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ROLE OF CLOTHING INDUSTRY STRESSED

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HONG KONG'S CLOTHING INDUSTRY HAS CONSISTENTLY ACCOUNTED FOR WELL OVER A THIRD OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF OUR DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND HAS EMPLOYED OVER A QUARTER OF OUR INDUSTRIAL WORK FORCE, REMARKED THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE AT THE FASHION PRESENTATION FOR HONG KONG WOOL KNITWEAR '84 ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL THIS EVENING.

SIR PHILIP SAID THE FACT THAT THE CLOTHING INDUSTRY HAD RETAINED ITS RELATIVE IMPORTANCE IN THIS WAY, DESPITE A 27-FOLD INCREASE IN THE TOTAL VALUE OF HONG KONG'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF 20 YEARS WHICH REFLECTED THE VIGOROUS RESPONSE OF LOCAL MANUFACTURERS TO UNHINDERED MARKET FORCES.

+WHEN FACED WITH LOW COST COMPETITION FROM OTHER SUPPLIERS IN THE REGION AND ELSEWHERE, INSTEAD OF PLEADING DISTRESS -- AND RUNNING THE RISK OF THE GOVERNMENT BEING SYMPATHETIC -- OUR MANUFACTURERS HAVE CONTINUOUSLY INVESTED AND REINVESTED IN THE LATEST EQUIPMENT, REVAMPED THEIR PRODUCTION LINES, RESPONDED TO CHANGING FASHIONS AND EXPLORED THE USE OF NEW FIBRES AND FABRICS,+ HE SAID.

COMMENTING ON THE CLOTHING INDUSTRY'S TOTAL EXPORT EARNINGS, SIR PHILIP SAID, +IN 1982 OUR TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS WERE VALUED AT A RECORD \$83 BILLION, EXPORTS OF HONG KONG MADE CLOTHING WERE VALUED AT A RECORD \$28.8 BILLION AND EXPORTS OF HONG KONG MADE KNITWEAR WERE VALUED AT A RECORD \$9.4 BILLION.

SIR PHILIP ALSO SAID THERE COULD BE NO DOUBT THAT FREE TRADE WAS ONE OF THE GREATEST BLESSINGS WHICH GOVERNMENTS COULD CONFER ON MANKIND.

+I ACCEPT THAT, IN HONG KONG, OUR VERY CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE THE CASE FOR FREE TRADE.

+BEING SO EXTERNALLY ORIENTED, SO RESOURCELESS, WE HAVE TO BUY IN ORDER TO PRODUCE SO THAT WE MAY SELL IN ORDER TO EARN OUR LIVING.

+BUT WE ARE PHILOSOPHICALLY COMMITTED TO FREE TRADE TOO, BE IT PRINCIPLE OR EXPEDIENT, JUST AS WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM,+ HE SAID.

THE FASHION SHOW AND OTHER EVENTS OF THE HONG KONG WOOL KNITWEAR '84, ORGANISED BY THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL WOOL SECRETARIAT, WAS EVIDENCE OF THIS COMMITMENT TO FREE TRADE, HE ADDED.

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ANTI-DRUG DRIVE STARTS IN WONG TAI SIN

THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION TO THE DRUG ADDICTION PROBLEM LIES IN THE LONG-TERM PREVENTIVE EDUCATION TO INSTIL IN YOUNG PEOPLE'S MIND A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES OF DRUG ABUSE.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS COMMITTEE, MR MICHAEL CHENG, SAID THIS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TWO-WEEK DISTRICT CAMPAIGN BEGINNING AT MORSE PARK TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE WONG TAI SIN CAMPAIGN, HE SAID, WAS PART OF GOVERNMENT'S PUBLICITY EFFORTS TO ALERT PEOPLE ABOUT THE SERIOUSNESS OF DRUG ADDICTION.

MR CHENG POINTED OUT THAT THERE HAD BEEN AN UPSWING IN THE DRUG PROBLEM INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

ACCORDING TO THE CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ABUSE, HE SAID, THERE WERE ONLY 388 YOUNG ADDICTS AGED UNDER 21 IN 1978, REPRESENTING A MERE 5.9 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE CENTRE.

+HOWEVER, THE NUMBER HAD INCREASED TO A STAGGERING 939 PEOPLE OR 26.8 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL CASES IN 1982,+ MR CHENG SAID.

+DURING THE SAME PERIOD, PROSECUTIONS ON VARIOUS DRUG OFFENCES INVOLVING YOUNG PEOPLE HAD ALSO RISEN FROM 294 IN 1978 TO 1 016 IN 1982.+

MORE THAN 5 000 YOUNG PEOPLE ATTENDED THE EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT-PACKED PROGRAMME AT MORSE PARK TODAY.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EVENT INCLUDED AN ANTI-NARCOTICS SLOGANS FLASH BOARDS PERFORMANCE, A LION DANCE, POLICE BAND PERFORMANCES AND A CARNIVAL FEATURING MORE THAN 25 GAMES STALLS.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE A LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, REV PATRICK MCGOVERN; THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR H.T. LUI; THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PHILIP CHOK; AND THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR K.K. LAM.

IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, WONG TAI SIN RESIDENTS WILL BE TAKING PART IN A SERIES OF INTERESTING AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

THESE WILL INCLUDE AN ESSAY COMPETITION, A CROSS WORD PUZZLE, A VARIETY SHOW, A ROUND-THE-DISTRICT WALK AND AN EXCURSION TO THE MACLEHOSE TRAIL. DETAILS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE.

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WAGE INDEXES FOR JUNE 1983
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY PUBLISHED THE WAGE INDEXES FOR JUNE 1983.

TAKING MARCH 1982 AS 100, THE OVERALL NOMINAL WAGE INDEX STOOD AT 110 FOR JUNE 1983, REPRESENTING INCREASES OF 2 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH MARCH 1983 AND OF 8 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH JUNE 1982.

THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN JUNE 1982 AND JUNE 1983 FOR SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 1.

COMPARING JUNE 1983 WITH MARCH 1983, THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED BY 2 PER CENT (PLEASE REFER TO TABLE 3 FOR MORE DETAILED BREAKDOWNS), FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 1 PER CENT, FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR BY 4 PER CENT AND FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 1 PER CENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR DECREASED BY 1 PER CENT.

COMPARING JUNE 1983 WITH JUNE 1982, THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED BY 8 PER CENT, FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 7 PER CENT, FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR BY 11 PER CENT, FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 7 PER CENT AND FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR BY 4 PER CENT.

TAKING MARCH 1982 AS 100, THE OVERALL REAL WAGE INDEX STOOD AT 98 FOR JUNE 1983. THE INDEX INCREASED BY 1 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH MARCH 1983, BUT DECLINED BY 1 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH JUNE 1982.

THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN JUNE 1982 AND JUNE 1983 FOR SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 2.

COMPARING JUNE 1983 WITH MARCH 1983, THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR INCREASED BY 1 PER CENT AND FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR BY 2 PER CENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR REMAINED UNCHANGED, WHILE THOSE FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR AND THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR DECLINED, EACH BY 1 PER CENT.

COMPARING JUNE 1983 WITH JUNE 1982, THE REAL WAGE INDEXES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR DECLINED BY 1 PER CENT FOR THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR BY 3 PER CENT, FOR BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR BY 2 PER CENT AND FOR THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR BY 4 PER CENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE REAL WAGE INDEX FOR THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR INCREASED BY 2 PER CENT.

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THESE WAGE INDEXES ARE DERIVED FROM THE SURVEY OF WAGES, SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CONDUCTED EVERY QUARTER BY THE DEPARTMENT COVERING BOTH MANUAL AND NON-MANUAL WORKERS (EXCLUDING WORKERS AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL LEVELS) IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, THE TRANSPORT SERVICES SECTOR, THE BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR AND THE PERSONAL SERVICES SECTOR.

SUCH WAGE INDEXES MEASURE CHANGES IN WAGE RATES BY HOLDING THE STRUCTURAL PATTERNS OF THE LABOUR FORCE WITH RESPECT TO INDUSTRY, OCCUPATION, SEX AND MODE OF PAYMENT THE SAME AS THAT OF MARCH 1982, WHICH IS THE BASE PERIOD OF THE WAGE INDEXES.

WHILE THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX MEASURES CHANGES IN WAGE RATES IN MONEY TERMS, THE REAL WAGE INDEX, WHICH IS OBTAINED BY DEFLATING THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX BY THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX(A), MEASURES CHANGES IN THE PURCHASING POWER OF WAGES (ALTHOUGH THE SAME DEFLATOR IS USED FOR EACH INDUSTRY TO DERIVE THE REAL WAGE INDEX FROM ITS NOMINAL COUNTERPART, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MOVEMENTS OF THE NOMINAL WAGE INDEX AND THE REAL WAGE INDEX BETWEEN ANY TWO TIME PERIODS MAY VARY SLIGHTLY FROM INDUSTRY TO INDUSTRY DUE TO ROUNDING.)

APART FROM BASIC WAGES AND SALARIES, WAGE RATE IS DEFINED TO INCLUDE ALSO COST-OF-LIVING ALLOWANCE, MEAL BENEFITS, COMMISSION AND TIPS, GOOD ATTENDANCE BONUS, NIGHT SHIFT ALLOWANCE, YEAR-END BONUS AND OTHER GUARANTEED AND REGULAR BONUSES AND ALLOWANCES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT DREW ATTENTION TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE WAGE INDEXES AND THE INDEXES OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED WHICH ARE ALSO PUBLISHED AT QUARTERLY INTERVALS.

ESSENTIALLY THE WAGE INDEXES, WHICH MEASURE THE CHANGE OF THE PRICE OF LABOUR, ARE CONCERNED WITH THE MOVEMENTS OF WAGE RATES WHICH INDICATE THE AMOUNT OF REMUNERATION FOR NORMAL TIME OF WORK.

ON THE OTHER HAND, INDEXES OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED ARE AFFECTED BY CHANGES IN WAGE RATES, AS WELL AS CHANGES IN OTHER FACTORS SUCH AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ACTUALLY WORKED, THE COMPOSITION OF THE LABOUR FORCE AND THE INCIDENCE OF THE PAYMENT OF BONUSES AND BACK-PAY. AS A RESULT, THE MOVEMENTS OF THE WAGE INDEXES DO NOT NECESSARILY AGREE WITH THOSE OF THE INDEXES OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED.

FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE WAGE INDEXES, PLEASE CONTACT THE WAGES AND LABOUR COSTS STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NO. 5-452703.

TABLE 1: NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES BY SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS

SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS	INDEXES (MARCH 1982=100)				
	JUNE 1982	SEPT 1982	DEC 1982	MAR 1983	JUNE 1983
MANUFACTURING	102	103	105	108	110
WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	100	102	104	106	107
TRANSPORT SERVICES	106	110	110	114	118
BUSINESS SERVICES	102	103	103	108	109
PERSONAL SERVICES	102	103	104	107	106
ALL SECTORS ABOVE	102	103	105	108	110

TABLE 2: REAL WAGE INDEXES BY SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS

SELECTED MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS	INDEXES (MARCH 1982=100)				
	JUNE 1982	SEPT 1982	DEC 1982	MAR 1983	JUNE 1983
MANUFACTURING	99	98	98	97	98
WHOLESALE/RETAIL, IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	98	97	98	96	95
TRANSPORT SERVICES	103	105	103	103	105
BUSINESS SERVICES	99	98	96	97	97
PERSONAL SERVICES	99	98	98	96	95
ALL SECTORS ABOVE	99	99	99	97	98

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TABLE 3: NOMINAL WAGE INDEXES FOR MAJOR INDUSTRIES IN THE
MANUFACTURING SECTOR

INDUSTRY	INDEXES (MARCH 1982=100)				
	JUNE 1982	SEPT 1982	DEC 1982	MAR 1983	JUNE 1983
GARMENTS	102	103	105	106	108
GLOVES	102	103	105	107	107
HANDBAGS	100	101	102	105	106
COTTON SPINNING/WEAVING	101	102	102	108	111
KNITTING	104	104	106	108	112
BLEACHING AND DYEING	102	103	103	107	109
PRINTING	104	105	106	108	113
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	102	102	105	107	110
METAL PRODUCTS	101	102	103	107	110
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES	101	103	102	106	109
ELECTRONICS	101	103	105	109	110
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	100	103	106	111	112
MANUFACTURING	102	103	105	108	110

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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOUNDARIES TO BE REVIEWED
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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AT THEIR MEETING ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 18).

MEMBERS WILL CONSIDER WHETHER THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES OF WAN CHAI BE EXPANDED TO TAKE UP SOME OTHER CONSTITUENCIES FROM HER NEIGHBOURING DISTRICTS, OR BE PARTIALLY MERGED WITH OTHERS.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE BACKGROUND OF SAM PAN STREET WHICH HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN A PILOT SCHEME TO RESUME PRIVATE STREETS FOR BETTER MANAGEMENT.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE A REVIEW OF THE 'MEET THE PUBLIC' SCHEME, AND PROGRESS REPORTS ON STREET MANAGEMENT AND THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 4 PM ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 18) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF TUNG WAH BUILDING, 201 HENNESSY ROAD, HONG KONG.

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FOUNTAINS BRIGHTEN NT SITTING OUT SPOTS
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SEVERAL ATTRACTIVELY DESIGNED FOUNTAINS HAVE BEEN BUILT AT SITTING OUT SPOTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES TO PROVIDE A MORE PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ENJOYING THEIR LEISURE TIME.

THOSE THAT BEGAN FUNCTIONING ARE LOCATED AT YAN OI TOWN SQUARE IN TUEN MUN AND AT TAI YUK ROAD REST GARDEN ADJACENT TO YUEN LONG PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE FOUNTAINS ARE BUILT IN THE MIDST OF LANDSCAPED AREAS, FLOWER BEDS, WOODEN ARBOURS, BENCHES, TABLES AND PARK LIGHTING +FOR AN EYE-CATCHING AND HARMONIOUS EFFECT,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE SAID THAT THE FOUNTAIN AT TSING YEUNG REST GARDEN ARE BEING BUILT LIKE WATER FALLS IN THREE DIFFERENT LEVELS.

THERE ARE SIX FOUNTAIN BOWLS EQUIPPED WITH COLOURED LIGHTING -- THE FIRST OF THEIR KIND IN THE NEW TERRITORIES. THIS FOUNTAIN IS EXPECTED TO BE READY VERY SOON, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SEMINAR ORGANISED
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EMPLOYERS WERE URGED TODAY (SUNDAY) TO SEND THEIR MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL TO ATTEND AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SEMINAR TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 9.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE ONE-DAY SEMINAR IS ORGANISED BY THE COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD WITH A VIEW TO MAKING THE PARTICIPANTS MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY AT WORK.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD IN THE SHANGRI-LA HOTEL, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, AND MR ALLEN LEE PENG-FEI, AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WILL BE GIVING TALKS ON VARIOUS TOPICS AT THE SEMINAR.

AMONG THE SPEAKERS ARE MR CHAN SHIU-LAP, CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR, LABOUR DEPARTMENT; PROFESSOR P.C. LEUNG, DEPARTMENT OF ORTHOPAEDIC AND TRAUMATIC SURGERY OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG; MR CHAN WING-HONG, SENIOR MANAGER, INDUSTRIAL CENTRE OF HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC; MR S.S. WONG, CHIEF SAFETY AND SECURITY ADVISOR OF THE SHELL COMPANY OF HONG KONG LTD.; MR KO YING, GENERAL MANAGER OF ASIA INSURANCE COMPANY LTD. AND MR HOUDINI HO, SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE SEMINAR IS \$200 PER PERSON, AND THIS INCLUDES TEA AND LUNCH.

PEOPLE WISHING TO JOIN THE SEMINAR SHOULD CONTACT THE FACTORY INSPECTORATE DIVISION OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ON 3-688111 EXT 401.

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75 000 STUDENTS TAKING PART IN CAREERS QUIZ
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ABOUT 75 000 FORMS III, IV AND V STUDENTS FROM 150 SCHOOLS ARE TAKING PART IN A CAREERS QUIZ ORGANISED BY THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

DISCLOSING THIS TODAY (SUNDAY), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT THE QUIZ IS AIMED AT MAKING THE STUDENTS MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CHOOSING CAREERS AND ENCOURAGING THEM TO SEARCH FOR RELEVANT USEFUL INFORMATION MATERIAL.

THE QUIZ, ORGANISED FOR THE FIRST TIME LAST YEAR, WAS SO WELL RECEIVED BY STUDENTS AND SCHOOL AUTHORITIES THAT THE DEPARTMENT DECIDED TO REPEAT IT THIS YEAR.

THIS YEAR'S QUIZ, IS SPONSORED BY WANG PACIFIC LTD., WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED BOOK ALLOWANCES, SOUVENIRS AND TROPHIES FOR THE QUIZ.

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IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THE TWO-ROUND QUIZ STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER 50 QUESTIONS WITHIN 15 MINUTES ABOUT CAREERS INFORMATION, INDUSTRIAL TRAINING, FURTHER STUDIES, AND EMPLOYMENT LAWS.

THE STUDENT SCORING THE HIGHEST MARKS IN HIS CLASS WILL BE AWARDED A SOUVENIR, AND THE THREE SCHOOLS HAVING THE HIGHEST MARKS WILL BE GIVEN TROPHIES.

THE SECOND ROUND OF THE QUIZ WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH. STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RETURN THEIR QUESTIONNAIRES AT A CAREERS EXHIBITION TO BE HELD BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL FROM NOVEMBER 12 TO 21.

A BOOK ALLOWANCE OF \$2 000 WILL BE PRESENTED TO EACH OF THE FIRST THREE STUDENTS IN THE SECOND ROUND, AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE NEXT 100 STUDENTS WITH HIGH MARKS.

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STUDENTS INVITED TO POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION * * *

ALL SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A ROAD SAFETY POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB SECTION.

THE THEME OF THE COMPETITION WILL BE CAPTAIN SAFETY. HOWEVER, STUDENTS MAY ALSO FEATURE IN THEIR POSTERS OTHER ROAD SAFETY MESSAGES SUCH AS THE WEARING OF SEAT-BELT.

SELECTED POSTERS WILL BE DISPLAYED AT THE ROAD SAFETY CHILDREN'S RALLY TO BE HELD AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM, WAN CHAI, ON NOVEMBER 11 THIS YEAR.

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO TWO DIVISIONS - SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, AND EACH PARTICIPANT CAN SUBMIT ANY NUMBER OF DESIGNS.

ALL ENTRIES MUST CONFORM TO THE STANDARD A2 SIZE OF 420 MM X 594 MM AND THEY MUST BEAR ON THE BACK IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH THE NAME, AGE AND THE NAME OF SCHOOL OF THE PARTICIPANT, AND BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE SCHOOL'S ENTRY FORM.

THE WINNER OF EACH DIVISION WILL BE GIVEN A BOOK OR STATIONARY TOKEN WORTH \$200 WHILE THE FIRST AND SECOND RUNNERS-UP WILL BE AWARDED BOOK OR STATIONARY TOKENS WORTH \$150 AND \$100 RESPECTIVELY.

THERE WILL ALSO BE 20 MERIT PRIZES IN EACH DIVISION.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH HEADS OF SCHOOLS TO THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB SECTION, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT ROOM 437, LEE GARDENS, 4TH FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY BEFORE NOVEMBER 7.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING THE COMPETITION CAN BE MADE AT THE CYC SECTION ON 5-8392376-80.

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DANCING COMPETITION FOR ALL
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A TWO-DAY DANCING COMPETITION FOR ALL KOWLOON CITY RESIDENTS WILL BE HELD BEGINNING NOVEMBER 12.

THE COMPETITION, SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD AT A COST OF \$10 000, IS DIVIDED INTO THREE DIVISIONS FOR GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS, CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 12, AND KINDERGARTEN PUPILS.

PARTICIPANTS CAN COMPETE IN EITHER THE ORIENTAL DANCE OR THE WESTERN DANCE SECTION.

THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, SAID: +DANCING IS A VERY GOOD EXERCISE TO HELP STIMULATE OUR INTUITIVE MUSICAL SENSE AND CULTIVATE A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION.

+I HOPE ALL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS WILL ENCOURAGE THEIR STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN SUCH A MEANINGFUL ACTIVITY.+

HE SAID WINNERS FROM THE THREE DIVISIONS WILL BE INVITED TO PERFORM, TOGETHER WITH OTHER LOCAL DANCE GROUPS, AT A +FOLK DANCE NITE+ AT THE KO SHAN THEATRE IN DECEMBER.

ENTRY FORMS FOR THE COMPETITION ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE AT 141-143 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, THE HUNG HOM BRANCH OFFICE AT 32 WUHU STREET, AND THE HO MAN TIN BRANCH OFFICE AT BLOCK 8, HO MAN TIN ESTATE.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT 3-7110171.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES DUE IN THREE AREAS
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NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED IN WONG CHUK HANG, CENTRAL AND SHAU KEI WAN FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 18).

IN WONG CHUK HANG, ALL VEHICLES, EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES, LEAVING THE WESTERN END OF HEUNG YIP ROAD WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING LEFT INTO WONG CHUK HANG ROAD DURING THE PERIODS FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

HOWEVER, THESE VEHICLES MAY TURN LEFT INTO THE UP-RAMP OF AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE ROAD.

IN CENTRAL, THE EXISTING 24-HOUR CLEARWAY FOR PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES AT CONNAUGHT PLACE WILL BE EXTENDED TO COVER THE SECTION OF CONNAUGHT PLACE NORTH OF HARBOUR VIEW STREET UP TO THE ENTRANCE OF BLAKE PIER.

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ALL PLBS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM STOPPING FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE.

IN SHAU KEI WAN, THE FOLLOWING MEASURES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR ABOUT 18 MONTHS:

- * ALDRICH STREET BETWEEN FACTORY STREET AND PO MAN STREET WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND;
- * PO MAN STREET BETWEEN ALDRICH STREET AND MONG LUNG STREET WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND;
- * MONG LUNG STREET BETWEEN PO MAN STREET AND KAM WAH STREET WILL BECOME ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND;
- * KAM WAH STREET BETWEEN ALDRICH STREET AND MONG LUNG STREET WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND.

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