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MORE LAND TO BE CREATED FOR RECREATION IN TAI PO

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS TO EXTEND THE EXISTING CONTROLLED TIP OF SHUEN WAN TO PROVIDE 3.77 HECTARES OF ADDITIONAL LAND FOR RECREATION IN TAI PO.

WHEN THE TIP IS FILLED AND CLOSED SOME 8.5 HECTARES OF LAND WILL BE PROVIDED FOR OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION FOR THE RESIDENTS IN THE AREA.

MR. WONG WAN-MING, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE P.W.D.'S DEVELOPMENT AND AIRPORT DIVISION, SAID TODAY THE WORK WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN NEXT MONTH AND WOULD INVOLVE SYSTEMATIC DISPOSAL OF REFUSE BY +SANITARY AND INOFFENSIVE+ METHODS. IT WOULD ALSO INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESS ROADS AND DRAINS.

HE SAID THE SHUEN WAN TIP HAD BEEN IN USE SINCE JUNE 1974 FOR DISPOSING OF REFUSE GENERATED IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.

MR. WONG SAID THAT THE COVERING MATERIALS FOR THE TIP WOULD BE OBTAINED FROM ADJACENT BORROW AREA AT WHICH ABOUT 2.6 HECTARES OF LAND WOULD BE FORMED FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT USE.

+THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG ADVANTAGES IN CONTROLLED TIPPING,+ SAID MR. WONG, +BECAUSE NOT ONLY DOES THE SYSTEM PROVIDE FOR AN ECONOMICAL AND SANITARY MEANS OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL, BUT IT ALSO ENABLES FULL USE TO BE MADE OF THE SITES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS ONCE THE TIP IS CLOSED AND TOPPED OFF.+

HE EXPLAINED THAT IN CONTROLLED TIPPING, REFUSE IS SPREAD IN LAYERS AND COMPACTED TO A THICKNESS OF ABOUT 2 METRES EACH TIME.

EACH LAYER IS THEN COMPLETELY SEALED WITH INERT MATERIALS AT THE END OF EACH DAY'S WORK IN ORDER TO PREVENT FOUL SMELLS AND TO ELIMINATE HEALTH AND FIRE HAZARDS.

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FUTURE OF POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES

ANY EXPANSION PLANS FOR POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY SAID THIS MORNING AT THE SECOND AND THIRD JOINT GRADUATION CEREMONY OF HONG KONG SHUE YAN COLLEGE AT THE CITY HALL.

HE ADDED: +OTHERWISE, POPULAR DEMAND CAN BE VERY MUCH IN CONFLICT WITH COMMUNITY NEEDS. UNLIMITED TERTIARY EXPANSION CAN EASILY LEAD TO SERIOUS FORMS OF SOCIAL DISCONTENT.+

PRESENT THINKING IS THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT ALTER THE STATUS OF THE COLLEGES AS PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS.

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+THE GOVERNMENT DOES, HOWEVER, RECOGNISE THAT UNTIL THE NUMBER OF PLACES AT THE UNIVERSITIES AND POLYTECHNIC CAN BE EXPANDED FURTHER THAN IS ENVISAGED UNDER THE PRESENT PROGRAMME, STUDENTS WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK PLACES IN POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES, AND THAT THOSE STUDENTS WHO ARE SUITABLE ACADEMICALLY SHOULD NOT BE EXCLUDED ON THE GROUNDS OF INABILITY TO PAY FEES.

+FOR THIS REASON THE GREEN PAPER (ON SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION) STATES THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COLLEGE AUTHORITIES, THE FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS GOVERNING ANY SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE BUT THAT SUCH ASSISTANCE WOULD NOT BE DESIGNED TO INCREASE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS ON DIPLOMA COURSES PROVIDED FOR BY THE APPROVED POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES AS A GROUP ABOVE THE PRESENT ENROLMENT,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

THE DIRECTOR POINTED OUT THAT THERE WAS ALREADY A WIDE RANGE OF TERTIARY EDUCATION COURSES FOR THE ABLE SCHOOL LEAVER IN HONG KONG AND MANY HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF BEING AVAILABLE ON A PART-TIME BASIS OR IN OTHER WAYS BEING ASSOCIATED WITH JOB EXPERIENCE.

+I THINK IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT MOST OF THE FULL-TIME COURSES CAN BE COMPLETED IN LESS THAN THE FOUR YEARS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A POST-SECONDARY COLLEGE DIPLOMA,+ HE SAID.

ON THE RECOGNITION OF A POST-SECONDARY COLLEGE DIPLOMA, THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT IN PRACTICE THE VALUE WHICH A PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER WOULD PLACE ON SUCH A DIPLOMA WAS DETERMINED BY THE PERSONAL STANDARDS ACHIEVED BY THE HOLDERS OF THE DIPLOMA.

+AS YOU KNOW, SELECTED CIVIL SERVICE POSTS, FOR INSTANCE, ARE OPEN TO DIPLOMA HOLDERS, BUT OPEN ONLY IN THE SENSE THAT DIPLOMA HOLDERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AND IF FOUND SUITABLE WILL BE APPOINTED ON A STARTING SALARY LYING ROUGHLY MIDWAY BETWEEN THE STARTING SALARIES OBTAINABLE BY UNIVERSITY GRADUATES AND HOLDERS OF ADVANCED LEVEL QUALIFICATIONS. THE QUESTION OF STANDARDS, THEN, IS ULTIMATELY A QUESTION OF PERSONAL PERFORMANCE,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

IF AN EMPLOYER WAS PROUD TO HAVE A DIPLOMA HOLDER WORKING FOR HIM, AND THAT PRIDE WAS ROOTED IN A CONFIDENCE IN THE EMPLOYEE'S PRESENT PERFORMANCE AND POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT, THEN THIS WOULD BE OF IMMENSE BENEFIT TO THE PROSPECTS OF STUDENTS OF THE PARENT COLLEGE.

+I THINK THIS IS PERHAPS THE MOST USEFUL ADVICE I CAN OFFER TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE RECEIVED YOUR DIPLOMAS THIS MORNING: YOUR GREATEST GIFT WHICH YOU CAN RETURN TO SHUE YAN COLLEGE WILL BE TO ESTABLISH THROUGH YOUR OWN PERFORMANCE, STANDARDS WHICH WILL BE READILY RECOGNISED AND VALUED WITHIN THE COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

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ANTI-DRUG +HOT LINE+ POPULAR
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+ASK, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN+ -- THAT IS WHAT THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS' (ACAN) +HOT LINE 3-668822+ PROMISES TO DO TO HELP PEOPLE WITH DRUG PROBLEMS.

FAR MORE PEOPLE THAN EXPECTED ARE MAKING USE OF THIS SPECIALLY ESTABLISHED DRUG ENQUIRY SERVICE TO OBTAIN ANSWERS TO THEIR PROBLEMS IN CONNECTION WITH DRUG ABUSE.

SINCE THE SERVICE CAME INTO OPERATION ON SEPTEMBER 15, A TOTAL OF 1,500 CALLS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED -- AN AVERAGE OF ABOUT 30 A DAY.

A STUDY OF THESE CALLS SHOWED THAT MOST OF THEM WERE CONNECTED WITH TREATMENT, REHABILITATION AND AFTER-CARE SERVICES OFFERED BY BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, INDICATING A KEEN INTEREST OF DRUG DEPENDENTS AND THEIR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS IN SUCH EXISTING SERVICES.

OTHERS TOUCHED MAINLY ON PREVENTION MEASURES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE DRUG PROBLEM IN HONG KONG.

ON THE SUBJECT OF TREATMENT FACILITIES, WHAT APPEARED TO BE MOST INTERESTING TO THOSE ENQUIRERS WHO WERE EITHER DRUG ADDICTS OR THEIR RELATIVES WAS THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED ACUPUNCTURE/ELECTRO-STIMULATION OUT-PATIENT CLINIC AT TUNG WAH HOSPITAL IN PO YEE STREET, HONG KONG ISLAND.

+THE RESPONSE FROM THE PUBLIC TO THIS ENQUIRY SERVICE IS VERY ENCOURAGING SO FAR,+ COMMENTED MR. KARL STUMPF, CHAIRMAN OF ACAN'S PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE SERVICE.

HE DESCRIBED THE SERVICE AS +QUITE SUCCESSFUL+ UP TO NOW BECAUSE, HE EXPLAINED, PEOPLE NOT ONLY CAME UP WITH DRUG ENQUIRIES BUT THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THEIR FAMILY AND OTHER RELATED PROBLEMS AS WELL WITH THE STAFF MANNING THE ENQUIRY SERVICE.

+WE WOULD, HOWEVER, REQUIRE A FEW MORE MONTHS TO ASCERTAIN THE EFFICACY OF THE SERVICE AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT SHOULD BE CONTINUED ON A LONG-TERM BASIS,+ MR. STUMPF SAID.

MR. STUMPF ALSO NOTED THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE MAKING USE OF THE ENQUIRY SERVICE TO REPORT ACTIVITIES OF SUSPECTED DRUG PUSHERS OR TRAFFICKERS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE ENQUIRY SERVICE WAS NOT DESIGNED TO SUBSTITUTE THE DRUG CRIME REPORTING FACILITIES OF THE POLICE NARCOTICS BUREAU AND THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE, AND THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO REPORT SUSPECTED DRUG CRIMES SHOULD STILL CONTACT THE NARCOTICS BUREAU DIRECTLY AT 5-271234 OR THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE AT 5-456182 OR THEIR NEARBY POLICE STATIONS.

/A SPOKESMAN

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NARCOTICS DIVISION OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT TODAY URGED THE PUBLIC TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE SERVICE WHEN THEY ENCOUNTER ANY PROBLEMS RELATED TO DRUG ABUSE.

HE STRESSED THAT ALL ENQUIRIES WOULD BE TREATED IN CONFIDENCE AND THAT THE STAFF OF THE ENQUIRY SERVICE WOULD DO THEIR BEST TO PROVIDE CALLERS WITH SATISFACTORY ANSWERS.

THE ENQUIRY SERVICE OPERATES FROM 9 A.M. TO 9 P.M. DAILY, INCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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DRIVE AGAINST ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN YUEN LONG
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THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENSIFIED CAMPAIGN TO PUT AN END TO SQUATTING IN THE RAPIDLY-DEVELOPING AREAS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES HAS NOW SPREAD TO YUEN LONG.

THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE HAS RECENTLY COMPLETED A SURVEY OF ALL THE TEMPORARY STRUCTURES IN THE AREA AND IS ABOUT TO LAUNCH A TWO-PRONGED DRIVE TO BRING THE PROBLEM UNDER CONTROL.

THIS APPROACH, ACCORDING TO YUEN LONG ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. PATRICK TAYLOR, WILL INVOLVE BRINGING THE MAJORITY OF THE 165,000 SURVEYED STRUCTURES UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE LAW, WHILE DEMOLISHING ALL NEW STRUCTURES ERECTED SINCE THE SURVEY.

+IN ADDITION, A BACKLOG OF DEMOLITION WORK HAS BUILT UP OVER THE PERIOD IN WHICH OUR STAFF HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN THE SURVEY AND WE ESTIMATE THAT WE HAVE ABOUT 1,400 OUTSTANDING STRUCTURES TO DEAL WITH. WE ARE JUST STARTING A SYSTEMATIC PROGRAMME THAT WILL SEE SOME 10 OF THOSE STRUCTURES NEEDING DEMOLITION COME DOWN EVERY DAY. THIS COULD INCREASE TO 15 A DAY AS THE PROGRAMME PROGRESSES,+ HE SAID.

+WE ARE ALSO INTENSIFYING OUR ROUTINE SQUATTER CONTROL PATROLS AND BECAUSE OF THE SURVEY IT WILL BE MUCH EASIER TO IDENTIFY NEW ILLEGAL STRUCTURES.

+ALREADY, WE HAVE GIVEN WARNINGS WHEREVER POSSIBLE TO THE OCCUPIERS OF SUCH STRUCTURES AND WE HAVE ALSO INFORMED THE YUEN LONG RURAL COMMITTEES OF OUR INTENTIONS,+ MR. TAYLOR SAID.

THE YUEN LONG CAMPAIGN IS SIMILAR TO ONE BEING CARRIED OUT IN THE NEIGHBOURING TAI PO DISTRICT, WHERE THE DEMOLITION OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES HAS BEEN INTENSIFIED IN RECENT MONTHS.

MR. TAYLOR SAID: +AS IN TAI PO, WE HAVE A GREAT NUMBER OF TEMPORARY STRUCTURES WHICH WERE ERECTED WITHOUT PERMISSION AND FOR VARIOUS REASONS IN THE PAST, SUBSEQUENTLY BECAME TOLERATED.

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+BUT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REASONS, AND THE LARGE SUMS OF MONEY THE GOVERNMENT IS SPENDING ON MODERN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA, THIS SITUATION CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE UNCHECKED.

+IN YUEN LONG, FOR EXAMPLE, THE GOVERNMENT HAS EARMARKED \$500 MILLION TO DEVELOP THE TOWN OVER THE NEXT DECADE AS A MODERN AND SELF-CONTAINED MARKET TOWN.+

MR. TAYLOR ADDED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE RECENT SURVEY WAS TO PROVIDE A BASELINE FOR FUTURE CONTROL AND THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE TEMPORARY STRUCTURES SURVEYED WOULD BE ISSUED WITH VARIOUS FORMS OF WRITTEN AUTHORITY BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE TO GIVE THEM A FORM OF OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.

+THOSE THAT ARE FOUND ENVIRONMENTALLY UNSUITABLE WILL HAVE TO BE DEMOLISHED,+ HE SAID. +AN EXAMPLE WOULD BE AGRICULTURAL LAND NOW BEING USED FOR SOME OTHER PURPOSE THAT IS CAUSING POLLUTION AND OTHER UNFAVOURABLE EFFECTS ON THE NEIGHBOURING AREA.

+IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE SHOULD TAKE FURTHER STEPS TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT AND LIVING CONDITIONS OF LOCAL PEOPLE AND THIS WILL BE GIVEN HIGH PRIORITY.

+IN ADDITION, MANY SQUATTERS, AND INDEED LAND OWNERS THEMSELVES, HAVE SET UP ILLEGAL INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONCERNS THAT PROVIDE UNFAIR COMPETITION TO THOSE LEGITIMATE OPERATORS WHO HAVE ACQUIRED INDUSTRIAL LAND THROUGH THE PROPER CHANNELS.+

TO AID THE CAMPAIGN, THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARING A PAMPHLET POINTING OUT THE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF, AND EXTENSIONS TO, STRUCTURES AND PARTICULARLY EMPHASISING THE NEED TO OBTAIN PRIOR PERMISSION FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICER BEFORE COMMENCING ANY WORK, HE SAID.

+THIS INFORMATION PAMPHLET WILL BACK UP THE EFFORTS OF OUR FIELD STAFF WHO ISSUE ON-THE-SPOT WARNINGS TO PEOPLE WHO MAY BE IN BREACH OF THE LAW,+ HE SAID.

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REPORT ON QUARTERLY BUSINESS SURVEY

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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT HAS COMPILED THE THIRD REPORT ON QUARTERLY BUSINESS SURVEY HELD LAST MONTH.

THE FIRST ONE WAS CARRIED OUT LAST APRIL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT CAUTIONED THAT IN A SURVEY OF THIS NATURE, CONSIDERABLE RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN THE INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS, AS IT HAD YET TO BE ESTABLISHED FIRMLY THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE RESPONDENTS' PERCEPTION OF THE PAST AND THE FUTURE ACCORDS WITH THE UNDERLYING TRENDS.

+SOME 610 FIRMS FROM A CROSS-SECTION OF THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY WERE ASKED ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS EXPERIENCE IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, AND THEIR BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF THE YEAR,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+THE RESULTS SHOW WIDE VARIATIONS IN RESPECT OF LIKELY PERFORMANCE DURING THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1977 BETWEEN PARTICULAR INDUSTRIES AND BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL FIRMS, THOUGH THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT SOME GROWTH WAS LIKELY FOR THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE.

+IN THE TEXTILE AND CLOTHING INDUSTRIES, THERE WAS MINOR IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS. HIGHER BUSINESS CONFIDENCE IN THE 'WATCHES AND CLOCKS' SECTOR WAS ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGING.

+FOR OTHER MANUFACTURING SECTORS, RESPONDENTS WERE NOT EXPECTING MUCH FURTHER IMPROVEMENT OVER THEIR RELATIVELY SATISFACTORY THIRD QUARTER PERFORMANCE.

+RESPONDENTS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTORS WERE CAUTIOUS ON TRENDS, PROBABLY PARTLY DUE TO THE RELATIVELY UNCERTAIN EXPORT PROSPECTS IN THE FOURTH QUARTER.

+NON-MANUFACTURING SECTORS, ON THE OTHER HAND, SHOWED MUCH GREATER CONFIDENCE WHICH REMAINED SIGNIFICANT EVEN AFTER TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE LIKELY FOURTH QUARTER SEASONAL EFFECT,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ON THE BUSINESS PERFORMANCE IN THE THIRD QUARTER, THE SURVEY SUGGESTED THAT THE ECONOMY, TAKEN AS A WHOLE, ACHIEVED SOME GROWTH. EXCEPT FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY, WHERE OPINIONS VARIED GIVING NO CONCLUSIVE INDICATIONS, MOST MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES FELT THAT THEY HAD MADE SOME PROGRESS.

THE PLASTICS, PRINTING AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY INDUSTRIES, IN PARTICULAR, REPORTED GOOD PERFORMANCE. THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY DID WELL. ALL THIS WAS IN LINE WITH THE PREVIOUS FORECASTS.

FOR WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE AND OTHER SERVICES, FIRMS REPORTED FAVOURABLE RESULTS WHICH WERE BETTER THAN PREVIOUSLY FORECAST.

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THE SPOKESMAN STATED THAT THE DATA, OBTAINED WITH A MINIMUM TIME LAG, WERE BASICALLY INTENDED TO FACILITATE A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION OF HONG KONG.

+APART FROM A LIMITED NUMBER OF QUESTIONS REQUIRING ANSWERS IN QUANTITATIVE TERMS, THE FIRMS WERE ASKED TO COMPARE THE QUARTER JUST PAST WITH THE PREVIOUS QUARTER AND SIMILARLY FOR THE FORTHCOMING ONE. THEY ONLY HAD TO INDICATE WHETHER, IN THEIR OPINION, A CERTAIN VARIABLE WAS 'UP', 'SAME' OR 'DOWN',+ HE SAID.

COPIES OF THE REPORT, CONTAINING AN ANALYSIS AND STATISTICAL TABLES ON VARIOUS ECONOMIC VARIABLES, HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO FIRMS TAKING PART IN THE SURVEY AND OTHER BUSINESS ORGANISATIONS.

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NEW BOOKLET TRACES TYPHOON'S TRAIL OF DESTRUCTION

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THE ABILITY OF A TROPICAL CYCLONE TO SMASH AND DESTROY PROPERTY AND LIFE AS IT RIPS ITS WAY ACROSS LAND AND CITIES IS WELL KNOWN TO MOST HONG KONG RESIDENTS -- TYPHOONS CAUSED ABOUT HK\$5,000 MILLION WORTH OF DAMAGE IN HONG KONG, THAILAND, KOREA, JAPAN, THE PHILIPPINES FROM 1969 TO 1973.

THESE FACTS, THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF A TROPICAL CYCLONE AND ITS OFTEN TRAGIC RESULTS, ARE DETAILED IN A NEW GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION +THE LIFE HISTORY OF A TROPICAL CYCLONE+.

THE BOOKLET, IN ENGLISH ONLY, TRACES THE PATH OF TYPHOON ELSIE AS IT MEANDERED ITS WAY ACROSS THE WESTERN PACIFIC AND SOUTH CHINA SEA THREATENING DESTRUCTION TO THE PHILIPPINES, HONG KONG AND CHINA IN OCTOBER 1975.

TYPHOON ELSIE WAS TYPICAL OF THE MANY TYPHOONS THAT HAVE BECOME SO MUCH A PART OF LIFE IN HONG KONG. THE BOOKLET SHOWS CLEARLY THE TRACK OF THE CYCLONE WITH SATELLITE PHOTOGRAPHS, MAPS, CHARTS, RADAR PICTURES, THE TECHNICAL METER READINGS TAKEN AT THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

THE BOOKLET WAS PREPARED BY DR. P.C. CHIN OF THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY, PRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES AND PRINTED BY THE GOVERNMENT PRINTER.

IT IS AVAILABLE AT \$8 A COPY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, LOCATED IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG AND ALL LEADING BOOK STORES.

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COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS PRAISES POLICE CADETS

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THE COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR. T.G. GARNER THIS MORNING PRAISED THE POLICE CADETS FOR THEIR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SAID THAT THEY HAVE SET AN ADMIRABLE EXAMPLE IN HELPING OTHERS.

MR. GARNER MADE THE REMARKS WHEN HE PRESENTED A PRISONS DEPARTMENT TROPHY FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE TO THE COMMANDANT OF THE POLICE CADET SCHOOL, MR. P.E. BIRNEY AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF INSTITUTE IN STANELY. HE ALSO PRESENTED SIX MINIATURE TROPHIES TO THE CADETS.

IN HIS BRIEF ADDRESS, MR. GARNER SAID THE TROPHIES WERE ONLY A SYMBOL OF REWARD, BUT THE REAL REWARD WAS THE SATISFACTION OF KNOWING THAT +YOU HAVE HELPED SOMEONE LESS FORTUNATE THAN OURSELVES.+

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STUDENT PHYSIOTHERAPISTS COMPLETE TRAINING

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SIXTEEN STUDENT PHYSIOTHERAPISTS WILL GRADUATE FROM THE PHYSIOTHERAPY TRAINING SCHOOL THIS MONTH AFTER COMPLETING A THREE-YEAR TRAINING COURSE.

A GRADUATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE TRAINING SCHOOL OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 16), WHEN DR. K.L. THONG, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND MRS. THONG WILL PRESENT CERTIFICATES TO THE GRADUATES.

IN HONG KONG, PHYSIOTHERAPY IS A RAPIDLY GROWING PROFESSION WITH AN EVER INCREASING DEMAND UPON ITS SERVICES. THE PHYSIOTHERAPY UNIT OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROVIDES A WIDE RANGE OF TREATMENTS FOR MANY CONDITIONS AND THE PHYSIOTHERAPISTS FORM AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE MEDICAL TEAMS.

BY USE OF EXERCISE, MASSAGE, HYDROTHERAPY AND OTHER MEANS, PHYSIOTHERAPY CAN SPEED UP THE PATIENTS RECOVERY AND PREVENT COMPLICATIONS FOLLOWING INJURY OR DISEASE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE GRADUATION CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE GYMNASIUM, PHYSIOTHERAPY DEPARTMENT, BLOCK D1, QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL AT 3.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 16). YOU ARE WELCOME TO HAVE THE EVENT COVERED.

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