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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1994

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TAC ENDORSES STAR FERRY'S FARE RISE

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THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) TODAY (TUESDAY) ENDORSED A FARE INCREASE FOR STAR FERRY BY A WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF 13.8 PER CENT ON ACCOUNT OF HIGHER OPERATING COST AND SERVICE IMPROVEMENT.

THE RECOMMENDED RATE OF INCREASE IS LOWER THAN THAT SOUGHT BY STAR FERRY. IT IS ALSO BELOW THE 15 PER CENT ESTIMATED INFLATION RATE BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1993 (DATE OF THE LAST FARE REVISION) AND DECEMBER 1994 (EXPECTED DATE OF THE NEXT FARE RISE).

IF ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL, THE PROPOSED NEW FARES WILL MEAN THAT ABOUT 90 PER CENT OF STAR FERRY PASSENGERS WILL PAY 20 CENTS MORE PER TRIP. IT WILL HAVE LITTLE IMPACT ON GENERAL INFLATION.

THE CHILD FARE FOR ALL THREE STAR FERRY HARBOUR CROSSING ROUTES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED AT A FLAT RATE OF \$1.

SENIOR CITIZENS AGED 65 OR ABOVE WILL CONTINUE TO ENJOY FREE RIDE.

TAC ENDORSED THAT THE ADULT FARES FOR ALL THREE HARBOUR-CROSSING SERVICES SHOULD INCREASE BY 20 CENTS.

THE INCREASE IS FROM \$1.5 TO \$1.70 FOR THE UPPER DECK AND FROM \$1.20 TO \$1.40 FOR THE LOWER DECK OF THE CENTRAL TO TSIM SHA TSUI SERVICE; FROM \$1.80 TO \$2 FOR THE UPPER DECK AND FROM \$1.50 TO \$1.70 FOR THE LOWER DECK OF THE CENTRAL TO HUNG HOM SERVICE AND FROM \$1.50 TO \$1.70 FOR THE WAN CHAI TO TSIM SHA TSUI SERVICE.

THE PRICE OF A MONTHLY TICKET WILL GO UP FROM \$75 TO \$85.

EVEN WITH THE FARE INCREASE, STAR FERRY WILL REMAIN THE CHEAPEST TRANSPORT MODE OF CROSSING THE HARBOUR.

STAR FERRY IS UNDERTAKING SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLANS SUCH AS THE INSTALLATION OF AIR-CONDITIONING IN ONE UPPER-DECK CABIN OF EACH VESSEL. SERVICE FREQUENCY OF THE WAN CHAI-KOWLOON POINT ROUTE WILL ALSO BE IMPROVED LATER THIS YEAR.

AT TODAY'S MEETING, MEMBERS WERE INFORMED OF STAR FERRY'S FIVE-YEAR FORWARD PLANNING PROGRAMME FOR THE PERIOD OF 1995 TO 1999.

TAC ALSO DISCUSSED AND ENDORSED A PROPOSAL BY THE ADMINISTRATION TO STRENGTHEN THE LAW ON DRINK-DRIVING AS A MEASURE TO IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY.

MEMBERS SUPPORTED THAT A LEGAL LIMIT BE SET FOR THE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT OF DRIVERS' BREATH, BLOOD AND URINE AND THAT THE LAW BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE POLICE OFFICERS WITH THE POWER TO REQUIRE A DRIVER TO TAKE A BREATH TEST AT THE ROADSIDE IF THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT REASON TO SUSPECT THAT HE HAS BEEN DRINKING.

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IF THE RESULT OF THE TEST INDICATES THAT THE DRIVER HAS EXCEEDED THE LIMIT, HE WILL BE TAKEN TO A POLICE STATION FOR MORE ACCURATE TESTS, THE RESULTS OF WHICH MAY BE USED AS EVIDENCE IN COURT.

MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE CONSUMER COUNCIL'S REPORT ON THE DRIVING INSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG AND MEMBERS AGREED THAT THERE IS STRONG JUSTIFICATION FOR PROMOTING OFF-ROAD DRIVER-TRAINING IN THE INTERESTS OF ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT.

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MORE TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS IN SECOND QUARTER 1994

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THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AND SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED BY THE TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS UNIT OF THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30 THIS YEAR INCREASED BY EIGHT PER CENT TO 3,557 AS COMPARED WITH 3,292 IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR.

DURING THE PERIOD, THE MAJOR AREAS OF COMPLAINTS WERE RELATED TO PUBLIC TRANSPORT (59 PER CENT), ENFORCEMENT (19 PER CENT) AND ROAD TRAFFIC CONDITIONS (16 PER CENT).

THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORT INCREASED BY 5.5 PER CENT, FROM 1,999 IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER TO 2,109.

THIS WAS MAINLY DUE TO INCREASES IN THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST CHINA MOTOR BUS (UP 36.8 PER CENT FROM 190 TO 260 CASES), FERRY SERVICES (UP 29.3 PER CENT FROM 41 TO 53 CASES), CITYBUS (UP 13.8 PER CENT FROM 65 TO 74 CASES), GREEN MINI-BUSES (UP 9.9 PER CENT FROM 192 TO 211) AND TAXI MALPRACTICES (UP 3.5 PER CENT FROM 889 TO 920).

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THERE WERE 388 COMPLAINTS AGAINST KOWLOON MOTOR BUS, REPRESENTING A DECREASE OF 8.5 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH 424 CASES IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST RAIL TRANSPORT ALSO DROPPED FROM 40 TO 31 THIS QUARTER.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST TRAFFIC REGULATION ENFORCEMENT INCREASED BY 20.3 PER CENT TO 682 CASES FROM 567 IN THE LAST QUARTER.

THEY WERE RELATED MAINLY TO REQUESTS FOR ACTION AGAINST ILLEGAL PARKING AND MOTORISTS FAILING TO COMPLY WITH TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, ALL OF WHICH HAD BEEN REFERRED TO THE POLICE FOR ACTION.

THERE WERE 295 COMPLAINTS ABOUT ROAD CONGESTION, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 73.5 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH 170 CASES IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

HOWEVER, COMPLAINTS ABOUT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT DROPPED FROM 149 TO 97 THIS QUARTER. THERE WERE ALSO FEWER SUGGESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC SIGNS AND AIDS, DOWN FROM 135 TO 128. ALL THESE COMPLAINTS AND SUGGESTIONS HAD BEEN REFERRED TO THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES FOR CONSIDERATION.

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VIETNAMESE TRANSFERRED FOR ORDERLY REPATRIATION

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THE FOLLOWING ARE STATISTICS REGARDING THE TWO-DAY EXERCISE INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS FROM HIGH ISLAND DETENTION CENTRE TO VICTORIA PRISON FOR THE ORDERLY REPATRIATION PROGRAMME FLIGHT ON SEPTEMBER 22 AND 23:

DEPLOYMENT

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (CSD)/POLICE OFFICERS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION WAS ABOUT 700.

THEY INCLUDED 171 CSD OFFICERS, 401 POLICE OFFICERS AND ABOUT 130 HIGH ISLAND DETENTION CENTRE STAFF.

ABOUT 30 CSD OFFICERS WERE INVOLVED IN THE REMOVAL OF THE 11 VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS ON THE ROOFTOP.

INJURIES

A TOTAL OF 155 VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS HAD SOUGHT MEDICAL TREATMENT. OF THEM, 59 WERE FOUND TO HAVE NO INJURIES. 96 WERE TREATED FOR MINOR INJURIES. ALL OF THEM WERE TREATED AT HIGH ISLAND DETENTION CENTRE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SEVEN (SIX MEN, ONE WOMAN) WHO WERE SENT TO HOSPITAL. SIX WERE TREATED AND DISCHARGED WHILE A MAN WAS ADMITTED.

IN ADDITION, 39 CSD OFFICERS RECEIVED MINOR INJURIES.

THE ABOVE DOES NOT INCLUDE THAT PART OF THE OPERATION INVOLVING THE 11 VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS ON THE ROOFTOP.

TWO VIETNAMESE MEN WERE INJURED WHEN THEY SLASHED THEIR WRISTS AND THEY WERE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT.

IN ADDITION, SEVEN CSD OFFICERS WERE SLASHED BY THEM.

EIGHT OTHER VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS ON THE ROOF SUSTAINED MINOR INJURIES.

COMPLAINTS

THERE WERE A TOTAL OF SEVEN COMPLAINTS MADE BY VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS DURING THE OPERATION -- SIX FOR ALLEGED ASSAULTS AND ONE FOR THE LOSS OF A NECKLACE. THESE HAD BEEN OR ARE BEING REFERRED TO THE POLICE.

NEW BAUHINIA \$1 COIN TO BECOME LEGAL TENDER

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THE HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY (HKMA) ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT A NEW 1994-DATED \$1 COIN WOULD BECOME LEGAL TENDER, WITH EFFECT FROM OCTOBER 3.

THE NEW BAUHINIA \$1 COIN HAS METAL CONTENT OF 84 PER CENT COPPER AND 16 PER CENT NICKEL, THE SAME COMPOSITION AS THE \$5 AND \$2 BAUHINIA COINS.

SAMPLES OF THE NEW \$1 COIN HAVE BEEN WIDELY TESTED BY THE VENDING MACHINE OPERATORS WHO CONFIRM THAT THEIR MACHINES HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE RECALIBRATED TO ACCEPT THE NEW COIN. ISSUANCE OF THE COIN WILL BEGIN IN LATE OCTOBER.

THE NICKEL-PLATED STEEL \$1 COIN MINTED IN 1993 HAS NOT BEEN FAVOURABLY ACCEPTED BY THE PUBLIC PARTLY BECAUSE OF ITS MAGNETIC PROPERTIES, AND PARTLY BECAUSE OF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS OF ACCEPTANCE BY VENDING MACHINES IN HONG KONG.

THE 1993-DATED \$1 COIN, WHICH CONSTITUTES LESS THAN 1.7 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL \$1 COINS IN CIRCULATION, WOULD BE GRADUALLY WITHDRAWN BUT IT IS AND WILL REMAIN LEGAL TENDER.

SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN AGREED BETWEEN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND ROYAL MINT RELATING TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF 1993-DATED \$1 COIN FROM CIRCULATION.

THE ROYAL MINT HAS ALSO INFORMED HKMA THAT BECAUSE OF A CHANGE IN MANUFACTURING PROCESS TO RESPOND TO CURRENT UK WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY LEGISLATION, 50-CENT COINS MINTED IN 1994 ARE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT IN VALIDATION CHARACTERISTICS FROM THOSE MINTED IN 1993.

OTHER THAN VALIDATION CHARACTERISTICS, THE 1994-DATED AND 1993-DATED COINS ARE IDENTICAL IN ALL ASPECTS.

THE 1994-DATED 50-CENT COIN HAS BEEN TESTED BY MAJOR VALIDATING MACHINE MANUFACTURERS WHO CONFIRM THAT THEIR MACHINES WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM ACCEPTING THE COIN.

HKMA IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE VENDING MACHINE OPERATORS TO RECALIBRATE THEIR MACHINES TO ACCEPT BOTH 1994-DATED AND 1993-DATED 50-CENT COINS.

THE NEW COIN WILL BE ISSUED LATER THIS YEAR TO ALLOW SUFFICIENT TIME FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE VENDING MACHINES TO MINIMISE THE INCONVENIENCE CAUSED TO THE PUBLIC.

THE 1993-DATED 50-CENT COIN WILL CONTINUE TO BE LEGAL TENDER AND WILL NOT BE WITHDRAWN.

ISSUANCE OF THE 1994-DATED 10-CENT COIN WILL RESUME NEXT MONTH. VENDING MACHINE OPERATORS HAVE RECALIBRATED THEIR MACHINES TO ACCEPT THE NEW COIN.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR GOVERNMENT FACILITIES AT CHEK LAP KOK

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THE CENTRAL TENDER BOARD HAS APPROVED THE AWARD OF AN AIRPORT CORE PROGRAMME CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A COMPUTERISED COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR THE NEW AIRPORT AT CHEK LAP KOK.

THE CONTRACT, VALUED AT ABOUT \$40.6 MILLION, WILL BE AWARDED BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT'S CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT TO THOMSON-CSF COMPANY OF FRANCE.

THE COMPANY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A SPEECH-PROCESSING EQUIPMENT FOR AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS AND PILOTS.

WORK WILL START EARLY OCTOBER AND WILL BE COMPLETED IN MAY 1996.

THE AWARD OF THIS CONTRACT BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AIRPORT CORE PROGRAMME CONTRACTS AWARDED SO FAR TO 63, WITH A TOTAL VALUE OF OVER \$51.3 BILLION.

THESE INCLUDE 50 CONTRACTS WORTH ABOUT \$33.6 BILLION AWARDED BY THE GOVERNMENT, 11 CONTRACTS WORTH OVER \$11.4 BILLION AWARDED BY THE PROVISIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, THE \$5.7 BILLION CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE WESTERN HARBOUR TUNNEL COMPANY LIMITED, AND A \$0.6 BILLION IMMERSSED TUBE TUNNEL CONTRACT FOR THE AIRPORT RAILWAY AWARDED BY THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION.

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YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS HAVE PROBLEMS AT SCHOOL

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YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE PROBLEMS AT SCHOOL THAN OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE, ACCORDING TO A RECENT SURVEY.

MEMBERS OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) WERE TOLD TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS TENDED TO BE POOR PERFORMERS ACADEMICALLY AND INFREQUENT PARTICIPANTS IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

A GREATER PROPORTION OF THEM EXPERIENCE TRUANCY (86.1 PER CENT), STUDY (72.6 PER CENT) AND BEHAVIOURAL (59.2 PER CENT) PROBLEMS.

MANY OF THE YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS QUESTIONED IN THE SURVEY ALSO HAD CONFLICTS WITH THEIR PARENTS (48.2 PER CENT) OR WITH GIRLFRIENDS/BOYFRIENDS (44.7 PER CENT) IN THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THEY BEGAN TO TAKE DRUGS.

A MAJORITY OF YOUNG HEROIN ABUSERS (53.1 PER CENT) SAID THEY BEGAN BY ABUSING CANNABIS, COUGH MEDICINE OR OTHER PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES BEFORE MOVING ON TO HEROIN.

WHILE NEARLY 95 PER CENT OF THE YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS THOUGHT THAT TREATMENT WAS REQUIRED FOR HEROIN ABUSE, ONLY 61 PER CENT THOUGHT LIKewise FOR PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

SIXTY PER CENT BELIEVED THEY COULD CONTROL THEIR DRUG-TAKING HABIT TO AVOID BECOMING ADDICTED TO PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES. ONLY 26 PER CENT HELD THE SAME BELIEF IN RELATION TO HEROIN.

"YOUNG DRUG ABUSER THINK THEY ARE IN CONTROL, THEY WON'T GET ADDICTED AND THEY DON'T NEED TREATMENT - AT LEAST FOR PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES," THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR ALASDAIR SINCLAIR, SAID.

"IN ORDER TO HELP THEM, WE NEED TO IMPROVE OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHY SOME YOUNG PEOPLE TURN TO DRUGS AND OTHERS DON'T.

"THIS SURVEY IDENTIFIES SOME OF THE RISK FACTORS. THEY INCLUDE BROKEN HOMES AND RELATIONSHIP PROBLEMS.

"KIDS WHO LACK COPING SKILLS MAY SEEK REFUGE IN DRUGS," THE COMMISSIONER SUGGESTED.

THE NARCOTICS DIVISION SURVEY COVERED 500 DRUG ABUSERS AGED UNDER 21. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A COMPARISON GROUP, 500 CHINESE-SPEAKING SECONDARY STUDENTS WERE ALSO SURVEYED.

SEVENTY PER CENT OF THE YOUNG DRUG ABUSERS HAD TRIAD AFFILIATIONS AND 90 PER CENT HAD CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS.

THE LATEST STATISTICS FROM THE CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ABUSE WERE ALSO DISCUSSED BY ACAN MEMBERS AT THE MEETING.

THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE UNDER 21 REPORTED TO THE CENTRAL REGISTRY FOR THE FIRST TIME WAS 732 IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF THIS YEAR (APRIL TO JUNE). THIS IS AN INCREASE OF 28.6 PER CENT COMPARED TO THE 569 RECORDED IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1993.

FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THE FIGURE WAS 1,483, AN INCREASE OF 37.2 PER CENT OVER THE 1,081 REPORTED IN THE FIRST HALF OF LAST YEAR.

THE DRUG MOST COMMONLY ABUSED BY NEWLY REPORTED PEOPLE UNDER 21 WAS HEROIN (79.5 PER CENT), FOLLOWED BY CANNABIS (16.3 PER CENT) AND COUGH MEDICINE (10.6 PER CENT).

THE NUMBER OF NEWLY REPORTED PERSONS OF ALL AGES ROSE FROM 1,999 IN THE FIRST HALF OF LAST YEAR TO 2,523 IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 26.2 PER CENT.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE OF ALL AGES REPORTED TO THE CENTRAL REGISTRY ROSE FROM 10,823 IN THE FIRST HALF OF LAST YEAR TO 11,998 IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 10.9 PER CENT.

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INSTALLATION OF PARKING METERS AT KOWLOON BAY

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT 34 PARKING METERS WILL BE INSTALLED AT THE PARKING SPACES ON CHEUNG YIP STREET OUTSIDE PUBLIC WORKS CENTRAL LABORATORY, KOWLOON BAY TO RATION THE UTILISATION OF THE PARKING SPACES.

THE PARKING METERS WILL START OPERATION FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 22).

THESE 34 METRES ARE ONE-HOUR METER FOR THE PARKING OF GOODS VEHICLES. THEY WILL OPERATE FROM 8 AM TO MID-NIGHT DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE PARKING CHARGE FOR THE METRES IS \$1 FOR EVERY 30 MINUTES.

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66 POLLUTION CASES IN AUGUST

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A TOTAL OF 66 CONVICTIONS WERE MADE IN THE COURTS LAST MONTH FOR BREACHING ANTI-POLLUTION LEGISLATION ENFORCED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT.

AMONG THEM, 31 WERE CONVICTIONS MADE UNDER THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE (WPCO), 18 UNDER THE NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE (NCO), 11 UNDER THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE (APCO), THREE UNDER THE DUMPING AT SEA ACT 1974 (OVERSEAS TERRITORIES) ORDER 1975 (DASO), TWO UNDER THE OZONE LAYER PROTECTION ORDINANCE AND ONE UNDER THE WASTE DISPOSAL ORDINANCE (WDO).

THE FINES RANGED FROM \$2,500 TO \$200,000. FANTA (CFC) CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED WAS FINED \$200,000 FOR DUMPING DREDGED MARINE SUBSTANCE OFFSHORE TAI LAM CHUNG WITHOUT A LICENCE. IT WAS THE NINTH TIME THE COMPANY WAS CONVICTED UNDER THE DUMPING AT SEA ACT.

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AUCTION OF LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL AUCTION 100 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS ON SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 24) AT THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL.

A TOTAL OF 50 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING AT 9.30 AM. THEY ARE:

GB1218	BC6338	GB963	GB172
ET223	GB330	BC715	GB417
*FY94	*CW16	*EV22	*GB 2
GA3888	EH306	GC108	GC823
GC1989	GB339	AA369	GB6608
AL105	GA6001	GC221	CT195
GB312	ED218	GC448	GB9388
*1969	*XX456	*AL38	*DN131
GB7228	DD3108	BC3222	GB3033
GB9929	CC3353	GB7891	GB2280
GB2868	EL512	*GC3993	GB823
GB8600	GB1068	EX2032	*FY6886
GB1275	GA9548		

IN THE AFTERNOON SESSION, WHICH WILL START AT 2.30 PM, ANOTHER 50 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE:

GC812	GB778	GB360	GC715
GC718	GB1332	CT517	GB162
*EY300	*EZ86	*AW18	*GB 9
BB7242	GC911	FA668	GC870
AA905	FY238	HK521	GC3878
CH3222	GA1888	AA883	FL369
GC9388	GC321	GC633	GC5301
*DL36	*CT393	*GC 1	*CC456
GC1033	EE3353	GC2228	BL8660
GB8382	GB2601	GB1965	GB1823
GB7229	CM551	*AL8822	GC8210
GB719	GB5648	CP8368	*CN8181
GC5737	GC3731		

* SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK (NOT TRANSFERABLE)

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK 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 BODY CORPORATE.

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PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION, AFTER DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE CONDUCT THEREOF, WILL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE COMING AUCTIONS WILL BE THE 240TH AND 241ST ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY
TENDER RESULTS

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TENDER DATE	20 SEPT 94
PAPER ON OFFER	EF BILLS
ISSUE NUMBER	Q438
AMOUNT APPLIED	HK\$5,660 MN
AMOUNT ALLOTTED	HK\$1,500 MN
AVERAGE YIELD ACCEPTED	4.32 PCT
HIGHEST YIELD ACCEPTED	4.34 PCT
PRO RATA RATIO	ABOUT 37 PCT
AVERAGE TENDER YIELD	4.37 PCT

HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY

TENDERS TO BE HELD IN THE WEEK BEGINNING 26 SEPT 1994 -

TENDER DATE	26 SEPT 94	27 SEPT 94	27 SEPT 94
PAPER ON OFFER	EF NOTES	EF BILLS	EF BILLS
ISSUE NUMBER	5909	H474	Q439
ISSUE DATE	27 SEPT 94	28 SEPT 94	28 SEPT 94
MATURITY DATE	27 SEPT 99	29 MAR 95	28 DEC 94
TENOR	5 YEARS	182 DAYS	91 DAYS
AMOUNT ON OFFER	HK\$500 + 100 MN	HK\$800 + 160 MN	HK\$1,500 + 300 MN
COUPON	7.45 PCT		

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MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS
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	\$ MILLION	TIME (HOURS)	CUMULATIVE CHANGE (\$ MILLION)
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OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	2,522	0930	-280
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	2,163	1000	-280
CHANGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO :		1100	-270
MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY	-270	1200	-270
LAF TODAY	-119	1500	-270
		1600	-270
LAF RATE 3.00 BID/5.00 OFFER	TWI 121.7	*+0.1*	20.9.94

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EF BILLS

EF NOTES/HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BONDS

TERMS	YIELD	TERM	ISSUE	COUPON	PRICE	YIELD
1 WEEK	4.14	17 MONTHS	2602	4.40	98.31	5.75
1 MONTH	4.20	23 MONTHS	2608	6.15	100.10	6.18
3 MONTHS	4.36	28 MONTHS	3701	4.60	95.97	6.58
6 MONTHS	4.65	31 MONTHS	3704	6.15	98.88	6.73
12 MONTHS	5.28	34 MONTHS	3707	6.95	100.46	6.88

TOTAL TURNOVER OF BILLS AND BONDS - 9,909 MN

CLOSED 20 SEPTEMBER 1994

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