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NEW POLICE REGIONAL HQ IN NT OPENS

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THE OPENING OF THE NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS NOT ONLY DENOTES A NEW MILESTONE IN THE HISTORY OF HONG KONG POLICE, BUT ALSO SYMBOLISES ANOTHER GREAT ACHIEVEMENT OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

THIS WAS STATED BY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR LI KWAN-HA, WHEN HE OFFICIATED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE NEW REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN TAI PO TODAY (SATURDAY).

POINTING OUT THAT POPULATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES HAD GROWN FROM 600,000 SOME 20 YEARS AGO TO THE PRESENT 2.2 MILLION, MR LI SAID THAT POLICE HAD BEEN PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE SPEED OF ITS DEVELOPMENT, WITH A VIEW TO MAXIMISING THE USE OF RESOURCES AND THE DEPLOYMENT OF MANPOWER SO AS TO PROVIDE THE BEST POLICE SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS.

"THE FORCE WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE EVERY ENDEAVOUR TO UPHOLD LAW AND ORDER", SAID MR LI.

"TO ACHIEVE THIS END, APART FROM THE POLICE WHO WILL EXERT AN ALL-OUT EFFORT, IT IS EQUALLY OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE TO HAVE THE SUPPORT AND CO-OPERATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE", SAID THE POLICE CHIEF.

NOTING THAT THE OPENING OF THE NEW COMPLEX WOULD BRING MOST OF THE UNITS WITHIN THE REGION UNDER ONE ROOF, THE COMMISSIONER SAID THAT THE NEW BUILDING WAS MOST BENEFICIAL IN ENHANCING MUTUAL COMMUNICATION AND WORK EFFICIENCY AMONG THEM.

SITUATED AT TAI PO AND IN THE HEART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE NEW COMPLEX IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE AND PROVIDES FOR CONVENIENT COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS.

BUILT AT A COST OF \$125 MILLION, THE 11-STOREY BUILDING COVERS AN AREA OF 7,700 SQUARE METRES, AND IS EQUIPPED WITH MANY MODERN FACILITIES TO MEET CONTEMPORARY NEEDS.

APART FROM NORMAL OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, THE NEW COMPLEX HAS AN INDOOR FIRING RANGE AND A MINI-FIRING RANGE, TRAINING FACILITIES FOR THE FORCE CATERING PERSONNEL, FORENSIC LABORATORY AND COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTRES.

OTHER FACILITIES INCLUDE FITNESS ROOMS, LECTURE ROOMS, ASSEMBLY HALLS, CLUB PREMISES FOR THE CIVILIANS, RESTAURANTS FOR BOTH SENIOR AND JUNIOR POLICE OFFICERS, AS WELL AS BARRACK ACCOMMODATION.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WERE REGIONAL COMMANDER, NEW TERRITORIES, MR RICHARD SMALLSHAW; REGIONAL SECRETARY, NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU AND CHAIRMAN OF HEUNG YEE KUK, MR LAU WONG-FAT.

URBAN SQUATTERS TO BE CLEARED FROM UNSAFE HILLSIDES

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS SET A TARGET OF CLEARING AND REHOUSING BY THE END OF 1991 THE REMAINING 8,000 PEOPLE LIVING ON UNSAFE HILLSIDES IN THE URBAN AREAS.

THE EXERCISE WILL MARK THE COMPLETION OF A SQUATTER CLEARANCE PROGRAMME WHICH WAS INITIATED IN 1985 BY THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT ON THE ADVICE OF THE GEOTECHNICAL CONTROL OFFICE (GCO) TO ELIMINATE RISKS FROM LANDSLIPS, DURING HEAVY RAINFALL, THAT RESIDENTS OF URBAN SQUATTER HUTS MIGHT FACE.

THROUGH THE CLEARANCE PROGRAMME, THE GOVERNMENT HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS TO SAFEGUARD SQUATTERS FROM LANDSLIDE HAZARDS, AND OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS ALMOST 49,000 SQUATTERS HAVE BEEN CLEARED FROM POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SLOPES IN THE URBAN AREA, AND BEEN REHOUSED.

IN 1984, THE GCO CARRIED OUT A STUDY WHICH SHOWED THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 57,000 SQUATTERS LIVING ON STEEP HILLSIDES IN THE URBAN AREA WHICH WERE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TO LANDSLIPS DURING HEAVY RAINFALL.

THESE SLOPES COULD NOT BE RECTIFIED UNDER THE GCO'S LANDSLIP PREVENTIVE MEASURES PROGRAMME BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE SQUATTER HUTS NEEDED TO BE CLEARED BEFORE THE NECESSARY LARGE SCALE WORKS COULD BE CARRIED OUT.

IT WAS FOR THIS REASON THAT THE GCO RECOMMENDED TO THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT THAT SQUATTERS BE CLEARED FROM SUCH SLOPES. BUT THESE CLEARANCES COULD ONLY BE UNDERTAKEN WITHIN THE CAPACITY OF THE GOVERNMENT'S HOUSING PROGRAMME.

SUBSEQUENTLY, LARGE SCALE CLEARANCES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT ON STEEP HILLSIDES SUCH AS LAM TIN AND SHAU KEI WAN. THESE AREAS, WHICH WERE HIT BADLY BY A RAINSTORM IN MAY 1982, WERE CLEARED FOR NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

SINCE CLEARANCES BEGAN, THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT'S SQUATTER PREVENTION TEAMS HAVE EFFECTIVELY PREVENTED NEW SQUATTER HUTS FROM BEING ERECTED ON HILLSIDES.

THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT HAS ALSO SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED THE SQUATTER AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IN SELECTED LOCATIONS WHICH INCLUDE LOCALISED SLOPE IMPROVEMENTS.

OVER THE PAST SEVEN YEARS, 79 SUCH PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AT A TOTAL COST OF ABOUT \$171 MILLION.

IN THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR, ABOUT \$2.6 MILLION WILL BE SPENT IN CARRYING OUT NEW PROJECTS.

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THE GCO IS CONTINUING TO CARRY OUT STUDIES OF LANDSLIP HAZARDS THAT SQUATTERS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES MAY FACE AND THE CLEARANCE OF SQUATTERS VULNERABLE TO SUCH HAZARDS IS UNDERTAKEN ON A NEED BASIS.

THE OFFICE IS OF THE OPINION THAT SQUATTER HUT RESIDENTS REMAINING ON STEEP HILLSIDES MAY FACE LANDSLIP HAZARDS DURING HEAVY RAINSTORMS, ALTHOUGH SUCH HAZARDS HAVE BEEN GREATLY REDUCED IN RECENT YEARS.

TO PROVIDE WARNING OF THE POSSIBLE OCCURRENCE OF LANDSLIPS ON STEEP HILLSIDES, SO THAT SQUATTER HUT RESIDENTS CAN BE ALERTED TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S TEMPORARY SHELTERS, THE GOVERNMENT IS OPERATING THE LANDSLIP WARNING SYSTEM, AS USED IN PREVIOUS WET SEASONS.

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KOWLOON BAY REFUSE TRANSFER STATION OPENS

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THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR STUART REED, APPEALED TO THE COMMUNITY TODAY (SATURDAY) TO COLLABORATE FOR THE SAKE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN PROGRAMMES TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF WASTE THAT MUST BE DISPOSED OF EACH DAY IN HONG KONG.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE KOWLOON BAY REFUSE TRANSFER STATION (KBTS), DR REED SAID THE EFFORT MADE BY INDIVIDUALS IN CUTTING DOWN THE WASTE PRODUCED EVERY DAY WOULD HAVE THE VERY IMPORTANT EFFECT OF EXTENDING THE LIFE OF THE NEW LANDFILL FACILITIES.

"WE HAVE SECURED OUR WASTE DISPOSAL ROUTES FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE, AS MAPPED OUT IN THE WASTE DISPOSAL PLAN. BUT WE NEED TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF OUR LANDFILLS FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE AND, TO DO THIS, WE HAVE TO GET DOWN TO THE BUSINESS OF REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF WASTE," DR REED SAID.

"STARTING WITH MINIMISATION OF WASTE, FOLLOWED BY GREATER REUSE AND MORE RECYCLING OF WASTE, WOULD HELP RELIEVE THE PRESSURE OF THE INCREASING BURDEN OF WASTE," HE SAID.

THE OPENING OF KOWLOON BAY REFUSE TRANSFER STATION MARKS THE FIRST STAGE IN THE REALISATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PLANS TO DEVELOP NEW STRATEGIC WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN THE 1990'S AND BEYOND.

DR REED SAID THE GOVERNMENT'S WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION AND THE WASTE DISPOSAL PLAN PUBLISHED LAST YEAR SPELLED OUT THE WASTE DISPOSAL STRATEGY IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

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THE STRATEGY INVOLVES THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND PRIVATE WASTE COLLECTORS DELIVERING THE WASTE TO A SYSTEM OF TRANSFER STATIONS WHICH, IN TURN, TRANSMIT THE WASTES IN CONTAINERS TO THREE LARGE, REMOTELY LOCATED LANDFILLS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE MAJOR ADVANTAGE OF THESE TRANSFER FACILITIES WILL BE TO REDUCE TRANSPORT COSTS AND TOTAL VEHICLE MOVEMENTS TO AND FROM LANDFILLS.

AS A RESULT, RELATIVELY FEW LARGE ROAD-GOING VEHICLES ARE REQUIRED TO TRAVEL THE LONG DISTANCES FROM THE TRANSFER STATIONS IN THE URBAN AREAS TO THE LANDFILL SITES.

ANOTHER ADVANTAGE OF THE TRANSFER FACILITIES IS THAT THEY WILL ENABLE STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO BE EXERCISED IN TRANSPORTING THE WASTE TO THE LANDFILLS.

FOLLOWING THE OPENING OF THE KBTS, ALL WASTE WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF AT JORDAN VALLEY LANDFILL WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE NEW TRANSFER STATION FOR ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO TSEUNG KWAN O LANDFILL UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE FIRST STRATEGIC LANDFILL AT WEST NEW TERRITORIES AT NIM WAN IS OPERATIONAL.

AT THE KBTS, REFUSE BROUGHT IN BY THE COLLECTION VEHICLES WILL BE DISCHARGED INTO HYDRAULICALLY OPERATED HOPPERS AT THE FIRST FLOORS OF A TWO-LEVEL BUILDING.

THE WASTE WILL THEN BE FED INTO THE COMPACTION EQUIPMENT AT GROUND FLOOR LEVEL WHERE IT WILL BE COMPRESSED INTO TOTALLY SEALED CONTAINERS FOR TRANSSHIPMENT.

ALL AIR AND EFFLUENT EMISSIONS WILL BE TREATED PRIOR TO DISCHARGE FROM THE FACILITY.

EQUALLY STRINGENT ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS WILL APPLY TO THE BULK TRANSPORT FLEET. BOTH COLLECTION AND BULK TRANSPORT VEHICLES WILL BE REQUIRED TO PASS THROUGH A COMPLETE VEHICLE WASHING PLANT EACH TIME THEY LEAVE THE SITE.

THE OPERATION OF THE KBTS ALLOWS FOR THE CLOSURE OF THE JORDAN VALLEY LANDFILL AND THE CLOSURE OF THE LAST OPERATIONAL UNIT AT THE LAI CHI KOK INCINERATOR BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

THE KBTS, OPERATED UNDER STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS, WILL HAVE A CAPACITY OF DAILY REFUSE INTAKE OF 1,800 TONNES.

THE CAPITAL COST OF THE TRANSFER STATION AND THE PROVISION OF THE CONTAINER VEHICLE FLEET IS \$135 MILLION.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE KBTS HAS RELIED ON AN INNOVATIVE CONTRACTURAL APPROACH WHEREBY THE GOVERNMENT IS EFFECTIVELY BUYING A SERVICE FROM SWIRE BFI WASTE SERVICES LIMITED, A CONSORTIUM WHICH COMBINES AN INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF HONG KONG WITH SOME OF THE MOST EXTENSIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE AVAILABLE IN THE WORLD.

DR REED SAID: "THIS CONTRACT IS THEREFORE PIONEERING A CO-OPERATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR WHICH BRINGS THE BEST AVAILABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT SKILLS INTO HONG KONG."

HE ADDED THAT THIS CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS WOULD BE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE WASTE DISPOSAL STRATEGY THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS DEVELOPING.

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4TH QUARTER INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION RELEASED

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THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1989, AT 129, WAS 4 POINTS OR 3.0 PER CENT LOWER THAN THAT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1988, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (SATURDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THIS COMPARES WITH THE YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH RATES OF 3.8 PER CENT IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989, 1.7 PER CENT IN THE SECOND QUARTER AND 0 PER CENT IN THE THIRD QUARTER. THE AVERAGE GROWTH RATE FOR 1989 OVER 1988 WAS 0.8 PER CENT.

COMPARED WITH THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1989, AND BEARING IN MIND THE POSSIBLE INFLUENCE OF SEASONAL FACTORS, THE INDEX SHOWED A DECREASE OF 5 POINTS OR 3.7 PER CENT.

INDUSTRIES SHOWING THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE INCREASES IN PRODUCTION IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1989 OVER THE SAME QUARTER OF 1988 WERE: TOBACCO (+17.6 PER CENT); BEVERAGES (+13.6 PER CENT); TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (+9.3 PER CENT); AND PAPER AND PAPER PRODUCTS (+8.2 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, SOME INDUSTRIES REPORTED DECREASES IN PRODUCTION COMPARED WITH THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1988. AMONG THEM WERE: LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (EXCEPT RUBBER, PLASTIC AND WOODEN FOOTWEAR) (-19.7 PER CENT); FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (-14.8 PER CENT); WOOD AND CORK PRODUCTS, AND FURNITURE AND FIXTURES (EXCEPT PRIMARILY OF METAL) (-13.3 PER CENT); RUBBER PRODUCTS (-12.5 PER CENT); AND PLASTIC PRODUCTS (-11.2 PER CENT).

COMPARING THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THAT IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER, THE FOLLOWING INDUSTRIES REPORTED INCREASES IN PRODUCTION: TOBACCO (+12.6 PER CENT); TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (+10.3 PER CENT); FOOD (+2.4 PER CENT); AND RUBBER PRODUCTS (+1.9 PER CENT).

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AT THE SAME TIME, 13 INDUSTRIES SHOWED DECREASES IN PRODUCTION COMPARED WITH THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1989. AMONG THEM WERE: BEVERAGES (-19.3 PER CENT); NEWSPAPER PRINTING, JOB PRINTING AND OTHER PRINTING (-13.1 PER CENT); AND PLASTIC PRODUCTS (-11.2 PER CENT).

COMBINING THE INDEXES FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THE INDEXES FOR THE PRECEDING THREE QUARTERS, THE INDEXES FOR 1989 AS A WHOLE COULD BE COMPUTED.

COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING INDEXES FOR THE YEAR 1988, INDUSTRIES SHOWING THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE INCREASES IN PRODUCTION IN 1989 WERE: MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL (+12.7 PER CENT); NEWSPAPER PRINTING, JOB PRINTING AND OTHER PRINTING (+10.6 PER CENT); TOBACCO (+9.3 PER CENT); CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS (+8.0 PER CENT); AND PAPER AND PAPER PRODUCTS (+6.8 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, INDUSTRIES SHOWING THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE DECREASES IN PRODUCTION IN 1989 WERE: RUBBER PRODUCTS (-14.8 PER CENT); PLASTIC PRODUCTS (-12.9 PER CENT); LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (EXCEPT RUBBER, PLASTIC AND WOODEN FOOTWEAR) (-12.6 PER CENT); WOOD AND CORK PRODUCTS, AND FURNITURE AND FIXTURES (EXCEPT PRIMARILY OF METAL) (-10.5 PER CENT); AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (-10.1 PER CENT).

IN RELEASING THESE FIGURES, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED THAT THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS PRIMARILY INTENDED TO REFLECT THE CHANGES OVER TIME OF LOCAL MANUFACTURING OUTPUT IN REAL TERMS.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE VOLUME OF LOCAL PRODUCTION IS MEASURED AFTER DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE "REPORT ON THE QUARTERLY INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, 4TH QUARTER 1989", WHICH IS ON SALE AT \$3 A COPY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL OR AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, 19TH FLOOR, WANCHAI TOWER 1, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI. REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION MAY ALSO BE ARRANGED.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 823 4832.

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Indexes of industrial production by industry group

(1986=100)

Industry group	Indexes for 4th Qtr. 1989	Percentage change over		Percentage change in the index for 1989 as a whole over the preceding year
		4th Qtr. 1988	3rd Qtr. 1989	
Food	128	+4.9	+2.4	+3.5
Beverages	117	+13.6	-19.3	+2.6
Tobacco	214	+17.6	+12.6	+9.3
Wearing apparel, except knitwear and footwear	121	-4.7	0	+0.9
Textiles (including knitting)	127	+2.4	-5.9	+5.4
Paper and paper products	198	+8.2	-7.9	+6.8
Newspaper printing, job printing and other printing	159	+3.2	-13.1	+10.6
Chemicals and chemical products	124	+5.1	-4.6	+8.0
Rubber products	105	-12.5	+1.9	-14.8
Plastic products	87	-11.2	-11.2	-12.9
Non-metallic mineral products	122	-2.4	0	-1.7
Basic metals	131	-7.7	-3.7	-1.5
Fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	127	-14.8	-2.3	-10.1
Machinery, except electrical	166	-5.1	-9.3	+12.7
Consumer electrical and electronic products	129	-7.9	-3.0	-3.7
Electrical and electronic parts, accessories and machinery	167	-2.3	-1.2	+1.3
Professional and scientific equipment, photographic and optical goods, watches and clocks	135	-3.6	-4.3	+1.6
Leather products and footwear (except rubber, plastic and wooden footwear)	118	-19.7	0	-12.6
Wood and cork products, and furniture and fixtures (except primarily of metal)	85	-13.3	0	-10.5
Transport equipment	118	+9.3	+10.3	-0.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries, not elsewhere classified	124	-0.8	-3.1	-4.7
All manufacturing industries	129	-3.0	-3.7	+0.8

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CNTA TO SURVEY BEDSPACE APARTMENTS

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THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION WILL START A SURVEY OF BEDSPACE APARTMENTS AND THEIR TENANTS THIS MONTH, A CNTA SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE SURVEY IS AIMED AT COLLECTING MORE BACKGROUND INFORMATION WITH A VIEW TO FORMULATING MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS IN BEDSPACE APARTMENTS.

"OUR MAIN CONCERN IS THE WELL-BEING OF BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"WE WANT TO OBTAIN A BETTER PICTURE OF THE OPERATION OF BEDSPACE APARTMENTS AND SOME BRIEF PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF THE TENANTS BEFORE MAPPING OUT IMPROVEMENT MEASURES.

"WE HOPE, THEREFORE, THAT ALL BEDSPACE APARTMENT OPERATORS AND TENANTS WILL CO-OPERATE."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID UNLESS THERE WAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT, IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO MEASURE PRECISELY THE SIZE AND EXTENT OF THE PROBLEM, NOT TO MENTION COMING UP WITH PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS TO RESOLVE IT.

THE SURVEY WOULD BE CARRIED OUT BY DISTRICT OFFICES, HE ADDED.

DURING STAGE ONE OF THE SURVEY, DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF WILL VISIT ALL THE BEDSPACE APARTMENTS KNOWN TO THEM IN THE DISTRICTS. THEY WILL TRY TO FIND OUT:

- * THE TOTAL NUMBER OF KNOWN BEDSPACE APARTMENTS IN THE DISTRICT;
- * THE NATURE OF EACH APARTMENT, FOR EXAMPLE FOR COMMERCIAL USE OR FOR USE AS AN EMPLOYEE HOSTEL;
- * THE CAPACITY OF EACH APARTMENT;
- * THE EXISTING NUMBER OF TENANTS IN EACH APARTMENT;
- * THE ESTIMATED FLOOR AREA OF EACH APARTMENT; AND
- * THE MONTHLY RENTALS BEING PAID BY TENANTS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IMMEDIATELY AFTER STAGE ONE, DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF WOULD CARRY OUT A SOCIAL SURVEY OF ALL THE BEDSPACE APARTMENT LODGERS IN THEIR DISTRICTS.

THIS WAS TO OBTAIN, AMONG OTHER THINGS, INFORMATION ON THE AGE, OCCUPATION, PLACE OF WORK, MONTHLY INCOME AND MARITAL STATUS OF EACH LODGER, HE SAID.

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AS THERE MAY BE BEDSPACE APARTMENTS UNKNOWN TO THE DISTRICT OFFICES, THE SPOKESMAN APPEALED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO NOTIFY THE DISTRICT OFFICES OF SUCH ESTABLISHMENTS.

"ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS TO GO TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE IN THEIR DISTRICT, OR WRITE A LETTER TO THE CNTA, TO PROVIDE THE ADDRESS," HE ADDED.

THE CNTA HOPES TO COMPLETE STAGE ONE OF THE SURVEY BEFORE THE END OF THIS MONTH.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR AIRSIDE ACCESS WORKS

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THE CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AIRSIDE ACCESS AND ASSOCIATED WORKS FOR THE SECOND AIR CARGO TERMINAL AT THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

WORKS WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TWO-LANE CARGO ROUTE LINKING THE NEW TERMINAL WITH PARKING APRONS AND TWO COMPOSITE STEEL BRIDGES ACROSS THE KAI TAK NULLAH.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN JULY THIS YEAR AND WILL TAKE 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON JUNE 8.

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STUDENTS BRING GREEN TOUCH TO GARDEN

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STUDENTS FROM THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT TODAY (SATURDAY) JOINED HANDS WITH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND LOCAL ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVES IN PLANTING 30 TREES IN CAINE LANE GARDEN, CAINE ROAD.

THEY WERE TAKING PART IN THE TREE PLANTING DAY JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB IN THE DISTRICT.

THE FUNCTION WAS AIMED AT INCREASING STUDENTS' AWARENESS OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENCOURAGING THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES TO PROVIDE GREENERY TO THE COMMUNITY.

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SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR AMBROSE LAU, SAID HE HOPED PARTICIPANTS WOULD BECOME MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT THROUGH TREE PLANTING.

"THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD HAS BEEN PROMOTING CONSERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HAS SPONSORED A VARIETY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT," HE SAID.

HE NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD, IN RECENT YEARS, PUT MORE EMPHASIS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND HAD SET UP A CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR A BETTER LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

STUDENTS FROM 10 PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT TOOK PART IN TODAY'S EVENT. TOGETHER WITH OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ENTHUSIASTS, THEY FORMED MORE THAN 20 TEAMS TO PLANT TREES IN THE NEWLY-OPENED CAINE LANE PARK.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER, URBAN COUNCILLOR MR CHAN TAK-CHOR AND A REGIONAL LEISURE MANAGER OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR WOO WING-KUI.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS IN CENTRAL

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 14), THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WESTBOUND CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH ICE HOUSE STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH PEDDER STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY.

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

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WESTBOUND CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL FROM A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH PEDDER STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 40 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH DOUGLAS STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FOR GOODS VEHICLES FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREA, ALL GOODS VEHICLES, EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM STOPPING FOR PASSENGERS AND GOODS.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN WESTERN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 14), THE SECTION OF DES VOEUX ROAD WEST BETWEEN SAI YUEN LANE AND WESTERN STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY 24 HOURS DAILY FOR THREE WEEKS.

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

AT THE SAME TIME, KI LING LANE AND CHUNG CHING STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED BAN ZONES FOR THREE WEEKS.

ALL VEHICLES, EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE BAN ZONES 24 HOURS DAILY.

THE ARRANGEMENTS ARE TO FACILITATE TRAM TRACK RENEWAL.

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TEMPORARY URBAN CLEARWAYS IN WAN CHAI

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 14), THE SECTION OF TONNOCHY ROAD BETWEEN LOCKHART ROAD AND HENNESSY ROAD IN WAN CHAI WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY FOR ONE MONTH TO FACILITATE WATER MAINLAYING WORKS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF HENNESSY ROAD FROM HOUSE NO. 156 TO NO. 200 WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY (MAY 14 AND 15) TO FACILITATE ROAD RESURFACING WORKS.

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

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TEMPORARY URBAN CLEARWAY IN TO KWA WAN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 14), THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF KWEI CHOW STREET BETWEEN MEI KING STREET AND YUK YAT STREET IN TO KWA WAN WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY FOR ABOUT EIGHT MONTHS.

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

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN TSUEN WAN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE MAINS REPAIR WORK BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT, TOMORROW (SUNDAY) THE RIGHT TURN FROM KWAI FUK ROAD ONTO TEXACO ROAD NORTHBOUND IN TSUEN WAN, WILL BE TEMPORARILY BANNED.

MOTORISTS CAN USE TEXACO ROAD SOUTHBOUND AND THEN TURN AT TEXACO ROAD ROUNDABOUT TO TEXACO ROAD NORTHBOUND.

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