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GUIDELINE ISSUED ON PREVENTION OF CRIMINAL USE OF
BANKING SYSTEM FOR MONEY-LAUNDERING

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING TODAY (FRIDAY) ISSUED A GUIDELINE TO ALL AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF CRIMINAL USE OF THE BANKING SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSES OF MONEY-LAUNDERING.

THE WORDING OF THE GUIDELINE, ISSUED UNDER SECTION 7(3) OF THE BANKING ORDINANCE, FOLLOWS CLOSELY THAT OF A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES ON THE SAME SUBJECT ISSUED IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR BY THE BASLE SUPERVISORS COMMITTEE.

"THE BASLE STATEMENT HAS BEEN COMMENDED TO ALL BANKING INSTITUTIONS IN THE G-10 GROUP OF COUNTRIES, AND SUPERVISORY AGENCIES IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD HAVE ALSO BEEN ENCOURAGED TO ADOPT THE SAME PRINCIPLES," A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THE ISSUE OF THE COMMISSIONER'S GUIDELINE SHOULD THEREFORE BE SEEN AS PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL DRIVE TO COMBAT MONEY-LAUNDERING ACTIVITIES," HE ADDED.

THE GUIDELINE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS MAY UNWITTINGLY BE USED AS INTERMEDIARIES FOR THE TRANSFER OR DEPOSIT OF MONEY DERIVED FROM CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.

"THIS IS A MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING AND THE MANagements OF AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS, AS PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN BANKS MAY BE UNDERMINED THROUGH THEIR ASSOCIATION WITH CRIMINALS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE GUIDELINE STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION, NOTING THAT REASONABLE EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO DETERMINE THE TRUE IDENTITY OF ALL CUSTOMERS REQUESTING AN AUTHORISED INSTITUTION'S SERVICES.

THE GUIDELINE ADDS THAT IT SHOULD BE AN EXPLICIT POLICY WITHIN INSTITUTIONS THAT SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS WILL NOT BE CONDUCTED WITH CUSTOMERS WHO FAIL TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THEIR IDENTITY.

THE GUIDELINE GOES ON TO SAY THAT INSTITUTIONS SHOULD CONDUCT THEIR BUSINESS IN CONFORMITY WITH HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS, AND SHOULD ADHERE TO THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS.

AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS SHOULD CO-OPERATE FULLY WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS RELATING TO CUSTOMER CONFIDENTIALITY.

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THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE GUIDELINE SHOULD BE SEEN AS A REINFORCEMENT OF EXISTING BEST PRACTICES, AND AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO INSTITUTIONS TO CONTINUE THEIR VIGILANCE.

BEFORE ISSUING THE GUIDELINE, THE COMMISSIONER CONSULTED THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF BANKS, THE HONG KONG DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES ASSOCIATION, THE BANKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ALL OF WHOM FULLY SUPPORTED HIS INITIATIVE.

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COMMITMENT TO A SMOOTH TRANSITION

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THE VERY SATISFACTORY MANNER IN WHICH VARIOUS COMPLEX ISSUES RELATING TO THE TRANSITION HAVE BEEN RESOLVED SHOWS THAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT IS COMMITTED MORE THAN EVER TO ENSURING THAT HONG KONG WILL CONTINUE TO PROSPER UNDER THE "ONE COUNTRY, TWO SYSTEMS" POLICY, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR GENERAL DUTIES, MR DONALD TSANG, HAS SAID IN THE UNITED STATES.

SPEAKING BEFORE A FULL-HOUSE JOINT MEETING OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION AND THE ASIA FOUNDATION IN SAN FRANCISCO THIS WEEK, MR TSANG SAID HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT DRIVEN BY THEIR SHARED OBJECTIVES, BOTH THE CHINESE AND BRITISH SIDES WOULD CONTINUE THEIR GOOD WORK IN THE RUN-UP TO 1997.

"THE EVIDENCE OF THE PAST FOUR YEARS SHOWS THAT BOTH COUNTRIES ARE COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT, NOTWITHSTANDING THE CHANGE OF SOVEREIGNTY, THE FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS WHICH HAVE HITHERTO CONTRIBUTED TO THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG WOULD BE MAINTAINED," HE SAID.

"THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION CHARTING THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG BEYOND 1997 IS A VERY DETAILED DOCUMENT, AND IS ITSELF A TESTIMONY OF THE SERIOUSNESS AND PRAGMATISM WITH WHICH THE TWO GOVERNMENTS HAVE ENDEAVOURED TO RESOLVE THE QUESTION OF THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG."

DESPITE ITS SHORT HISTORY THE JOINT LIAISON GROUP, AS THE MAIN MECHANISM FOR STEERING THE TWO GOVERNMENTS' EFFORTS IMPLEMENTING THE JOINT DECLARATION, HAD PRODUCED AN IMPRESSIVE LIST OF ACHIEVEMENTS.

THIS INCLUDED SAFEGUARDING HONG KONG'S ABILITY TO TRADE FREELY AND INDEPENDENTLY BY HONG KONG BECOMING A CONTRACTING PARTY OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE, A MEMBER OF THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AFTER 1997.

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IN CONSIDERING THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AFFECTING HONG KONG, AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED ON HONG KONG'S CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN 14 INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS, MR TSANG SAID.

"COLLECTIVELY THESE AGREEMENTS ARE A DEMONSTRATION OF THE GRADUAL REALISATION OF PROMISES MADE IN THE JOINT DECLARATION," HE SAID.

"NO LESS SIGNIFICANT IS THE FACT THAT INVOLVEMENT OF THIS KIND CONSTITUTES A NETWORK OF INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WILL CONTINUE BEYOND 1997 AND WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT HONG KONG WILL REMAIN AN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, WITH ITS OWN SEPARATE SYSTEM."

MR TSANG ACKNOWLEDGED THAT ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP IN HONG KONG'S FUTURE WAS THE PUBLICATION BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THIS WEEK OF THE SECOND DRAFT OF THE BASIC LAW, AND HE REMARKED ON THE UNIQUENESS OF THE DOCUMENT WHICH WOULD EMBODY THE CONCEPT OF "ONE COUNTRY, TWO SYSTEMS".

"THE PRESENT DRAFT WHICH REPRESENTS OVER THREE YEARS' HARD WORK BY THE BASIC LAW DRAFTING COMMITTEE IS A COMPREHENSIVE DOCUMENT," HE SAID.

"THE LATEST TEXT SHOWS THAT SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS, PARTICULARLY IN REGARD TO THOSE ARTICLES DEALING WITH THE DIVISION OF POWER BETWEEN THE CENTRAL AUTHORITIES AND THE SAR, AND THE PROTECTION OF BASIC RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS."

MR TSANG SAID THAT HAVING FOLLOWED THE DRAFTING PROCESS CLOSELY, HE FELT PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED BY THE OPEN-MINDED ATTITUDE OF THE DRAFTERS AND THEIR READINESS TO ACCEPT PUBLIC CRITICISMS ON THE VARIOUS DRAFTS OF THE BASIC LAW.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE LATEST DRAFT OF THE BASIC LAW WOULD BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER AMENDMENTS IN THE LIGHT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS IN THE SECOND ROUND OF CONSULTATION.

"AT THIS CRUCIAL STAGE IN THE DRAFTING OF THE BASIC LAW IT IS FOR THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG TO TRY TO WORK OUT AMONGST THEMSELVES THE BASIS OF A WIDELY ACCEPTABLE POLITICAL MODEL FOR THE FUTURE," HE SAID.

"I AM HOPEFUL THAT THE CONTINUING DIALOGUE AMONG THE VARIOUS INTEREST GROUPS WILL BEAR FRUIT."

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, MR TSANG CONTINUES HIS TOUR OF NORTH AMERICA WITH VISITS TO TORONTO, BOSTON AND WASHINGTON.

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HK DELEGATION TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL OZONE LAYER CONFERENCE

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THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR GRAHAM BARNES, IS LEADING A HONG KONG DELEGATION TO ATTEND A SAVING THE OZONE LAYER CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN LONDON, BETWEEN MARCH 5 AND 7.

THE CONFERENCE IS BEING HELD BY THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME.

ITS PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN DEALING WITH THE SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS POSED BY CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS (CFC'S), PARTICULARLY THEIR DAMAGING EFFECT ON THE OZONE LAYER AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE SO-CALLED "GREENHOUSE EFFECT".

THE LONDON CONFERENCE WILL ALSO FOCUS ON DISCUSSING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES TO CFC'S TO HELP REDUCE INDUSTRY'S DEPENDENCE ON THESE OZONE-DEPLETING CHEMICALS.

MORE THAN 50 COUNTRIES WILL BE REPRESENTED IN THE CONFERENCE AT A MINISTERIAL LEVEL.

EMINENT LEADING SCIENTISTS ON THIS SUBJECT AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WORLD'S MAJOR CFC-PRODUCERS WILL ALSO TAKE PART IN THE CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS THE SCIENTIFIC, INDUSTRIAL AND POLITICAL ASPECTS OF OZONE LAYER PROTECTION.

THROUGHOUT THE CONFERENCE, THERE WILL BE A SERIES OF SESSIONS WHEN DELEGATES CAN MEET AND RAISE DETAILED QUESTIONS WITH SCIENTISTS AND INDUSTRIAL EXPERTS.

HONG KONG IS A PARTICIPANT IN THE "MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON SUBSTANCES THAT DEplete THE OZONE LAYER" VIA INCLUSION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM'S RATIFICATION OF THE PROTOCOL.

THE PROTOCOL CAME INTO EFFECT ON JANUARY 1 THIS YEAR AND THE CONTROL PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN IT REGARDING PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF CFC'S SHOULD BECOME OPERATIVE BY JULY THIS YEAR.

HONG KONG INTENDS TO FULFIL HER INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL BY ENACTING NEW LEGISLATION TO BAN THE MANUFACTURE OF THE OZONE-DEPLETING CHEMICALS AND TO RESTRICT THEIR CONSUMPTION.

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG DELEGATION ARE MR ROB LAW, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT AND MRS CLARIE LO, PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY BRANCH.

THEY ARE DEPARTING HONG KONG TONIGHT (FRIDAY) AND WILL JOIN MR GRAHAM BARNES IN LONDON.

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EC TO INITIATE ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDING ON DENIM CLOTH
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THE TRADE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION WILL SOON INITIATE AN ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDING ON DENIM CLOTH ORIGINATED IN HONG KONG, MACAU, TURKEY AND INDONESIA.

THE ACTION IS IN RESPONSE TO A COMPLAINT LODGED BY EUROCOTON, THE COMMITTEE OF THE COTTON AND ALLIED TEXTILE INDUSTRIES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT IN THE COMPLAINT A TOTAL OF SIX HONG KONG COMPANIES ARE NAMED. THE DEPARTMENT IS CHECKING DETAILS OF THESE COMPANIES.

IN ANTICIPATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, THE TRADE DEPARTMENT ARRANGED FOR ITS LEGAL CONSULTANT TO GIVE A BRIEFING FOR DENIM CLOTH PRODUCERS ON FEBRUARY 24.

THE DEPARTMENT WILL ARRANGE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS A MEETING WITH THE COMPANIES KNOWN TO BE INVOLVED IN THE PRESENT PROCEEDING.

"GIVEN THAT THE EC'S COMPLAINTS USUALLY CANNOT PRODUCE AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST, COMPANIES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN PRODUCING DENIM CLOTH FOR EXPORT TO THE EEC ARE INVITED TO CONTACT THE TRADE DEPARTMENT," THE ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF TRADE (EEC), MR FRED LEUNG, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

UNDER THE HONG KONG/EEC TEXTILE AGREEMENT, DENIM CLOTH IS CLASSIFIED UNDER CATEGORY 2A (WOVEN COTTON FABRICS, FINISHED).

THE RESTRAINT LIMIT OF CATEGORY 2A IN 1989 AMOUNTS TO 11,514 TONNES WITH AN ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF 0.2 PER CENT. IN 1988, THE EXPORTS OF DENIM CLOTH REPRESENTED ABOUT 67 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S EXPORTS OF CATEGORY 2A PRODUCTS.

ACCORDING TO HONG KONG TRADE STATISTICS, EXPORTS OF DENIM CLOTH TO THE EEC IN 1986, 1987 AND 1988, AMOUNTED TO \$148 MILLION, \$187 MILLION AND \$186 MILLION RESPECTIVELY.

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CS PRAISES WORK OF MOTHER'S CHOICE

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, TODAY (FRIDAY) PRAISED THE EFFORTS AND DEDICATION OF THE VOLUNTEERS WHO GAVE THEIR ENERGY AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE MOTHER'S CHOICE.

"JUST ONE YEAR AGO, WE SAW A FACILITY THAT REQUIRED ALMOST TOTAL RENOVATION TO BECOME HABITABLE. TODAY, WE SEE A BRIGHT, CHERRY HOME-LIKE ATMOSPHERE," SIR DAVID SAID WHEN HE ADDRESSED SOME 150 GUESTS AT AN OPEN HOUSE MARKING THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHARITY'S INCEPTION.

SINCE ITS OFFICIAL OPENING EIGHT MONTHS AGO, MOTHER'S CHOICE HAS PROVIDED A "HOME" FOR 45 YOUNG WOMEN, RANGING IN AGE FROM 13 TO 27 YEARS. COUNSELLING HAS ALSO BEEN PROVIDED FOR THE GIRLS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF MOTHER'S CHOICE, MRS HELEN STEPHENS, SAID THAT A MAJOR TASK OF THE ORGANISATION WAS TO HELP RESTORE DAMAGED FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS.

"WE HAVE SEEN SO MUCH GRIEF AND HEARTACHE IN THE LIVES OF THESE PREGNANT GIRLS AND THE FAMILIES SUFFER TOO," SHE SAID.

MOTHER'S CHOICE, OF WHICH LADY FORD IS THE PATRON, IS DESIGNED TO OFFER AN ALTERNATIVE TO ABORTION TO YOUNG WOMEN IN HONG KONG WHO BECOME PREGNANT OUT OF WEDLOCK.

IT OPERATES IN PREMISES PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT, BUT IS TOTALLY DEPENDENT ON PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ONGOING SUPPORT.

STATISTICS SHOWED THAT OVER 100 ENQUIRIES WERE RECEIVED SINCE JUNE LAST YEAR, WHEN THE FACILITY WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED AND 45 GIRLS HAVE BEEN ACCOMMODATED SINCE THAT TIME.

APPROXIMATELY 40 PER CENT OF THE BABIES BORN TO THE GIRLS LIVING IN MOTHER'S CHOICE ARE KEPT IN THE FAMILY OF EITHER THE MOTHER OR THE FATHER.

THE REMAINDER ARE CARED FOR BY THE MOTHER'S CHOICE RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE UNIT UNTIL THEY ARE PLACED IN HOMES FOR ADOPTION BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

"THOUGH THE LIST OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR LOOKS IMPRESSIVE, THERE IS STILL SO MUCH TO DO, BUT WE THOUGHT OUR ONE YEAR BIRTHDAY WAS A GOOD TIME TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR SUPPORT," MRS STEPHENS SAID.

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LADY WILSON OPENS FLOWER SHOW

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LADY WILSON THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING OPENED THE 1989 HONG KONG FLOWER SHOW, THE THIRD YEAR THAT THIS SPECTACULAR SHOW HAS BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND URBAN COUNCIL.

ON DISPLAY WERE MORE THAN A THOUSAND SPECIES OF FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS THAT SPLASHED THE SHA TIN TOWN HALL AND THE SPRAWLING CENTRAL PARK IN A BRILLIANT ARRAY OF COLOURS THAT LIFTED THE GLOOM OF THE OVERCAST SKIES OF THE MORNING.

NOTING THAT THE SHOW HAD BROUGHT TOGETHER A WIDE RANGE OF FLORAL EXHIBITS FROM OVERSEAS AND LOCAL GROUPS, LADY WILSON SAID SHE WAS DELIGHTED THAT MORE THAN 20 ASSOCIATIONS IN CHINA HAD ALSO JOINED THIS YEAR.

"OTHERS ARE FROM SINGAPORE, THAILAND, NEW ZEALAND, AND EVEN AS FAR AFIELD AS THE NETHERLANDS. IT IS EXCITING TO THINK THAT MANY OF THESE GLORIOUS EXHIBITS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT IN BY AIR FROM SO FAR AWAY."

LADY WILSON SAID IT WAS ALSO EXCITING TO SEE THE VERY VARIED SPECIES THAT WERE ABLE TO GROW IN HONG KONG, AND THAT THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT HAD MOUNTED AN EXHIBITION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS IN HONG KONG OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS.

CONGRATULATING THE TWO COUNCILS FOR THE CHOICE OF VENUE FOR ORGANISING THE EVENT JOINTLY FOR THE THIRD TIME, LADY WILSON SAID THE CENTRAL PARK SEEMS AN IDEAL PLACE, AND "IT SEEMS A MOST APPROPRIATE AND NATURAL SETTING TO LOOK AT ALL THESE LOVELY FLOWERS."

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG, SAID THE SIZE OF THE SHOW VENUE HAS ALMOST DOUBLED THAT AVAILABLE IN 1987.

"THIS YEAR WE SEE THE LARGEST EVER GARDEN COMPETITION WITH 20 ENTRIES FROM ALL DISTRICTS IN THE TERRITORY. I AM SURE THAT THIS MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY WILL BE A MAJOR ATTRACTION," MR CHEUNG SAID.

"OTHER HOME GROWN SPECIES OF HIGH QUALITY ADD TO THE EXCELLENT COLLECTION OF EXQUISITE DISPLAYS. THE 1989 FLOWER SHOW WILL DEFINITELY PROVE TO BE A FEAST FOR THE EYES," HE ADDED.

AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY, LADY WILSON THEN TOURED THE SHOW GROUND, ACCOMPANIED BY MR CHEUNG, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR H.M.G. FORSGATE, AND THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL SERVICES, MR HAIDER BARMA.

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MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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THE PROVISION OF PLACES IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN HONG KONG HAS BEEN EXPANDING RAPIDLY IN THE PAST TWO DECADES AND FIRM PLANS ARE IN HAND FOR FURTHER EXPANSION.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, MR DOMINIC WONG, SAID THIS TONIGHT (FRIDAY) AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE HONG KONG OFFICE OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME OF AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AT HARBOUR BUILDING, WAN CHAI.

"WHILE IN THE EARLY SIXTIES THERE WAS OPORTUNITY FOR LESS THAN ONE PER CENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE RELEVANT AGE GROUP TO PURSUE DEGREE STUDIES, WE NOW PROVIDE 36,000 FULL-TIME PLACES," HE SAID.

"THIS ENABLES SEVEN PER CENT OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO ENTER FOR FIRST DEGREES AND FOUR PER CENT FOR NON-DEGREE STUDIES.

"FIRM PLANS ARE IN HAND TO EXPAND STEADILY THE NUMBER OF PLACES FOR HIGHER EDUCATION SO THAT BY THE YEAR 2000 MORE THAN 14 PER CENT OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO ENTER FOR FIRST DEGREE COURSES, AND SIX PER CENT FOR STUDIES AT NON-DEGREE LEVEL.

"A FURTHER INITIATIVE IN THIS AREA WILL BE LAUNCHED IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OPEN LEARNING INSTITUTE OF HONG KONG FOR BOTH DEGREE AND NON-DEGREE STUDIES."

NOTWITHSTANDING THESE SUSTAINED EFFORTS, MR WONG SAID IT WAS CLEAR THAT IN THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS HONG KONG WOULD CONTINUE TO SUFFER FROM A SHORTAGE OF FULL-TIME PLACES IN HIGHER EDUCATION.

"INEVITABLY MANY OF OUR BRIGHT STUDENTS WILL BE PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION OVERSEAS, AND AUSTRALIA IS ONE OF THE POPULAR DESTINATIONS," HE SAID.

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT INDISPENSABLE FOR REHABILITATION PROJECTS

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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE REHABILITATION DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE (RDCC), DR HENRIETTA IP, HAS CALLED ON THE PUBLIC TO SUPPORT THE REHABILITATION PROGRAMME, WHICH IS AIMED AT INTEGRATING THE DISABLED INTO THE COMMUNITY.

SPEAKING AT A RECENT RDCC MEETING, DR IP SAID COMMUNITY SUPPORT WAS INDISPENSABLE FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED.

"SEVERAL RECENT INCIDENTS INDICATED THAT THE PUBLIC STILL HOLD MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE DISABLED," SHE SAID.

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"EDUCATION IS OBVIOUSLY NECESSARY TO ENHANCE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE DISABLED WITH A VIEW TO CHANGING THE COMMUNITY'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS REHABILITATION."

RDCC MEMBERS ALSO AGREED THAT WHAT THE DISABLED WANTED WAS RESPECT AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY SO THAT THEY COULD RECEIVE THE NECESSARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING TO ENABLE THEM TO LEAD A NORMAL LIFE.

THEY HELD THE VIEW THAT DISABLED PERSONS, WITH THE SUPPORT OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF, WOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP THEIR ABILITIES AND POTENTIAL TO THE FULL JUST LIKE ANY NORMAL PERSON.

"THE RDCC HAS ADVISED THE GOVERNMENT TO STEP UP ITS EFFORTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE," DR IP SAID.

THE ROLE OF RDCC IS TO ADVISE THE GOVERNMENT ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES IN HONG KONG.

AT ITS RECENT MEETING, RDCC MEMBERS NOTED THAT THE OPPOSITION BY SOME RESIDENTS AGAINST A HALF-WAY HOUSE PROJECT IN KWUN TONG HAD DELAYED THE PROVISION OF AN ESSENTIAL REHABILITATION SERVICE TO EX-MENTAL PATIENTS.

THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOME FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED IN CHO YIU ESTATE, KWAI CHUNG, HAD ALSO ENCOUNTERED RESISTANCE FROM SOME RESIDENTS.

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PARENTS' CO-OPERATION WITH NURSERIES ESSENTIAL

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THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR ALFRED CHUI, TODAY (FRIDAY) SAID THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN PARENTS AND NURSERIES IS ESSENTIAL FOR CHILDREN TO GROW UP HEALTHILY AND HAPPILY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE POK OI HOSPITAL CHU CHEUNG SIU FONG DAY NURSERY IN YUEN LONG, MR CHUI NOTED THAT PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION WAS THE FOUNDATION OF THE EDUCATION SYSTEM.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE CAREFULLY-DESIGNED ACTIVITIES IN NURSERIES CATERED TO THE VARIED NEEDS AND INTERESTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT SO THAT THEY COULD HAVE A BALANCED GROWTH PHYSICALLY, INTELLECTUALLY, EMOTIONALLY AND SOCIALLY.

HE STRESSED THAT NO NURSERY COULD BE A SUBSTITUTE FOR A LOVING FAMILY DESPITE ALL ITS FACILITIES AND EXPERIENCED AND LOVING STAFF.

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"PARENTS' CARE AND LOVE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN A CHILD'S GROWTH AND IT IS THE PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE THEIR CHILDREN WITH A SAFE AND WARM HOME," MR CHUI SAID.

"PARENTS SHOULD HELP THEIR CHILDREN ADJUST TO A NEW SOCIAL LIFE AND SHARE THEIR LEARNING AND GROWING EXPERIENCES ONCE THEY ARE ADMITTED TO CHILD CARE CENTRES," HE SAID.

"THUS, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND THEIR CHILDREN'S LIFE IN NURSERIES AND FOR THEM TO TAKE PART IN THESE CENTRES' ACTIVITIES," HE ADDED.

MR CHUI COMMENDED THE POK OI HOSPITAL FOR DEVELOPING A WIDE RANGE OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES OVER THE PAST 60 YEARS.

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FOUR LOTS OFFERED FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

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THE LAST AUCTION OF GOVERNMENT SITES FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 28 WHEN FOUR LOTS WILL BE OFFERED BY THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT.

THE LOTS INCLUDE TWO FOR INDUSTRIAL AND/OR GODOWN PURPOSES EXCLUDING OFFENSIVE TRADE.

ONE OF THEM IS LOCATED AT LAM HING STREET IN KOWLOON BAY WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 2,520 SQUARE METRES.

ACCORDING TO THE BUILDING COVENANT, THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF AT LEAST 16,900 SQUARE METRES BEFORE MARCH 31, 1993.

THE OTHER LOT FOR THE SAME PURPOSE IS LOCATED IN AREA 4B, SHEUNG SHUI.

IT COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 2,881 SQUARE METRES AND THE DEVELOPER HAS TO COMPLETE A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 8,643 SQUARE METRES BEFORE MARCH 31, 1992.

THE OTHER TWO LOTS ARE FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

ONE OF THEM IS LOCATED IN AREA 44B IN TAI WO TSUEN, KWAI CHUNG. IT COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 11,100 SQUARE METRES.

THE BUILDING COVENANT STIPULATES THAT A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 13,980 SQUARE METRES HAS TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE MARCH 31, 1993.

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THE OTHER LOT, COVERING AN AREA OF ABOUT 22,150 SQUARE METRES, IS LOCATED IN AREA 22 IN TAI PO.

THE DEVELOPER HAS TO COMPLETE A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 56,490 SQUARE METRES BEFORE JUNE 30, 1993.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM AND SALE PLANS SEEN AT THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

- * THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG;
- * THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG; AND
- * THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES KOWLOON, YAU MA TEI CARPARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON.

IN ADDITION, CONDITIONS OF SALE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD IN THE MARINA ROOM OF THE EXCELSIOR HOTEL, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG, STARTING AT 2.30 PM.

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GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING SIX GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES, ALL FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD IN THE HALL OF HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE, 60 PUBLIC SQUARE STREET, KOWLOON, ON MARCH 23 STARTING AT 2.30 PM.

THE PROPERTIES ARE LOCATED AT:

- * SECOND FLOOR OF NO. 73 TAI NAN STREET, KOWLOON, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 33.9 SQUARE METRES;
- * FOURTH FLOOR OF NO. 141 TAI NAN STREET, KOWLOON, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 34.6 SQUARE METRES;
- * FIRST FLOOR OF NO. 67 MAN NIN STREET, SAI KUNG, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 64.3 SQUARE METRES;
- * FIRST FLOOR OF NO. 69 MAN NIN STREET, SAI KUNG, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 64.3 SQUARE METRES;

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- * FOURTH FLOOR OF NO. 7 SHA TSUI PATH, SAI KUNG, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 64.3 SQUARE METRES; AND
- * FOURTH FLOOR OF NO. 9 SHA TSUI PATH, SAI KUNG, WITH AN AREA OF ABOUT 64.3 SQUARE METRES;

THESE PROPERTIES WILL BE SOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION.

THE PROPERTIES AT TAI NAN STREET WILL BE OPEN FOR INSPECTION BETWEEN 9.30 AM TO 12.30 PM ON MARCH 7 AND FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM ON MARCH 15.

INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTIES IN SAI KUNG MAY BE MADE BETWEEN 2 PM TO 5 PM ON MARCH 8 AND FROM 9.30 AM TO 12.30 PM ON MARCH 14.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES KOWLOON, YAU MA TEI CARPARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON; AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE SAI KUNG, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, THIRD FLOOR, CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG, NEW TERRITORIES.

CONDITIONS OF SALE WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE PROPERTIES TO BE SOLD, DURING OPENING HOURS.

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AMENDMENT TO THE DRAFT KWUN TONG OZP

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AN AMENDMENT TO THE DRAFT KWUN TONG OUTLINE ZONING PLAN WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID THAT THE AMENDMENT SERVED TO INCLUDE SOME OF THE USES WHICH WERE CURRENTLY PERMISSIBLE ON APPLICATION TO THE BOARD WITHIN AN INDUSTRIAL ZONE INTO COLUMN 2 OF THE NOTES OF "OTHER SPECIFIED USES" ANNOTATED "BUS DEPOT" ONLY.

THIS AMENDMENT WAS MADE BY THE BOARD, AFTER THOROUGH CONSIDERATION, IN RESPONSE TO AN OBJECTION REGARDING THE ZONING OF THE BUS DEPOT IN KWUN TONG INDUSTRIAL AREA.

THE AMENDMENTS TO THE PLAN CAN BE INSPECTED AT:

- * THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.
- * PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG.

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ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE AMENDMENT PLAN MAY SUBMIT HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG BY MARCH 24 THIS YEAR.

COPIES OF THE AMENDMENT PLAN ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAP SALES COUNTER, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, KOWLOON, AT \$10 PER UNCOLOURED COPY AND \$60 PER COLOUR COPY.

LAND TO BE GRANTED TO SCOUT ASSOCIATION

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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS AGREED THAT A SITE AT AUSTIN ROAD IN YAU TSIM DISTRICT SHOULD BE GRANTED BY PRIVATE TREATY TO THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION'S HEADQUARTERS.

THE PROJECT WILL ALSO INCLUDE A COACH AND BUS TERMINUS, A TELEPHONE EXCHANGE AND A MULTI-STOREY CARPARK WITH ABOUT 530 PARKING SPACES.

THE ASSOCIATION'S NEW HEADQUARTERS WILL COMPRISE AN ASSEMBLY HALL, GYMNASIUM, HOSTEL, OFFICE, CANTEEN, ACTIVITY ROOMS AND A SCOUT SHOP.

THIS COMBINATION OF FACILITIES WILL BE HOUSED IN A SINGLE BUILDING OF ABOUT 15 STOREYS. UPON COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT, THE ASSOCIATION WILL MOVE FROM ITS PRESENT HEADQUARTERS IN COX'S ROAD.

THE ASSOCIATION WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ALL THE FACILITIES ON THE LAND TO BE GRANTED. IT WILL MEET THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF THE CARPARK AND THE HEADQUARTERS, AND WILL BE REIMBURSED THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF THE COACH TERMINUS AND THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

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AMENDMENT TO TSUEN WAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT WORKS

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO AMEND IMPROVEMENT WORKS INTENDED TO BE CARRIED OUT AT LO WAI ROAD IN TSUEN WAN.

THE WORKS AFFECT THE ACCESS ROAD FROM THE END OF LO WAI ROAD NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH HILL TOP ROAD TO THE VILLAGE AREA NEAR THE YUEN YUEN INSTITUTE.

A NOTICE ON THE AMENDMENT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE ORIGINAL AUTHORISED WORKS WERE DESCRIBED IN THE PLAN AND SCHEME PUBLISHED IN GAZETTE ON MAY 29 AND JUNE 5 LAST YEAR.

NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION WAS PUBLISHED IN GAZETTE ON DECEMBER 4 AND 11.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WORKS INVOLVE:

- * REALIGNMENT OF ABOUT 150 METRES OF THE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED CARRIAGEWAY AND FOOTPATH BETWEEN THE REFUSE COLLECTION POINT AND THE PLANTER;
- * DEMOLITION OF PART OF THE EXISTING RAISED PLANTERS;
- * RETENTION OF EXISTING WATER TANKS AND PUMP HOUSE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TO BE DEMOLISHED;
- * RECONSTRUCTION OF THE EXISTING REFUSE COLLECTION POINT ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TO BE RESITED; AND
- * ASSOCIATED REVISION OF THE EXTENT OF SLOPE WORKS.

THE AMENDED PLAN AND SCHEME MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES:

- * CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG;
- * TSUEN WAN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON WHO OBJECTS TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN MAY 2 THIS YEAR.

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NEW ROADS IN CENTRAL JUNK BAY

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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO START NEW ROAD WORKS IN CENTRAL PART OF JUNK BAY TO PROVIDE ACCESS AND TRANSPORT FACILITIES TO NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREAS.

THE WORKS WILL INCLUDE WIDENING OF EXISTING CARRIAGEWAYS, CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ACCESS ROADS, FOOTPATHS AND CYCLETRACKS. THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN JUNE NEXT YEAR.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSAL WERE PUBLISHED IN A NOTICE IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A PLAN SHOWING THE EXTENT OF THE PROPOSED WORK CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG.

IT CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON WHO OBJECTS TO THE PROPOSAL MUST WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN MAY 2 THIS YEAR.

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MAXIMUM PERIOD OF LEAVE EXTENDED

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS EXTENDED THE MAXIMUM PERIOD OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR TRAINING CENTRE INMATES FROM 48 HOURS TO FIVE DAYS TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN REHABILITATIVE PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES ORGANISED OUTSIDE THE TRAINING CENTRES.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CONTAINED IN THE TRAINING CENTRES (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1989 PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

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TAXI OPERATORS REMINDED TO CO-OPERATE IN SURVEY

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS REMINDED URBAN TAXI OPERATORS WHO HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR A SURVEY ON THE OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS AND FINANCIAL SITUATION OF URBAN TAXIS TO PRESENT THEIR TAXIS FOR METER READING AT THE DEPARTMENT'S METER READING CENTRES.

THE SURVEY, WHICH IS AN ANNUAL EXERCISE, CONSISTS OF TWO PARTS: QUESTIONNAIRE AND METER READING.

TAXI OPERATORS ARE URGED TO PRESENT THEIR TAXIS TWICE FOR METER READING FROM MARCH 6 TO MARCH 10 AND FROM MARCH 13 TO MARCH 17 BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 12.30 PM AND BETWEEN 2 PM AND 4.30 PM.

TEN METER READING CENTRES WHICH WILL BE OPENED FOR THE EXERCISE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- * OI KWAN ROAD OUTSIDE MORRISON HILL SWIMMING POOL, WAN CHAI;
- * TAXI STAND NEAR WAN CHAI FERRY PIER, WAN CHAI;
- * CARPARK NEAR ANNE BLACK HEALTH CENTRE, HEALTHY STREET WEST, NORTH POINT;
- * CARPARK OUTSIDE TIN KWONG ROAD DRIVING TEST CENTRE, TO KWA WAN;
- * KAU PUI LUNG ROAD SOUTHBOUND, SECTION BETWEEN MAIDSTONE LANE AND LOK SHAN ROAD, TO KWA WAN;
- * CARPARK NEAR PARIS THEATRE, KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG;
- * TAXI STAND AT TAI KOK TSUI FERRY CONCOURSE;
- * PITT STREET, SECTION BETWEEN TUNG FONG STREET AND WATERLOO ROAD;
- * TAXI STAND AT TSUEN WAN FERRY PIER, TSUEN WAN;
- * TAXI STAND OUTSIDE SHATIN TOWN HALL, TAM KON PO STREET, SHA TIN.

MEANWHILE, OWNERS OF THE SELECTED SAMPLES ARE ALSO URGED TO RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE ON THEIR OPERATIONS TO THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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NEW PARKING CHARGES AT HK AIRPORT

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A NEW SCALE OF FEES WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC CARPARK AND SPECIAL CARPARK FACILITIES AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FROM APRIL 1.

THE REVISED PARKING FEES FOR THE PUBLIC CARPARK WILL BE \$7 PER HOUR FOR THE FIRST TWO HOURS AND \$14 PER HOUR THEREAFTER. THE PRESENT RATES ARE \$6 FOR EACH OF THE FIRST TWO HOURS AND \$12 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT HOUR.

THE MONTHLY FEE FOR THE USE OF SPECIAL PARKS WILL BE INCREASED FROM \$550 TO \$650 FOR A PRIVATE CAR AND FROM \$700 TO \$850 FOR A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AIRPORT MANAGEMENT DIVISION SAID THAT THE REVISED PARKING FEES FOR THE AIRPORT CARPARK WOULD STILL BE LESS THAN THE RATES CHARGED IN MANY PUBLIC CARPARKS.

"THE INCREASES ARE MADE TO REFLECT CURRENT MARKET RATE, AND TO COVER HIGHER OPERATING COSTS," HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THE CURRENT RATE STRUCTURE PROVIDING FOR A DOUBLING OF THE HOURLY FEE AFTER THE FIRST TWO HOURS WOULD DISCOURAGE LONG-STAY PARKING AND MAKE AVAILABLE MORE PARKING SPACES FOR SHORT-TERM USERS.

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PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES FOR UC/RC ELECTIONS START TOMORROW

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TERRITORY-WIDE PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL AND REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS WILL BEGIN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO REMIND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OF THE ELECTION DAY ON MARCH 9.

TO MARK THE EVENT, TWO BIG BANNERS CARRYING VOTING MESSAGES WILL BE UNFOLDED AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS, MR MICHAEL SUEN, AND MISS SHEILA CHIN, FIRST RUNNER-UP IN THE 1988 MISS HONG KONG PAGEANT.

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AFTER THE CEREMONY, A DECORATED VEHICLE WILL BEGIN A TOUR OF THE URBAN AREAS TO HELP PROMOTE THE VOTING MESSAGE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST (BETWEEN SOUTH SEAS CENTRE AND HOTEL REGAL MERIDIEN).

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UC ELECTION FORUMS FOR KLN CITY
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THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ORGANISED TWO FORUMS FOR THE THREE CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION IN THE KOWLOON CITY CONSTITUENCIES OF THE URBAN COUNCIL TO MEET VOTERS ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5).

THE FORUMS WILL BE HELD AT THE MARTHA BOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHUNG HAU STREET, HO MAN TIN, STARTING AT 5 PM.

THE FIRST FORUM IS FOR MR PAO PING-WING WHO IS UNOPPOSED AND HAS BEEN DECLARED ELECTED IN THE KOWLOON CITY EAST CONSTITUENCY.

THE SECOND FORUM HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR MR PETER C.K. CHAN AND MR CHIANG SAI-CHEONG. THEY ARE VYING FOR THE SEAT IN THE KOWLOON CITY WEST CONSTITUENCY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TWO FORUMS TO BE HELD AT THE MARTHA BOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHUNG HAU STREET, HO MAN TIN, ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5), STARTING AT 5 PM.

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UC ELECTION FORUM IN WAN CHAI

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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD AN OPEN FORUM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO INTRODUCE TO VOTERS THE TWO CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR ELECTION IN THE WAN CHAI CONSTITUENCY OF THE URBAN COUNCIL.

THE FORUM WILL START AT 2.30 PM IN THE DUKE OF WINDSOR SOCIAL SERVICE BUILDING AUDITORIUM, 15 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI.

THE TWO CANDIDATES - MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN AND MR WONG HON-CHING - WILL PRESENT THEIR ELECTION PLATFORMS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AT THE FORUM.

THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER MANN, WILL ALSO ATTEND THE FORUM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE UC ELECTION FORUM IN WAN CHAI.

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KWUN TONG TO LAUNCH SQUATTERS CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

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MEMBERS OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE AND KEEP KWUN TONG CLEAN ORGANISING COMMITTEE WILL ACT AS "CLEAN-UP AMBASSADORS" TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO HELP SPREAD THE "KEEP OUR DISTRICT CLEAN" MESSAGE TO RESIDENTS IN SQUATTER AREAS.

THEY WILL CONDUCT DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS IN THE LEI YUE MUN SQUATTER AREA AND DISTRIBUTE PUBLICITY LEAFLETS TO THE RESIDENTS, REMINDING THEM TO PITCH IN AND KEEP THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT CLEAN.

THESE ACTIVITIES WILL MARK THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTRICT'S CLEAN SQUATTERS/VILLAGES CAMPAIGN, ORGANISED BY THE KEEP KWUN TONG CLEAN ORGANISING COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE "KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN".

THE DISTRICT CAMPAIGN WILL CONCLUDE ON MARCH 15.

AN OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 11 AM AT THE LEI YUE MUN ROAD REST GARDEN BEFORE THE "CLEAN-UP AMBASSADORS" BEGIN THEIR MISSION.

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OFFICIATING GUESTS WILL INCLUDE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI; ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS ROSANNA URE; CHAIRMAN OF THE KEEP KWUN TONG CLEAN ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR WONG PING-KUEN; AND URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR LAM CHAK-PIU.

THE 12-DAY-LONG CLEAN SQUATTERS/VILLAGES CAMPAIGN WILL COVER SQUATTER AREAS IN LEI YUE MUN, CHA KWO LING, FAN WAH STREET, HONG NING ROAD AND LING NAM NEW VILLAGE, YAU TONG LOWER VILLAGE, CHUK LAM NEW VILLAGE, MA YAU TONG VILLAGE, ON LOK VILLAGE, WO PING VILLAGE, SAI WO YUEN/TAI SHING VILLAGE AND SAU MING VILLAGE.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL DEPLOY ADDITIONAL STAFF TO HELP RESIDENTS CLEAN UP THE ENVIRONMENT.

TEMPORARY REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS WILL ALSO BE SET UP IN THE AREA TO FACILITATE DISPOSAL OF BULKY FURNITURE AND SUNDRIES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE KWUN TONG CLEAN SQUATTERS/VILLAGES CAMPAIGN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE LEI YUE MUN REST GARDEN, HOI BUN ROAD EAST.

IT WILL BEGIN AT 11 AM.

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CARNIVAL TO SPREAD ANTI-CRIME MESSAGES IN KWAI TSING

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THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT ANNUAL FIGHT CRIME CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5), BEGINNING AT 2 PM, AT THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND TO SPREAD ANTI-CRIME MESSAGES.

THE PROGRAMME OF THE CARNIVAL WILL INCLUDE GAME STALLS, PERFORMANCES BY A SCHOOL CYCLING TEAM AND BY THE TAEKWONDO TEAM OF JUNIOR POLICE CALL, AND DEMONSTRATIONS BY POLICE DOGS. A FIGHT CRIME VEHICLE AND FIRE-FIGHTING VEHICLES WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE VENUE.

RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FUNCTION.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO WINNERS OF A CHILDREN'S COLOURING COMPETITION, THE MODEL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CONTEST AND THE GOOD CITIZEN AWARD SCHEME.

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OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CARNIVAL WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR CHOI HING-SHUN; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PAUL TANG; AND POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR E.H. EVANS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CARNIVAL WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5) AT THE KWAI CHUNG SPORTS GROUND (NEAR KWAI FONG MTR STATION).

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SEMINAR FOR NORTH DISTRICT PRIMARY STUDENTS

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STUDENTS FROM THE 47 PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN NORTH DISTRICT WILL BE ABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SECONDARY SCHOOL LIFE AT A SEMINAR TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) IN THE NORTH DISTRICT TOWN HALL, SHEUNG SHUI.

THEIR PARENTS AND TEACHERS HAVE ALSO BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND.

SPONSORED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, THE SEMINAR IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADMASTERS' CONFERENCE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE AIM OF THE SEMINAR IS TO HELP PRIMARY SIX STUDENTS TO ADAPT TO SECONDARY SCHOOL LIFE MORE EASILY.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE ALLOCATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES IN THE DISTRICT AND WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AT THE SEMINAR.

AN EXHIBITION OF WORKS BY FORM 1 STUDENTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN DURING THEIR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYED AT THE VENUE.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE SEMINAR WILL BE THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WILLIAM HUI; ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (COMMUNITY AFFAIRS), MR TIM MILNES; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR RAYMOND PANG; SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER (TAI PO AND NORTH), MR LIU TSO-TIM; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADMASTERS' CONFERENCE, MR POON HUEN-WAI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SEMINAR WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) IN THE NORTH DISTRICT TOWN HALL, LUNG SUM AVENUE, SHEUNG SHUI.

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REGISTRATION OF DTC REVOKED

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING ANNOUNCED THAT THE REGISTRATION OF FPB FINANCE LIMITED AS A DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY HAS BEEN REVOKED AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS TODAY (FRIDAY) AT ITS OWN REQUEST UNDER SECTION 31(2) OF THE BANKING ORDINANCE.

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FAMILIAR FACE LEAVING CGO

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FREQUENT VISITORS TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES WILL SOON MISS THE FAMILIAR AND FRIENDLY FACE OF MR LO CHI-WAH, A CLERICAL OFFICER WHO WORKS AT THE RECEPTION COUNTER IN THE CGO MAIN WING.

MR LO IS GOING ON LEAVE LATER THIS MONTH PRIOR TO HIS RETIREMENT IN JULY.

HE JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A MESSENGER IN 1960 AND ON RETIREMENT HE WILL HAVE ABOUT 29 YEARS OF DEVOTED SERVICE IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT BEHIND HIM.

DURING HIS CAREER, HE HAS SERVED AS A CAR PARK ATTENDANT, SENIOR HALL PORTER, RECEPTIONIST AND CLERICAL OFFICER IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT AND HAS PROVIDED A HIGH STANDARD OF SERVICE TO HIS OFFICE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS.

MR LO IS REGARDED BY HIS SUPERVISORS AS AN EFFICIENT AND EXPERIENCED OFFICER, WELL RESPECTED BOTH BY HIS COLLEAGUES AND BY VISITORS TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

IN RECOGNITION OF HIS LOYAL AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE, HE WAS AWARDED THE BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL (CIVIL DIVISION) IN 1980.

AT A FAREWELL RECEPTION TODAY (FRIDAY), THE SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, MR PETER TSAO, PRESENTED TO HIM A RETIREMENT GIFT - AN AUTO CAMERA, AND ALSO A GOLD SHIELD - AS WELL AS A LONG AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE CERTIFICATE.

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NEW ID CARDS FOR WOMEN BORN BETWEEN 1954-56
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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT WOMEN BORN IN 1954, 1955 OR 1956 WOULD BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR NEW IDENTITY CARDS FROM MARCH 13 TO MAY 6 THIS YEAR.

"WOMEN OF THE ABOVE AGE GROUP CAN CALL AT ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT NEW ID CARD ISSUE OFFICES DURING THIS PERIOD," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE OFFICES ARE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 9.30 PM DAILY, EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

"THE ISSUE OFFICES ARE VERY CROWDED IN THE EVENINGS. TO AVOID HAVING TO QUEUE UP FOR A LONG TIME AT THE ISSUE OFFICES OR TO COME BACK ON ANOTHER DAY, APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED TO GO TO THESE OFFICES IN THE MORNINGS AND AFTERNOONS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

APPLICANTS MAY ALSO MAKE USE OF THE PHONE-IN SERVICE TO ARRANGE FOR AN APPOINTMENT BY CALLING THE OFFICE OF THEIR CHOICE.

THE ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE ISSUE OFFICES ARE:

- HONG KONG : BASEMENT, 151 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI
TEL. NO. 5-747070
- EAST KOWLOON : AMOY PLAZA, SECOND FLOOR, 77 NGAU TAU KOK
ROAD TEL. NO. 3-7553679
- WEST KOWLOON : CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SECOND FLOOR,
393 CANTON ROAD, YAU MA TEI
TEL. NO. 3-7232424
- TSUEN WAN : EAST ASIA COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,
29-37 TSUEN FU STREET
TEL. NO. 0-4981259
- SHA TIN : SHOP 8A, SECOND FLOOR, CHANWAY SHOPPING
CENTRE, 11-17, SHATIN CENTRE STREET, SHA TIN
TEL. NO. 0-6059108
- YUEN LONG : HOP YICK CENTRE, SECOND FLOOR, 31 HOP YICK
ROAD TEL. NO. 0-4771543
- TUEN MUN : CHI LOK COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,
CHI LOK FA YUEN
TEL. NO. 0-4580862
- SHEUNG SHUI : TSUEN WO TAI LAU, GROUND FLOOR,
82-84 SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEK WU HUI
TEL. NO. 0-6727191

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THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED WOMEN BORN IN 1957, 1958 OR 1959 WHO HAVE NOT APPLIED FOR THEIR NEW IDENTITY CARDS TO COME FORWARD WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY AS THERE IS ONLY ONE MORE WEEK LEFT BEFORE THE CURRENT PHASE CLOSES ON MARCH 11.

HE POINTED OUT THAT FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW IDENTITY CARD WITHIN THE SPECIFIED PERIOD IS AN OFFENCE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$3,000.

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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REHABILITATION VOLUNTEERS TO BE AWARDED CERTIFICATES

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT RECRUITS VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE PART IN THE "VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS" EACH YEAR TO ASSIST IN THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS.

APART FROM BEFRIENDING PROBATIONERS, THE VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP THEM DEVELOP MEANINGFUL HOBBIES AND HABITS, AND CULTIVATE HEALTHY PURSUITS. TUITION AND USEFUL GUIDANCE CAN ALSO BE PROVIDED TO THE PROBATIONERS.

TO RECOGNISE THEIR EFFORTS IN WORKING WITH PROBATIONERS, CHIEF MAGISTRATE, MR RICHARD HAWKES, WILL PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION TO THE VOLUNTEERS AT A CEREMONY TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR STEPHEN LAW, WILL ALSO PRESENT SOUVENIRS TO LONG-SERVING VOLUNTEERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONER AT THE CRYSTAL BALLROOM, THIRD LOWER LEVEL, HOLIDAY INN GOLDEN MILE, TSIM SHA TSUI, TOMORROW (SATURDAY). THE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURE TO BE CLOSED

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE AN ILLEGAL STRUCTURE IN YUEN LONG SO THAT IT CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS AND TO THE PUBLIC.

THE STRUCTURE IS AT FLAT A, THIRD FLOOR, KAM SHING BUILDING, BLOCK I, 162 - 168 ON NING ROAD.

THE CLOSURE IS PART OF AN EXERCISE TO ENFORCE AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE ON FEBRUARY 11 LAST YEAR REQUIRING THE DEMOLITION OF THE STRUCTURE.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COURT ON MAY 4 WAS POSTED ON A CONSPICUOUS PART OF THE STRUCTURE YESTERDAY (THURSDAY).

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WILL START IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CLOSURE ORDER IS MADE.

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RECRUITMENT OF TEMPORARY LIFE GUARDS

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IS RECRUITING TEMPORARY LIFE GUARDS FOR THE URBAN SERVICES AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS TO MAN GAZETTED BEACHES AND SWIMMING POOLS DURING THE SWIMMING SEASON THIS YEAR.

APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE GOOD PHYSIQUE AND GOOD EYESIGHT, PREFERABLY BE AGED UNDER 35, AND POSSESS A BRONZE MEDALLION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY.

THE JOB IS OPEN TO BOTH MEN AND WOMEN. IT OFFERS A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$4,160 OR A DAILY WAGE OF \$168.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE POST MAY APPROACH ANY OF THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT OR TELEPHONE 5-270622, 3-695525, 3-265123 OR 0-4920154.

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FAMILY DAY FOR 1,800 CHILDREN
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THE GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL FAMILY DAY ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5) IN THE COMPOUND OF THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS IN OIL STREET, NORTH POINT.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT MORE THAN 1,800 CHILDREN OF ITS STAFF WILL BE THERE TO ENJOY THE FREE ENTERTAINMENT.

THE EVENT WILL START AT 1 PM WITH THE DOTTING OF A LION'S EYES BY THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES, FOLLOWED BY A LION DANCE PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE SIDE-SHOWS, GAME STALLS, FIRE ENGINE AND FIREARM DISPLAY, CHINESE WORD PUZZLE COMPETITION AND A POP SONGS PERFORMANCE. THERE WILL ALSO BE A POLICE DOG DEMONSTRATION AND A BICYCLE-RIDING DEMONSTRATION.

MUSIC WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES BAND AND THE TAI TAM GIRLS' PIPERS AND MARCHING TEAM.

A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AND LUCKY DRAW WILL BE HELD AT THE END OF THE DAY.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL FAMILY DAY TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5) IN THE DEPARTMENT'S COMPOUND, 12 OIL STREET, NORTH POINT. THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL START AT 1 PM.

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TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURES IN SHA TIN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS, SECTIONS OF HUNG MUI KUK ROAD AND TAI PO ROAD IN SHA TIN WILL BE CLOSED FROM MONDAY (MARCH 6).

THE FAST LANE OF HUNG MUI KUK ROAD WESTBOUND FROM A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CHUNG PAK ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE CLOSED FROM MARCH 6 TO 31.

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MEANWHILE, THE SLOW LANE OF TAI PO ROAD SOUTHBOUND NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH SHA TIN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED DAILY FROM 7 PM TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY FROM MARCH 6 FOR TWO NIGHTS.

IN ADDITION, THE FAST LANE OF THE SAME SECTION OF TAI PO ROAD SOUTHBOUND WILL BE CLOSED DAILY BETWEEN 7 PM AND 6 AM THE NEXT DAY ON MARCH 9 AND 10.

MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED TO DRIVE WITH CARE AND PATIENCE. APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC AIDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUIDE THEM.

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RE-OPENING OF PAK TIN STREET, SHAM SHUI PO
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT PAK TIN STREET IN SHAM SHUI PO BETWEEN TAI PO ROAD AND BERWICK STREET WILL BE RE-OPENED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 6) FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF ROAD WORKS.

AS A RESULT, KMB ROUTES 2B, 2F, 6D, 40, 86 AND 86A, AND GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 42 WILL RESUME THEIR NORMAL ROUTEINGS.

IN ADDITION, THESE BUS ROUTES WILL AGAIN OBSERVE THE BUS STOP IN WOH CHAI STREET OUTSIDE BLOCK 29 OF SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE.

AT THE SAME TIME, PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE BANNED FROM PEI HO STREET BETWEEN TAI PO ROAD AND BERWICK STREET.

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TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURES ON NT CIRCULAR ROAD
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK, SECTIONS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD IN FANLING WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC DURING THE FOLLOWING PERIODS :

- * MARCH 6 - OUTER-MOST NORTHBOUND LANE BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT AND TSUNG PAK LONG.
- * MARCH 7 - OUTER-MOST NORTHBOUND LANE BETWEEN TSUNG PAK LONG AND KWU TUNG.
- * MARCH 8 - OUTER-MOST NORTHBOUND LANE BETWEEN KWU TUNG AND PAK SHEK AU.

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