FORMING SOME 2 800 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UNITS.

HE SAID THAT MORE FAMILIES WOULD JOIN THE THIRD PHASE OF THE EXTREMELY POPULAR SCHEME IN LATE 1986 OR EARLY 1987.

+APART FROM ITS ROLE IN HELPING TO PREVENT AND DETECT CRIME, IT IS ALSO PROVING TO BE A VERY GOOD MEANS OF BRINGING FAMILIES TOGETHER IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF FRIENDSHIP AND GOODWILL,+ SIR DAVID SAID.

IN CONCLUSION, SIR DAVID SAID THE FINAL PART OF THE 1986/87 FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN WILL BE THE ANNUAL FCC-DFCC CONFERENCE WHICH WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 11 (SUNDAY) NEXT YEAR.

+ATTENDED BY SOME 350 PERSONS, THE CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FCC AND DFCC MEMBERS TO EXCHANGE VIEWS, MAKE SUGGESTIONS AND RECEIVE ADVICE,+ SIR DAVID SAID.

+LAST YEAR'S INAUGURAL CONFERENCE WAS EXTREMELY USEFUL AND REINFORCED THE ROLE OF THE WHOLE COMMUNITY IN THE CONTINUING EFFORT TO FIGHT CRIME,+ HE ADDED.

ALSO ON THE PLATFORM TODAY WERE THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR RAYMON ANNING, AND AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, THE HON PETER C. WONG.

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HONG KONG-CANADA TEXTILE TALKS END
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BILATERAL TEXTILE TALKS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CANADA FINISHED TODAY (FRIDAY CANADA TIME) WITHOUT REACHING ANY CONCLUSION, A TRADE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED.

THE PURPOSE OF THE TALKS WAS TO NEGOTIATE THE NEW BILATERAL TEXTILES AGREEMENT TO REPLACE THE CURRENT AGREEMENT, WHICH EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 1986.

THE TALKS WERE HELD IN CANADA, AND BEGAN ON TUESDAY, (SEPTEMBER 2). THEY FOLLOWED AN EARLIER EXPLORATORY ROUND HELD IN HONG KONG ON JUNE 23.

SPEAKING FROM CANADA AT THE END OF THE TALKS, THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, MR HAMISH MACLEOD, COMMENTED THAT WHILE SOME PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE, THERE WAS A CONSIDERABLE DIFFERENCE IN VIEWS OVER THE GROWTH AND FLEXIBILITY PROVISIONS WHICH SHOULD APPLY IN ANY NEW AGREEMENT.

A FURTHER ROUND OF TALKS WILL TAKE PLACE IN HONG KONG IN OCTOBER.

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ELIGIBLE ELECTORS URGED TO REGISTER
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ELIGIBLE PERSONS NOT YET ON THE GENERAL ELECTORAL ROLL SHOULD REGISTER NOW, YAU MA TEI ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS SANDY HO, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME AT THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE, MISS HO SAID SIGNING UP AS AN ELECTOR WAS THE RIGHT AND OBLIGATION OF ANY ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.

THE REGISTRATION PERIOD WOULD LAST UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30.

MISS HO NOTED THAT ACTIVITIES ORGANISED THIS SUMMER WERE WELL RECEIVED AND HOPED THAT YOUNG PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE EVENTS HAD LEARNED TO CARE MORE ABOUT THEIR COMMUNITY.

MORE THAN 130 ACTIVITIES WERE ORGANISED BY 19 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS DURING THE SEVEN-WEEK PROGRAMME.

AFTER THE CLOSING CEREMONY, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WERE TREATED TO A NIGHT OF DANCING.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR YIP WAH, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR LO YUK-TING, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, MR CHIU YU-HEI AND MR MAK WAI-YING.

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FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF LYEMUN BARRACKS OUTLINED
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ABOUT 52 HECTARES OF LAND SURROUNDING LYEMUN BARRACKS WILL BE USED TO CONSTRUCT A LARGE PARK AFTER THE BARRACKS IS HANDED BACK TO GOVERNMENT LATER THIS YEAR, THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

OFFICIATING AT A CEREMONY TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF THE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT AT THE OLD FORT IN THE BARRACKS, MR LEUNG SAID THE FIRST PHASE OF THE PARK, TO BE BUILT BY THE URBAN COUNCIL, WOULD INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS AND BARBECUE SITES NEAR THE NORTH-EASTERN COAST, AND THE SECOND PHASE WOULD INCLUDE VARIOUS TYPES OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES SOUTH OF THE BARRACKS.

+THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT IS CONSIDERING TURNING THE ORIGINAL SITE OF THE BARRACKS INTO A 2 300-FLAT PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AND A 400-FLAT HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME BY 1993,+ HE SAID.

THE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT AT THE OLD FORT WAS FUNDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AT A COST OF \$50 000.

THE PROJECT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF RAIN SHELTER, THREE FLOWER ARBOURS WITH BENCHES AND FLOWER BEDS AND AN ORIENTATION TABLE FOR MORNING WALKERS AND VISITORS.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG, AND LT. COL. W.J. DAWSON.

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CONTRACT SIGNING FOR MAJOR ROADWORK

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THE HARCOURT ROAD FLYOVER/PEDDER STREET UNDERPASS CONTRACT, VALUED AT \$197 MILLION, WILL BE SIGNED ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 8) AT 3 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE NINTH FLOOR OF THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT, EMPIRE CENTRE, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

SIGNING FOR THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS, MR HAROLD BEATON, AND MR C.R.M. LIVINGSTON WILL SIGN FOR THE CONTRACTOR, KIER (HONG KONG) LIMITED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CONTRACT SIGNING CEREMONY.

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NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR COMMONWEALTH YOUTH AWARDS
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YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE INITIATED AND IMPLEMENTED OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY PROJECTS WILL BE ABLE TO REPRESENT HONG KONG IN THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SERVICE AWARDS SCHEME.

THE SCHEME, LAUNCHED BY THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH PROGRAMME IN THE UNITED KINGDOM LAST YEAR, IS ALSO AN ENDURING COMMEMORATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE BEST TWO COMMUNITY PROJECTS TO REPRESENT HONG KONG ARE BEING CO-ORDINATED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

+THE SCHEME WAS CREATED TO RECOGNISE AND REWARD CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY YOUNG PEOPLE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR SOCIETIES,+ A CNTA SPOKESMAN SAID.

+IT AIMS TO FOSTER CO-OPERATION AND EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AND EXPERIENCE AMONG COMMONWEALTH YOUTHS,+ HE SAID.

+LAST YEAR, A COMMUNITY PROJECT DESIGNED FOR THE ELDERLY BY THE RED CROSS WON AN AWARD FOR HONG KONG,+ HE ADDED.

THE SCHEME OFFERS UP TO FIVE AWARDS ANNUALLY WITH NOT MORE THAN TWO AWARDS TO COUNTRIES OF ANY ONE REGION.

STUDY TOURS TRAVEL AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN TO THE WINNING TEAMS FOR UP TO TWO MEMBERS AND ALL MEMBERS WILL BE AWARDED PERSONAL MEMENTOES.

FOR PROJECTS TO BE SELECTED, THEY SHOULD BE EXAMPLES OF EFFECTIVE TEAMWORK BY YOUNG PEOPLE, PREFERABLY AGED 15 TO 25, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+THESE PROJECTS SHOULD DEMONSTRATE THEIR POTENTIAL IN EFFECTIVE PLANNING, ABILITY TO EXECUTE THEIR PLANS AND CO-OPERATION AMONG MEMBERS,+ HE ADDED.

+PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE BROAD OBJECTIVES AND RESPOND TO LOCAL NEEDS THROUGH THEIR PROJECTS, SHOWING INNOVATION AND FLEXIBILITY.

+APART FROM THAT, THE PROJECTS SHOULD HAVE LONG-TERM EFFECTIVENESS AND PROVIDE A MODEL OR INSPIRATION TO OTHER PLACES IN THE COMMONWEALTH,+ HE SAID.

NOMINATIONS ARE INVITED FROM THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH DIVISION OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICES. THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE DISTRICT OFFICES AND THEY SHOULD REACH CNTA BY NOVEMBER 29, 1986.

TWO PROJECTS WILL BE SELECTED TO REPRESENT HONG KONG IN DECEMBER AND THE AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN MAY NEXT YEAR.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN THE AWARDS SCHEME MAY CONTACT THEIR DISTRICT OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

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FUND-RAISING COMPETITION FOR KWUN TONG
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A MASSIVE FUND-RAISING COMPETITION, INVOLVING ALL AREA COMMITTEES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS IN KWUN TONG, WILL BE HELD BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 14 AND 16.

THE COMPETITION, CONDUCTED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD IN THE 14 AREAS OF THE DISTRICT, IS ONE OF SEVERAL PROJECTS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL.

VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE FUND-RAISING ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LI WAH-MING, APPEALED TO THE NEARLY 700 000 RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THIS MEANINGFUL FUNCTION.

ON SEPTEMBER 14 TO 16, FROM 7 PM TO 10 PM, MEMBERS OF THE 14 AREA COMMITTEES AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES WILL MAKE DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS TO APPEAL FOR DONATIONS. IN SOME AREAS, MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONDUCT VISITS DURING THE DAY-TIME ON SEPTEMBER 14.

THEY WILL CARRY WITH A ROUND YELLOW TIN BOX WITH +FUND RAISING FOR UCH EXTENSION PROJECT+ PAINTED IN RED. RESIDENTS SHOULD PUT THEIR DONATIONS IN THE BOX.

FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSE, AC AND MAC MEMBERS WILL BE CARRYING A CARD WITH THEIR NAMES ON IT.

THE THREE AREAS WITH THE HIGHEST DONATION WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES.

MORE THAN 600 MEMBERS FROM AREA COMMITTEES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS' CORPORATION HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE PART IN THE FUND-RAISING PROJECT.

THE 14 AREAS IN KWUN TONG ARE PING SHEK, EAST NGAU TAU KOK, WEST NGAU TAU KOK, TOWN CENTRE, TSUI PING, SAU MAU PING (NORTH), LAM TIN (NORTH), YAU TONG, TING HONG, INDUSTRIAL AREA, SHUN LEE, SAU MAU PING (SOUTH), LAM TIN (SOUTH) AND SZE SHAN.

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PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICE TO BE DISCUSSED

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THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE DRAFT 1986-88 PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE DISTRICT AT ITS MEETING ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 8) AFTERNOON.

THE FRANCHISED BUS AND FERRY COMPANIES ARE REQUIRED, AS AN ANNUAL EXERCISE, TO PREPARE A DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME OF THEIR SERVICES FOR AGREEMENT WITH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT. THE DISTRICT BOARD'S VIEWS ARE BEING SOUGHT BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT FINALISES THE PROGRAMME WITH OPERATORS.

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THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO LOOK AT A SURVEY ON THE ADEQUACY OF SCHEDULED PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT WHICH WAS CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN JUNE.

AT THE COMMITTEE'S MEETING IN JANUARY, MEMBERS FELT THAT BUS SERVICES WERE INADEQUATE IN ABERDEEN, AP LEI CHAU, WAH FU AND WONG CHUK HANG, AND REQUESTED THE DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT A SURVEY TO SUPPLEMENT FINDINGS OF AN EARLIER SURVEY CONDUCTED IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA IS THE PROPOSED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEME FOR ABERDEEN TOWN CENTRE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY AT 2.30 PM IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, NO. 7-11 NAM NING STREET, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, ABERDEEN CENTRE, HONG KONG.

SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED.

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LANDSCAPED AREAS IN EASTERN NOW OPEN
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THE INTENSELY-DEVELOPED EASTERN DISTRICT ON HONG KONG ISLAND HAS BEEN GIVEN A NEW, GREEN LOOK WITH THE OPENING OF THE BEAUTIFULLY-LANDSCAPED ALDRICH BAY AMENITY AREAS.

COVERING LARGE AREAS TOTALLING THREE HECTARES AND STRETCHING FROM TAIKOO SHING TO SHAU KEI WAN, THE \$21 MILLION AMENITY AREAS PROJECT IS NOW OPENED FOR PUBLIC ENJOYMENT.

+THE PROJECT HAS BEEN DESIGNED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO REDUCE THE CONCRETE EFFECTS OF, OR EVEN RESTORE, THE ENVIRONMENT OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT FOLLOWING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR AND THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY,+ SAID MR SAMUEL WONG, CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL'S RECREATION SELECT COMMITTEE, TODAY.

+THANKS TO THE JOINT EFFORTS, INITIATIVE AND HARD WORK OF THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE, THE AREAS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED INTO A WELCOME OASIS OF GREENERY AND A CHILDREN'S PARADISE WHERE THE OLD AND THE YOUNG CAN WALK, SIT, RELAX OR PLAY UNDER SHADY TREES AND AMIDST COLOURFUL FLOWERS AND PLANTS.+

/MR WONG

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MR WONG SAID PROVISIONS AT THE AMENITY AREAS INCLUDED NINE BEAUTIFULLY-LANDSCAPED AREAS AND FOUR CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS WITH MODERN PLAY EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY SURFACING.

+TO SOFTEN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND TO TURN THE AREAS INTO A SCENIC SPOT, OVER 1.66 HECTARES OF THE PROJECT HAVE BEEN COVERED WITH DENSE PLANTING WITH A TOTAL OF 6 400 TREES, 5 478 PALMS, 55 564 SHRUBS AND 47 223 GROUND COVER PLANTS,+ HE SAID.

+APART FROM PROVIDING ADDITIONAL ACTIVE AND PASSIVE RECREATIONAL AREAS FOR NEARBY RESIDENTS, THE PROJECT WILL GREATLY IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS THERE.+

MR WONG ADDED THAT THE LANDSCAPED AREA IN SHAU KEI WAN, COVERING A TOTAL OF 2.7 HECTARES, WAS THE LARGEST REST GARDEN IN THE DISTRICT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PICTURE WILL BE TRANSMITTED OVER THE FACSIMILE SHORTLY.

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NEW STAMPS PUT ON DISPLAY

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A NEW SET OF FOUR STAMPS DEPICTING HONG KONG FISHING VESSELS, TO BE ISSUED ON SEPTEMBER 24, WILL BE PUT ON DISPLAY FROM TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE STAMPS WILL BE SHOWN FOR TWO DAYS AT THE GROUND FLOOR ENTRANCE ARENA OF SHA TIN NEW TOWN PLAZA.

THEY WILL THEN BE DISPLAYED FROM SEPTEMBER 10 AT THE PHILATELIC CENTRE ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE AND IN THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE.

OFFICIAL FIRST DAY COVERS FOR THE STAMPS WILL BE ON SALE, AT 50 CENTS EACH, ON SEPTEMBER 10. ADVANCE ORDERS FOR TREATMENT OF FIRST DAY COVERS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM THAT DAY TO SEPTEMBER 18 AT ALL POST OFFICES.

A MINIMUM ORDER OF FIVE COVERS IS REQUIRED.

CUSTOMERS WISHING TO AVOID CONGESTION ON THE FIRST DAY OF ISSUE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE USE OF THIS SERVICE, A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF CUSTOMERS, FIRST DAY COVERS WITH A SET OF STAMPS ALREADY AFFIXED WILL ALSO BE ON SALE FOR \$10 ON THE FIRST DAY OF ISSUE AT DESIGNATED COUNTERS AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE AND THE BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI AND KOWLOON CENTRAL POST OFFICES.

THE NEW STAMPS DEPICT FOUR TYPES OF OLD AND NEW FISHING VESSELS SEEN IN THE WATERS AROUND HONG KONG: HAND LINER (50 CENTS), STERN TRAWLER (\$1.30), LONG LINER (\$1.70) AND JUNK TRAWLER (\$5).

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TENDERS INVITED FOR MAINLAYING WORK
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TENDERS ARE BEING CALLED BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT FOR LAYING FRESH WATER MAINS AT JUNK BAY.

TOTALLING 5 000 METRES IN LENGTH, THEY WILL BE LAID ALONG HANG HAU ROAD AND NEW ROADS BETWEEN YAU YUE WAN AND SIU CHIK SHA.

THE NEW MAINS WILL DISTRIBUTE WATER TO THE SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BEING BUILT AT SIU CHIK SHA AND THE FUTURE RESITED INDUSTRIES IN THE AREA.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN 16 MONTHS.

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EASTERN DISTRICT TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

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TO FACILITATE THE DISMANTLING OF FALSEWORK FOR FOOTBRIDGES, THE UNNAMED NEW ROAD PASSING THROUGH KORNHILL DEVELOPMENT TO THE SOUTH OF KING'S ROAD WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC DAILY BETWEEN 12.45 AM AND 5.30 AM FROM TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 9) TO SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 14).

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE EXISTING WESTBOUND TRAM-ONLY LANE RESTRICTION ON KING'S ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 120 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TAIKOO SHING ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 130 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE TEMPORARILY LIFTED.

IN ADDITION, THE SECTION OF KING'S ROAD BETWEEN BO FUNG GARDEN AND THE TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO SAI WAN TERRACE WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY EASTBOUND TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC.

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HATTON ROAD TO CLOSE FOR A WEEK
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FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 8), THE SECTION OF HATTON ROAD IN THE MID-LEVELS BETWEEN THE BRIDGE OVER PO SHAN ROAD AND CHING YUEN GARDEN WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK. THE MEASURE WILL FACILITATE LAYING OF ELECTRICITY CABLES.

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NO FLUSHING WATER

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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 8 PM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 9).

THE SUSPENSION IS TO FACILITATE REPAIR WORK OF THE TSUEN WAN PUMPING STATION.

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