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INTERIM REPORT ON CIVIL SERVICE PAY INQUIRY

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THE INDEPENDENT COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY ON CIVIL SERVICE PAY HAS SUBMITTED AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE REPORT CONTAINS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE 1988 CIVIL SERVICE PAY ADJUSTMENT AND THE 1987-88 PAY TREND SURVEY. THE REPORT AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING EXAMINED.

THE COMMITTEE HAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE 1988 PAY ADJUSTMENT, WHICH TOOK EFFECT FROM APRIL 1 THIS YEAR, BE RECALCULATED ON THE BASIS OF THE FOLLOWING REVISED PAY TREND INDICATORS -

UPPER PAY BAND	9.56 PER CENT
MIDDLE PAY BAND	9.93 PER CENT
LOWER PAY BAND	9.62 PER CENT

WHEREAS THE AWARD MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT WAS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING PAY TREND INDICATORS -

UPPER PAY BAND	6.54 PER CENT
MIDDLE PAY BAND	7.28 PER CENT
LOWER PAY BAND	8.50 PER CENT

A NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS ON IMPROVING THE PAY TREND SURVEY SYSTEM HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE.

THE COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY WAS APPOINTED IN AUGUST THIS YEAR TO CONSIDER THE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE STAFF SIDE ON THE 1988 PAY ADJUSTMENT IMPLEMENTED WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1 THIS YEAR, AND RELATED MATTERS.

IT STARTED WORK IN OCTOBER AND HAS SINCE RECEIVED REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE OFFICIAL AND STAFF SIDES OF THE SENIOR CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL, OTHER STAFF ASSOCIATIONS, INDIVIDUAL CIVIL SERVANTS AND RELEVANT PRIVATE SECTOR ORGANISATIONS.

THE SECOND PHASE OF THE COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY'S WORK, ON THE METHODOLOGY AND FINDINGS OF THE 1986 PAY LEVEL SURVEY ON NON-DIRECTORATE CIVIL SERVANTS, WILL BEGIN IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR.

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ATV, TVB GRANTED NEW LICENCES

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THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL TODAY (TUESDAY) GRANTED NEW 12-YEAR LICENCES TO ATV LTD. AND TVB LTD. WITH EFFECT FROM DECEMBER 1 THIS YEAR.

THE LICENCES WILL BE SUBJECT TO A MID-TERM REVIEW AND RENEWAL IN 1994.

ANNOUNCING THIS, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE DECISION TO GRANT THE LICENCES WAS MADE AFTER THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL APPROVED THE APPLICATIONS OF BOTH COMPANIES FOR NEW LICENCES AND AFTER THE LICENSEES HAD COMPLIED WITH THOSE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEWLY AMENDED TELEVISION ORDINANCE WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT ON NOVEMBER 21 THIS YEAR.

THE NEW LICENCING CONDITIONS DESCRIBE THE "PRINCIPLES OF BROADCASTING" IN SOME DETAIL.

UNDER CLAUSE 5, THE LICENSEES ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE PROPER USE OF THE RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

THEY HAVE A DUTY TO ENTERTAIN, INFORM AND EDUCATE AND TO ENSURE THAT THEIR PROGRAMMING IS BALANCED IN CONTENT AND IS COMPREHENSIVE AND RESPONSIVE TO PUBLIC NEEDS.

THEY ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO APPLY UP-TO-DATE BROADCAST TECHNOLOGY.

A NEW LICENCE CONDITION IS THAT THE LICENSEES WILL BE REQUIRED FIRSTLY TO CONSIDER ANY COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND SECONDLY TO KEEP A COMPLAINTS RECORD WHICH MUST BE SUBMITTED REGULARLY TO THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN COMMENTED: "THIS CONDITION WILL HELP TO ENSURE THAT IN FUTURE THE TELEVISION COMPANIES ARE MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY AND MORE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS."

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT UNDER THE NEW LICENCE CONDITIONS, THERE ARE MINIMUM PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO DOCUMENTARIES, CURRENT AFFAIRS PROGRAMMES, ADVISORY PROGRAMMES AND CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES.

THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE MADE IN RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE BROADCASTING REVIEW BOARD IN 1985 AND THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY IN 1987.

FURTHERMORE, THERE IS A NEW REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMMES TO BE "WHOLLY OF HONG KONG ORIGIN", THAT IS, PROGRAMMES PRODUCED IN HONG KONG OR BY THE LICENSEES OR THEIR SUBSIDIARIES PRIMARILY FOR THE HONG KONG VIEWERS.

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TO SAFEGUARD VIEWERS' INTEREST, THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY WILL HAVE NEW POWERS UNDER THE LICENCE.

FOR INSTANCE, IT WILL HAVE THE POWER TO RESTRICT REPEATS OF FEATURE FILMS BY THE STATIONS.

IT WILL ALSO HAVE THE POWER TO APPROVE TELOPING, TELETEXT SERVICES AND ARRANGEMENTS AS REGARDS NEWS BROADCASTS.

THE LICENCES ALSO STIPULATE THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF BREAKS FOR ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL AND PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS TO FIVE MINUTES BETWEEN PROGRAMMES AND 3.5 MINUTES WITHIN A PROGRAMME.

UNDER THE TELEVISION ORDINANCE AS AMENDED, THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF ADVERTISING IS 10 MINUTES IN ANY CLOCK HOUR OR 10 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL BROADCAST TIME FOR ANY PERIOD OF 24 HOURS STARTING AT 6 AM.

IN LINE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S ANTI-SMOKING POLICY, THE LICENCES PROVIDE FOR FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON TOBACCO ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP ON TELEVISION WITH EFFECT FROM DECEMBER 1 THIS YEAR.

THERE WILL BE AN ABSOLUTE BAN AFTER DECEMBER 1, 1990.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ALSO POINTED OUT THAT, UNDER THE NEW LICENCE CONDITIONS, BOTH ATV AND TVB WILL BE REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE SIX-YEAR CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANS WHICH THEY SUBMITTED TO THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY IN AUGUST THIS YEAR.

"THE PURPOSE OF THESE PLANS, TOGETHER WITH OTHER LICENCE CONDITIONS, IS TO ENSURE AN ACCEPTABLE STANDARD OF BROADCASTING IN FUTURE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN THE CASE OF TVB, THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THE CONSIDERABLE INVESTMENT MADE BY THE COMPANY IN THE PAST FOUR YEARS AND WAS SATISFIED WITH TVB'S PLAN TO INVEST AN ADDITIONAL \$123 MILLION IN THE NEXT SIX YEARS.

IN THE CASE OF ATV, THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY NOTED THE COMPANY'S PROPOSAL TO INVEST A MINIMUM OF \$233 MILLION IN THE NEXT SIX YEARS AND ITS PLAN TO CONSTRUCT A PERMANENT AND PROPERLY EQUIPPED PRODUCTION CENTRE, WHICH THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY CONSIDERED TO BE FUNDAMENTAL TO ATV'S FUTURE STRATEGY.

THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY RECOMMENDED THAT A NEW LICENCE BE OFFERED TO ATV IN THE LIGHT OF THE ATV'S COMMITMENTS IN ITS SIX-YEAR INVESTMENT AND STRATEGIC PLAN AND ITS DETERMINATION, AS REFLECTED IN THE PLAN, TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT HEADWAY IN THE COMPETITION FOR AUDIENCES IN THE COMING SIX YEARS.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE NEW LICENCES WOULD BE SUBJECT TO A MID-TERM RENEWAL IN DECEMBER 1994 AND PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED BEFORE THE RENEWAL.

IN THE INTERIM PERIOD, SHOULD THE PUBLIC INTEREST SO REQUIRE, THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL HAS THE POWER TO STIPULATE FURTHER CONDITIONS OR VARY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE LICENCES.

THE TELEVISION (PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF LICENCE) (TELEVISION BROADCASTS LTD.) ORDER AND THE TELEVISION (PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF LICENCE) (ASIA TELEVISION LTD.) ORDER WHICH GIVE EFFECT TO THE NEW LICENCES WILL BE GAZETTED ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 25).

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#### ROLE OF LAW DRAFTSMAN EXPLAINED

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THE ROLE OF A LAW DRAFTSMAN COULD BE LIKENED TO THAT OF AN ARCHITECT, AN OFFICER OF THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT SAID THIS EVENING (TUESDAY) WHEN ADDRESSING A DINNER MEETING OF THE LIONS CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE SENIOR ASSISTANT LAW DRAFTSMAN, MR FRANCIS CHEUNG, SAID THAT WHILE LAW DRAFTING WAS AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF LEGAL WORK, THE NATURE OF THE JOB WAS NOT WELL UNDERSTOOD.

IN HIS SPEECH ON "THE WORK OF THE LAW DRAFTSMAN", MR CHEUNG SAID THAT WHILE THE ACTUAL DRAFTING OF LEGISLATION WAS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LAW DRAFTSMEN IN THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT, THE POLICY PROPOSALS FOR A PIECE OF LEGISLATION CAME FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT BRANCHES AND DEPARTMENTS.

"THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DRAFTSMAN IS TO EXAMINE CRITICALLY THE APPROVED POLICY, AND DETERMINE HOW THAT POLICY CAN BE IMPLEMENTED AS INTENDED," HE SAID.

"HE IS THEN RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPRESSING THE INTENTION OF THE POLICY IN LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE."

IN OTHER WORDS, HE SAID, THE ROLE OF THE LAW DRAFTSMAN WAS TO HELP THE "CLIENT" DEPARTMENT DRAFT LEGISLATION ON THE BASIS OF THE APPROVED POLICY AND ULTIMATELY TO BRING THE BILL TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

CITING THE EXAMPLE OF AN ARCHITECT, MR CHEUNG SAID THAT TO BUILD A HOUSE THE CLIENT WOULD FIRST HAVE TO CALL IN AN ARCHITECT AND EXPLAIN TO HIM THE SORT OF HOUSE HE WANTED TO BUILD, THE FUNDAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT POINTS.

"SIMILARLY, WHEN THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO ENACT LEGISLATION, THE DRAFTSMAN HAS TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE PICTURE LONG BEFORE HE PICKS UP HIS PEN TO DRAFT, AND HE MUST KNOW AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE ABOUT WHAT THE 'CLIENT' DEPARTMENT'S PARTICULAR PROBLEM IS AND THEN HELP IT TO BRING ABOUT THE DESIRED RESULT.

"JUST AS AN ARCHITECT PREPARES THE BLUEPRINT FOR A HOUSE, SO THE DRAFTING OF LAW IS A PROFESSIONAL TASK FOR WHICH PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND TECHNIQUE ARE REQUIRED," HE SAID.

AFTER A FIRST DRAFT WAS PREPARED, IT WAS SENT TO THE "CLIENT" DEPARTMENT FOR COMMENT.

MEETINGS WERE THEN HELD BETWEEN THE LAW DRAFTSMAN AND THE "CLIENT" DEPARTMENT TO SCRUTINISE THE DRAFT.

A DRAFT BILL COULD BE REVISED AS MANY AS 10 OR 20 TIMES BEFORE IT WAS CONSIDERED TO FULLY REFLECT THE CLIENT'S POLICY INTENTIONS.

THE NEXT STEP WAS FOR THE BILL TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR HIS APPROVAL AS, IN EFFECT, CHIEF ARCHITECT, BEFORE IT WAS INTRODUCED TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION AND FINALLY TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL, MR CHEUNG SAID.

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#### CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT FOR LANDFILL SIGNED

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A CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT ON THE DETAILED DESIGN OF PART OF THE NORTHEAST NEW TERRITORIES LANDFILL (NENT LANDFILL) PHASE I WORKS WAS SIGNED TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES, DR NIP KAM-FAN, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS' FIRM.

THE NENT LANDFILL, LOCATED AT A REMOTE VALLEY TO THE WEST OF WONG MAU HANG SHAN, IS INTENDED TO REPLACE THE SHUEN WAN LANDFILL.

UPON COMPLETION IT WILL PROVIDE STRATEGIC WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES IN THE NORTHEAST NEW TERRITORIES SUB-REGION AND THE URBAN AREA OF KOWLOON.

THE LANDFILL WILL BE DEVELOPED IN THREE PHASES, HAVING A LIFE SPAN OF AT LEAST 13 YEARS.

PHASE 1 OF THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ACCESS ROAD FROM THE EXISTING SHA TAU KOK ROAD TO THE LANDFILL SITE, AND VILLAGE UPGRADING WORKS.

IT ALSO COVERS SITE PREPARATION INCLUDING LEACHATE CONTAINMENT SYSTEM, LEACHATE TREATMENT/DISPOSAL SYSTEM AND LANDFILLING OPERATION.

THE ESTIMATED TOTAL ENGINEERING COST OF PHASE 1 WORKS IS \$795 MILLION.

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IT IS INTENDED TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF SITE PREPARATORY WORKS IN MID-1990 AND TO COMMISSION LANDFILLING IN LATE 1993.

PHASE 1 OF THE LANDFILL WILL BE EXHAUSTED BY MID-1997. THEREAFTER, PHASE 2 AND 3 WILL BE PUT INTO OPERATION IN SEQUENCE TO PROVIDE CONTINUATION OF WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES.

VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL MEASURES INCLUDING LANDSCAPING WORKS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE LANDFILL TO MINIMISE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.

A MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL MEASURE INVOLVES THE INSTALLATION OF A FULLY ENGINEERED CONTAINMENT LINER IN THE LANDFILL SITE TO PREVENT LEACHATE FROM SEEPING OFF THE SITE. THE LEACHATE WILL BE COLLECTED AND TREATED PRIOR TO DISPOSAL.

THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE LANDFILL, AND AFTER ITS CLOSURE, COMPREHENSIVE MONITORING WORKS WILL BE CARRIED OUT FOR SAFETY AND ANTI-POLLUTION PURPOSES.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LANDFILL, THE GOVERNMENT WILL UNDERTAKE VILLAGE UPGRADING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS.

THESE INCLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RURAL CENTRE AT TA KWU LING, UPGRADING OF SHA TAU KOK ROAD FROM LUNG YEUK TAU TO PING CHE ROAD, UPGRADING OF LOCAL VEHICULAR ACCESS FOR NEARBY VILLAGES, AND PROVISION OF ASSOCIATED FACILITIES INCLUDING WATER SUPPLY, SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL.

STREAMS DIVERSION/TRAINING TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ASSOCIATION WITH LANDFILL SITE PREPARATION SHOULD IMPROVE THE EXISTING STREAM COURSES AND, BY IMPROVING STREAM FLOW, REDUCE THE EXISTING POTENTIAL FOR FLOODING.

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#### AWARDS FOR AIR CRASH RESCUE WORK

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TEN MEMBERS OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL BE HONOURED ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24) FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY ACTIONS IN THE RESCUE OPERATION THAT FOLLOWED THE CRASH OF AN AIRLINER AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON AUGUST 31.

THE GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH OF FOUR FIRE OFFICERS, AND THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES' COMMENDATION WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH OF SIX FIREMEN.

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THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR LAM CHEK-YUEN, WILL PRESENT THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES' COMMENDATIONS TO THE FIREMEN, AND PRESENT TO THE FOUR OFFICERS LETTERS ADVISING THEM OF THE AWARD OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WHICH WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE FIRE SERVICES HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, 1 HONG CHONG ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON, AT 11 AM ON THURSDAY.

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#### 12 QUESTIONS ON LEGCO AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL ASK A TOTAL OF 12 QUESTIONS AND CONSIDER FIVE BILLS AT THE COUNCIL'S MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE FIVE BILLS ARE THE DISTRICT BOARDS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1988, THE REGIONAL COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1988, THE URBAN COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1988, THE PENSION BENEFITS (JUDICIAL OFFICERS) BILL 1988 AND THE PENSION BENEFITS (REFUSAL TO GRANT, SUSPENSION, REDUCTION AND CANCELLATION) BILL 1988.

EACH BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

IN ADDITION, THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY WILL PRESENT THE REPORT OF CHANGES TO THE APPROVED ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE APPROVED DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988-89.

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KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

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THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER A NUMBER OF MATTERS AT A MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE:

- \* POSITION REPORT ON THE 1988-89 KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECT.
- \* PROGRESS REPORT ON THE JOIN URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES.
- \* PROGRAMME FOR 1988-89 KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN ACTIVITIES.
- \* PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE 1988-89 KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN FLOAT PARADE.
- \* PROSECUTION TREND AGAINST LITTER OFFENCES IN URBAN COUNCIL AND REGIONAL COUNCIL AREAS FOR THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.
- \* CAMPAIGN AGAINST PLASTIC LITTER IN 1989-90.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM NO. 2, FOURTH FLOOR, URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EDINBURGH PLACE, CENTRAL.

A BRIEFING FOR THE PRESS WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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CRIME FIGURES DECLINE IN SHA TIN

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THERE HAS BEEN A CONTINUOUS DROP IN CRIME FIGURES IN SHA TIN OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS, A SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE LAW AND ORDER SITUATION WAS OBVIOUSLY A RESULT OF STRICT POLICING AND THE CO-ORDINATED EFFORTS OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE SHA TIN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE (STDFCC), COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS AND RESIDENTS.

"IN PARTICULAR, VERY POSITIVE RESULTS HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED IN THE AREA OF JUVENILE CRIME, THE SPOKESMAN SAID IN DESCRIBING THE OVERALL FIGURES AS ENCOURAGING.

AS REPORTED IN THE STDFCC MEETING THIS AFTERNOON, THE NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN EIGHT AND 17 ARRESTED FOR VARIOUS CRIMES WERE: 107 IN JULY, 82 IN AUGUST, 82 IN SEPTEMBER AND 73 IN OCTOBER.

THERE WERE 1,292 JUVENILE ARRESTS IN 1987 AND 713 FROM JANUARY TO JUNE THIS YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID AN EVEN MORE ENCOURAGING ASPECT WAS THE DROP IN SHOP THEFT, THE WORST ASPECT OF JUVENILE CRIME IN SHA TIN.

IN 1987, A TOTAL OF 504 YOUNG PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR SHOP THEFT.

IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, ARRESTS TOTALLED 317. BUT IN JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER THE FIGURES DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY TO 27, 24, 15 AND 16 RESPECTIVELY.

"A CONTINUOUS DROP WAS ALSO SEEN IN THE NUMBER OF REPORTED CASES FOR ALL CRIMES IN SHA TIN OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

IN AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, THE FIGURES WERE 387, 332 AND 328 RESPECTIVELY.

HOME SECURITY MESSAGE IN LIFTS

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PERSPEX-COVER NOTICE BOARDS WITH THE HOME SECURITY MESSAGE WILL BE INSTALLED IN LIFTS OF SOME 60 RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT.

CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR WU CHOR-NAM, SAID THIS AT THE OPENING OF THE HOME SECURITY SEMINAR AND THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY OF THE SIXTH PHASE OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING.

HE SAID THE COMMITTEE WAS AMONG THE FIRST GROUP TO LAUNCH THE 'LIFT DISPLAY PROJECT' PROPOSED BY THE CENTRAL FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE. INSTLLATION WAS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN LIFT DISPLAY PROJECT WAS SPONSORED BY THE MOUNT CAMERON LIONS CLUB WITH AN AIM TO AROUSE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF HOME SECURITY THROUGH THE DISPLAY OF CRIME PREVENTION MESSAGES INSIDE LIFTS OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

MORE THAN 200 RESIDENTS ATTENDED THE SEMINAR HELD TONIGHT AT THE EXCHANGE CLUB IN CONNAUGHT GARDEN, CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST.

THE SEMINAR WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WESTERN POLICE STATION AND THE CENTRAL POLICE STATION TO INTRODUCE HOUSEHOLD CRIME PREVENTION MEASURES AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF WATCHMEN.

AT TONIGHT'S FUNCTION, PLAQUES WERE PRESENTED TO PARTICIPANTS OF THE SIXTH PHASE OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME.

OFFICIATING AT THE FUNCTION WERE THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER (CENTRAL), MR W.H. KIRKHOPE; DISTRICT COMMANDER (WESTERN), MR R.C. TOAL; CHAIRMAN OF CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR WU CHOR-NAM; FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, MR WONG CHUNG-YING AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE OF THE HOME SAFETY SEMINAR, MR NGAI WAI-MING.

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PRESERVATION OF OLD HOSPITAL TO BE DISCUSSED

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24) TO DISCUSS WHETHER THE FACADE OF THE OLD MENTAL HOSPITAL IN HIGH STREET SHOULD BE PRESERVED AND BE INCORPORATED IN THE NEW MEDICAL AND EDUCATION SERVICES CENTRE.

THE CURATOR (HISTORICAL BUILDINGS) OF THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH, MR PETER CHAN, WILL BE PRESENT TO SEEK MEMBERS' VIEWS ON THE ISSUE.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO DISCUSS A PAPER ON THE LICENSING GUIDELINES IN RESPECT OF AMUSEMENT GAMES CENTRES.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY (ENTERTAINMENT), MR DAVID WEBB AND MS M. YUNG, SENIOR LICENSING OFFICER OF THE TELEVISION AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING AUTHORITY WILL ALSO BE PRESENT TO INTRODUCE THE PAPER AND LISTEN TO MEMBERS' VIEWS.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE AN OPINION SURVEY PROPOSED BY THE PUBLIC OPINION AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, ALLOCATION OF DB FUNDS FOR ORGANISING A COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECT ON THE PROMOTION OF CHINESE ART AND CULTURE AS WELL AS THE USAGE OF VACANT SCHOOL PREMISES IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 3 PM ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD, ROOM 1416, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, HONG KONG.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO COVER THE MEETING.

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GOOD SUPPORT IN CARE FOR THE ELDERLY CAMPAIGN

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THE GENEROUS DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS RECEIVED FOR THE WAN CHAI CARE FOR THE OLD CAMPAIGN REFLECTED THAT THIS LONG-STANDING FUNCTION WAS WIDELY SUPPORTED BY RESIDENTS AND THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALLAN CHOW, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CAMPAIGN, MR CHOW SAID THAT THE PROJECT NOT ONLY ENABLED SENIOR RESIDENTS TO ENJOY THEMSELVES, BUT ALSO HELPED FOSTER A SENSE OF RESPECT FOR THE ELDERLY.

NOTING THAT THE CAMPAIGN HAD ALREADY ENTERED INTO ITS 19TH YEAR, HE SAID THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMMES WOULD INCLUDE A CANTONESE OPERA, PERFORMANCE OF CANTONESE OPERATIC SONGS, A BANQUET AND A VISIT TO AN ELDERLY'S HOME.

A TOTAL OF \$250,000 HAS BEEN RAISED FOR THE CAMPAIGN FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, COMPANIES, BUSINESSMEN, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, OWNERS CORPORATIONS, AS WELL AS THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD.

THE ENTIRE CAMPAIGN WILL RUN FOR TWO MONTHS FROM TODAY, DURING WHICH GIFTS AND 'LAISEES' WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE ELDERLY IN THE DISTRICT. ABOUT 2,000 PEOPLE ARE EXPECTED TO BENEFIT FROM THE EVENT.

ALSO ATTENDING TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHIU WAI-SHING, AND WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM.

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NORTH DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS TAXI FARE INCREASE

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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS APPLICATIONS FROM THE URBAN AND NEW TERRITORIES TAXIS ASSOCIATIONS FOR A FARE RISE AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL ALSO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR A GENERAL FARE INCREASE WITH EFFECT FROM DECEMBER 11.

MEMBERS WILL GIVE CONSIDERATION TO TRAFFIC FACILITIES NEAR THE SHEUNG SHUI RAILWAY STATION; MEANS TO EASE PASSENGER CONGESTION AT THE FANLING RAILWAY STATION DURING MORNING RUSH HOURS, AND A PROPOSAL FOR PERMITTING PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES AND GREEN MINIBUSES TO SET DOWN PASSENGERS AT PO SHEK WU ROAD, SHEUNG SHUI.

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OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MAN KAM TO ROAD TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT AND TO LUK KENG ROAD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY). THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM.

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#### YEUNG HAU KUNG TEMPLE DECLARED AS HISTORICAL BUILDING

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THE YEUNG HAU KUNG TEMPLE AT TUNG TAU TSUEN IN YUEN LONG HAS BEEN DECLARED AN HISTORICAL BUILDING BY THE ANTIQUITIES AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION (3) OF THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS ORDINANCE.

THE TEMPLE IS BELIEVED TO BE OVER 200 YEARS OLD ALTHOUGH IT WAS REBUILT IN ITS PRESENT FORM IN 1811.

IT WAS A TWO HALL BUILDING SEPARATED BY A COURTYARD WHICH HOUSES THE INCENSE TOWER.

THE DRUM TERRACES FRONTING THE ENTRANCE HALL AND THE FOUR COLUMNS SUPPORTING THE ROOF CANOPY ARE MADE OF RED SANDSTONE, WHICH IS TRADITIONALLY USED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPLES AND ANCESTRAL HALLS.

THE MAIN HALL, FLANKED BY TWO SIDE CHAMBERS, ACCOMMODATES THE ALTARS AND DEITIES. THE EAVES ARE DECORATED WITH A TERRACOTTA MOULDED FRIEZE, WHILE TRACES OF DELICATE PAINTINGS BORDER THE INTERNAL WALLS. RICHLY CARVED WOODWORK, PARTICULARLY DOOR PANELS AND CEILING BRACKETS, ARE EVIDENT THROUGHOUT THE PREMISES.

THE BUILDING, WHICH WAS LAST RENOVATED IN 1909, IS NOW IN A DILAPIDATED CONDITION. THERE IS A VERY MARKED DISPLACEMENT OF THE RED SANDSTONE COLUMNS ON THE DRUM TERRACES WHILE TERMITE DAMAGE HAS CAUSED THE ROOF TO COLLAPSE IN SOME PLACES.

WITH THE CONSENT AND CO-OPERATION OF VILLAGERS, ALL DECLARATION PROCEDURES WERE CARRIED OUT SMOOTHLY, AND REPAIR WORK WOULD BE CARRIED OUT SOON BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

APART FROM THIS NEWLY DECLARED YEUNG HAU KUNG TEMPLE, THERE ARE SIX OTHER HAU WONG TEMPLES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

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SCHOLARS HAVE YET TO REACH A CONSENSUS AS TO WHY HAU WONG TEMPLES ARE ALSO KNOWN AS YEUNG HAU KUNG, OR YEUNG HAU WONG KUNG.

THE POPULAR INTERPRETATION IS BASED ON A CLAIM THAT THE HAU WONG TEMPLE AT KOWLOON CITY WAS BUILT IN MEMORY OF THE MARQUIS YANG LIANG-JIE, A SUNG GENERAL WHO GAVE UP HIS LIFE TO PROTECT THE LAST SUNG EMPEROR, AFTER THE FINAL DEFEAT BY MONGOL INVADERS IN 1278.

AN ALTERNATIVE VIEW IS THAT THE TEMPLES WERE BUILT BY THE YANG FAMILY IN THE WORSHIP OF THEIR FOREFATHERS WHO WERE RELATIVES AS WELL AS LOYAL SUPPORTERS OF THE SUNG EMPERORS, AND SO THE CHARACTER YANG APPEARS ON THE NAME BOARD OF THE TEMPLES.

THE HAU WONG CULT HAS BEEN WIDESPREAD THROUGHOUT HONG KONG'S HISTORY AND THE PRESERVATION OF HAU WONG TEMPLES MAINTAINS AN IMPORTANT FACET OF THE COMMUNITY'S HERITAGE.

POPULAR WORSHIP OF THE HAU WONG DEITY WAS ORIGINALLY ASSOCIATED WITH A MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE AREA, SUCH AS THE HAU WONG TEMPLES AT KOWLOON CITY AND AT TUNG CHUNG AND TAI O ON LANTAU ISLAND, WHICH WERE WELL PATRONISED BY SOLDIERS STATIONED IN THESE AREAS.

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#### 58 PRISONERS RECEIVE CERTIFICATES

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FIFTY-EIGHT PRISONERS TODAY (TUESDAY) RECEIVED CERTIFICATES FOR PASSING PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS AND COMPLETING CERTIFICATE COURSES RUN BY THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER, MR LAM WAI-KEUNG, OFFICIATED AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY HELD IN SHEK PIK PRISON ON LANTAU.

AMONG THEM, 43 INMATES SAT FOR THE PITMAN EXAMINATION, THE CITY AND GUILDS OF LONDON INSTITUTE EXAMINATION AND THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION. THEY SCORED CREDITS AND PASSES IN ARITHMETIC, ENGLISH AND BOOK-KEEPING.

ANOTHER 15 PRISONERS WERE PRESENTED CERTIFICATES FOR COMPLETING A CERTIFICATE PAINTING COURSE OFFERED BY THE EXTRAMURAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

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COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB ANNUAL PARADE

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THE 8TH ANNUAL PARADE OF THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE HELD AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AT OI KWAI ROAD, WAN CHAI, ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24).

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, WILL TAKE THE SALUTE AND PRESENT AWARDS TO CYC MEMBERS.

MORE THAN 3,500 CYC MEMBERS FROM VARIOUS SCHOOLS, SUPERVISORS AND TEACHERS INVOLVED IN CYC ACTIVITIES WILL ATTEND THE PARADE WHICH WILL ALSO FEATURE A CHINESE FOLK DANCE, THREE VARIETY SHOWS, A MUSICAL DRAMA AND A CHILDREN'S CHOIR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AT OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24).

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM BEFORE 2.15 PM.

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CONCERTS FOR STRING MUSIC LOVERS

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THE MUSIC OFFICE WILL HOLD TWO CONCERTS FOR STRING MUSIC LOVERS AT THE CONCERT HALL OF THE HONG KONG ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 26) AND SUNDAY.

THE CONCERTS FORM THE LATTER PART OF THE PROGRAMME OF THE FIRST HONG KONG YOUTH STRING MUSIC FESTIVAL WHICH BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 19.

THE FIRST CONCERT, FEATURING CHAMBER MUSIC, WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM.

MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH STRING ORCHESTRA AND INSTRUCTORS OF THE MUSIC OFFICE WILL PRESENT A NUMBER OF CLASSICAL PIECES INCLUDING BEETHOVEN'S "STRING QUARTET OP. 18 NO. 4 IN C MINOR" AND HAYDN'S "STRING QUARTET NO. 17 IN F MAJOR".

THE RENOWNED CHINESE MUSICIAN, MR LU SIQING, WHO WAS THE WINNER OF THE 1987 "PAGANINI INTERNATIONAL VIOLIN COMPETITION" WILL ALSO GIVE DEMONSTRATION DURING THE CONCERT.

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THE SECOND CONCERT WILL ALSO BEGIN AT 8 PM.

UNDER THE BATONS OF LOCAL MUSICIANS MR THOMAS WANG AND MR LUI KI-LING, THE COMBINED ORCHESTRA OF HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND THE MUSIC OFFICE INSTRUCTORS' ORCHESTRA (WESTERN) WILL PRESENT ROSSINI'S "SONATA NO. 3 IN C MAJOR FOR STRINGS", AND THE CHINESE CONCERTO "BUTTERFLY LOVERS" WHICH WAS COMPOSED BY CHEN KONG AND HE ZHAN-HAO.

MR LU SIQING WILL BE THE SOLO VIOLINIST IN THIS CONCERT.

THE SECRETARY FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES, MR AUGUSTINE CHUI, WILL PRESENT A SOUVENIR TO MR LU AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CONCERT IN RECOGNITION OF HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE YOUTH STRING MUSIC FESTIVAL.

TICKETS FOR THE TWO CONCERTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL URBIX OUTLETS. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-283257.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN AIRPORT

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE UP RAMP LEADING TO THE DEPARTURE CIRCUIT OF THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WILL BE CLOSED DAILY FROM ONE MINUTE PAST MIDNIGHT TO 5 AM FROM FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 25).

THE CLOSURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT SEVEN NIGHTS FOR ROADWORKS.

VEHICLES HEADING FOR THE AIRPORT ARE ADVISED TO USE THE ARRIVALS ROAD.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN TSUN YIP STREET

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 25) IN CONNECTION WITH THE KWUN TONG INDUSTRIAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SCHEME:

- \* THE STRAIGHT-AHEAD TRAFFIC MOVEMENT FROM TSUN YIP STREET NORTHBOUND SOUTH OF WAI YIP STREET TO THE SECTION OF TSUN YIP STREET NORTH OF WAI YIP STREET; AND
- \* THE RIGHT-TURN TRAFFIC MOVEMENT FROM TSUN YIP STREET NORTHBOUND TO WAI YIP STREET EASTBOUND.

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TEMPORARY NIGHT CLOSURE OF TONKIN STREET  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN SHAM SHUI PO ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 25) TO FACILITATE FOOTBRIDGE CONSTRUCTION WORKS.

TONKIN STREET BETWEEN LAI CHI KOK ROAD AND LAI KOK ESTATE ACCESS ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 1.30 AM AND 5.30 AM ON THAT DAY.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE LEFT-TURN FROM LAI CHI KOK ROAD EASTBOUND AND THE RIGHT-TURN FROM LAI CHI KOK ROAD WESTBOUND TO TONKIN STREET NORTHBOUND WILL BE BANNED.

VEHICLES ON TONKIN STREET SOUTHBOUND HEADING FOR LAI CHI KOK ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD AND FAT TSEUNG STREET WHILE THOSE ON LAI CHI KOK ROAD EASTBOUND HEADING FOR TONKIN STREET NORTHBOUND ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA YEN CHOW STREET AND CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, MOTORISTS ON YEE KUK STREET HEADING FOR TONKIN STREET NORTHBOUND WILL TRAVEL VIA LAI CHI KOK ROAD EASTBOUND, YEN CHOW STREET AND CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS IN SHA TIN  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN SHA TIN WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 25).

SHAN MEI STREET BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH FO TAN ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 25 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH SUI FUNG LANE WILL BE MADE A 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE.

IN ADDITION, THE NORTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF SUI WO ROAD FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH THE ACCESS ROAD ADJACENT TO WING HING HOUSE, SUI WO COURT TO A POINT ABOUT 150 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BECOME A PEAK HOUR (I.E. 7 - 10 AM AND 4 - 7 PM) DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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AUCTION OF SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ANOTHER AUCTION OF SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 26) AT THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL. THE AUCTION WILL BEGIN AT 10 AM.

A TOTAL OF 40 SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE:

DV1633	DU132	DX9328	DD1118
DX379	DX1129	AR2000	DK999
DK909	AB233	DX339	AJ263
DY1231	DX119	DX1628	DX8188
DX3378	AA1828	DD2233	DW1123
DY111	DK7744	DX3288	DY787
DW9998	DW638	AL189	DX997
DX3218	DX116	XX802	CS100
DD1188	DD92	DX1283	DX3279
DX219	BL155	AA935	DX105

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBER WOULD BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO A VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE AUCTION.

THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION MUST BE PRODUCED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE AUCTION IF THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK IS TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE NAME OF A BODY CORPORATE.

PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION WILL AS USUAL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE COMING AUCTION WILL BE THE 132ND ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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FRESH WATER CUT IN TSZ WAN SHAN

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TSZ WAN SHAN WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR WATER WORKS BETWEEN 11 PM ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 24) AND 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY SHA TIN PASS ROAD, LUNG FUNG STREET, SHEUNG FUNG STREET, PO KONG LANE, PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD, FUNG TAK ROAD AND YING FUNG LANE.

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