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NEW WARNING SYSTEM TO ABATE TRANSPORT CHAOS DURING TYPHOONS

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO TRY OUT NEW ARRANGEMENTS AIMED AT REDUCING TRANSPORT PROBLEMS CAUSED BY THE LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE RETURNING HOME ALMOST AT THE SAME TIME ON THE HOISTING OF A NUMBER 8 TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL.

THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS BASICALLY ENTAIL AN ADVANCE WARNING TO THE PUBLIC OF THE LIKELIHOOD OF THE HOISTING OF A NUMBER 8 SIGNAL TO ENABLE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO STAGGER THE RELEASE OF THEIR STAFF.

ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS TODAY (THURSDAY) AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR LI KWING-SHUN, SAID THEY WERE DESIGNED TO SPREAD THE DEMAND ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES, THUS AVOIDING THE CONFUSION AND CHAOS AT MTR AND BUS STATIONS WHICH OFTEN OCCURRED DURING THE PASSAGE OF TYPHOONS IN THE PAST.

UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS, A WARNING MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC WILL BE BROADCAST WHEN THE DIRECTOR OF ROYAL OBSERVATORY IS REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT A NUMBER 8 SIGNAL IS LIKELY TO BE HOISTED WITHIN TWO HOURS.

THE OBJECTIVE OF ISSUING THIS WARNING MESSAGE IS TO ENABLE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO PREPARE RELEASING THEIR STAFF IN PHASES, STARTING WITH THOSE HAVING TO MAKE LONG AND DIFFICULT JOURNEYS HOME.

THIS MESSAGE WILL READ: "THE GOVERNMENT ADVISES THE PUBLIC THAT IN VIEW OF THE APPROACH OF TYPHOON/SEVERE TROPICAL STORM " ", WINDS LOCALLY WILL STRENGTHEN FURTHER AND THE HOISTING OF A TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL NUMBER 8 IS EXPECTED WITHING THE NEXT TWO HOURS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH LONG OR DIFFICULT JOURNEYS HOME ARE ADVISED TO BEGIN THEIR JOURNEYS NOW. THE GOVERNMENT IS NOW RELEASING ITS EMPLOYEES IN THIS CATEGORY. PUBLIC TRANSPORTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE."

THIS WARNING MESSAGE WILL BE REPEATED AT FREQUENT INTERVALS UNTIL THE NUMBER 8 SIGNAL GOES UP WHEN A SECOND WARNING MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC WILL BE BROADCAST. THIS SECOND MESSAGE WILL ADVISE THE PUBLIC TO PREPARE THEIR JOURNEYS HOME BUT WILL EMPHASISE THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME TIME.

THIS MESSAGE WILL READ: "THE TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SIGNAL NUMBER 8 WAS HOISTED AT (TIME) TODAY. THE MAJOR LAND-BASED PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEMS ARE CONTINUING TO OPERATE, WITH SOME ADDITIONAL SERVICES BEING PROVIDED. THE GOVERNMENT ADVISES THAT THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOW PREPARE TO RETURN HOME, BUT EMPHASISES THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME TIME. DETAILS OF THESE SERVICES FOLLOW THIS BROADCAST."

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MR LI POINTED OUT THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS IN REDUCING TRANSPORT PROBLEMS WOULD DEPEND VERY MUCH ON THE CO-OPERATION OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

AS FAR AS THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED, A CIRCULAR HAD ALREADY BEEN ISSUED TO HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS ADVISING THEM OF THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS AND THE NEED TO DRAW UP LISTS OF STAFF TO BE RELEASED UNDER DIFFERENT CATEGORIES, HE SAID.

LETTERS WILL SHORTLY BE SENT TO VARIOUS MAJOR EMPLOYERS' ORGANISATIONS APPEALING FOR THEIR CO-OPERATION IN TAKING SIMILAR ACTION, HE ADDED.

MR LI SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD ALREADY SOUGHT THE AGREEMENT OF MAJOR TRANSPORT COMPANIES TO PROVIDE MORE OR FREQUENT AND PROLONGED SERVICES AFTER NUMBER 8 SIGNAL HAD BEEN HOISTED.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OFFICER WILL BE STATIONED AT THE CIVIL CONTROL CENTRE, A CO-ORDINATING BODY WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, TO MONITOR THE TRANSPORT SITUATION AND TO LIAISE WITH THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT COMPANIES ON THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORT SERVICES DURING THE PASSAGE OF TYPHOONS.

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#### CALL TO REGISTER AS ELECTOR

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A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR PETER TAM, TODAY (THURSDAY) CALLED ON THOSE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO BECOME VOTERS TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS AND REGISTER NOW IF THEY HAVE NOT YET DONE SO.

"VOTER REGISTRATION IS AN ANNUAL EXERCISE AIMED AT REMINDING AND ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO SIGN UP AS ELECTORS SO THAT THEY CAN TAKE PART IN DECIDING WHO SHOULD BE OUR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND MUNICIPAL COUNCILLORS," MR TAM SAID.

MR TAM WAS SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF A TERRITORY-WIDE VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN WHICH STARTS FROM SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) TO THE END OF SEPTEMBER.

"REGISTRATION IS VERY EASY AND IT TAKES YOU ONLY A MINUTE OR TWO TO COMPLETE. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO FILL OUT A FORM AND PUT IT IN A POSTBOX."

/MR TAM .....

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MR TAM NOTED THAT OUT OF THE 3.2 MILLION ELIGIBLE VOTERS MORE THAN 1.4 MILLION PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED. HE URGED THE REMAINING 1.8 MILLION PEOPLE TO SIGN UP DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS REGISTRATION OFFICER OF THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL DIVISION, MR LAI KWAN-TAT.

"ELECTIONS TO THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ALL SHARE A COMMON ELECTORAL ROLL. AN ELECTOR IS THEREFORE REQUIRED TO REGISTER ONLY ONCE FOR ALL THESE ELECTIONS", MR LAI SAID.

"ANYONE WHO IS 21 YEARS OLD AND HAS LIVED IN HONG KONG FOR SEVEN YEARS OR MORE OR WHO IS A HONG KONG PERMANENT RESIDENT IS ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER."

FOR THE CURRENT EXERCISE, ANYONE BORN IN 1966 AND WHO WILL BE 21 BY THE END OF THIS YEAR WILL MEET THE AGE QUALIFICATION.

THE TERM "HONG KONG PERMANENT RESIDENT", INTRODUCED FROM JULY 1 THIS YEAR, COVERS CHINESE PEOPLE WHO HAVE ORDINARILY RESIDED IN HONG KONG FOR A PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN SEVEN YEARS AND PERSONS WHO ARE BRITISH DEPENDENT TERRITORIES CITIZENS BY VIRTUE OF A CONNEXION WITH HONG KONG SUCH AS BY BIRTH, ADOPTION, NATURALISATION OR REGISTRATION IN HONG KONG.

MR LAI POINTED OUT THAT THE PUBLIC COULD SEND IN THEIR REGISTRATION FORMS AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR, BUT TO ENSURE THAT THERE WAS ENOUGH TIME TO PROCESS THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS NEXT YEAR, THEY SHOULD REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

"A MAJOR VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE WILL BE LAUNCHED THIS SATURDAY. THE THEME OF THE CAMPAIGN IS 'EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT, REGISTER AS AN ELECTOR'", MR TAM SAID.

"WE ALSO WISH TO MAKE SPECIAL APPEALS TO YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN 21 AND 25 YEARS OLD BECAUSE THE REGISTRATION RATE OF THIS AGE GROUP IS COMPARATIVELY LOWER THAN THE OTHERS," HE ADDED.

A DISTRICT BOARD THEME SONG - "SOMEWHERE IN YOUR DISTRICT", SUNG BY POPULAR SINGER JACKY CHEUNG, HAS BEEN PRODUCED AND WILL BE BROADCAST ON RADIO TO TIE IN WITH THE VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN.

MORE THAN 25,000 POSTERS, BEARING THE CAMPAIGN SLOGAN, ARE BEING DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY. THIS IS ALSO SUPPLEMENTED BY SPECIAL RADIO AND TELEVISION ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE PUBLIC INTERESTS (API'S) AND CINEMA SLIDES.

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FOR THE DISTRICTS, A HOST OF ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN ARRANGED INCLUDING EXHIBITIONS, CARNIVALS, TRAM PARADES, SETTING UP REGISTRATION COUNTERS, THE USE OF BROADCASTING VAN AND MANY OTHER EVENTS.

DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF ARE ALSO CONDUCTING DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS IN THE CONSTITUENCIES TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND ASSIST RESIDENTS IN COMPLETING THE REGISTRATION FORMS.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE A TELEVISION SHOW TO BE HELD AT NOON ON AUGUST 30 AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

YOUTHS FROM THE 19 DISTRICTS WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMME WHICH WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON TVB JADE.

THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL DIVISION WILL APPROACH RESIDENTS WHO HAVE RECENTLY ACQUIRED THE SEVEN-YEAR RESIDENCE QUALIFICATION AND RESIDENTS OF NEW PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

IN ADDITION, 800,000 WATER CONSUMERS, 79,000 JURORS AND 16,000 SUBSCRIBERS OF THE MAGAZINE "CHOICE" ARE ALSO BEING INVITED TO REGISTER.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT DISTRICT OFFICES, POST OFFICES, HOUSING ESTATE OFFICES, IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT OFFICES, THE HONG KONG BANK AND HANG SENG BANK.

MR LAI REMINDED THE PUBLIC THAT THE ELECTIONS ARE CONDUCTED ON A CONSTITUENCY BASIS AND REGISTERED ELECTORS SHOULD NOTIFY THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL DIVISION OF ANY CHANGE OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS SO THAT THEY CAN VOTE IN THE CONSTITUENCIES WHERE THEY LIVE. FOR ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CALL 5-270380 AND 5-270369.

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN LAUNCHES VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED AN ELDERLY CENTRE RUN BY THE WESTERN DISTRICT WOMEN'S CLUB AND HELPED THE ELDERLY REGISTER AS VOTERS.

MR GARCIA TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENCOURAGE THE LARGE NUMBER OF SENIOR RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE VOTER REGISTRATION EXERCISE.

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"BY DOING SO, THEY CAN DEMONSTRATE THEIR VITALITY AND CONCERN FOR THE SOCIETY AND SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE YOUNGER GENERATION," HE SAID.

"TO BECOME A VOTER IS A CIVIC RIGHT AND ALL ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS SHOULD REGISTER BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER SO THEY CAN VOTE IN NEXT YEAR'S DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS," HE ADDED.

AT THE SAME TIME, ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELIZABETH TSE, ALSO VISITED SOME SHOPS OF TRADITIONAL TRADES IN SHEUNG WAN TO PROMOTE THE EXERCISE.

MISS TSE SAID THE SENSE OF DISTRICT IDENTITY AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT TO REGISTER WERE HIGHLIGHTED IN THE DISTRICT'S PUBLICITY DRIVE.

A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE LAUNCHED FROM TODAY UNTIL THE END OF SEPTEMBER TO PROMOTE THE DRIVE IN THE DISTRICT.

THEY INCLUDE TOURS OF THE DISTRICT BY BROADCASTING VANS AND VISITS TO SOME 4,000 FAMILIES BY DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF.

REGISTRATION COUNTERS WILL BE SET UP AT THE STAR FERRY CONCOURSE, CENTRAL MTR STATION, SHUN TAK CENTRE AND KWUN LUNG LAU.

BUNTINGS, BANNERS AND POSTERS HAVE ALSO BEEN PUT UP THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND DISPLAY WINDOWS OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE SUB-OFFICE HAVE BEEN REDECORATED WITH THE MESSAGE TO REGISTER AS AN ELECTOR.

AN EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD AT SHUN TAK CENTRE FROM AUGUST 24 TO 28. TELEVISION ARTISTES WILL BE THERE TO HELP RESIDENTS FROM 1 TO 2 PM ON AUGUST 24.

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YAU MA TEI ACTIVITIES ON GREEN PAPER

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A SERIES OF SEMINARS AND ACTIVITIES TO COLLECT RESIDENTS' VIEWS ON THE GREEN PAPER OF THE 1987 REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ORGANISED BY THE FIVE AREA COMMITTEES OF YAU MA TEI DISTRICT IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS.

ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15), THE DISTRICT'S NORTH AREA COMMITTEE WILL ORGANISE A VARIETY SHOW AT THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE. BEFORE THE SHOW AT 7 PM, QUESTIONNAIRES CONCERNING THE POLITICAL REVIEW WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO PARTICIPANTS.

COPIES OF THE QUESTIONNAIRES WILL ALSO BE SENT TO HOUSEHOLDS IN THE AREA TO SOLICIT THE RESIDENTS' VIEWS.

THE TIMETABLE OF THE SEMINARS ORGANISED BY THE OTHER FOUR AREA COMMITTEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DATE/TIME -----	AREA COMMITTEE -----	PLACE -----
AUGUST 22 (SATURDAY) 2.30 PM	FERRY POINT	PING AN CHURCH, MAN CHEONG BUILDING, 2/F 43 MAN CHEONG STREET
SEPTEMBER 4 (FRIDAY) 3.30 PM	TSIM SHA TSUI	TSIM SHA TSUI PALACE RESTAURANT, 1/F, SOUTH SEAS CENTRE, 75 MODY ROAD
SEPTEMBER 6 (SUNDAY) 2 PM	EAST	Y.M.C.A. INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, 23 WATERLOO ROAD
4 PM	JORDAN	KA WO RESTAURANT, 343 NATHAN ROAD

STAFF OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE WILL BE ON HAND TO RECORD THE OPINIONS FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SURVEY OFFICE.

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GRADING OF BEACH WATER QUALITY  
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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED FOR THE SECOND TIME, GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF ALL BATHING BEACHES IN HONG KONG.

THE FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE TWO WEEKS AGO.

THE GRADING IS BASED ON THE E. COLI DATA OBTAINED BY EPD IN ITS ROUTINE BEACH WATER QUALITY MONITORING PROGRAMME.

THE E. COLI DATA USED FOR GRADING ARE THE AVERAGE (OR MORE EXACTLY, MEDIAN) VALUES OF THE MOST RECENT FIVE RESULTS, OBTAINED OVER A TWO-AND-A-HALF-MONTH PERIOD ACCORDING TO THE USUAL SAMPLING FREQUENCY. ALTHOUGH THE GRADES FOR SOME BEACHES MAY FLUCTUATE, THEY GIVE A GENERAL PICTURE OF THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF THE BEACHES AND FORM THE BEST AVAILABLE FORECAST OF THE BEACH WATER QUALITY IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

THE SYSTEM FOR GRADING BEACH WATER QUALITY IS AS BELOW:

A GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS BETWEEN ZERO AND 99 PER 100 MILLILITRES AND THE WATER QUALITY IS GOOD.

B GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS BETWEEN 100-999 PER 100 MILLILITRES AND THE WATER QUALITY IS ACCEPTABLE.

C GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS 1,000 OR MORE PER 100 MILLILITRES AND THE WATER QUALITY IS POOR.

THE GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF VARIOUS BEACHES IN HONG KONG AS AT TODAY AND TWO WEEKS AGO ARE LISTED BELOW:

BEACH -----	LAST GRADING ----- AS AT JULY 30	PRESENT GRADING ----- AS AT AUGUST 13
HONG KONG SOUTH -----		
BIG WAVE BAY	A	A
CHUNG HOM KOK	B	C
DEEP WATER BAY	B	A
HAIRPIN	A	A
MIDDLE BAY	B	B

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REPULSE BAY	B	B
SHEK O	A	A
SOUTH BAY	B	A
ST. STEPHEN'S	B	A
TURTLE COVE	A	A
STANLEY MAIN	B	B
ROCKY BAY, SHEK O	B	B
TO TEI WAN *	A	A

ISLANDS DISTRICT

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CHEUNG SHA UPPER	A	A
CHEUNG SHA LOWER	B	B
DISCOVERY BAY *	A	A
HUNG SHING YEH	A	A
KWUN YAM WAN	A	B
TONG FUK	B	B
LO SO SHING	A	A
PUI O	B	B
SILVERMINE BAY	C	C
TUNG WAN, CHEUNG CHAU	A	B
TUNG O *	A	A

\* NON-GAZETTED BEACHES

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BEACH -----	LAST GRADING ----- AS AT JULY 30	PRESENT GRADING ----- AS AT AUGUST 13
SAI KUNG DISTRICT -----		
CAMPERS	A	A
CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST BEACH	B	B
CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND BEACH	A	A
HAP MUN BAY	A	A
KIU TSUI	A	A
PAK SHA CHAU	A	A
SILVERSTRAND	A	A
TRIO (HEBEHAVEN)	A	A
TSUEN WAN DISTRICT -----		
ANGLERS'	B	B
APPROACH	B	B
CASAM	B	B
GEMINI	B	B
HOI MEI WAN	B	B
LIDO	B	B
TING KAU	B	B
TUNG WAN, MA WAN	A	A

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TUEN MUN DISTRICT  
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OLD CAFETERIA	B	B
NEW CAFETERIA	B	B
CASTLE PEAK	C	C
KADOORIE BEACH	B	B
BUTTERFLY	B	B

NOTE TO EDITORS:

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER (WATER POLICY) OF EPD, MR PAUL HOLMES, AT 3-7211044.

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CHIEF SECRETARY VISITS ASD  
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, MR DAVID FORD, TODAY (THURSDAY) VISITED THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR STAFF ON THE WIDE RANGE OF WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT.

MR FORD WAS MET ON ARRIVAL BY THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES, MR PAUL CORSER, AND HIS DEPUTIES. HE WAS SHOWN A DISPLAY OF SCALE MODELS OF SOME MAJOR PROJECTS CURRENTLY BEING HANDLED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S TECHNICAL ADVISOR ON ALL MATTERS RELATING TO BUILDINGS AND BUILDING PROJECTS. IT PROVIDES ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES TO ALL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS, HER MAJESTY'S SERVICES IN HONG KONG, AND OTHER QUASI-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATIONS WHICH ACT AS AGENTS FOR GOVERNMENT SUBVENTED PROJECTS.

THE DEPARTMENT'S OTHER MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE PREPARATION OF ALL BUILDING PROJECT ESTIMATES, FINANCIAL MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.

IT HAS AN ESTABLISHMENT OF 1875 STAFF. THE VALUE OF THE PROJECTS HANDLED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN 1986/87 TOTALLED \$2,151.9 MILLION. ITS PROJECTED EXPENDITURE FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT \$2,024 MILLION.

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NEW NT REGIONAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS

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A NEW CENTRALISED NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS, COSTING MORE THAN \$54.5 MILLION, WILL BE BUILT AT TAI PO, FOLLOWING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS DUE TO BEGIN ON AUGUST 20 AND BE COMPLETED IN 21 MONTHS.

SITUATED AT A 7,700-SQUARE-METRE SITE NEAR THE SUN HING GARDEN PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME DEVELOPMENT, THE NEW HEADQUARTERS WILL HAVE A COMPOUND, A PARADE/INSPECTION AREA, A 14-STORY BUILDING AND A RANGE OF SINGLE-STORY ANCILLARY BUILDINGS.

FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED IN THE MAIN BUILDING WILL INCLUDE OFFICES; INTERVIEW, CONFERENCE AND REPORT ROOMS; CONTROL/COMMUNICATION CENTRES; COMPUTER ROOMS; BARRACK ROOMS; AND LOCKER/REST ROOMS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE AN INDOOR SHOOTING RANGE AND A MULTI-PURPOSE HALL WHICH CAN BE TURNED INTO A GYMNASIUM OR AN ASSEMBLY HALL.

THE SINGLE-STORY ANCILLARY BUILDINGS WILL BE USED AS WORKSHOPS AND FOR STORAGE.

A TOTAL OF 25,670 SQUARE METRES OF GROSS FLOOR AREA WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE BUILDINGS.

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COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS WORKS PROJECTS

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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO DISCUSS TWO PROJECTS PROPOSED BY THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT.

THE TWO PROJECTS ARE THE PROPOSED FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS YEN CHOW STREET, AND THE PROPOSED BUS TERMINUS EXTENSION AT SHAM SHUI PO FERRY CONCOURSE.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION INCLUDE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS ALONG CHEUNG SHUN STREET, LAI CHI KOK; AND A REQUEST FOR THE CANCELLATION OF PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STANDS AT 83-95 TAI PO ROAD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE MEETING WHICH WILL START AT 2.15 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD, 39 TONKIN STREET, 2ND FLOOR, KOWLOON.

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DISTRICT BOARD TO DISCUSS BUILDING MANAGEMENT

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THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO DISCUSS THE AMENDMENTS TO THE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS (OWNERS INCORPORATION) ORDINANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NEW DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT.

PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR FRANKIE LUI, WILL BE PRESENT TO LISTEN TO MEMBERS' VIEWS.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS WAYS TO ALLEVIATE AIR POLLUTION CAUSED BY PIG ROASTING FOOD FACTORIES IN THE NORTH AREA OF THE DISTRICT.

ALSO TO BE DISCUSSED WILL BE A PROPOSAL INITIATED BY AN AREA COMMITTEE ON RENAMING THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD TO YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD. MEMBERS WILL ALSO EXPRESS VIEWS ON ANOTHER PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE NAME OF 'DISTRICT BOARD' TO 'DISTRICT COUNCIL'.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING WHICH STARTS AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, 490 NATHAN ROAD.

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ROAD SAFETY QUIZ FOR THE ELDERLY

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RESIDENTS OVER 60 YEARS OF AGE IN KWUN TONG WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO TEST THEIR ROAD SAFETY KNOWLEDGE AND SHOW THEIR TALENT IN A QUIZ COMPETITION TO BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

A TOTAL OF 66 CONTESTANTS REPRESENTING 22 CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY IN THE DISTRICT WILL COMPETE IN GROUPS OF THREE IN THIS QUIZ, WHICH IS ALSO THE PRELIMINARY FOR THE REGIONAL ROUND OF A TERRITORY-WIDE ROAD SAFETY QUIZ COMPETITION FOR THE ELDERLY.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO TWO SESSIONS - MORNING SESSION FOR CONTESTANTS FROM THE KWUN TONG POLICE DISTRICT AND AFTERNOON SESSION FOR THOSE FROM THE SAU MAU PING POLICE DISTRICT.

TO ADD COLOUR TO THE EVENT, A BEST CHEERLEADERS COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AS A CURTAIN-RAISER OF THE CONTEST.

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CHEERING TEAMS HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE VITALITY, INNOVATION AND CO-OPERATIVE SPIRIT IN A ONE-MINUTE PERFORMANCE TO BOOST THE MORALE OF THEIR TEAMS.

THE ROAD SAFETY QUIZ FOR THE ELDERLY IS ONE OF THE MAJOR EVENTS OF THIS YEAR'S KWUN TONG ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN, WHICH HAS CHOSEN SENIOR RESIDENTS AS ONE OF ITS TARGET GROUPS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT TO BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE DELIA MEMORIAL SCHOOL, HIP WO STREET. THE MORNING SESSION WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM WHILE THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL START AT 2.30 PM.

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#### WAN CHAI SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CLOSES

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WAN CHAI DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WILL COME TO A CLOSE THIS SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) AFTER MORE THAN 140 EVENTS WERE ORGANISED FOR HUNDREDS OF YOUNGSTERS IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS.

A CLOSING CEREMONY CUM BAZAAR NIGHT WILL BE HELD AT 7.30 PM ON SATURDAY ON THE ROOFTOP OF THE ST JAMES SETTLEMENT COMMUNITY CENTRE.

WAN CHAI ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS CARMAN CHIU; ADVISER TO THE WAN CHAI SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR STEPHEN WONG; AND MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, MR KWOK KA-MING, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

THE GUESTS WILL ALSO TAKE PART IN A TORCH-LITTING CEREMONY TO SYMBOLISE THE LASTING SPIRIT OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CLOSING CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 7.30 PM ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) ON THE ROOFTOP OF THE ST JAMES SETTLEMENT COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 85 STONE NULLAH LANE.

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MID-SUMMER'S NIGHT DISCO PARTY CRUISE

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YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE KEEN ON DISCO DANCING AND AT THE SAME TIME GOING ON A HARBOUR CRUISE ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE 'DISCO LAUNCH NIGHT' TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 23 (SUNDAY).

THE FUNCTION, SPONSORED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD, IS ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES ORGANISED UNDER THE DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

THE NIGHT'S FUN WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO GET TOGETHER IN A COMMUNITY ACTIVITY AND HELP PROMOTE THEIR INTEREST IN WHOLESOME RECREATION.

IT WILL ALSO HELP PARTICIPANTS APPRECIATE THE SPECTACULAR NIGHT SKYLINE ON BOTH SIDES OF VICTORIA HARBOUR.

DISCO MUSIC WILL BE PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE CRUISE AND THERE WILL BE A BUFFET DINNER.

YOUNG PEOPLE AGED OVER 16 YEARS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN. ADMISSION TICKETS ARE AT \$30 EACH AND 170 PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ADMITTED.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, 157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD. FOR RESERVATIONS CALL 3-802251.

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EASTBOUND LANE OF CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD CLOSED TO TRAFFIC

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FROM 10 AM TOMORROW (FRIDAY), THE EASTBOUND UPHILL LANE OF CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN ITS WESTERN JUNCTION WITH NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND FUNG SHING STREET WILL BE CLOSED FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CROSSING AND ROAD RESURFACING.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE TWO WESTBOUND DOWNHILL LANES OF CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD WILL BE MAINTAINED. TRAFFIC FROM KOWLOON, EXCEPT GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 16, HEADING FOR CHOI WAN AND NGAU CHI WAN WILL BE DIVERTED AS FOLLOWS:

- \* MOTORISTS HEADING FOR CHOI WAN ESTATE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD; TURN LEFT AT FUNG SHING STREET; AND THEN TURN LEFT INTO CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD.
- \* MOTORISTS HEADING FOR NGAU CHI WAN AREA WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD; THEN TURN LEFT AT THE EASTERN JUNCTION OF CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD WITH NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD INTO CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD; AND TURN RIGHT INTO JAT'S INCLINE NEAR GOOD HOPE SCHOOL.
- \* MOTORISTS LEAVING NGAU CHI WAN STREET WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE JUNCTION OF JAT'S INCLINE AND CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD.

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ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES, KMB BUS ROUTES NO. 90, 91, 91M, 92 AND NT GMB ROUTE NO. 1 WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD ON JOURNEYS TO SAI KUNG.

MEANWHILE, KOWLOON GMB NO. 16 WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND THEN TURN LEFT ON TO CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD VIA THE EXISTING EMERGENCY ACCESS LINKING THE TWO ROADS.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES ON HONG KONG ISLAND

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WESTBOUND VEHICLES ON POK FU LAM ROAD WILL BE BANNED FROM TURNING ON TO POKFIELD ROAD FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) FOR LAYING OF WATER MAINS.

THE MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS AND WESTBOUND VEHICLES HEADING FOR SMITHFIELD ROAD WILL HAVE TO USE QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, KENNEDY TOWN PRAYA AND CATCHICK STREET INSTEAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, A 15-METRE STRETCH OF GILMAN STREET NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL WILL BE MADE A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAY FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

IN ADDITION, THE EXISTING PEAK-HOUR (I.E. 7 TO 10 AM AND 4 TO 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE EASTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF THE SAME SECTION OF GILMAN STREET WILL BE LIFTED.

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LAI CHI KOK ROAD CLOSED FOR ROAD WORK

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THE WESTBOUND SECTION OF LAI CHI KOK ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH TAI NAN WEST STREET AND CHEUNG SHUN STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 5 AM FROM SATURDAY (AUGUST 15) FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS FOR ROAD WORKS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TAI NAN WEST STREET BETWEEN LAI CHI KOK ROAD AND CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD WILL BE CONVERTED TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND.

VEHICLES ON LAI CHI KOK ROAD WESTBOUND HEADING FOR MEI FOO OR KWAI CHUNG WILL BE DIVERTED VIA TAI NAN WEST STREET AND CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD.

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THE PAYMENT CONTROL SECTION OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WILL MOVE FROM CAUSEWAY BAY TO ITS NEW OFFICE ON THE FOURTH, SIXTH AND SEVENTH FLOORS OF CLUB LUSITANO BUILDING, 16 ICE HOUSE STREET, CENTRAL, ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 15).

THE NEW OFFICE, WITH ITS RECEPTION OFFICE ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, WILL START OPERATION FROM MONDAY (AUGUST 17).

THE SECTION'S ENQUIRIES TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 5-268207.

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