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NEW HONG KONG DIRECTOR FOR WESTERN U.S.

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPOINTED A NEW DIRECTOR TO HEAD ITS WEST COAST ECONOMIC AFFAIRS OFFICE WITH EFFECT FROM JANUARY 1, 1988.

THE NEW DIRECTOR, MR PETER JOHNSON, IS BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO TO LOOK AFTER HONG KONG INTERESTS IN THE WESTERN HALF OF THE UNITED STATES.

HE SUCCEEDED MR BILLY LAM WHO SET UP THE OFFICE 18 MONTHS AGO AND IS NOW RETURNING TO HONG KONG FOR ANOTHER POSTING WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

MR JOHNSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING THE PROMOTION OF A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF HONG KONG, FOR DEALING WITH ECONOMIC AND TRADE ISSUES ON BEHALF OF THE TERRITORY, AND FOR FURTHERING HONG KONG'S PIVOTAL ROLE IN THE RAPIDLY EXPANDING PACIFIC RIM ECONOMY, AND AS A GATEWAY TO CHINA.

BORN IN ENGLAND IN 1937, MR JOHNSON GAINED AN HONOURS DEGREE IN POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY AND ECONOMICS FROM OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

HE JOINED THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT IN 1967. DURING HIS 20 YEARS IN HONG KONG HE HAS SERVED IN A NUMBER OF POSTS IN THE GOVERNMENT. HE HAS ALSO SPENT FOUR YEARS, FROM 1970-74, WITH THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

IN RECENT YEARS HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION; AS A DISTRICT OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF A LARGE DISTRICT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FROM 1978-82; AND HEADED THE GOVERNMENT'S WORLD-WIDE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION PROGRAMME FROM 1983-86.

IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO HIS PRESENT ASSIGNMENT, MR JOHNSON SPENT 18 MONTHS IN CHARGE OF TRANSPORT PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT FOR THE WHOLE TERRITORY OF HONG KONG.

THE HONG KONG ECONOMIC AFFAIRS OFFICE WAS OPENED IN JULY 1986, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HONG KONG WEEK IN SAN FRANCISCO, BY THE LATE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, DURING A VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES.

SINCE ITS OPENING, THE OFFICE HAS ESTABLISHED EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIPS WITH STATE GOVERNMENTS IN CALIFORNIA, WASHINGTON, OREGON, HAWAII AND COLORADO AS WELL AS MAJOR PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS AND THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THESE STATES.

IT HAS ALSO ESTABLISHED HONG KONG ASSOCIATIONS IN SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE WHICH AIM AT FORGING CLOSER ECONOMIC LINKS BETWEEN THESE MAJOR U.S. CITIES AND HONG KONG.

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CYC POSTER CONFIRMED AS THE WORLD'S LARGEST

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THE FEAT OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) TO CONSTRUCT THE WORLD'S LARGEST POSTER FOR CHARITY HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED BY THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS.

THE GOOD NEWS CAME ON RECEIPT OF A CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS TO FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE CYC POSTER AS THE WORLD'S LARGEST POSTER.

IN A LETTER TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CYC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE DEPUTY EDITOR OF THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS, MR SHEELAGH THOMAS, OFFERED HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO "ALL INVOLVED IN THE MAGNIFICENT ACHIEVEMENT FOR BREAKING THE CURRENT RECORD".

THE 50.81 METRE BY 50.81 METRE POSTER, EQUIVALENT IN SIZE TO 12 BASKETBALL COURTS, WAS MADE UP OF 15,000 PIECES OF CARDBOARD HAND PAINTED BY CYC MEMBERS TO MARK THE CLUB'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY AT THE VICTORIA PARK SEVEN WEEKS AGO.

THE POSTER IS 25 PER CENT BIGGER THAN THE ONE LISTED IN THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS WHICH WAS MADE BY STUDENTS OF OSAKA GAKUIN UNIVERSITY IN JAPAN IN OCTOBER 1984.

THE CYC POSTER WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CUT INTO 90,000 PIECES WHICH WERE SOLD AS CHRISTMAS CARDS TO RAISE \$250,000 FOR THE ELDERLY.

THE PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO ORGANISATIONS RUNNING HOMES FOR THE ELDERLY AT A CYC FUN DAY FOR THE AGED AT SHA TIN TOWN HALL TOWARDS THE LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD.

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FIGHT CRIME SHOW IN SHEUNG SHUI

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HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS IN SHEUNG SHUI ENJOYED THEMSELVES AT A VARIETY SHOW CARRYING THE FIGHT CRIME MESSAGE AT THE SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, THE SHOW WAS AIMED AT AROUSING PUBLIC AWARENESS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF CRIME PREVENTION AND REMINDING YOUNG PEOPLE NOT TO BECOME INVOLVED IN TRIAD ACTIVITIES.

PROGRAMMES OF THE VARIETY SHOW INCLUDED POPULAR SONGS BY LOCAL ARTISTES, MODERN DANCE AND DRAMA.

AMONG THE GUESTS OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF NORTH DISTRICT, MR TIM MILNES; DISTRICT COMMANDER (FRONTIER) OF THE POLICE FORCE, MR G.R. LLOYD; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR RAYMOND PANG; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR TAO MAN-KWONG.

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HOME BEAUTIFICATION AND SAFETY EXHIBITION STARTS

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A NINE-DAY EXHIBITION ON PRODUCTS AND FACILITIES FOR A BETTER AND SAFER LIVING ENVIRONMENT BEGINS TODAY (SATURDAY) AT THE NEW WORLD PLAZA.

THE EXHIBITION IS PART OF THE YAU MA TEI/TSIM SHA TSUI ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN TO ENHANCE RESIDENTS' KNOWLEDGE ON NEW TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICES RELATED TO DAILY LIVING.

THERE ARE 33 BOOTHS DISPLAYING ELECTRICAL AND KITCHEN APPLIANCES, FURNITURE AND CARPETS.

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS ALSO PUT UP EXHIBITS TO PROMOTE ANTI-BURGLARY AND FIRE PREVENTION MEASURES.

THE EXHIBITION, ALSO FEATURING A DAILY PARADE OF CARTOON CHARACTERS, IS OPEN FROM 11 AM TO 8 PM UNTIL JANUARY 17.

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VARIETY SHOW FOR TAI PO ELDERLY

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ABOUT 800 SENIOR RESIDENTS OF TAI PO WILL BE TREATED TO A VARIETY SHOW AT THE TAI PO CIVIC CENTRE TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE VARIETY SHOW IS PART OF THE "PROJECT ON THE ELDERLY SERVICES" INITIATED BY THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD. IT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE'S WORKING GROUP ON THE ELDERLY DAY AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL.

THE PROGRAMMES OF THE VARIETY SHOW WILL INCLUDE CHINESE OPERA AND ACROBATIC PERFORMANCES. THERE WILL ALSO BE A TEA RECEPTION FOR THE AUDIENCE.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE ELDERLY IN THE DISTRICT THROUGH THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, ITS SUB-OFFICES AND THE TAI PO CIVIC CENTRE.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SHOW WILL BE THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JOHN BURRETT; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR STEPHEN WONG; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG NORTH RURAL COMMITTEE, MR LAM PAK-PING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE VARIETY SHOW WHICH WILL START AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE TAI PO CIVIC CENTRE AT ON PONG ROAD, TAI PO.

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TAI PO FORMATION, ROAD WORK PROJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED

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MEMBERS OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON FORMATION AND ROAD WORK PROJECTS OF THE 1987 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR TAI PO NEW TOWN AT A MEETING ON MONDAY (JANUARY 11).

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS PROPOSALS TO RE-ARRANGE KMB ROUTE NO. 64K PLYING BETWEEN TAI PO MARKET KCR STATION AND YUEN LONG WEST, AND ROUTE NO. 65K PLYING BETWEEN THE KCR STATION AND SHEUNG TSUEN IN YUEN LONG.

AT THE MEETING MEMBERS' VIEWS WILL ALSO BE SOUGHT ON THE PROVISION OF A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT THE JUNCTION OF PO HEUNG STREET AND HEUNG SZE WUI STREET IN TAI PO MARKET.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON MONDAY (JANUARY 11) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DB SECRETARIAT ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152 KWONG FUK ROAD.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CHANGES IN SHEK KIP MEI

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN SHEK KIP MEI FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 12) FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS TO FACILITATE ROAD REPAIR WORKS ON WOH CHAI STREET.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, WOH CHAI STREET BETWEEN PAK TIN STREET AND NAM CHEONG STREET WILL BE CONVERTED FROM TWO-WAY TRAFFIC TO ONE-WAY EASTBOUND.

VEHICLES ON NAM CHEONG STREET NORTHBOUND AND THE SECTION OF WOH CHAI STREET WESTBOUND EAST OF NAM CHEONG STREET WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TRAVEL ON TO THE SECTION OF WOH CHAI STREET WESTBOUND WEST OF NAM CHEONG STREET.

THEY WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NAM CHEONG STREET, PAK TIN STREET AND WOH CHAI STREET.

KMB ROUTE NO. 2D ON ITS JOURNEYS TO CHAK ON ESTATE WILL HAVE TO OPERATE VIA WOH CHAI STREET AND NAM CHEONG STREET.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN HUNG HOM

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THE WUHU VEHICULAR UNDERPASS IN HUNG HOM LEADING FROM NORTHBOUND CHATHAM ROAD NORTH TO SOUTHBOUND GILLIES AVENUE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC DAILY BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM FROM TUESDAY (JANUARY 12) TO JANUARY 28.

THE MEASURE IS TO FACILITATE ROAD RESURFACING WORKS IN THE UNDERPASS.

MOTORISTS FROM TSIM SHA TSUI, YAU MA TEI AND THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL HEADING FOR HUNG HOM AREA WILL HAVE TO USE EITHER CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH, CHEONG WAN ROAD, ON WAN ROAD, CHEONG WAN ROAD AND GILLIES AVENUE, OR GASCOIGNE ROAD, CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH, CHATHAM ROAD NORTH, PAK KUNG STREET, SHUN YUNG STREET, FAT KWONG STREET AND MA TAU WAI ROAD.

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ROAD CLOSURE IN KWUN TONG

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KUNG LOK ROAD IN KWUN TONG BETWEEN ITS SOUTHERN JUNCTION WITH HONG NING ROAD AND TUNG MING STREET WILL BE CONVERTED TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC FROM ONE-WAY EASTBOUND FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 12).

THE MEASURE IS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS AND WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO-AND-A-HALF MONTHS.

MOTORISTS WISHING TO TRAVEL TO KUNG LOK ROAD ARE ADVISED TO USE ITS NORTHERN JUNCTION WITH HONG NING ROAD.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL EXIT ROAD

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THE EXIT ROAD LEADING FROM THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL TO CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE CLOSED DAILY BETWEEN 1 AM AND 6 AM ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 12 AND 13) FOR FOOTBRIDGE CONSTRUCTION WORK.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES FROM THE TUNNEL WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NORTH POINT EXIT ROAD, GLOUCESTER ROAD AND THE FLYOVER TO CAUSEWAY BAY.

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SHEUNG WAN URBAN CLEARWAY

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THE WESTBOUND SECTION OF CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST IN SHEUNG WAN BETWEEN HOUSE NOS. 21 AND 38 WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 12).

THIS MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK FOR TRAM TRACK RENEWAL WORK.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

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