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SENIOR APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

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THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) ANOTHER SERIES OF APPOINTMENTS TO SENIOR POSTS IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

THEY ARE:

- * MR TONY EASON TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY IN JANUARY 1986. MR EASON WILL REPLACE MR PAUL WONG KAM-CHIU, WHOSE MOVE TO THE TRADE DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN ANNOUNCED;
- * MR ALISTAIR ASPREY TO REPLACE MR EASON AS A DEPUTY SECRETARY IN THE LANDS AND WORKS BRANCH IN FEBRUARY 1986;
- * MR RICHARD HOARE, CURRENTLY A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH, WILL TAKE OVER FROM MR ASPREY AS PRIVATE SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT HOUSE IN JANUARY 1986, AND
- * MR NICHOLAS NG WING-FUI HAS BECOME DEPUTY SECRETARY (CIVIL SERVICE) STAFF MANAGEMENT, REPLACING MR GORDON SIU KWING-CHUE WHO, AS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED, IS NOW SECRETARY GENERAL, UMEICO OFFICE.

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON THESE OFFICERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ALISTAIR ASPREY, AE, JP

AGED 41. JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN SEPTEMBER 1965 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE B IN APRIL 1981. HE HAS HELD A VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE, AND HIS EXPERIENCE INCLUDES SERVICE AS A DISTRICT OFFICER IN THE FORMER NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND AS A DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT. HE HAS BEEN PRIVATE SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT HOUSE SINCE FEBRUARY 1984.

ANTHONY EASON, JP

AGED 47. JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER 1962 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE B IN APRIL 1982. HIS EXPERIENCE INCLUDES SERVICE AS A DISTRICT OFFICER AND AS A DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN THE FORMER HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. HE HAS ALSO BEEN CLOSELY INVOLVED IN RECENT YEARS IN THE EVOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ON MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE TERRITORY. HE HAS BEEN A DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS SINCE SEPTEMBER 1981.

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NICHOLAS NG WING-FUI

AGED 39. JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN JUNE 1970 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE C IN APRIL 1980. HE HAS SERVED IN THE FORMER HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT AND THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND WAS ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL, STANDING COMMISSION ON CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE FROM 1981 TO 1984. SINCE JUNE 1984 HE HAS BEEN A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

RICHARD HOARE

AGED 36. JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN SEPTEMBER 1972 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE C IN APRIL 1981. HIS SERVICE INCLUDES EXPERIENCE IN THE FORMER SOCIAL SERVICES BRANCH, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, SECURITY BRANCH AND CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH. FROM 1982 TO 1985 HE WAS SECONDED TO THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (HONG KONG DEPARTMENT), AND SINCE HIS RETURN TO HONG KONG EARLIER THIS YEAR HE HAS BEEN A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH.

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SENIOR APPOINTMENTS TO UMELCO OFFICE

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UMELCO ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) TWO APPOINTMENTS TO SENIOR POSTS IN THE OFFICE.

MR RAFAEL HUI SI-YAN, FORMERLY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL IN THE UMELCO OFFICE, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO THE NEW POST OF DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, UMELCO OFFICE.

MR HUI, AGED 37, JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER 1970 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE C IN APRIL 1980. HIS SERVICE INCLUDES EXPERIENCE IN THE FORMER HOME AFFAIRS BRANCH, SECURITY BRANCH, ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH AND TRANSPORT BRANCH. HE HAS BEEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL, UMELCO OFFICE SINCE SEPTEMBER 1984.

MR JONATHAN DAW, DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CROWN COUNSEL, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS LEGAL ADVISER IN THE UMELCO OFFICE.

MR DAW, AGED 36, JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A CROWN COUNSEL IN AUGUST 1978. HE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR CROWN COUNSEL IN APRIL 1980, TO ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CROWN COUNSEL IN SEPTEMBER 1982 AND TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF DEPUTY PRINCIPAL CROWN COUNSEL IN AUGUST 1983. HE HAS BEEN THE LEGAL ADVISER ON CIVIL SERVICE MATTERS FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.

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THIRD QUARTER EXPORTS STATISTICS RELEASED
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IN TERMS OF THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1985, THE SIX MOST IMPORTANT INDUSTRY GROUPS WERE WEARING APPAREL, ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS, TEXTILES, PLASTIC PRODUCTS, PROFESSIONAL AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENT, AND BASIC METALS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS.

THEY TOGETHER ACCOUNTED FOR 84 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF MERCHANDISE DOMESTIC EXPORTS.

INDUSTRIES HAVING RECORDED THE LARGEST INCREASES IN ABSOLUTE VALUE OVER THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1984 WERE TOBACCO (+\$155 MILLION), NON-ELECTRICAL MACHINERY (+\$133 MILLION), ELECTRICITY (+\$61 MILLION), PROFESSIONAL AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENT (+\$60 MILLION), FOOTWEAR (+\$46 MILLION), AND PAPER AND PAPER PRODUCTS, PRINTING AND PUBLISHING (+\$43 MILLION).

IN RELATIVE TERMS, INDUSTRIES WITH THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE INCREASES OVER THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1984 WERE TOBACCO (+157 PER CENT), ELECTRICITY (+101 PER CENT), BEVERAGES (+40 PER CENT), FOOTWEAR (+31 PER CENT), AND NON-ELECTRICAL MACHINERY (+29 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, SIGNIFICANT DECREASES IN THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS FROM THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1984 WERE RECORDED FOR ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS (-\$2 233 MILLION OR -25 PER CENT), WEARING APPAREL (-\$1 242 MILLION OR -14 PER CENT), TEXTILES (-\$777 MILLION OR -11 PER CENT), PLASTIC PRODUCTS (-\$680 MILLION OR -17 PER CENT), BASIC METALS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS (-\$290 MILLION OR -16 PER CENT), AND CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS (-\$66 MILLION OR -16 PER CENT).

SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE DECREASES WERE ALSO OBSERVED IN AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTION (-81 PER CENT), RUBBER PRODUCTS (-33 PER CENT), NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS (-32 PER CENT), TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (-27 PER CENT), MINING AND QUARRYING (-26 PER CENT), AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS (-25 PER CENT).

THE ABOVE ARE SOME OF THE STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) ON DOMESTIC EXPORTS ANALYSED BY INDUSTRIAL ORIGIN FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1985. THIS SERIES IS DERIVED BY RE-GROUPING ALL SIX-DIGIT MERCHANDISE EXPORT ITEMS UNDER THE PRESENT EXTERNAL TRADE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM ACCORDING TO THE INDUSTRIES IN WHICH THESE MERCHANDISE ITEMS ARE NORMALLY PRODUCED. TRANSACTIONS IN GOLD AND SPECIE ARE EXCLUDED.

/THE CLASSIFICATION

THE CLASSIFICATION OF MERCHANDISE EXPORT ITEMS BY INDUSTRIAL ORIGIN IS STRUCTURED UPON THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION OF ALL ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (I.S.I.C.), AS DISTINCT FROM THE UNITED NATIONS STANDARD INTERNATIONAL TRADE CLASSIFICATION (S.I.T.C.) WHICH IS ADOPTED IN THE REGULAR TRADE STATISTICS REPORTS.

WHEN REFERRING TO THESE RE-CLASSIFIED FIGURES, A POINT OF CAUTION IS RELEVANT. CERTAIN MERCHANDISE EXPORT ITEMS MAY REQUIRE SEVERAL INTERMEDIATE PROCESSING STAGES FOR THEIR PRODUCTION. IN SUCH CASES, THE INDUSTRY IN WHICH AN ITEM IS FINALLY PRODUCED IS NOT REALLY THE SOLE CONTRIBUTOR TO THE VALUE. NEVERTHELESS, STATISTICALLY, THE OVERALL VALUE OF THE ITEM IS WHOLLY ALLOCATED TO THAT INDUSTRY.

BESIDES, THE CLASSIFICATION OF A MERCHANDISE EXPORT ITEM TO A PARTICULAR INDUSTRY DOES NOT IMPLY THAT THE ENTIRE VALUE OF THE ITEM IS ACTUALLY PRODUCED BY ESTABLISHMENTS OF THAT INDUSTRY, SINCE SOME MAY BE SECONDARY PRODUCTS PRODUCED BY ESTABLISHMENTS CLASSIFIED UNDER OTHER INDUSTRIES.

FURTHER DETAILS OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS STATISTICS FOR MERCHANDISE RECLASSIFIED BY INDUSTRIAL ORIGIN MAY BE SEEN IN THE ATTACHED TABLE WHICH IS OBTAINABLE FROM THE INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (AT TEL. 3-7224504).

A TABLE ON THESE STATISTICS FOR SELECTED INDUSTRIES IS ALSO INCLUDED IN THE REPORT +HONG KONG EXTERNAL TRADE, SEPTEMBER 1985+.

VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS FOR MERCHANDISE, RECLASSIFIED BY INDUSTRIAL ORIGIN FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1984 AND OF 1985

(HK\$ '000)

INDUSTRIAL ORIGIN OF THE COMMODITIES EXPORTED	MERCHANDISE DOMESTIC EXPORTS			
	3RD QTR. 1984	3RD QTR. 1985	VALUE CHANGE	% CHANGE
AGRICULTURAL, FORESTRY AND FISHING				
AGRICULTURAL, LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTION	3 709	688	-3 021	-81
FORESTRY AND LOGGING	-	-	-	-
OCEAN AND COASTAL FISHING	52 764	52 800	36	*
MINING AND QUARRYING	1 359	1 012	-347	-26

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FOOD	307 398	314 593	7 195	2
BEVERAGES	42 343	59 197	16 854	40
TOBACCO	98 982	253 912	154 930	157
TEXTILES (INCLUDING KNITTING)	7 203 873	6 427 303	-776 570	-11
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR AND KNITWEAR	8 987 329	7 745 733	-1 241 596	-14
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	136 319	131 568	-4 751	-
FOOTWEAR	147 136	193 143	46 007	31
WOOD AND CORK PRODUCTS, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	198 575	183 926	-14 649	-7
PAPER AND PAPER PRODUCTS, PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	600 777	643 518	42 741	7
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	410 941	345 056	-65 885	-16
RUBBER PRODUCTS	43 867	29 602	-14 265	-33
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	4 082 953	3 402 517	-680 436	-17
NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	173 900	117 989	-55 911	-32
BASIC METALS AND FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	1 859 018	1 569 436	-289 582	-16
MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL	459 629	593 051	133 422	29
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	9 113 127	6 879 965	-2 233 162	-25
TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	48 383	35 214	-13 169	-27
PROFESSIONAL AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENT	2 978 817	3 038 853	60 036	2
OTHER MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	2 222 683	2 381 001	158 318	7

/ELECTRICITY

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<u>ELECTRICITY</u>	60 696	121 938	61 242	101
<u>MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS</u>				
(E.G. DEVELOPED PHOTOGRAPHIC PLATES AND FILM, ANTIQUES, AND WORKS OF ART)	13 591	12 710	-881	-6
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>39 248 170</u>	<u>34 534 726</u>	<u>-4 713 444</u>	<u>-12</u>

INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES OF A COLUMN MAY NOT ADD UP EXACTLY TO THE CORRESPONDING TOTAL DUE TO ROUNDING.

* CHANGE OF LESS THAN 1 PER CENT.

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NEW COMPLAINTS GROUP SECRETARIAT ON FC AGENDA
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FUNDS FOR SETTING UP A SECRETARIAT TO SERVICE A NEW POLICE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL TAKE OVER THE MONITORING OF THE WORK OF THE COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICE FROM THE UMELCO POLICE GROUP, WILL BE ONE OF THE SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION WHEN FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETS TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE PROPOSAL TO RECONSTITUTE THE UMELCO POLICE GROUP TO INCLUDE JUSTICES OF THE PEACE AND A SUPPORTING SECRETARIAT WAS ENDORSED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL LAST MONTH.

IT FOLLOWED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF A WORKING GROUP, SET UP IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR, TO EXAMINE HOW THE CAPABILITY OF THE MONITORING GROUP COULD BE ENHANCED THROUGH A BETTER DISTRIBUTION OF WORK.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT MEMBERS OF THE EXISTING UMELCO POLICE GROUP MONITORED ABOUT 350 REPORTS FROM THE COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICE EACH MONTH, AND THE WORKLOAD WAS SUCH THAT THE MONITORING CAPABILITY NEEDED TO BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED AND ENHANCED.

THE RECONSTITUTED GROUP WILL HAVE A CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE-CHAIRMEN TO BE DRAWN FROM UMELCO, TOGETHER WITH AT LEAST EIGHT JUSTICES OF THE PEACE AS MEMBERS.

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+BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE AND THE PUBLIC SIGNIFICANCE OF THE WORK INVOLVED, MEMBERS OF THE POLICE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+AS WITH THE UMELCO POLICE GROUP, THE ONLY OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GROUP WILL BE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE.+

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT UNDER THE NEW SET UP, THE TOTAL UNOFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE 11 AS COMPARED TO THE PRESENT SEVEN.

+THIS SHOULD ENABLE MORE POLICE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO DEVOTE MORE TIME TO CONSIDERATION AND ANALYSIS OF INDIVIDUAL REPORTS,+ HE SAID.

THE NEW COMMITTEE, WHICH COMES INTO OPERATION IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR, WILL NO LONGER BE A UMELCO BODY AND ITS SECRETARIAT WILL OPERATE TO ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES AS A SEPARATE DEPARTMENT.

AS THE SECRETARIAT WILL HAVE TO BE ESTABLISHED BEFORE JANUARY, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL BE ASKED TOMORROW TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF A NEW HEAD OF EXPENDITURE ENTITLED +POLICE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE+, WITH SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION OF \$716 000 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 1985-86 FINANCIAL YEAR.

THE SECRETARIAT WILL BE HEADED BY AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE C, WHO WILL BE SUPPORTED BY ONE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ONE SENIOR CROWN COUNSEL, FOUR SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, FOUR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS I, ONE EXECUTIVE OFFICER II AND OTHER SUPPORTING STAFF.

SUITABLE PREMISES ARE NOW BEING SOUGHT TO ACCOMMODATE THE SECRETARIAT.

OTHER ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT TOMORROW'S MEETING INCLUDE:

- * SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION OF \$5 MILLION TO MEET UNAVOIDABLE EXPENDITURE IN CONNECTION WITH THE LEGAL AID SCHEME,
- * REPLACEMENT PORTABLE RADIO SETS FOR THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT,
- * INCREASED COMMITMENT TO ENABLE REMEDIAL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT ON A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SLOPE,
- * REPLACEMENT OF 27 AMBULANCES OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT,

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- * A NEW TURNTABLE LADDER AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT,
- * FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FOR THE MARINE POLICE LAUNCH BUILDING PROGRAMME,
- * GRANTS FOR THE BAPTIST COLLEGE, CITY POLYTECHNIC, AND THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG,
- * AN UPGRADED COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR THE INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
- * COSTS FOR REMOVING THE GOVERNMENT DATA PROCESSING AGENCY FROM LEASED ACCOMMODATION TO A GOVERNMENT BUILDING,
- * A BLOCK VOTE OF \$4 MILLION FOR BUYING MICRO-COMPUTERS,
- * FINANCIAL COMMITMENT FOR THREE OVERSEAS CULTURAL TOURS IN 1986-87,
- * FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT TAKING OVER THE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SAI KUNG TOWN HALL,
- * REPLACEMENT MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, TWO INCINERATORS AND A PORT HEALTH LAUNCH FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
- * A REPLACEMENT FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT FOR THE ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE,
- * A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM DOWNPAYMENT LOAN UNDER THE HOME PURCHASE SCHEME FROM 10 PER CENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE TO 20 PER CENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE, OR 18 MONTHS' SALARY OF THE OFFICER CONCERNED, WHICHEVER IS THE LESS, AND
- * FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ENHANCED COMMAND AND CONTROL COMPUTER SYSTEM AND AN INTEGRATED RADIO SERVICES SYSTEM FOR THE POLICE.

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LEGO TO DEBATE NATIONALITY WHITE PAPER
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THE WHITE PAPER ON THE DRAFT HONG KONG (BRITISH NATIONALITY) ORDER 1986 WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF AN ADJOURNMENT DEBATE RAISED BY AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER, THE HON J.J. SWAINE, IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

NINE OTHER UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO BE EXPRESSING THEIR VIEWS ON THE MATTER.

FIVE BILLS WILL BE INTRODUCED AND HAVE A SECOND READING. THEY ARE:

- * INSURANCE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1985,
- * EMPLOYMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985,
- * COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1985,
- * BANKRUPTCY (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1985, AND
- * PEAK TRAMWAY (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985.

OTHER BUSINESS WILL INCLUDE THREE OFFICIAL MEMBERS' MOTIONS, 11 QUESTIONS RAISED BY UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS, A MOTION AND A STATEMENT FROM UNOFFICIALS.

THE THREE OFFICIALS' MOTIONS ARE THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS (ASSISTANCE FUND) ORDINANCE BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, THE PNEUMOCONIOSIS (COMPENSATION) ORDINANCE BY THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER AND THE ROAD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE BY THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

THE 11 QUESTIONS BY UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL DEAL WITH VARIOUS MATTERS INCLUDING MEASURES TO CONTROL NOISE NUISANCE, THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TOWARDS ADMINISTERING DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY SCHOOL AUTHORITIES ON STUDENTS, AND PLANS TO TACKLE THE PROBLEM OF EXCESSIVE NOISE AFFECTING SCHOOLS NEAR THE AIRPORT AND MAJOR ROADS.

THE HON J.J. SWAINE WILL MOVE A MOTION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF A SELECT COMMITTEE REGARDING THE HONG KONG WAR MEMORIAL FUND.

A STATEMENT WILL ALSO BE MADE BY THE HON ALLEN LEE ON THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 1984-85.

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PROFESSIONALS URGED TO CONTINUE SUPPORT

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SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, TODAY (TUESDAY) CALLED ON PROFESSIONALS TO HELP SUSTAIN HONG KONG'S SUCCESS STORY BY CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT AND REFINEMENT OF ITS INFRA-STRUCTURE.

+IF HONG KONG IS TO REMAIN A PROSPEROUS AND PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY, IT WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY VITAL THAT THE PROFESSIONALS SHOULD CONTINUE TO WORK WITH FULL COMMITMENT AND CONCERN FOR HONG KONG,+ MR LIAO SAID.

SPEAKING AT THE INTER-PROFESSIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS, MR LIAO SAID THAT PROFESSIONALS HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY VOCAL IN EXPRESSING THEIR VIEWS ON ISSUES NOT ONLY IN THEIR OWN FIELDS BUT ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE SOCIETY.

+THIS ENTHUSIASM IS A CLEAR SIGN THAT OUR PROFESSIONALS HAVE THE WELL-BEING OF HONG KONG PEOPLE AT HEART, AND THEIR PURPOSE IS NOT CONFINED TO JUST MAKING A BETTER LIVING FOR THEMSELVES,+ HE NOTED.

THE PROFESSIONALS HAVE PLAYED A FUNDAMENTAL ROLE IN MAKING HONG KONG THE DYNAMIC SOCIETY IT IS TODAY, AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN INFRA-STRUCTURE TO COPE WITH A POPULATION THAT HAD GROWN NINE-FOLD SINCE THE WAR HAD BEEN PHENOMENAL, HE SAID.

MR LIAO SAID WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TOWNS IN THE 1970'S, NEW OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES WERE OPENED TO PROFESSIONALS IN EVERY FIELD. THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS IN 1980'S RESULTED IN IMPROVEMENTS IN ROAD AND TRANSPORT NETWORKS, EDUCATION, MEDICAL SERVICES, AND RECREATION AND CULTURE.

HE SAID A NUMBER OF FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS WILL HELP STRENGTHEN HONG KONG'S INFRA-STRUCTURE AS AN INTERNATIONAL MARKET. THESE INCLUDE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM IN THE NORTHWEST NEW TERRITORIES, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CONTAINER TERMINAL, THE LAYING OF A SECOND CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL AND FURTHER HARBOUR RECLAMATION PROJECTS.

+MAJOR NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY WHICH WILL RELIEVE MORE OF THE STRAIN ON THE OVERCROWDED URBAN AREAS OF HONG KONG, AND A THIRD UNIVERSITY WILL RESULT IN FEW LOCAL STUDENTS TURNING TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OVERSEAS FOR PLACES ON POST-SECONDARY COURSES,+ HE SAID.

+MOREOVER, HONG KONG'S HISTORY, GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND COSMOPOLITAN ATMOSPHERE MAKES THIS A PLACE WITH CONSIDERABLE UNTAPPED POTENTIAL FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE ARTS,+ HE ADDED.

MR LIAO SAID IN THESE AREAS THE PROFESSIONALS WILL HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY.

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+ANOTHER IMPORTANT ASPECT IN THE ROLE OF THE PROFESSIONALS IS THEIR INCREASED READINESS TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS,+ HE SAID.

MR LIAO NOTED THAT MANY PROFESSIONALS HAVE DEVOTED TIME AND EFFORT TO MAKE VARIED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORKING OF THE 350-STRONG ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES IN HONG KONG.

THE ELECTION OF PROFESSIONALS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES AND ELECTORAL COLLEGE CAN BE SEEN AS AN EXTENSION OF THAT TRADITION, HE SAID.

+THERE ARE NO LESS THAN 17 PROFESSIONALS, BOTH APPOINTED AND ELECTED, AMONG THE 46 UNOFFICIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS, AND THE LEAD TAKEN BY THE PROFESSIONALS IN PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS IS UNDOUBTEDLY A KEY FACTOR IN ENSURING THE CONTINUED STABILITY OF HONG KONG IN THE YEARS AHEAD,+ MR LIAO SAID.

HE NOTED THAT THE PRIME OBJECTIVE OF PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS WAS TO SUPPORT THEIR MEMBERS IN SUSTAINING THEIR COMMITMENT TO AND CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY.

+I HOPE THAT THE INSTITUTIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE SENSITIVE TO THE CHANGING NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE, AND THAT THEY WILL STIMULATE DISCUSSION AMONGST THEIR MEMBERS AND REFLECT THEIR VIEWS ON IMPORTANT ISSUES AFFECTING HONG KONG TO THE GOVERNMENT,+ SAID MR LIAO.

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POLICY IS TO PROMOTE QUALITY OF EDUCATION
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TO PROMOTE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION IS THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE BEST EDUCATION CAN BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT THE BEST SCHOOLS, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE NEW EXTENSION AND THE GRADUATION AND PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONY OF ST. FRANCIS CANOSSIAN COLLEGE, MR LEUNG SAID IT WAS THE AIM OF THE GOVERNMENT TO RAISE THE STANDARD OF SCHOOLS WHILE FREE AND UNIVERSAL EDUCATION CATERED FOR THE GREAT MAJORITY IN RESPONSE TO SOCIAL DEMAND.

IT WOULD BE THROUGH BETTER TRAINED TEACHERS, MORE DIVERSIFIED CURRICULUM BEST SUITED TO THE NEEDS OF PUPILS, BETTER TEACHING AIDS AND METHODS, MORE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT AND BETTER FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT AND BUILDINGS, MR LEUNG SAID.

+BUT HOW A SCHOOL WILL PROMOTE AND IMPROVE ITS STANDARDS GIVEN ALL THESE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT MUST DEPEND UPON ITSELF -- ITS LEADERSHIP, ITS WILL POWER AND DETERMINATION AND COOPERATION BETWEEN STAFF, STUDENTS AND PARENTS,+ HE ADDED.

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STRESSING THAT THE MANIFESTATION OF A GOOD SCHOOL LAY IN ITS ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM, MR LEUNG SAID THAT ST. FRANCIS CANOSSIAN COLLEGE HAD ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO STRIKE A GOOD BALANCE BETWEEN CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

+WITH THE PROVISION OF THE SCHOOL HALL AND COVERED PLAYGROUND, THE SCHOOL IS BETTER EQUIPPED TO EXPAND ITS EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES TO CATER FOR AN EVEN WIDER RANGE OF STUDENTS' INTERESTS AND NEEDS,+ MR LEUNG SAID.

NOTING THE RECENT ELECTION CAMPAIGN FOR OFFICE-BEARERS OF THE SCHOOL'S STUDENT COUNCIL, MR LEUNG SAID IT WAS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THE KIND OF CIVIC EDUCATION THAT YOUNG PEOPLE COULD BEST BENEFIT FROM SCHOOL.

+IT IS MY FIRM BELIEF THAT IT IS THROUGH PARTICIPATION AS WELL AS ORGANISATION AND RUNNING OF THE CLUBS AND INTEREST GROUP THAT OUR STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO DEVELOP THEIR MORAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES SUCH AS SELF-DISCIPLINE, LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY AWARENESS, RESOLUTION IN FACING DIFFICULTIES AND CARE FOR OTHERS,+ HE SAID.

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HK DELEGATION LEAVES FOR ILO CONFERENCE * * * *

A TRIPARTITE HONG KONG DELEGATION LED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR RON BRIDGE, LEFT FOR JAKARTA TODAY (TUESDAY) TO ATTEND THE 10TH ASIAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ORGANISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION.

THE 10-DAY CONFERENCE, WHICH STARTS TOMORROW, IS BEING HOSTED BY INDONESIA AND WILL BE ATTENDED BY SOME 300 PARTICIPANTS FROM 22 COUNTRIES IN THE REGION AS WELL AS OBSERVERS FROM THE ILO AND OTHER LABOUR ORGANISATIONS.

THE CONFERENCE WILL FOCUS DISCUSSIONS ON VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED PERSONS AND RURAL AND URBAN VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN GENERAL.

THE HONG KONG DELEGATION INCLUDES MR TAM YIU-CHUNG, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS; MR JOHN CHEETHAM, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE EMPLOYERS' FEDERATION OF HONG KONG, AND MR JOHN SUNG, SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S SELECTIVE PLACEMENT SERVICE.

MR TAM AND MR CHEETHAM WILL ATTEND THE CONFERENCE AS REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS IN HONG KONG.

/MR BRIDGE

MR BRIDGE SAID THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO HONG KONG AS THE SELECTIVE PLACEMENT SERVICE'S APPROACH WAS BASED ON ILO PRINCIPLES.

+THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION HAS PROVIDED VALUABLE ASSISTANCE TO THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT IN THE FORMULATION OF OUR REHABILITATION POLICY,+ HE SAID.

MR BRIDGE SAID HE WOULD ALSO BE PAYING A SHORT VISIT TO SINGAPORE AND MALAYSIA AFTER THE CONFERENCE TO STUDY THE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION SYSTEMS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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ADVANCED TYPESETTING TECHNOLOGY FOR TRAINEES

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TRAINEES OF THE PRINTING INDUSTRY TRAINING CENTRE OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL WILL BE ABLE TO LEARN THE LATEST TYPESETTING TECHNOLOGY WITH A SET OF COMPUTERISED PHOTO-TYPESETTING MACHINES DONATED BY INDUSTRY.

SPEAKING AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE PHOTO-TYPESETTING INSTALLATION AT THE CENTRE THIS MORNING, MR ALEX WU, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, SAID THE TRAINING ON THESE MACHINES WOULD BROADEN THE TYPESETTING SKILLS OF THE TRAINEES AND ENABLE THEM TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE LOCAL PRINTING INDUSTRY.

THE \$700 000 TYPESETTING EQUIPMENT DONATED BY THE MORISAWA COMPANY INCLUDES ONE UNIT OF COMPUTER-AIDED CHINESE LANGUAGE PHOTO-TYPESETTER WITH VISUAL DISPLAY UNIT, TWO UNITS OF INPUT AND EDITING TERMINALS WITH SECONDARY KEYBOARD TERMINALS AND ONE UNIT OF CHINESE PRINTER.

+WITH THIS LATEST EQUIPMENT, TRAINEES WILL BE TRAINED NOT ONLY IN TYPESETTING CHINESE CHARACTERS BUT ALSO IN TYPESETTING MIXED LANGUAGE AND VARIOUS SYMBOLS SUCH AS THOSE USED IN MUSIC, CHEMISTRY AND MATHEMATICS.

+ALL THESE WILL FACILITATE THE PREPARATION OF BILINGUAL DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS, THE DEMAND FOR WHICH HAS BEEN INCREASING TREMENDOUSLY,+ MR WU SAID.

THE BROADENING OF TYPESETTING SKILLS WOULD ALSO HELP ENHANCE THE EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS OF TRAINEES, HE ADDED.

MR WU, WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL'S PRINTING INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD OVERSEEING THE TRAINING OPERATION OF THE CENTRE, EXPRESSED THE COUNCIL'S APPRECIATION OF THE MANY DONATIONS IT HAD RECEIVED FROM INDUSTRY ON IMPROVING THE TRAINING FACILITIES AND BRINGING THE LATEST TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES TO TRAINEES.

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LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR SHA TIN RESIDENTS

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A LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE HAS BEEN ORGANISED OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS IN SHA TIN TO PROMOTE A SENSE OF CIVIC-MINDEDNESS AMONG LOCAL RESIDENTS.

A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN LINED UP, INCLUDING SEMINARS, VISITS, DISCUSSIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT, FOR 120 MEMBERS OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, YIN NGAI SOCIETIES AND BUILDING COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT.

SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, IT IS ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON PROMOTION OF CIVIC-MINDEDNESS OF THE BOARD'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

+THROUGH THESE FUNCTIONS, WE HOPE TO TRAIN UP POTENTIAL LEADERS FOR SHA TIN WHO WILL BE FACING GREAT CHALLENGES IN THEIR FUTURE WORK,+ DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR NG CHAN-LAM SAID.

+AS FRONT LINE COMMUNITY LEADERS, THEY WILL BE SERVING THE EVER-INCREASING POPULATION OF SHA TIN NEW TOWN WHO WILL NEED ASSISTANCE IN ADAPTING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

+THEY WILL ALSO HAVE TO PLAY A MAJOR ROLE AS PART OF THE CONSULTATION PROCESS, WHICH HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL,+ MR NG SAID.

THE LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE WILL ALSO INCLUDE TALKS BY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ON LOCAL POLITICAL REFORMS, THE ROLE OF MAC'S, CIVIC RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, DEVELOPMENT OF SHA TIN; DISCUSSIONS ON THE WORKS OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE DISTRICT BOARDS; VISITS TO FACILITIES OF THE DISTRICT AND CAMPING.

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ISLANDS DISTRICT COMMITTEE TO MEET

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THE ISLANDS DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL HOLD A MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE COMMISSIONING OF THE NEW COOKED FOOD MARKET NEAR THE FERRY CONCOURSE AT MUI WO AND THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT AT THE PUI O CAMP SITE ON LANTAU ISLAND.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE WORKS PROGRAMME TO BE CARRIED OUT BY BEACH STAFF IN THE DISTRICT DURING THE WINTER MONTHS, THE EXTENSION ACTIVITIES AT PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND THE ISLANDS DISTRICT RUNNING SCHEME 1985.

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THE MEETING WILL START AT 2.30 PM IN THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBER AT TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK AND GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING, SECOND FLOOR, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING.

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EIGHT NEW SCHOOLS PLANNED FOR YUEN LONG
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YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE LOCATION OF EIGHT NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO BE BUILT OVER THE NEXT EIGHT YEARS, AT THEIR MEETING ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5).

THE PROPOSED SITES FOR THE SCHOOLS ARE LONG PING ESTATE, YUEN LONG TOWN, FAIRVIEW PARK AND THE TIN YIU ESTATE IN TIN SHUI WAI.

TO COINCIDE WITH THE TIN SHUI WAI DEVELOPMENT, BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SECURITY BUND BRIDGE AT TIN SHUI WAI.

THEY WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON A REVIEW OF THE +MEET THE PUBLIC+ SCHEME AND BE TOLD THAT 51 EVENING SESSIONS WERE HELD AND 130 CASES HANDLED DURING THE LAST YEAR.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE HONG KONG BRITISH NATIONALITY ORDER 1986, AND THE RE-ORGANISATION OF THE SIXTH YUEN LONG ARTS FESTIVAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5) AT 9.30 AM ON 13TH FLOOR, YUEN LONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 2 KIU LOK SQUARE, YUEN LONG.

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HAWKERS PITCHES TO BE RE-ARRANGED
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HAWKERS PITCHES AT LUK HEUNG LANE IN TAI PO WILL BE RE-ARRANGED TO IMPROVE THE VIABILITY OF THE HAWKERS' BUSINESS.

DISCLOSING THIS TODAY (TUESDAY) AT A MEETING OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, THE RSD'S DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT (TAI PO), MR CHAN CHAI-CHI, SAID THE EXERCISE WOULD PROVIDE MORE FRONTAGE FOR THE PITCHES TO DISPLAY GOODS AND MORE SPACE FOR CIRCULATION AND MOVEMENT OF CUSTOMERS.

MR CHAN SAID: +TO ACHIEVE THESE, THE 234 PITCHES WILL BE TURNED 90 DEGREES TO PROVIDE A SIX FEET FRONTAGE INSTEAD OF THE EXISTING FOUR FEET. THESE PITCHES WILL ALSO BE RE-ARRANGED IN GROUPS OF FOUR BACK TO BACK PITCHES. THE OPPORTUNITY IS ALSO TAKEN TO PROVIDE FOR SEPARATE WET AND DRY GOODS ZONES.+

+IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM HAWKERS TO IMPROVE THE VIABILITY OF THEIR BUSINESSES FURTHER, THE BUSINESS HOURS WILL BE EXTENDED FROM 7 AM TO 2 PM DAILY TO 7 AM TO 6 PM DAILY AFTER THE RE-ARRANGEMENT EXERCISE IS COMPLETED IN JANUARY 1986,+ MR CHAN ADDED.

MR CHAN SAID THE NEW ARRANGEMENT WAS AGREED ON AFTER EXTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS AMONG REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HAWKERS CONCERNED, THE TAI PO LICENSED HAWKERS' ASSOCIATION AND THE RSD.

ON THE RECREATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE RSD IN SUPPORT OF THE 1985 TAI PO FESTIVAL WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE FROM LATE DECEMBER 1985 TO MID-FEBRUARY 1986, THE RSD'S DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER (TAI PO), MR MARCUS LEE, SAID THE DEPARTMENT HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO ORGANISE FOUR MAJOR RECREATION AND SPORTS EVENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TAI PO SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

+THEY ARE THE TAI PO DISTRICT BASKETBALL COMPETITION, TAI PO DISTRICT ROAD RACE, TAI PO DISTRICT OPEN FOOTBALL COMPETITION AND THE INTER-CONSTITUENCIES TELEMATCH,+ MR LEE SAID.

OVER 1 100 PEOPLE ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN THESE ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE AIMED AT PROMOTING DISTRICT IDENTITY AND A SENSE OF BELONGING AMONG TAI PO RESIDENTS.

AT TODAY'S MEETING, THE COMMITTEE MADE A NUMBER OF DECISIONS ON THE PROVISION OF CULTURAL AND RECREATION FACILITIES IN TAI PO.

IT DECIDED TO NAME THE SITTING-OUT AREA ADJACENT TO THE MAN PO TEMPLE, WHICH WAS DECLARED AN HISTORICAL BUILDING LAST YEAR, AS THE MAN MO TEMPLE GARDEN.

IT ALSO ENDORSED A SCHEDULE OF CULTURAL PROGRAMMES FOR PRESENTATION BY THE RSD AT THE TAI PO CIVIC CENTRE FROM DECEMBER 1985 TO MAY 1986. THESE INCLUDE CHINESE AND WESTERN ORCHESTRAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERTS, DANCE, DRAMA, CANTONESE OPERA AND PUPPET SHOWS AT A FREQUENCY OF ABOUT FOUR TO SIX PERFORMANCES PER MONTH.

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DETAILS ON KWUN TONG FESTIVAL
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DETAILS OF THE KWUN TONG FESTIVAL '85 WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5).

SPONSORED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADERS, THE THREE-WEEK KWUN TONG FESTIVAL '85 WILL BE LAUNCHED IN MID-DECEMBER WITH MORE THAN 20 EVENTS FOR THE LOCAL PEOPLE.

ATTENDING THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN MAK; THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ANNIE TAM; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI; CHAIRMAN OF THE KWUN TONG FESTIVAL '85 ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR EDDIE LAMB; AND THE CHAIRMEN OF THE FIVE SUB-GROUPS UNDER THE COMMITTEE.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM IN THE CALIPH ROOM ON THE TOP FLOOR OF THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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ROAD SAFETY TEACHING KIT WINS AWARD
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THE ROAD SAFETY SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHING KIT HAS WON THE AWARD FOR THE OUTSTANDING PROGRAMME IN THE AREA OF PEDESTRIANS AT THE 1985 INTERNATIONAL ROAD SAFETY CONFERENCE HELD IN HONG KONG.

THE FOUR-DAY CONFERENCE, ATTENDED BY 22 COUNTRIES, WAS CONCLUDED ON NOVEMBER 30.

THE AWARD IS ONE OF THE DOW CHEMICAL INTERNATIONAL ROAD SAFETY AWARDS, WHICH ARE DIVIDED INTO FIVE CATEGORIES -- THE OUTSTANDING ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMMES IN THE AREAS OF PEDESTRIANS, DRIVERS, VEHICLES, ROAD DESIGN AND ENGINEERING AND THOSE NOT SPECIFICALLY CATEGORISED.

THE TEACHING KIT IS ONE OF THE ITEMS OF PUBLICITY MATERIAL PRODUCED BY THE ROAD SAFETY PUBLICITY COMMITTEE TO STRENGTHEN ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

/THIS BILINGUAL

THIS BILINGUAL KIT CONTAINS TEACHING NOTES ON +PEDESTRIAN SAFETY+, +CYCLING+, +TRAFFIC SIGNS AND SIGNALS+ AND +SCHOOL CROSSING PATROLS+, WITH SUGGESTED DISCUSSION TOPICS AND ACTIVITIES, AND THREE SHORT INSTRUCTIONAL FILMS ON THE FIRST THREE TOPICS.

THE KIT IS MADE AVAILABLE ON LOAN TO SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS THROUGH THE AUDIO VISUAL RESOURCE LIBRARY OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND HAS BEEN WELL RECEIVED BY STUDENTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ROAD SAFETY PUBLICITY COMMITTEE SAID: +THE WINNING OF AN AWARD AT AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROVES THAT WE HAVE ADOPTED THE RIGHT APPROACH TO REACH THE SPECIFIC TARGET GROUP AND THAT THE STANDARD OF ITS PRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION HAS BEEN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED.+

HE SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO THIS TEACHING KIT AIMED AT SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, A PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHING KIT HAS ALSO BEEN PRODUCED FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS.

THE KIT, WHICH IS ALSO ON LOAN TO SCHOOLS, CONTAINS 17 DRAWING BOARDS WITH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AND ADOPTING A SIMPLER TECHNIQUE TO TEACH THE CHILDREN THE LANGUAGE OF THE ROAD AND ROAD SAFETY CONSCIOUSNESS.

+SINCE, THERE IS SUCH A HIGH DEMAND FOR THESE TWO SETS OF TEACHING KITS, WE AIM TO EVENTUALLY PROVIDE EVERY SCHOOL WITH ONE KIT EACH,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

CURRENTLY IN PRODUCTION IN THIS FINANCIAL YEAR ARE A FURTHER 1 000 SETS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHING KITS, ACCORDING TO THE SPOKESMAN.

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BOARD MEMBERS VISIT TDC

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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS TODAY (TUESDAY) LEARNED ABOUT THE FUNCTIONS AND VARIOUS SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL DURING A VISIT THERE.

LED BY THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM, AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, THE PARTY WAS MET BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TDC, MR JACK SO, WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD.

THE SENIOR MANAGER (TRADE SERVICES), MR JAMES LAW, BRIEFED MEMBERS ON THE WORK OF THE TDC AND ITS TRADE PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

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THE PARTY THEN TOURED THE COUNCIL'S HEAD OFFICE, VISITING THE DISPLAY CENTRE, CURRENTLY SHOWING A SELECTION OF ITEMS FROM THE RECENT HONG KONG TOYS AND GIFTS FAIR, THE COMPUTER DATA UNIT AND THE LIBRARY.

TODAY'S TOUR WAS PART OF A PROGRAMME TO FAMILIARISE BOARD MEMBERS ON THE WORK AND OPERATIONS OF MAJOR ORGANISATIONS IN THE DISTRICT.

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WARNING ON DANGEROUS GOODS LORRIES
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THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) WARNED OWNERS AND DRIVERS OF DANGEROUS GOODS LORRIES NOT TO PARK THEIR VEHICLES LOADED WITH DANGEROUS GOODS UNATTENDED.

+THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOTICED THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF SUCH CASES AND THAT WE ARE KEEPING A CLOSE WATCH ON THE SITUATION,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED THE PUBLIC THAT IT WAS AN OFFENCE UNDER THE DANGEROUS GOODS ORDINANCE TO LEAVE THEIR VEHICLES WITH DANGEROUS GOODS UNATTENDED.

+SUCH AN ACTION POSES A HAZARD AND ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY WITH GOODS CONFISCATED ONCE A REPORT HAS BEEN MADE TO THE FIRE SERVICES EITHER FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR THROUGH OUR REGULAR SPOT CHECKS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE ADDED THAT OWNERS OR DRIVERS OF SUCH VEHICLES SHOULD DISPOSE ALL DANGEROUS GOODS TO A LICENSED GODOWN BEFORE PARKING AFTER EACH DAY OF BUSINESS.

UNDER THE DANGEROUS GOODS ORDINANCE, ANY PERSON WHO CONTRAVENES THE LEGISLATION IS LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$25 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS FOR A SINGLE OFFENCE. IN ADDITION, THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES MAY APPLY TO A MAGISTRATE FOR THE CANCELLATION OF ANY LICENCE.

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ISLANDS CLEARANCE EXERCISE COMPLETED
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THE LAST PHASE OF A MASSIVE CLEARANCE EXERCISE ON OUTLYING ISLANDS WAS COMPLETED IN YUNG SHUE WAN, LAMMA TODAY (TUESDAY), MARKING A SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF JOINT EFFORTS BY VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT ON THE ISLANDS.

THE STREET OBSTRUCTION CLEARANCE EXERCISE, INITIATED BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT STREET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND ENDORSED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, WAS AIMED AT IDENTIFYING STREET OBSTRUCTIONS AND CLEARING THEM IN PHASES.

THE ISLANDS OF CHEUNG CHAU, PENG CHAU, LANTAU AND LAMMA WERE DIVIDED INTO 17 ZONES BASED ON AN EVEN DISTRIBUTION OF STREET OBSTRUCTION CASES IN EACH ZONE. THE FIRST EXERCISE WAS CARRIED OUT ON CHEUNG CHAU IN NOVEMBER 1983.

THE TWO-DAY EXERCISE AT YUNG SHUE WAN INVOLVED THE REMOVAL OF ILLEGAL CANOPIES, DEBRIS, REFUSE, UNATTENDED GOODS AND ARTICLES.

CO-ORDINATED BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE, THE OPERATION WAS JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE.

COMMENTING ON THE OPERATION, THE ASSISTANT ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WILSON FUNG, SAID THAT APART FROM ERADICATING THE EYESORES IN THE AREAS, THE CLEARANCE EXERCISE WOULD ALSO SERVE AS A REMINDER TO RESIDENTS, SHOP OWNERS IN PARTICULAR, OF THE NEED TO MAINTAIN A HIGH STANDARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE.

HE ALSO PAID TRIBUTE TO THE NORTH LAMMA RURAL COMMITTEE, WHOSE APPEAL FOR CO-OPERATION FROM SHOP-OWNERS AND PARTIES CONCERNED HAD ENABLED THE EXERCISE TO BE CARRIED OUT SMOOTHLY.

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IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY UNITY STRESSED
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FAMILY UNITY IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN MAINTAINING SOCIAL STABILITY AND ACHIEVING A HEALTHY AND CARING COMMUNITY, DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ANSON CHAN, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL SPEECH DAY OF HEEP YUNN SCHOOL, SHE SAID MANY OF THE SOCIAL PROBLEMS HANDLED BY HER STAFF EVERY DAY COULD BE TRACED TO BROKEN FAMILIES, MARITAL DISCORD AND FAMILY DISUNITY.

/MRS CHAN

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MRS CHAN SAID THAT THE WOMAN PLAYED A UNIQUE AND INDISPENSIBLE ROLE IN HOLDING THE FAMILY TOGETHER, AND PROVIDING THE RIGHT ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH YOUNGSTERS COULD BE NURTURED TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND FUTURE LEADERS.

SHE THEREFORE URGED GRADUATES WHO ASPIRED TO CAREERS NOT TO OVERLOOK THEIR MORE TRADITIONAL ROLES AS WIVES, MOTHERS AND HOMEMAKERS.

HOWEVER, MRS CHAN CAUTIONED THAT IT WOULD NOT BE EASY TO STRIKE A PROPER BALANCE BETWEEN THE DEMANDS OF ONE'S FAMILY AND ONE'S CAREER.

IT HELPED IF YOU RECOGNISED YOUR STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES, AND SET YOURSELF REALISTIC GOALS, SHE SAID, ADDING THAT: +YOU MUST DECIDE WHAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU -- IF NECESSARY BY SEEKING GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION -- AND HAVING MADE YOUR DECISION, YOU MUST HAVE THE MORAL COURAGE TO STICK WITH IT. THIS IS WHAT EDUCATION IS ALL ABOUT.+

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SEMINAR FOR ENGLISH-SPEAKING RESIDENTS
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A SEMINAR ON DISTRICT AFFAIRS HAS BEEN ORGANISED FOR ENGLISH-SPEAKING RESIDENTS IN SAI KUNG ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5).

ARRANGED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE SEMINAR INCLUDE THE SAI KUNG TOWN HALL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN THE DISTRICT, LAW AND EDUCATION ON CORRUPTION AND CRIME PREVENTION, THE DEVELOPMENT OF JUNK BAY NEW TOWN, AND TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN SAI KUNG.

KEEN INTEREST WAS SHOWN IN THE FIRST ENGLISH-SPEAKING SEMINAR ORGANISED IN JUNE THIS YEAR WITH MORE THAN 100 SAI KUNG RESIDENTS TURNING UP.

THE SEMINAR WILL START AT 7.15 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, SECOND FLOOR, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, MAN NIN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE THE SAI KUNG ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RAYMOND LI; ICAC REPRESENTATIVE, MR KENNETH KWAN; DIVISIONAL COMMANDER (SAI KUNG), MR D.J. INGLIS; PROJECT MANAGER (JUNK BAY), MR NORMAN TUCKER; AND TRAFFIC ENGINEER, MR D.A. WEBSTER.

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NEW YEAR RUN FOR KOWLOON CITY
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APPLICANTS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE 1986 NEW YEAR HARRIER ROAD RACE WHICH WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 1.

THE ANNUAL EVENT, SPONSORED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT'S RECREATION AND SPORTS COUNCIL, THE LOK SIN TONG, THE URBAN COUNCIL, AND KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE POLICE.

THE RACE IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS -- OPEN AND STUDENTS -- AND IS RESTRICTED TO THOSE AGED OVER 14, AND LIMITED TO 600 PARTICIPANTS.

IT WILL START AND FINISH IN KOWLOON TSAI PARK SPORTS GROUND, COVERING A DISTANCE OF ABOUT NINE KILOMETRES AROUND KOWLOON TONG AREA.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE SAID THE RACE WAS AN ANNUAL EVENT TO MARK THE BEGINNING OF A GOOD YEAR AND WAS A POPULAR ACTIVITY AMONG ATHLETES.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE RACE IS TO PROMOTE SPORTSMANSHIP AND RUNNING SKILLS AMONG ATHLETES, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST SIX WINNERS OF EACH SECTION AND CERTIFICATES WILL BE PRESENTED TO THOSE WHO CAN COMPLETE THE RACE.

THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS DECEMBER 24 AND ENTRY FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE IN KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, ITS HUNG HOM SUB-OFFICE IN BULKELEY STREET AND THE HO MAN TIN SUB-OFFICE AT THE HO MAN TIN ESTATE.

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NEW CHILDREN'S HOME OPENING
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LADY YOUDE WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING OF THE SHA KOK CHILDREN'S HOME IN SHA TIN ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5) MORNING.

THE HOME, RUN BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, AIMS TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY RESIDENTIAL CARE FOR CHILDREN ABANDONED, ORPHANED, OR WHO CANNOT BE ADEQUATELY LOOKED AFTER IN THEIR OWN FAMILIES.

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THE HOME, WITH ROOM FOR 40 PROVIDING FAMILY-LIKE GROUP LIFE FOR CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN THREE AND EIGHT, IS LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF UNIT 1 TO 18, BEAN GOOSE HOUSE, SHA KOK ESTATE, SHA TIN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF SHA KOK CHILDREN'S HOME AT 11 AM ON THURSDAY.

TRANSPORT FOR THE MEDIA WILL LEAVE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES CAR PARK, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, AT 10 AM SHARP.

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WEIGHT LIMIT ON CANAL ROAD FLYOVER
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FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 5), VEHICLES WEIGHING OVER 5.5 TONNES GROSS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE NORTHBOUND UPRAMP OF CANAL ROAD FLYOVER LEADING FROM MORRISON HILL ROAD FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS.

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