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DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY ON DUTY VISIT TO EUROPE

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THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR T.H. BARMA, WILL LEAVE FOR EUROPE THIS (SUNDAY) EVENING FOR A TWO-WEEK DUTY VISIT.

THE TRIP WILL COVER ITALY, SWITZERLAND, WEST GERMANY, THE UK AND BELGIUM.

DURING THE VISIT, MR BARMA WILL MEET SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND COMPANY EXECUTIVES AS PART OF THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE OVERSEAS INVESTMENTS IN HONG KONG'S MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

HE WILL ALSO VISIT SOME OF THE COMPANIES' MANUFACTURING FACILITIES.

MR BARMA WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG ON MAY 6.

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RE-OPENING OF SILVERMINE BAY BEACH

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE MUCH TO IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY OF SILVERMINE BAY OVER THE LAST TWO AND A HALF YEARS SINCE IT WAS CLOSED IN 1987, THE SECRETARY FOR PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS, MR GRAHAM BARNES, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT A CEREMONY TO MARK THE RE-OPENING OF THE BEACH, MR BARNES SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD IMPLEMENTED THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL SCHEME, COMMISSIONED THE MUI WO SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS, DECLARED THE AREA AS PART OF THE SOUTHERN WATER CONTROL ZONE, CLEARED ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN THE CHUNG HAU AREA, AND CLEANED UP MUI WO RIVER AT FOUR LOCATIONS.

THE GOVERNMENT HAD SPENT A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY OF THE BEACH WHICH WAS NOW GREATLY IMPROVED, MR BARNES SAID.

"IT WILL CONTINUE TO EXTEND THE MUI WO SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT TO ENABLE INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENTS TO CONNECT THEIR SEWAGE TO THE TRUNK SEWER BY THE END OF 1993," HE SAID.

MR BARNES, HOWEVER, STRESSED THAT THE GOVERNMENT ALONE COULD NOT KEEP THE BEACHES CLEAN.

"IT WILL REQUIRE ASSISTANCE FROM THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK AROUND THE RIVER, PARTICULARLY LIVESTOCK FARMERS, AND ALSO THOSE WHO USE THE BEACH.

"IT IS THE DUTY OF ALL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO KEEP THIS BEACH AND ITS WATERS CLEAN SO THAT WE AND OUR CHILDREN CAN ENJOY THEM TO THE FULL," HE ADDED.

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AREA COMMITTEES SIGNIFICANT IN COMMUNITY BUILDING
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THE AREA COMMITTEES (AC) IN MONG KOK HAVE PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN COMMUNITY BUILDING IN THE DISTRICT, MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS LORNA MA, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

SPEAKING AT AN ORIENTATION SEMINAR FOR AC MEMBERS OF THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR, MRS MA SAID MEMBERS HAD BEEN DEDICATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DISTRICT.

SHE NOTED THAT MOST OF THE AC MEMBERS HAD LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR A LONG TIME AND HAD MADE LIFE-LONG FRIENDSHIPS AMONG THEMSELVES.

"MANY OF YOU HAVE SPENT A LOT OF TIME IN ORGANISING ACTIVITIES FOR MONG KOK RESIDENTS AND WORKED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE DISTRICT.

"I AM SURE MEMBERS OF THIS YEAR WILL MAINTAIN THE SAME MAGNANIMOUS ATTITUDE AND REMAIN A LINK BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC," SHE SAID.

MRS MA PRAISED MEMBERS' WORK IN REFLECTING VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON GOVERNMENT'S WORK AND POLICIES IN THE DISTRICT.

"AREA COMMITTEES INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE AND PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN ENSURING THAT LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE AN EFFECTIVE VOICE IN THE WORK OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE DISTRICT," SHE SAID.

ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, THE SEMINAR WAS A GATHERING FOR ALL OLD AND NEW MEMBERS TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE.

THERE WAS A VIDEO SHOW AND GROUP DISCUSSIONS, AND WAS HELD AT THE FA YUEN STREET URBAN COUNCIL COMPLEX.

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RESIDENTS URGED TO MAINTAIN BETTER ENVIRONMENT
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WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER MANN, TODAY (SUNDAY) URGED RESIDENTS TO DO THEIR BEST TO MAINTAIN A BETTER ENVIRONMENT.

SPEAKING AT A TREE PLANTING CEREMONY ORGANISED IN SUPPORT OF THE "EARTH DAY", MR MANN SAID HONG KONG WAS FACING SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS DUE TO THE TERRITORY'S RAPID ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

HE WARNED THAT THESE PROBLEMS WHICH INCLUDED NOISE, WATER AND AIR POLLUTION WOULD BRING ABOUT SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES IF THEY REMAINED UNSOLVED.

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"NOT ONLY WOULD OUR HEALTH BE ENDANGERED, BUT ALSO HONG KONG'S REPUTATION AS 'PEARL OF THE ORIENT' WOULD BE TARNISHED," HE SAID.

HE SUGGESTED THAT COMPANIES IN THE DISTRICT COULD CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT BY SPONSORING THE TREE PLANTING SCHEME TO BE LAUNCHED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT BOARD. UNDER THE SCHEME, AT LEAST 100 TREES WOULD BE PLANTED THIS YEAR, HE SAID.

ANOTHER SPEAKER, MINISTER-IN-CHARGE OF THE CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH, REVEREND L.K. LO, POINTED OUT THAT MORE THAN 200 MILLION PEOPLE FROM OVER 100 COUNTRIES WERE SUPPORTING THE "EARTH DAY" TODAY BY TAKING PART IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES SUCH AS RALLIES, TREE PLANTING AND FUN FAIRS, WHICH WERE AIMED AT AROUSING PUBLIC AWARENESS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

TODAY'S CEREMONY, ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE METHODIST CHURCH, WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS, MR M.S. LEUNG, AND A DISTRICT AMENITIES OFFICER, MRS BRENDA NG.

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ENVIRONMENTAL BLACK SPOTS CLEARED

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FIVE ENVIRONMENTAL BLACK SPOTS IN EASTERN DISTRICT HAVE TAKEN ON A NEW LOOK FOLLOWING THE REMOVAL OF 51 ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN FOUR CLEARANCE OPERATIONS CONDUCTED RECENTLY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE SAID THE OPERATIONS WERE PART OF THE ONGOING EFFORTS TO IMPROVE RESIDENTS' LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES WERE LOCATED AT THE REAR LANES OF ELECTRIC ROAD, SHAU KEI WAN ROAD, WING HING STREET, KUT SHING STREET AND LEE CHUNG STREET.

CO-ORDINATED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE OPERATIONS WERE CARRIED OUT BY A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING HOUSING, BUILDINGS AND LANDS, URBAN SERVICES, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SERVICES, FIRE SERVICES AND THE POLICE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CLEARED LANES WOULD BE REPAVED BY THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT AND ALL DEFECTIVE UNDERGROUND FACILITIES REPAIRED BY RELEVANT PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES.

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800-METRE HILL TRAIL ON TSING YI NOW OPEN
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A 800-METRE HILL TRAIL FROM CHING HONG ROAD TO TSING CHIN STREET ON TSING YI ISLAND HAS BEEN COMPLETED RECENTLY AND IS NOW OPEN TO RESIDENTS FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

THE TRAIL, WHICH IS NOT VERY STEEP, IS SUITABLE FOR TAKING MORNING WALKS OR HOLDING PICNICS. A WALK THROUGH THE TRAIL TAKES ABOUT ONLY 30 MINUTES.

THE HILL TRAIL WAS BUILT IN TWO PHASES, THE FIRST CONSTRUCTED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN 1982 AS A PASSAGE WAY AT A COST OF \$122,000.

LAST YEAR, THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD DECIDED TO EXTEND THE HILL TRAIL AREA AND ALLOCATED \$133,000 OUT OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE WORKS. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE WORKS SECTION OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, THE HILL TRAIL WAS COMPLETED EARLY THIS MONTH.

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DB 'MEET THE PUBLIC' SCHEME ON CHEUNG CHAU
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CHEUNG CHAU RESIDENTS WHO WISH TO MEET THEIR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD NOW FIRST MAKE APPOINTMENTS UNDER A SYSTEM INTRODUCED RECENTLY TO IMPROVE THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DB "MEET THE PUBLIC" SCHEME.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE APPOINTMENT SYSTEM WAS DEvised SO THAT EVERY REQUEST FROM RESIDENTS COULD BE ENTERTAINED.

"ON EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON THROUGHOUT 1990-91, ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL TAKE TURNS TO MEET MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE CHEUNG CHAU SUB-OFFICE AT 22 SUN HING STREET," HE SAID.

APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE CHEUNG CHAU SUB-OFFICE ON TEL. 981 1060 OR THE ISLANDS DB SECRETARIAT ON TEL. 852 4325 DURING OFFICE HOURS.

REQUESTS FOR AN APPOINTMENT FOR WEDNESDAY SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE 11 AM THAT DAY.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE ISLANDS DB "MEET THE PUBLIC" SCHEME HAD PROVEN TO BE ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ISLANDERS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

UNDER THIS SCHEME, RESIDENTS COULD DISCUSS WITH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS MATTERS AFFECTING THEMSELVES, THEIR FAMILIES OR THEIR DISTRICT.

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"THEY CAN MAKE ENQUIRIES AND SUGGESTIONS ON A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS, RANGING FROM HOUSING, TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENT, TO MEDICAL SERVICES AND EDUCATION MATTERS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THEIR VIEWS WILL BE FULLY RECORDED FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS, AND, IF NECESSARY, REFERRED TO THE RELEVANT GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION," HE ADDED.

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DRAWING CONTEST FOR CHILDREN
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CHILDREN AGED FOUR TO 13 ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE 1990 INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN DRAWING CONTEST SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MONTH (MAY).

THE CONTEST IS BEING JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE, THE URBAN COUNCIL, HARBOUR JAYCEES AND SING TAO LIMITED, WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE HONGKONG TELECOM.

THE AIM OF THE CONTEST IS TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PART IN ART ACTIVITIES AND INSPIRE THEIR INTEREST IN ARTS, AS WELL AS TO ENHANCE THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF AND CREATIVENESS IN ART, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE CONTEST WILL BE HELD ON MAY 6 (SUNDAY) BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 11.30 AM AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDENS IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

THE THEMES OF THE DRAWINGS ARE "MY HOME TOWN", "HAPPY FAMILY" AND "THE DAY I LOVE".

THE CONTEST IS DIVIDED INTO JUNIOR (AGED FOUR TO SIX), INTERMEDIATE (AGED SEVEN TO NINE) AND SENIOR (AGED 10 TO 13) SECTIONS.

THERE WILL BE THREE WINNERS AND SEVEN OUTSTANDING AWARDS FOR EACH SECTION.

PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS WILL INCLUDE PLAQUES, SCHOLARSHIPS, GIFTS COUPONS AND CHILDREN MAGAZINES.

THERE WILL ALSO BE 100 CONSOLATION PRIZES FOR EACH SECTION.

APPLICATION FORMS OF THE CONTEST ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES. ENQUIRY CAN BE MADE ON 369 5259.

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TAI PO DB TO DISCUSS CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES
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THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS AT A MEETING ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) THE PROPOSED CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS IN 1991.

THE BOARD WILL ALSO HEAR A BRIEFING BY THE TAI PO DEVELOPMENT OFFICE ON THE DISTRICT'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, WHICH INCLUDES LAND FORMATION, TRANSPORT, SEWAGE TREATMENT, HOUSING, EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND REGIONAL COUNCIL PROJECTS.

ALSO TO BE DISCUSSED WILL BE A PROVISIONAL ALLOCATION OF DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE RELEASING A PROPOSED TEMPORARY HOUSING ARE A SITE TO THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT FOR OTHER DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) AT THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152-172 KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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REDUCED TRAVEL FARES FOR ELDERLY PROPOSED
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THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A "PREFERENTIAL TRAVEL SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY" WILL BE DISCUSSED AT A MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE TOMORROW (MONDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WILL INVITE LOCAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT COMPANIES TO TAKE PART IN THE SCHEME BY PROVIDING CONCESSIONARY FARES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AGED 65 OR ABOVE.

AT THE MEETING, NINE MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO EXPRESS CONCERN OVER THE IMPROPER OPERATIONS OF GAMES CENTRES IN THE DISTRICT AND CALL FOR STRICTER POLICE CONTROL.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF A PLAN TO SELL PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS TO HOUSING AUTHORITY TENANTS.

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OTHER AGENDA ITEMS WILL INCLUDE A REVIEW OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORK IN THE PAST YEAR, AND DISCUSSIONS ON ITS WORK PLANS FOR THIS YEAR AND PROPOSED COMMUNITY FACILITIES, AS WELL AS 10 APPLICATIONS FOR DB FUNDS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER A MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (MONDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, 3/F, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS ALLOCATION OF DB FUNDS
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THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE ALLOCATION OF DB FUNDS FOR VARIOUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS FOR 1990-91 AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (MONDAY).

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS A PAPER, "BILL OF RIGHTS AND THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION", TO BE INTRODUCED BY AN ICAC REPRESENTATIVE.

A NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR DB FUNDS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS FOR ORGANISING DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUNCTIONS WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING AND AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD TO BE HELD TOMORROW (MONDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, 7-11 NAM NING STREET, ABERDEEN CENTRE. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LATTER PART OF THE MEETING, WHICH WILL DEAL WITH LOCAL ORGANISATIONS' APPLICATIONS FOR DB FUNDS, WILL BE HELD IN CAMERA.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FUND APPLICATIONS

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THE CULTURE, RECREATION AND SPORTS COMMITTEE OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) TO CONSIDER 20 APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS BY LOCAL BODIES FOR ORGANISING SPORTS TRAINING COURSES AND COMPETITIONS FOR YOUNGSTERS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRESS MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD'S CULTURE, RECREATION AND SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 10 AM ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) IN THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 34 CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS AIRBUS SERVICE IN SHA TIN

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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE FEASIBILITY OF INTRODUCING AIRBUS SERVICE TO THE DISTRICT AT A MEETING ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24).

MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE CRITERIA FOR THE PROVISION OF SUCH SERVICE.

ALSO, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL TABLE ITS 1990-91 WORK PROGRAMME, WHICH INCLUDES THE BUS ROUTES PLYING THE NEWLY-OPENED SHING MUN AND TATE'S CAIRN TUNNELS, AND THE ISSUE OF NEW TERRITORIES TAXIS USING THE SHING MUN TUNNELS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FUND APPLICATIONS

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THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL CONSIDER THREE APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS FOR CARRYING OUT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT AT ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24).

THE FUNDS WILL BE USED TO INSTALL FOUR SETS OF KIDDIE-RIDERS AT A SITTING-OUT AREA NEAR BLOCK 23, TUNG TAU ESTATE, AND TO PROVIDE A PAIR OF WOODEN COUPLETS IN THE STUDY KIOSK OF THE SITTING-OUT AREA.

THE THIRD APPLICATION IS FOR ORGANISING ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE "1990 WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY".

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, FOURTH FLOOR, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, KING FUK STREET.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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1,345 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MARCH

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A TOTAL OF 1,651 CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED IN 1,345 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS WHICH OCCURRED THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY LAST MONTH.

A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT 324 OF THESE ACCIDENTS OCCURRED ON HONG KONG ISLAND, 724 IN KOWLOON AND 297 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE PROVISIONAL FIGURES FOR MARCH SHOWED THAT 18 PERSONS WERE KILLED, 337 PEOPLE WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED AND 1,296 SLIGHTLY INJURED IN THESE ACCIDENTS.

THE NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND CASUALTIES REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF 19.2 PER CENT AND 7.6 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

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ROAD WORKS TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION AT LAI WAN ROAD

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THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO CARRY OUT ROADWORKS TO IMPROVE BOTH THE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC CIRCULATION AT LAI WAN ROAD TO MEET INCREASING TRAFFIC DEMANDS ARISING FROM THE COMPLETION OF THE LAI CHI KOK SPORT COMPLEX, LAI CHI KOK PARK STAGE 1 AND THE KAU WAH KENG APPROACH ROAD.

PROPOSED WORKS INCLUDE:

- * CONSTRUCTION OF A 230-METRE LONG, DUAL ONE-LANE CARRIAGEWAY WITH FOOTPATH;
- * CONVERSION OF SECTIONS OF EXISTING CARRIAGEWAY AND FOOTPATH INTO FOOTPATH/ISLAND AND CARRIAGEWAY RESPECTIVELY;
- * RECONSTRUCTION OF SECTIONS OF EXISTING FOOTPATHS; AND
- * CONSTRUCTION OF ANCILLARY LANDSCAPING, DRAINAGE AND JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT WORKS.

CONSTRUCTION WILL START IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR AND BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST 1991.

A PLAN AND SCHEME SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:-

- * CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG;
- * DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON WEST, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON;
- * SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, 37-39 TONKIN STREET, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, 2ND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN JUNE 5, 1990.

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1990 HONG KONG YOUTH MUSIC CAMP

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YOUNG MUSIC LOVERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN A HOLIDAY PROGRAMME WHICH WILL PROVIDE INTENSIVE MUSIC TRAINING IN A SUMMER CAMP ATMOSPHERE.

THE 1990 HONG KONG YOUTH MUSIC CAMP, ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE AND SPONSORED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, WILL BE HELD AT THE LEI YUE MUN PARK FROM JULY 15 TO 29.

PROMISING YOUNG MUSICIANS WILL BE RECRUITED BOTH LOCALLY AND FROM OVERSEAS TO TAKE PART IN THE CAMP TO HELP FOSTER INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE THROUGH MUSIC.

RENOWNED MUSICIANS WILL ALSO BE INVITED TO CONDUCT MASTERCLASSES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS. OTHER ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE FILM SHOWS, CANTONESE OPERA, FOLK DANCE EVENING, GUITAR MUSIC EVENING, MUSIC QUIZ AND A JAZZ BAND CONCERT.

REHEARSALS WILL BE HELD TO PREPARE THE CAMPERS FOR A FINALE CONCERT TO BE STAGED AT THE CULTURAL CENTRE CONCERT HALL ON JULY 29.

ALTOGETHER THREE ORCHESTRAS AND A BAND WILL BE ORGANISED.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE AS ON JULY 14 THIS YEAR AND BE ABLE TO PLAY AT LEAST ONE CHINESE OR WESTERN ORCHESTRAL OR BAND INSTRUMENT. ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE WILL BE AN ADVANTAGE.

FEES INCLUSIVE OF TUITION, THREE MEALS A DAY AND ACCOMMODATION ARE \$480 FOR MEMBERS OF THE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND CHINESE ORCHESTRA WHO WILL STAY THROUGHOUT THE CAMP PERIOD.

THE FEES FOR MEMBERS OF THE STRING ORCHESTRA AND THE BAND, WHO WILL STAY FOR EIGHT DAYS ONLY, ARE \$235 AND \$240 RESPECTIVELY.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE. THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION IS APRIL 30. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 823 5314 OR 722 6240.

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WATER CUT IN SOUTHEAST KOWLOON

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SOUTHEAST KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (APRIL 24) TO 7 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE WATER WORKS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT TIN HANG HOUSE, TIN YIU HOUSE, TIN KEI HOUSE AND TIN KUEN HOUSE OF SHUN TIN ESTATE, CHOI WAN ESTATE, TAK MONG VILLAGE, GOOD HOPE SCHOOL AND GOOD SHEPHERD CONVENT.

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