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HK/MACAU RELATIONSHIP SATISFACTORY

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THE PRACTICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HONG KONG AND MACAU WAS A VERY SATISFACTORY ONE, THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING.

HE WAS SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT THE MACAU FERRY PIER WHEN SEEING OFF THE GOVERNOR OF MACAU, REAR ADMIRAL ALMEIDA E COSTA AND MADAM E COSTA.

SIR EDWARD SAID TODAY'S VISIT HAD GIVEN HIM AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF THE MACAU GOVERNOR ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG.

+IN PARTICULAR WE HAVE COVERED THE ECONOMY AND THE NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF THAT KIND, AND ALSO THE RULES WE ARE MAKING ON REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT,+ HE SAID.

+AND WE HAD SOME USEFUL DISCUSSIONS ON QUESTIONS OF COMMON CONCERN, AND THESE HAVE INCLUDED OF COURSE INTERNATIONAL TRADE QUESTIONS AND THE PRACTICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HONG KONG AND MACAU WHICH WE AGREED WAS A VERY SATISFACTORY ONE.

+SO WE HAD A USEFUL DAY TOGETHER AND IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PLEASURE FOR US TO HAVE THEM HERE,+ SIR EDWARD SAID, POINTING OUT THAT HE REMEMBERED VERY WARMLY HIS LAST VISIT TO MACAU.

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MACAU GOVERNOR ARRIVES FOR ONE-DAY VISIT

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THE GOVERNOR OF MACAU, REAR ADMIRAL ALMEIDA E COSTA AND MADAM E COSTA ARRIVED IN HONG KONG THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

THEY WERE WELCOMED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, AND LADY YOUDE.

ALSO GREETING THEM AT THE MACAU FERRY PIER WERE THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF PORTUGAL, MR NUNO DA CUNHA E TAVORA LORENA; THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINES AND DOYEN OF THE MACAU CONSULAR CORPS, MRS FELICIDAD BENGZON GONZALES; THE BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL AT MACAU, MR C.C.W. ADAMS; AND THE DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL, SIR JOHN CURLE.

THE OFFICIAL PARTY THEN DROVE TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE WHERE REAR ADM ALMEIDA E COSTA IS BEING BRIEFED THIS MORNING BY SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG.

IN THE MEANTIME, MADAM ALMEIDA E COSTA, ACCOMPANIED BY LADY YOUDE, HAS GONE TO VISIT THE PO LEUNG KUK AND THE FLAGSTAFF HOUSE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE.

EARLIER, A MACAU PRESS CORPS, TOGETHER WITH OFFICIALS FROM THE MACAU GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES, ARRIVED TO COVER THE ONE-DAY VISIT.

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MACAU VISITORS TOUR SHA TIN

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THE GOVERNOR OF MACAU, REAR ADMIRAL ALMEIDA E COSTA AND MADAM E COSTA THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED A PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX AND A GOVERNMENT PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE IN THE FAST DEVELOPING NEW TOWN OF SHA TIN.

ACCOMPANIED BY LADY YOUDE= THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO= AND THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR NICKY CHAN, THEY FIRST WENT TO SHA TIN CITY ONE WHERE THEY VISITED THE COMMERCIAL CENTRE AND A MOCK-UP FLAT.

THE VISITORS WERE TOLD THAT THE PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL ESTATE, WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED, WILL HAVE A TOTAL OF 52 BLOCKS. AT PRESENT, 28 BLOCKS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, PROVIDING ACCOMMODATION FOR SOME 27 000 PEOPLE.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS BOUGHT 80 FLATS IN THE ESTATE TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION FOR 480 ELDERLY PERSONS AGED 60 AND OVER. THESE ELDERLY PEOPLE HAVE TO PAY A MONTHLY FEE OF \$198 IF THEY ARE SINGLE. THE FEE FOR A COUPLE IS \$300.

THE VISITING PARTY THEN MOVED ON TO LUNG HANG ESTATE, WHICH IS THE EIGHTH AND NEWEST PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE IN SHA TIN NEW TOWN, AND TOURED ITS COMMERCIAL COMPLEX.

BUILT IN STAGES AND COMPLETED LAST YEAR, THE ESTATE COMPRISES 12 DOMESTIC BLOCKS, INCLUDING SIX BLOCKS BUILT UNDER THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME. IT HAS A TOTAL OF 4 367 RENTAL UNITS AND 1 424 HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME FLATS, PROVIDING ACCOMMODATION FOR SOME 31 400 PEOPLE.

A FULL RANGE OF WELFARE FACILITIES IS PROVIDED IN THE ESTATE, INCLUDING A COMMUNITY CENTRE, A HOSTEL FOR THE ELDERLY, A STUDY ROOM, A CENTRE FOR THE DISABLED, A CHILD AND YOUTH CENTRE AND A NURSERY. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDE TWO BADMINTON COURTS, THREE SITTING-OUT AREAS, FOUR BASKETBALL COURTS, A SKATING RINK, A FOOTBALL PITCH, AND A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA.

BEFORE LEAVING, THE MACAU GOVERNOR AND MADAM E COSTA WENT TO A FLAT ON THE 6TH FLOOR OF WING SAM HOUSE TO VISIT A FAMILY WHO HAVE BEEN LIVING IN THE ESTATE SINCE THE COMPLETION OF ITS FIRST PHASE IN OCTOBER 1983.

AT HOME TO WELCOME THE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS WERE MR LO YUK-KWONG, MRS LO AND THEIR EIGHT-YEAR-OLD SON, WAI-LEUNG.

THE LO FAMILY ARE OCCUPYING A 25 SQUARE-METRE FLAT, AT A MONTHLY RENTAL OF \$405.

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MADAM ALMEIDA E COSTA VISITS PO LEUNG KUK AND
TEA WARE MUSEUM

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MADAM ALMEIDA E COSTA, WIFE OF THE GOVERNOR OF MACAU, ACCOMPANIED BY LADY YOUDE, SPENT THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING VISITING THE PO LEUNG KUK AND THE FLAGSTAFF HOUSE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE.

THEY WERE MET ON ARRIVAL AT THE PO LEUNG KUK'S PREMISES IN CAUSEWAY BAY BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MR RONNIE WONG MAN-CHIU.

AFTER BEING BRIEFED BY MR WONG ON THE KUK'S HISTORY AND SERVICES, MADAM E COSTA AND LADY YOUDE WERE SHOWN AROUND THE PREMISES.

THEY VISITED THE BABIES WARD WHICH PROVIDES CARE FACILITIES FOR BABIES AWAITING ADOPTION= THE DAY CRECHE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN= THE NURSERY SCHOOL FOR FOUR-TO-SIX-YEAR-OLDS= AND DORMITORIES FOR CHILDREN.

THEY ALSO TOURED THE SHELTERED WORKSHOP WHICH PROVIDES VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED.

THE PO LEUNG KUK, FOUNDED IN 1878, WAS ORIGINALLY AIMED AT SUPPRESSING ABDUCTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG GIRLS AND TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR VICTIMS OF SUCH CASES. OVER THE YEARS, IT HAS DEVELOPED INTO A MULTI-PURPOSE VOLUNTARY AGENCY, PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES WHICH INCLUDE CHILD CARE, REHABILITATION, EDUCATION, RECREATION, MEDICAL, AND SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEIR VISIT TO THE KUK, MADAM E COSTA AND LADY YOUDE PROCEEDED TO THE FLAGSTAFF HOUSE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE IN VICTORIA BARRACKS.

THEY WERE MET ON ARRIVAL BY THE CURATOR OF THE MUSEUM OF ART, MR LAWRENCE TAM, AND THE ASSISTANT CURATOR OF THE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE, MR K.C. HO.

THE PARTY THEN TOURED THE MUSEUM AND SAW AN EXHIBITION ON +CHINESE TEA DRINKING+, WHICH INTRODUCES VARIOUS STYLES IN MAKING TEA BEVERAGES PRACTISED IN CHINA AT DIFFERENT TIMES IN HISTORY.

THE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE, CONVERTED FROM THE FORMER OFFICE AND RESIDENCE OF THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, IS THE FIRST MUSEUM IN HONG KONG WHICH SPECIALISES IN THE COLLECTION, STUDY AND DISPLAY OF TEA AND TEA WARE.

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OPENED IN 1984, THE MUSEUM FEATURES AN INFORMATIVE AND INTERESTING DISPLAY ON THE HISTORY OF CHINESE TEA WARE OVER THE PAST 1 400 YEARS, COVERING THE MAJOR PERIOD OF CHINESE CERAMIC HISTORY FROM THE TANG DYNASTY (618-907) TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

AMONG ITS EXHIBITS IS THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE COLLECTION OF YIXING TEA WARE IN THE WORLD.

AFTER THE MUSEUM VISIT, MADAM E COSTA AND LADY YOUDE RETURNED TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE WHERE THEY JOINED REAR ADMIRAL ALMEIDA E COSTA AND SIR EDWARD YOUDE FOR LUNCH.

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MACAU GOVERNOR LEAVES
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THE GOVERNOR OF MACAU, REAR ADMIRAL ALMEIDA E COSTA AND MADAM E COSTA, RETURNED TO MACAU THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING AFTER AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONG KONG.

THEY WERE SEEN OFF AT THE MACAU FERRY PIER BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, AND LADY YOUDE.

ALSO PRESENT TO SAY FAREWELL TO THEM WERE THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF PORTUGAL, MR NUNO DA CUNHA E TAVORA LORENA; THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINES AND DOYEN OF THE MACAU CONSULAR CORPS, MRS FELICIDAD BENGZON GONZALES; THE BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL AT MACAU, MR C.C.W. ADAMS; AND THE DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL, SIR JOHN CURLE.

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GOVT APPOINTMENTS
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IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT MR MARTIN ROWLANDS WILL BE RETIRING FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE IN MID-AUGUST THIS YEAR. MR ROWLANDS HAS BEEN SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS AND WILL HAVE SERVED WITH THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT FOR 33 YEARS.

HE WILL BE SUCCEEDED AS SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE LATER IN THE YEAR BY MR DAVID FORD, WHO IS CURRENTLY SECRETARY FOR HOUSING.

MR T.H. BARMA, DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, WILL ACT AS SECRETARY FROM AUGUST UNTIL MR FORD TAKES OVER.

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON THESE OFFICERS FOLLOW:

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

MR MARTIN ROWLANDS, CBE, JP

AGED 59. MR ROWLANDS JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A CADET OFFICER CLASS II IN OCTOBER 1952. HE SERVED INITIALLY IN THE (THEN) RESETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT AND AS CHIEF STAFF OFFICER OF THE CIVIL AID SERVICES.

HE SUBSEQUENTLY BECAME AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, AND ALSO SERVED FOR SUBSTANTIAL PERIODS AT SENIOR LEVELS IN THE (THEN) COLONIAL SECRETARIAT AND THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. IN DECEMBER 1974 MR ROWLANDS BECAME THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION AND SERVED IN THIS CAPACITY FOR OVER THREE YEARS.

HE HAS BEEN THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE SINCE MARCH 1978 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT IN OCTOBER 1979. ON HIS RETIREMENT MR ROWLANDS WILL HAVE SERVED WITH THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT FOR 33 YEARS AND WILL BE 60 YEARS OLD.

MR DAVID FORD, LVO, OBE, JP

AGED 50. MR FORD JOINED THE HONG KONG CIVIL SERVICE AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES IN JUNE 1972, AND WAS APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER 1972.

AFTER A TWO YEAR SECONDMENT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT HE RETURNED TO HONG KONG AS SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION IN JANUARY 1979. HE THEN SERVED AS COMMISSIONER, LONDON OFFICE BETWEEN JULY 1980 AND DECEMBER 1981. HE WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF HOUSING IN JULY 1983 AND SECRETARY FOR HOUSING IN FEBRUARY 1985.

MR FORD WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE A IN AUGUST 1981.

MR T.H. BARMA, JP

AGED 52. MR BARMA JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN JULY 1967, AND BECAME AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN AUGUST 1968. HE HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE PARTICULARLY IN THE (FORMER) HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, FINANCE BRANCH, AND POST OFFICE WHERE HE WAS DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL.

MR BARMA HAS BEEN THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE IN CHARGE OF APPOINTMENTS SINCE MARCH 1984 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE B IN APRIL 1982.

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UMELCO ENTERTAIN XINHUA TO DINNER
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IT IS HOPED THAT A PRESS REPORT THAT THE HONG KONG BASIC LAW DRAFTING COMMITTEE WILL INCLUDE UMELCO MEMBERS IS ACCURATE, THE SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG, SAID THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING.

SIR SZE-YUEN WAS SPEAKING AT A DINNER HE AND OTHER UMELCO MEMBERS GAVE FOR THE DIRECTOR OF XINHUA NEWS AGENCY, MR XU JIATUN, AND HIS +DISTINGUISHED COLLEAGUES+.

HE SAID: +IN THE LIGHT OF THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION ON THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG, WE HAVE FOLLOWED THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE RECENT SESSION OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS AND PARTICULARLY THOSE RELATED TO HONG KONG WITH MUCH INTEREST.

+IT WAS REPORTED IN THE PRESS THAT THE HONG KONG BASIC LAW DRAFTING COMMITTEE WOULD INCLUDE ABOUT 15 TO 20 HONG KONG PEOPLE, OF WHICH A NUMBER WOULD BE FROM UMELCO.

+IT IS HOPED THAT THIS PRESS REPORT IS ACCURATE, LIKE SO MANY IN THE PAST, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.+

SIR SZE-YUEN RECALLED THAT UMELCO HAD BEEN ENTERTAINED TO DINNER BY XINHUA SIX WEEKS AGO AND SAID HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES WERE VERY GLAD TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF RECIPROCATING THE HOSPITALITY.

+THIS KIND OF SOCIAL CONTACT, IN A RELAXED AND AMICABLE ATMOSPHERE, ENCOURAGES THE FREE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, HELPS TO IMPROVE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND CAN BRING ABOUT A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN XINHUA NEWS AGENCY AND UMELCO,+ HE SAID.

+AS WE SHARE THE SAME OBJECTIVE OF PRESERVING HONG KONG'S PROSPERITY AND STABILITY, THESE GATHERINGS ARE THEREFORE VERY USEFUL INDEED,+ HE ADDED.

SIR SZE-YUEN AND THE OTHER UMELCO MEMBERS DRANK A TOAST TO THE HEALTH OF MR XU AND THE DISTINGUISHED GUESTS FROM XINHUA, AS WELL AS TO +THE CONTINUAL PROSPERITY AND STABILITY OF HONG KONG+.

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PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

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SIX MEN AND TWO WOMEN, ALL ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AND AVERAGING 40 YEARS OF AGE, HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE 24-MEMBER PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THEY INCLUDED TWO EDUCATORS, TWO MERCHANTS, ONE LAWYER, ONE ENGINEER, ONE DOCTOR AND ONE HOUSEWIFE. FOUR OF THEM WERE ALSO FORMER NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

THE EIGHT NEW APPOINTEES WILL JOIN THE HONOURABLE CHEUNG YAN-LUNG, WHO HAS ALREADY BEEN APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL. THREE MORE MEMBERS WILL BE APPOINTED FROM THE HEUNG YEE KUK AFTER IT HAS HELD ITS ELECTION AT THE END OF MAY.

THE REST OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP WILL COMPRISE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH OF THE NINE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARDS AND THE THREE EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK - NAMELY ITS CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE-CHAIRMEN, WHO ARE, AT PRESENT, MR LAU WONG-FAT, MR LIU CHING-LEUNG AND MR TSANG LIN.

THE EIGHT NEWLY APPOINTED MEMBERS ARE:

- MRS CHAN HO ON-NEI, 40, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE SOUTH KWAI CHUNG YIN NGAI SOCIETY AND A TYPICAL HOUSEWIFE WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED MUCH OF HER SPARE TIME TO COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES;
- MR WILLIAM CHAU CHUN-WING, 31, A MERCHANT AND A FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL;
- MR CARLOS CHEUNG HON-KAU, 46, A CONSULTING CIVIL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEER AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD;
- MR CHONG KAM-NING, 40, A MERCHANT AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD;
- DR RICHARD HO MAN-WUI, 38, A LECTURER IN CHINESE LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE AT THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG;
- MRS MIRIAM LAU KIN-YEE, 38, A SOLICITOR WHO HOLDS OFFICE IN SEVERAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS;
- MR NATHAN MA NING-HEI, 53, PRINCIPAL OF THE YUEN LONG LUTHERAN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD;
- DR PANG HOK-TUEN, 41, A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD;

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THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL WAS SET UP ON APRIL 1, 1985 TO ADVISE THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT ON THE WIDE RANGE OF MUNICIPAL, RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES. IT WILL HOLD ITS INAUGURAL MEETING ON MAY 8 AND ITS FIRST BUSINESS MEETING ON MAY 15.

BUT UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN TSUEN WAN IN JULY, THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL HOLD ALL ITS MEETINGS AT THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS CONFERENCE ROOM.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT TASK OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL IS TO ADVISE THE GOVERNOR ON THE PLANNING, INAUGURATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ON APRIL 1, 1986. THE COUNCIL WILL ALSO THEN BE FINANCIALLY AUTONOMOUS AS A STATUTORY BODY AND HAVE A TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF 36 BY THE ADDITION OF 12 ELECTED MEMBERS.

THE ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE NINE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARDS TO THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL WAS COMPLETED ON APRIL 22. THOSE WHO WERE ELECTED ARE:

- MR TANG NAI-MAN (YUEN LONG);
- MR TANG PUI-TAT (TAI PO);
- MR CHEUNG KUEN (NORTH);
- MR FONG LOI (ISLANDS);
- MR LAM KIN-MING (KWAI CHUNG/TSING YI);
- MR WAI HON-LEUNG (SHA TIN);
- MR HO SUN-KUEN (TUEN MUN);
- MR WAN YUET-KAU (SAI KUNG);
- MR CHAN LAU-FONG (TSUEN WAN).

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APPEAL TO REGISTER FOR LEGCO POLLS

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THE GOVERNMENT WILL DIRECT MORE APPEALS TO ELIGIBLE ELECTORS IN THE COMING LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS TO URGE THEM TO REGISTER BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE OF MAY 6, 1985.

THE APPEALS INCLUDE RADIO AND TELEVISION ANNOUNCEMENTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST (API'S) AND NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY THE SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, MR PETER TSAO WHO SPOKE TO REPORTERS AFTER A ROTARY CLUB LUNCHEON TODAY.

MR TSAO DREW ATTENTION TO THE SLOW RESPONSE IN THE FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES, SUCH AS THE COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND MEDICAL CONSTITUENCIES.

THERE COULD BE A NUMBER OF REASONS FOR THIS; ONE WAS THE TIME TAKEN BY SOME ORGANISATIONS IN THE FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES TO DISTRIBUTE REGISTRATION FORMS TO THEIR MEMBERS. MR TSAO REITERATED HOWEVER THAT ELIGIBLE ELECTORS COULD COLLECT REGISTRATION FORMS FROM ANY DISTRICT OFFICE IN THEIR OWN TIME AND AT THEIR OWN CONVENIENCE.

HE NOTED THAT THE NUMBER OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS OF THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE WAS ENCOURAGING. BY THE END OF TODAY, 226 HAD SUBMITTED THEIR APPLICATIONS.

ALTHOUGH ELIGIBLE ELECTORS COULD MAKE USE OF THE LATE REGISTRATION PERIOD TO SEND IN THEIR FORMS, MR TSAO EXPLAINED THAT BY THEN, THERE WOULD NOT BE SUFFICIENT TIME TO MAKE ANY CORRECTIONS IF ERRORS WERE FOUND IN THEIR APPLICATIONS.

+THE OUTCOME OF THIS REGISTRATION EXERCISE IS ANYBODY'S GUESS AS THIS IS THE FIRST TIME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SEATS ARE FILLED BY ELECTION,+ MR TSAO SAID.

BUT THE RESPONSE OF THE VARIOUS FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES WOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG IS REVIEWED IN 1987, HE SAID.

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LATEST APPLICATION FIGURES
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LATEST STATISTICS ON THE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR
REGISTRATION AS ELECTORS IN THE FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES
AND THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

	<u>ESTIMATED SIZE OF ELECTORATE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS</u>
<u>FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES</u>		
COMMERCIAL I	2 650	165
COMMERCIAL II	6 000	635
INDUSTRIAL I	800	122
INDUSTRIAL II	3 000	307
FINANCIAL	140	30
LABOUR	380	101
SOCIAL SERVICES	154	26
MEDICAL	4 300	477
LEGAL	2 185	244
TEACHING	52 340	11 947
ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND PLANNING	3 660	713
<u>ELECTORAL COLLEGE</u>	432	226

TOTAL: 14 993
(13 768 AS AT NOON TODAY)

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR MARCH 1985

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A) ROSE BY 4.1 PER CENT AND THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (B) BY 4.4 PER CENT BETWEEN MARCH 1984 AND MARCH 1985, ACCORDING TO FIGURES PUBLISHED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE CPI(A) AND CPI(B) FOR MARCH 1985 WERE 159.3 AND 159.1 RESPECTIVELY, OR 6.4 POINTS AND 6.7 POINTS RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THOSE FOR MARCH 1984. COMPARED WITH FEBRUARY 1985 AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS COMPARISON IS AFFECTED BY SEASONAL FACTORS, CPI(A) INCREASED BY 1.4 POINTS OR 0.9 PER CENT AND CPI(B), BY 1.1 POINTS OR 0.7 PER CENT.

THE AVERAGE CPI(A) AND AVERAGE CPI(B) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED MARCH 1985, AT 156.2 AND 156.1 RESPECTIVELY, WERE 6.3 PER CENT AND 6.7 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THE AVERAGES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED MARCH 1984.

DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 1985, BOTH THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED CPI(A) AND CPI(B) INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 0.2 PER CENT EACH MONTH.

DURING MARCH, FOOD PRICES, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF FRESH VEGETABLES, WERE HIGHER. CHARGES FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES ALSO WENT UP. ON THE OTHER HAND, HAIRDRESSING CHARGES WERE LOWER AFTER THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

THE CPI(A) AND CPI(B) ARE BASED ON THE EXPENDITURE PATTERNS OF 50 PER CENT AND 30 PER CENT, RESPECTIVELY, OF URBAN HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG, WHICH WERE DERIVED FROM THE 1979-80 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY. THE CPI(A) REFERS TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN \$1 000 AND \$3 499 A MONTH, AND THE CPI(B) TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN \$3 500 AND \$6 499 A MONTH AT THAT TIME.

THE INDEXES FOR MARCH 1985 IN RESPECT OF THE NINE COMMODITY-SERVICE SECTIONS IN THE TWO CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES ARE GIVEN BELOW, TOGETHER WITH THOSE FOR FEBRUARY 1985 AND MARCH 1984.

(OCTOBER 1979 TO SEPTEMBER 1980 AVERAGE = 100)

SECTION	CPI(A)			CPI(B)		
	MAR 84	FEB 85	MAR 85	MAR 84	FEB 85	MAR 85
FOODSTUFFS	154.4	155.6	156.8	154.7	156.5	157.6
HOUSING	142.1	153.3	153.4	142.8	152.8	152.9

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FUEL AND LIGHT	148.8	146.8	146.8	148.3	146.7	146.7
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO (FOR HOME CONSUMPTION)	207.8	209.3	231.0	200.3	201.6	221.4
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	150.5	161.4	164.9	150.5	161.9	166.2
DURABLE GOODS	124.2	123.8	123.9	127.4	128.3	128.5
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	149.1	150.3	150.3	146.6	146.2	146.2
TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES	167.7	175.1	181.1	169.8	177.0	181.9
SERVICES	164.7	182.6	180.0	163.2	178.5	176.1
ALL ITEMS	152.9	157.9	159.3	152.4	158.0	159.1

COMPARED WITH FEBRUARY 1985, THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS ROSE BY 1.2 POINTS IN CPI(A) AND 1.1 POINTS IN CPI(B). THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES AND SALT-WATER FISH, AND THE AVERAGE CHARGE FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES ROSE. THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF AERATED WATER ALSO WENT UP AFTER DUTIES ON NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WERE INTRODUCED AT THE END OF FEBRUARY. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH FRUIT AND PORK DECREASED. THE EFFECT OF MOVEMENTS IN THE RETAIL PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS ON THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS WAS INSIGNIFICANT.

THE INDEX FOR ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO (FOR HOME CONSUMPTION) ROSE BY 21.7 POINTS IN CPI(A) AND 19.8 POINTS IN CPI(B), REFLECTING THE IMPACT OF THE INCREASES IN THE DUTIES ON IMPORTED CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO AND ON BEER AND NON-EUROPEAN TYPE WINES AND SPIRITS EFFECTED AT THE END OF FEBRUARY.

HIGHER PRICES OF OUTERCLOTHING PUSHED UP THE INDEX FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR BY 3.5 POINTS IN CPI(A) AND 4.3 POINTS IN CPI(B).

THE INDEX FOR TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES WENT UP BY 6.0 POINTS IN CPI(A) AND 4.9 POINTS IN CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF THE INCREASES IN BUS FARES, DRIVING AND VEHICLE LICENCE FEES, AND GASOLINE PRICES.

HOWEVER, THE INDEX FOR SERVICES DECREASED BY 2.6 POINTS IN CPI(A) AND 2.4 POINTS IN CPI(B) DUE TO LOWER CHARGES FOR HAIRDRESSING, PACKAGE TOURS AND ADMISSION TO NIGHT CLUBS AND DISCOTHEQUES AFTER THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

/PRICE MOVEMENTS

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PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER SECTIONS WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

(FIGURES PRESENTED IN THIS PRESS RELEASE REFER TO CPI SERIES NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. ALL PERCENTAGE CHANGES ARE DERIVED FROM CPI FIGURES TO TWO DECIMAL PLACES).

DETAILS OF THESE PRICE MOVEMENTS ARE GIVEN IN THE +CONSUMER PRICE INDEX REPORT+ FOR MARCH 1985, AVAILABLE AT \$3 A COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG, OR FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, ROOM 1904, 19TH FLOOR, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG= OR FROM THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES, BASKERVILLE HOUSE, DUDELL STREET, HONG KONG FOR LOCAL AND OVERSEAS MAILINGS.

FOR ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES, PLEASE CONTACT THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NO. 3-7216512.

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DORWARD CALLS FOR ACTION AGAINST COUNTERFEITERS * * * *

THE REAL CULPRIT IN COUNTERFEITING OF CONSUMER GOODS IS OFTEN THE BUYER IN COUNTRIES SUCH AS THE UNITED STATES, RATHER THAN THE PRODUCER IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY, THE COMMISSIONER FOR HONG KONG COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS IN NEW YORK, MR WILLIAM DORWARD, SAID YESTERDAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT A MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-COUNTERFEITING COALITION (IACC) IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, MR DORWARD SAID THAT IN THE VAST MAJORITY OF CASES, THE COUNTERFEITING SCHEME WAS INSTIGATED BY A DISTRIBUTOR OR IMPORTER IN THE UNITED STATES, WHO THEN PERSUADED A MANUFACTURER IN ANOTHER COUNTRY TO PRODUCE THE GOODS.

MR DORWARD SAID THE REMEDY FOR COUNTERFEITING DID NOT LIE IN INDISCRIMINATELY PLACING THE BLAME ON FOREIGNERS WHO ARE PRESUMED TO BE PRODUCING THE COUNTERFEITS, NOR IN THREATS OF TRADE SANCTIONS.

+THE REMEDIES ARE MUCH MORE TO THE POINT,+ HE SAID. +THESE LIE LARGELY, I SUGGEST, IN EDUCATION. EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC, EDUCATION OF THE LEGISLATORS AND EDUCATION OF THE COURTS. THEY ALSO LIE IN SENSIBLE AND ACTIVE PROTECTION OF SELF INTERESTS BY COMPANIES AFFECTED. AND THEY LIE IN INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.+

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TURNING TO HONG KONG'S RECORD IN COMBATING COUNTERFEITING, MR DORWARD POINTED OUT THAT BETWEEN 1978 AND 1984, INVESTIGATIONS OF COUNTERFEITING CASES GREW FOUR-FOLD TO ALMOST 900, WHILE PROSECUTIONS ROSE BY EIGHT TIMES TO MORE THAN 400. DURING THAT PERIOD, 43 PRISON SENTENCES WERE IMPOSED.

HE SAID THAT TRADE ESTIMATES IN 1973 SHOWED MORE THAN 90 PER CENT OF MUSIC TAPES AND RECORDS SOLD IN HONG KONG WERE COUNTERFEIT. BY 1978, AFTER SEIZURES OF HALF A MILLION ITEMS AND PROSECUTION OF 36 MANUFACTURERS, THE ILLICIT TRADE HAD ALL BUT VANISHED.

+TODAY AT LEAST 99 PER CENT OF THE RECORDINGS SOLD ARE GENUINE. SIMILAR SUCCESSES HAVE NIPPED VIDEO PIRACY MORE OR LESS IN THE BUD AND A SPECIAL PLAQUE FROM THE MOTION PICTURE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA ACKNOWLEDGES THIS EFFORT,+ HE SAID.

MR DORWARD ALSO SAID HONG KONG CUSTOMS HAD RECEIVED TWO GOLD RECORD AWARDS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR EFFORTS AGAINST COUNTERFEITING, ONE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF PRODUCERS OF PHONOGRAMS AND VIDEOGRAMS, AND THE OTHER FROM THE RECORDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

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GOVT DETERMINED TO WIPE OUT COUNTERFEITING

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THE GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO ERADICATE COUNTERFEITING AND THE TRADE IN COUNTERFEIT GOODS FROM BOTH THE LOCAL MARKET AND THE IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADE TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF CONSUMERS, TRADEMARK OWNERS AND LEGITIMATE TRADERS, MR JOHN HOWARD, HEAD OF THE TRADE INVESTIGATION BUREAU OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

HE URGED TRADEMARK OWNERS TO GIVE THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND CO-OPERATION IN THIS ASPECT.

MR HOWARD WAS SPEAKING AFTER HE RECEIVED A PLAQUE AND A BANNER FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE WEST GERMAN FIRM PUMA FAR EAST LTD., MR ROLF H. STOCKHORST, AND THE GENERAL MANAGER OF HWA KAY THAI DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD., MR CHARLES S.K. LEUNG RESPECTIVELY, FOR THE BUREAU'S SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS AGAINST COUNTERFEIT GOODS INFRINGING THE +PUMA+ TRADEMARK.

IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, OFFICERS OF THE BUREAU CARRIED OUT 268 OPERATIONS AGAINST COUNTERFEIT MERCHANDISE AND SEIZED GOODS WORTH ABOUT \$4 MILLION.

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX CASES HAVE BEEN PROSECUTED AND TOTAL FINES IMPOSED AMOUNTED TO \$868 000.

FOUR DEFENDANTS WERE GIVEN JAIL SENTENCES RANGING FROM SIX WEEKS TO THREE MONTHS. THE FORFEITED GOODS WERE VALUED AT \$1.7 MILLION.

SINCE 1984, THE BUREAU HAD ON 28 OCCASIONS SEIZED OVER 8 000 PIECES OF FAKE GARMENTS WORTH ABOUT \$158 000 BEARING THE +PUMA+ TRADEMARK.

FOURTEEN OF THESE CASES HAD BEEN PROSECUTED WITH FINES TOTTALLING \$64 250. ABOUT \$30 000 WORTH OF GARMENTS HAD BEEN FORFEITED BY THE COURTS.

THE REMAINING 14 CASES ARE PENDING PROSECUTION.

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GOVT PLANS TO REDUCE LEASING

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THE MAIN PLANK OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY IS TO REDUCE DEPENDENCE UPON LEASING AND THEREBY REDUCE THE BURDEN OF RECURRENT EXPENDITURE, THE SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, MR PETER TSAO SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

ADDRESSING A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KOWLOON NORTH, MR TSAO SAID THAT A SUBSTANTIAL OFFICE BUILDING PROGRAMME WAS IN HAND WHICH SHOULD BRING ABOUT 250 000 SQUARE METRES OF SPACE ON STREAM OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS OR SO.

HE SAID THAT WHILE COST REDUCTION WAS THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE IN THE OFFICE BUILDING PROGRAMME, THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED TOO WITH RATIONALISING ACCOMMODATION.

+WE WANT TO SEE THE HEADQUARTERS OF INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENTS HOUSED UNDER ONE SINGLE ROOF, SO THAT THEY ARE EASIER TO MANAGE AS A COHERENT WHOLE.

+AND WE WANT TO SEE A CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS IN EACH DISTRICT OF THE URBAN AREA AND NEW TERRITORIES.

+THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR HERE. A CENTRAL AND READILY ACCESSIBLE HEADQUARTERS WILL PROVIDE AN ADMINISTRATIVE FOCUS FOR THE PROVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES, FACILITATE CO-ORDINATION AND PLANNING ON A DISTRICT BASIS AND PROVIDE A NATURAL HOME FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD,+ MR TSAO SAID.

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ON THE QUESTION OF GOVERNMENT QUARTERS, MR TSAO SAID THAT THE OBJECTIVE TOO WAS TO REDUCE DEPENDENCE ON LEASING. HE NOTED THAT THE POLICY OF CIVIL SERVICE ZERO GROWTH; THE POPULARITY OF THE HOME PURCHASE SCHEME, AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AND JOINT VENTURE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS HAD RESULTED IN A DECLINE IN THE DEMAND FOR QUARTERS.

+IT NOW LOOKS AS IF WE SHALL BE ABLE TO GIVE UP AROUND 300 LEASED QUARTERS IN 1985-86 - THIS REPRESENTS A SAVING OF AROUND \$30-40 MILLION IN A FULL YEAR. ON PRESENT PROJECTIONS WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE UP A SIMILAR AND PERHAPS EVEN LARGER NUMBER OF LEASES THE FOLLOWING YEAR,+ MR TSAO SAID.

HE CITED SOME STATISTICS TO HIGHLIGHT GOVERNMENT'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT OF PROPERTY. LEAVING ASIDE SPECIALIST BUILDING SUCH AS HOSPITALS, SCHOOLS, FIRE STATIONS AND THE LIKE THE GOVERNMENT OCCUPIES MORE THAN 620 000 SQUARE METRES OF OFFICE SPACE, WHICH IS ABOUT THE AREA OF 80 FOOTBALL PITCHES.

AS FOR QUARTERS, THERE ARE SOME 17 500 DEPARTMENTAL QUARTERS OCCUPIED MAINLY BY JUNIOR STAFF OF THE DISCIPLINED SERVICES AND BY OFFICERS WHO FOR ONE REASON OR THE OTHER HAVE TO LIVE NEAR THEIR JOBS. ALSO THERE ARE ABOUT 3 000 NON-DEPARTMENTAL QUARTERS FOR EXPATRIATE OFFICERS AND LOCAL OFFICERS WHO ARE ON OR ABOVE POINT 48 OF THE MASTER PAY SCALE.

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APPOINTMENTS TO MTR BOARD ANNOUNCED
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THE GOVERNOR HAS APPOINTED MR YEUNG PO-KWAN AND HAS RE-APPOINTED MR OSWALD CHEUNG AND MR G.M. MACWHINNIE TO THE BOARD OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS FROM MAY 1, 1985.

MR YEUNG PO-KWAN IS REPLACING MISS LYDIA DUNN, WHO HAS SERVED ON THE BOARD SINCE 1979. MR YEUNG IS AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. HE CURRENTLY SERVES ON A NUMBER OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMITTEES, WHICH INCLUDES THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, BROADCASTING REVIEW BOARD AND CRIMINAL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARDS.

THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WHICH IS CHAIRED BY MR WILFRID NEWTON, ARE MR W.C.L. BROWN, MR C.H. TUNG, MR D.W.A. BLYE (SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS), THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT AND THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION.

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MORE TUBERCULOSIS CASES REPORTED LAST YEAR

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THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NOTIFICATIONS OF TUBERCULOSIS HAS INCREASED IN HONG KONG LAST YEAR WHILE THE NUMBER OF DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS HAS FALLEN, SAID DR K.L. THONG, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES TODAY (FRIDAY).

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE HONG KONG TUBERCULOSIS, CHEST AND HEART DISEASES ASSOCIATION OF WHICH HE IS THE PRESIDENT.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS, THE TOTAL NOTIFICATIONS FOR TUBERCULOSIS HAD INCREASED FROM 7 301 IN 1983 TO 7 843 IN 1984 AND THE NOTIFICATION RATE FROM 137.4 TO 146.2 PER 100 000 POPULATION.

+TUBERCULOSIS REMAINS AN IMPORTANT DISEASE IN HONG KONG DESPITE THE CONTINUED DILIGENCE AND A DYNAMIC PROGRAMME IN OUR FIGHT AGAINST IT,+ DR THONG SAID.

HE EXPLAINED THAT THE INCREASE IN NOTIFICATION WAS DUE TO THREE FACTORS INCLUDING AN INCREASED PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE DISEASE, AN INCREASED RESPONSE TO CASE FINDING MEASURES AND THE MOVEMENT OF POPULATION FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE REGION WITH HIGHER INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS.

DESPITE THE INCREASE IN NOTIFICATION, THE NUMBER OF DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS CONTINUED TO FALL FROM 446 IN 1983 TO 420 IN 1984. THE DEATH RATE HAD ALSO FALLEN FROM 8.4 TO 7.8 PER 100 000 POPULATION.

+THIS HAS SHOWN THAT THE DISEASE IS CURABLE AND HAS REFLECTED THE EFFICACY OF THE DRUG TREATMENT REGIME IN HONG KONG,+ DR THONG SAID.

TURNING TO LUNG CANCER, DR THONG STRESSED THAT MORE RESEARCH INTO WAYS TO IMPROVE THERAPY IS STILL NECESSARY AS THE NUMBER OF LUNG CANCER CASES HAS NOT LESSENED.

LAST YEAR, LUNG CANCER HAS CLAIMED THE LIVES OF 2 128 PEOPLE, AN INCREASE OF 126 PEOPLE WHEN COMPARED WITH THE FIGURE OF 1983.

DR THONG FELT THAT IF SMOKING COULD BE PROGRESSIVELY REDUCED, THE OCCURRENCE OF LUNG CANCER WOULD CERTAINLY DECLINE.

+IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TO DISCOURAGE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS FROM STARTING TO SMOKE,+ HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT SINCE THE ANTI-SMOKING CAMPAIGN WAS STARTED THREE YEARS AGO, THERE HAD BEEN A DEFINITE REDUCTION IN SMOKERS AND IN CIGARETTE CONSUMPTION.

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AS REGARDS CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, DR THONG NOTED THAT THE DISEASE, WHICH IS ALSO ON AN INCREASING TREND, IS THE NO. 2 LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN HONG KONG.

IN 1969, IT CAUSED 15.1 DEATHS PER 100 000 POPULATION, AND THE FIGURE HAD RISEN TO 44.4 PER 100 000 POPULATION IN 1983.

DR THONG ALSO SPOKE ON THE CARDIAC SERVICE PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC BY THE GRANTHAM HOSPITAL.

+THE KWOK TEK SENG HEART CENTRE AT THE GRANTHAM HOSPITAL FUNCTIONS WELL AND PROVIDES THE COMMUNITY WITH CARDIAC CATHETERISATION AND OPEN HEART OPERATION 24 HOURS A DAY,+ HE SAID.

REFERRAL CASES ARE FROM ALL PARTS OF HONG KONG AND ALSO SOME COUNTRIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

FROM 1982 TO 1984, 52 CORONARY BYPASS OPERATIONS WERE PERFORMED AT THE GRANTHAM HOSPITAL WITH NO MORTALITY.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, A TOTAL OF 1 708 OPEN HEART OPERATIONS WERE PERFORMED AT THE HOSPITAL. OUT OF THESE, 792 PATIENTS WHO WERE SUFFERING FROM RHEUMATIC VALVULAR DISEASE NEEDED VALVULAR SURGERY.

THE OVERALL DEATH RATE FOR THOSE WHO UNDERWENT OPEN HEART OPERATIONS DURING THIS PERIOD WAS BELOW EIGHT PER CENT AND 90 PER CENT OF THOSE SO OPERATED AFTER DISCHARGE WERE ABLE TO RETURN TO NORMAL ACTIVE LIFE, DR THONG SAID.

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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEW STATION COMPLEX

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A \$105 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW LO WU STATION COMPLEX HAS BEEN AWARDED BY THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT, DR NIP KAM-FAN, AND MR VINCENT LO, CHAIRMAN OF SHUI ON BUILDING CONTRACTORS LIMITED.

WORK ON THE PROJECT INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TERMINAL BUILDING, SUBWAYS, PLATFORM AND CANOPIES AND ALL ASSOCIATED SERVICES.

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THE TERMINAL BUILDING WILL COVER AN AREA OF ABOUT HALF A HECTARE. IT WILL PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE FOR THE IMMIGRATION, CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENTS, THE POLICE AS WELL AS FOR THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION.

ON PARTIAL COMPLETION IN EARLY 1987, DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL PASSENGERS WILL BE PROCESSED ON TWO DIFFERENT FLOORS.

WITH 44 IMMIGRATION CHECK COUNTERS AT EACH OF THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE HALLS, THE STATION WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE SOME 5 000 PASSENGERS PER HOUR IN EACH DIRECTION.

THE EXISTING TEMPORARY STATION FACILITIES, WILL ALSO BE DEMOLISHED AFTER THE NEW BUILDING IS COMMISSIONED.

UNDER A PREVIOUS CONTRACT, THE FOUNDATION AND THE STRUCTURAL STEEL FRAME OF THE NEW TERMINAL BUILDING HAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED AT A COST OF \$20 MILLION. THE PRESENT CONTRACTOR WILL TAKE OVER THE COMPLETED STEEL FRAME AND WOULD BE ABLE TO START THE STRUCTURAL AND BUILDERS WORK AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORK WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK.

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NINE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS ARRESTED IN RAIDS

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NINE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM CHINA WERE ARRESTED IN A SERIES OF RAIDS CARRIED OUT BY THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT IN THE PAST TWO DAYS.

THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS, COMPRISING SIX MEN AND THREE WOMEN, WERE AGED BETWEEN 16 AND 40.

THE OPERATION BEGAN ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 24) WHEN A PARTY OF IMMIGRATION OFFICERS RAIDED A SCRAP PAPER BAILING FACTORY IN WESTERN DISTRICT AND ARRESTED THREE MALE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

IN FOLLOW-UP RAIDS, THEY MOVED TO ANOTHER SCRAP PAPER BAILING FACTORY IN THE SAME DISTRICT, A PREMISES IN CHOI WAN ESTATE IN KOWLOON AND A BUTCHER SHOP IN YUEN LONG AND ARRESTED THE OTHERS.

THREE OF THE NINE PERSONS ARRESTED WERE FOUND TO BE IN POSSESSION OF HONG KONG IDENTITY CARDS RELATING TO OTHER PERSONS.

ALL NINE ARE BEING DETAINED FOR ENQUIRIES. THEIR EMPLOYERS AND SOME RELATIVES INVOLVED ARE ALSO BEING INVESTIGATED FOR SUSPECTED AIDING AND ABETTING OFFENCES.

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I.D. CARD REMINDER FOR WOMEN
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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT 330 000 OLD IDENTITY CARDS BELONGING TO WOMEN BORN BETWEEN 1947 AND 1954 WILL CEASE TO BE LEGAL DOCUMENTS AS FROM MAY 5.

THIS WILL BE THE FOURTH BATCH OF OLD I.D. CARDS TO BE DECLARED INVALID SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE RE-ISSUE SCHEME.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT OVER 99 PER CENT OF THE WOMEN IN THESE AGE GROUPS HAD ALREADY OBTAINED NEW I.D. CARDS.

THOSE WOMEN WHO MISSED THEIR TURN HAD A LAST CHANCE TO APPLY NOW. HOWEVER, APPLICATION MUST BE MADE BEFORE THE INVALIDATION DATE, HE SAID.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BRING ALONG THEIR OLD I.D. CARDS AND CALL AT ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT ISSUE OFFICES BETWEEN 8 AM AND 9.30 PM FROM MONDAY TO SATURDAY.

HOLDERS OF OLD I.D. CARDS WILL SUFFER A LOT OF INCONVENIENCE AFTER THE INVALIDATION DATE. FOR INSTANCE, THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR A HONG KONG RE-ENTRY PERMIT WITH THEIR OLD I.D. CARDS AFTER THE INVALIDATION DATE.

THE SPOKESMAN WARNED THAT FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW I.D. CARD WITHIN THE PERIOD SPECIFIED IN A GOVERNOR'S ORDER WAS AN OFFENCE. DEFAULTERS ARE LIABLE TO PROSECUTION AND A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$3 000.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

+ONCE DETECTED, THEY WILL BE REPATRIATED IMMEDIATELY,+ HE SAID.

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FIREMEN REMINDED TO BE COURTEOUS, UNDERSTANDING
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THE ACTING CHIEF FIRE OFFICER, MR KEN HODGKINS, TODAY (FRIDAY) REMINDED A GROUP OF NEWLY GRADUATED FIREMEN TO BE COURTEOUS AND UNDERSTANDING, PARTICULARLY TO THOSE IN DISTRESS.

+YOU ARE A SERVANT OF THE PUBLIC, A PUBLIC WHO LOOKS UP TO YOU, WHO TRUSTS YOU, AND CALLS UPON YOUR PROFESSIONAL ABILITY IN TIMES OF NEED AND DISTRESS,+ MR HODGKINS SAID WHEN ADDRESSING A PASSING OUT PARADE OF THREE SQUADS OF FIREMEN AT THE FIRE SERVICES PAT HEUNG TRAINING SCHOOL IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

/+TODAY IS

+TODAY IS ONLY THE START OF YOUR TRAINING IN THE 'REAL FIREMAN'S WORLD', AND YOUR TRAINING WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE DAY YOU LEAVE THE SERVICE,+ HE SAID.

LATER, MR HODGKINS PRESENTED THE BEST RECRUIT AWARD TO FIREMAN LEE PING-KEE.

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EVENING COURSES IN TECHNICAL TRAINING OFFERED
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THE FIVE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES UNDER THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL ARE NOW INVITING APPLICATION FOR PART-TIME EVENING COURSES DUE TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

THE MORRISON HILL, KWAI CHUNG, KWUN TONG, HAKING WONG AND LEE WAI LEE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES WILL OFFER 110 PART-TIME EVENING COURSES IN 13 DISCIPLINES IN THE 1985-86 ACADEMIC YEAR TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

THE COURSES OFFERED ARE MAINLY AT CRAFT AND TECHNICIAN LEVELS, PROVIDING ONE TO THREE YEARS COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION FOR PEOPLE WORKING IN THE INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND SERVICE SECTORS.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND LECTURES ONE TO FOUR EVENINGS A WEEK.

THE 13 DISCIPLINES ARE: HOTEL-KEEPING AND TOURISM STUDIES, COMMERCIAL STUDIES, CONSTRUCTION, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, GENERAL STUDIES, INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY, PRINTING, TEXTILE INDUSTRIES, CLOTHING INDUSTRIES, MARINE AND FABRICATION, DESIGN AND MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINEERING.

FOURTEEN NEW COURSES WILL BE INTRODUCED IN THE COMING SESSION, WITH MOST OF THEM IN THE CONSTRUCTION DISCIPLINE AT CRAFT LEVEL.

NEW TECHNICIAN COURSES SUCH AS PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATE IN ENGINEERING SURVEYING AND CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANCY WILL BE OFFERED AS WELL.

DETAILS OF THE PART-TIME EVENING COURSES WILL BE ADVERTISED IN TOMORROW'S (SATURDAY) PAPERS. APPLICATION FORMS AND GUIDES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE FIVE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND DISTRICT OFFICES DURING OFFICE HOURS.

CLOSING DATE OF APPLICATION IS MAY 11 (SATURDAY). FORM 5 STUDENTS SITTING FOR THE 1985 H.K.C.E. EXAMINATION MAY ALSO APPLY.

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NEW OFFICES FOR LICENSING SECTION

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FOLLOWING THE REORGANISATION OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ITS LICENSING SECTION WILL BE SEPARATED INTO HONG KONG ISLAND AND KOWLOON REGIONS AS FROM WEDNESDAY (MAY 1).

FROM THEN, ALL APPLICATIONS FOR LIQUOR, ENTERTAINMENT, AMUSEMENT AND GENERAL LICENCES IN KOWLOON REGION WILL BE HANDLED BY THE KOWLOON LICENSING SECTION AT ROOM 309, USD DEPOT, 148 SAI YEE STREET (3-948955 AND 3-956846), AND THOSE FOR ON HONG KONG ISLAND BY THE HONG KONG LICENSING SECTION, 3/F, TANG LUNG CHAU MARKET BUILDING, 59 JARDINE'S BAZAAR, CAUSEWAY BAY (5-7954194 AND 5-7954219).

A SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT THE AIM WAS TO SPEED UP LICENSING PROCESSES.

HE ALSO REMINDED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND URBAN SERVICES ORDINANCE, THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES MUST HAVE A LICENCE ISSUED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL: BAKERY, COLD STORE, COMMERCIAL BATH HOUSE, FACTORY CANTEEN, FOOD FACTORY, FRESH PROVISION SHOP, FROZEN CONFECTION FACTORY, FUNERAL PARLOUR, GENERAL RESTAURANT, LIGHT REFRESHMENT RESTAURANT, MARINE RESTAURANT, MILK FACTORY, OFFENSIVE TRADES, SIU MEI AND LO MEI SHOP, SWIMMING POOL, UNDERTAKER AND TEMPORARY FOOD FACTORY.

+THE COUNCIL IS ALSO THE AUTHORITY FOR LIQUOR (INCLUDING CLUB LIQUOR LICENCE), PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT, PUBLIC BILLIARD SALOON, PUBLIC BOWLING ALLEY, PUBLIC TABLE TENNIS SALOON AND PUBLIC SKATING RINK LICENCES,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

PAMPHLETS ON HOW TO APPLY FOR VARIOUS LICENCES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE TWO LICENSING SECTIONS.

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FUNDS OFFERED FOR CIVIC PROJECTS

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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS IN EASTERN CAN NOW APPLY TO THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD FOR FUNDS TO ORGANISE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

+THERE IS NO SET LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT TO BE GRANTED, ALTHOUGH APPLICATIONS WILL BE VETTED BY THE BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, AND THE AMOUNT, IF APPROVED, WILL DEPEND ON THE FUNDS AVAILABLE.

/+FOR ENTERTAINMENT,

+FOR ENTERTAINMENT, RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND FESTIVE ACTIVITIES, WE HOPE ORGANISERS WILL BEAR PART OF THE COSTS.

+THOSE WISHING TO APPLY FOR FUNDS TO ORGANISE FUNCTIONS BETWEEN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER, SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS TO THE DISTRICT BOARD'S SECRETARIAT BEFORE MAY 20,+ HE SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AT 880-886 KING'S ROAD, THE CAUSEWAY BAY SUB-OFFICE AT 9-11 WING HING STREET, THE SHAU KEI WAN SUB-OFFICE AT 243 SHAU KEI WAN ROAD, AND THE CHAI WAN SUB-OFFICE AT BLOCK 2, HING WAH ESTATE.

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING BY THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT IN JUNE.

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ORIENTATION SEMINAR FOR BOARD MEMBERS

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WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL ATTEND A SEMINAR TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE DISTRICT BOARD.

THE SEMINAR WILL BEGIN AT 9 AM WITH A BRIEFING BY A CHINESE UNIVERSITY LECTURER, MR ANDREW WONG, WHO WILL SPEAK ON THE ROLE OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS AND THE STRUCTURE OF THE GOVERNMENT MACHINERY.

ANOTHER GUEST SPEAKER, LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MISS MARIA TAM, WILL TALK ABOUT THE ROLE OF DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS IN THE PRESENT POLITICAL SYSTEM.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A DISCUSSION SESSION ON EFFECTIVE MEETING TECHNIQUES.

THE SEMINAR IS THE SECOND OF A TWO-PART ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ARRANGED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE TO ACQUAINT THE NEW DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WITH THE BOARD'S MODE OF OPERATION.

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STUDENTS ATTEND SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

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ABOUT 100 SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS TODAY (FRIDAY) ATTENDED THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM IN HONG KONG.

THE VISIT WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE ON THE 1985 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR, AS PART OF A CIVIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME TO PROMOTE THE IYY THEME OF +PARTICIPATION, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE+.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAD MOVED THE VENUE OF ITS MEETING TO THE AP LEI CHAU COMMUNITY HALL SO THAT IT WOULD ACCOMMODATE A LARGER AUDIENCE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IYY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE SAID ABOUT 15 SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT WERE INVITED TO SEND STUDENTS TO THE MEETING.

+THE COMMITTEE VALUES THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS AND MANY OF OUR ACTIVITIES ARE EITHER JOINTLY ORGANISED WITH SCHOOLS OR AIMED PARTICULARLY AT STUDENTS,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT IYY ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT AIMED AT PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION AND KNOWLEDGE OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

+APART FROM THE DB VISIT, A YOUTH TRAINING CAMP ON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION WAS ORGANISED IN MARCH AND THERE ARE PLANS TO PRODUCE A TEACHING KIT ON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION LATER IN THE YEAR.+

+A SOCIAL SERVICE AWARD SCHEME AND A NUMBER OF OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES ARE ALSO BEING LINED UP FOR YOUTHS IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT,+ HE ADDED.

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URBCO BACKS PERFORMING COMPANIES

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IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE URBAN COUNCIL'S POLICY TO PROMOTE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AND TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF PERFORMING COMPANIES IN HONG KONG, URBAN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

MR CHEONG-LEEN WAS SPEAKING AT A RECEPTION GIVEN FOR THE FIRST TIME BY THE COUNCIL IN HONOUR OF ITS FOUR PERFORMING COMPANIES -- THE HONG KONG REPERTORY THEATRE, THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, THE HONG KONG DANCE COMPANY AND THE HONG KONG CHORUS.

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HE NOTED THAT THE COUNCIL AND THE GOVERNMENT ARE PLANNING, EITHER JOINTLY OR INDIVIDUALLY, A NUMBER OF CULTURAL PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY. THESE INCLUDE THE TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURAL CENTRE, CIVIC CENTRES IN THE URBAN AREA AND TWO TOWN HALLS IN SHA TIN AND TUEN MUN.

UPON COMPLETION OF THESE PROJECTS, THERE WILL BE MARKED IMPROVEMENT, IN TERMS OF BOTH QUALITY AND QUANTITY, IN THE PERFORMING VENUES FOR LOCAL CULTURAL GROUPS AND THE COUNCIL'S COMPANIES, TO THE BENEFIT OF THE AUDIENCE.

TURNING TO THE COUNCIL'S PERFORMING COMPANIES, MR CHEONG-LEEN SAID THEY HAVE ACHIEVED HIGH ARTISTIC STANDARDS AND ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY POPULAR. THIS IS EVIDENCED BY PRAISE FROM THE MEDIA AND CULTURAL CIRCLES, HE ADDED.

THE COMPANIES OWE THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS NOT ONLY TO THEIR MEMBERS BUT ALSO TO THOSE WORKING BACKSTAGE, SUCH AS THE ADVISERS, COMPOSERS, CONDUCTORS, DIRECTORS, DESIGNERS, SCRIPT-WRITERS AND CHOREOGRAPHERS, THE URBAN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN SAID.

HE APPEALED TO THE COMPANIES TO CONTINUE WITH THEIR GOOD WORK SO AS TO ENRICH HONG KONG'S CULTURAL LIFE.

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FRESH, SALT WATER WORKS
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN WAN CHAI WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (APRIL 29) FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY FENWICK STREET, JOHNSTON ROAD, FLEMING ROAD AND LOCKHART ROAD, INCLUDING HOUSE NOS. 1-31 AND 93-149 OF THOMSON ROAD AND 25-61 AND 183-211 OF JOHNSTON ROAD.

ON THE SAME DAY, SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN NORTH POINT AND CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE SUSPENDED BETWEEN 10 AM AND 3 PM ALSO FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES IN BRAEMAR HILL ROAD, CLOUD VIEW ROAD, TIN HAU TEMPLE ROAD AND YUE KING ROAD, INCLUDING LAI TAK TSUEN.

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ROAD STILL CLOSED
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SUNG CHI STREET AT ITS JUNCTION WITH BAILEY STREET WILL CONTINUE TO BE CLOSED FOR ANOTHER TWO MONTHS FOR SEWER REPAIR WORKS.

MOTORISTS GOING TO SUNG CHI STREET SHOULD USE HOK YUEN STREET.

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