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NEW BUS FARES ANNOUNCED
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BUS FARES WILL BE RAISED FROM SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 3).

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (TUESDAY) A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE INCREASES WERE NECESSARY TO COMPENSATE FOR INCREASED OPERATIONAL COSTS OVER THE YEARS, AND TO ENSURE BETTER AND MORE STREAMLINED SERVICES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR.

URBAN KOWLOON FARES, PRESENTLY RANGING FROM 20 CENTS TO 50 CENTS, WILL BE RAISED TO 30 CENTS TO ONE DOLLAR. CMB'S URBAN FARES WILL BE EITHER 50 CENTS OR 70 CENTS, COMPARED WITH THE EXISTING 30 CENTS, 40 CENTS AND 50 CENTS.

CROSS HARBOUR FARES FOR BOTH COMPANIES WHICH ARE NOW $1 WILL BE $1.50.

+NEITHER KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY NOR CHINA MOTOR BUS COMPANY HAVE HAD FARE INCREASES FOR MANY YEARS, BUT DURING THIS PERIOD OPERATIONAL COSTS - NOT THE LEAST IMPORTANT BEING FUEL PRICES - HAVE RISEN SHARPLY,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

HE ALSO STRESSED THAT AS GOVERNMENT WAS DETERMINED TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF BUS SERVICES THE FARE INCREASES WERE ESSENTIAL.

GOVERNMENT AND BOTH KMB AND CMB HAVE FORMALLY AGREED ON FIVE POINTS THAT WILL ENSURE IMPROVEMENT IN SERVICES IN THE URBAN, SUBURBAN AND RURAL AREAS OF THE TERRITORY.

THEY ARE :

* A FLEET DEVELOPMENT RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF NEW AND SCRAPPING OF OLD BUSES, ACQUISITION OF SPARE PARTS AND PROVISION FOR AN ANNUAL REVIEW EVERY APRIL=

* THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE CLEANING, MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING FACILITIES FOR BUSES=

* THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE DEPOTS, INCORPORATING PROPER MAINTENANCE FACILITIES=

* THE IMPROVEMENT OF WORKING CONDITIONS TO INCREASE THE WORK-FORCE, PARTICULARLY DRIVERS AND MAINTENANCE WORKERS= AND

* IMPROVEMENTS IN MANAGEMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT KMB HAD NOT HAD FARE INCREASES SINCE 1973 IN THE RURAL AREAS, SINCE 1972 FOR CROSS HARBOUR SERVICES AND SINCE 1971 FOR URBAN ROUTES.

CMB'S CROSS HARBOUR SERVICE FARES HAD NOT CHANGED SINCE 1972 AND ALL OTHER SERVICES HAD REMAINED UNCHANGED SINCE 1976.

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THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE FARE INCREASES WERE AN INEVITABLE RESULT OF RISES IN WAGES, FUEL AND OTHER OPERATING COSTS.

+THE FARES WILL STILL BE LOW IN RELATION TO INCOMES,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED THE COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE MORE BUSES, DEPOTS AND STAFF, IMPROVED MAINTENANCE AND BETTER MANAGEMENT.

BUS PURCHASING PROGRAMMES TO THE MIDDLE OF 1981 HAVE BEEN AGREED WITH BOTH COMPANIES AND ARE ALREADY BEING IMPLEMENTED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID : +THESE AGREEMENTS SHOULD LEAD TO MORE AND BETTER BUSES, BETTER MAINTAINED VEHICLES AND LESS OVERCROWDING.+

THE REVISED FARE SCHEDULE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 1).

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## DEBATE ON RENT CONTROL BILL TO RESUME IN LEGCO TOMORROW

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DEBATE ON THE LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980 WILL RESUME AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE BILL AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE DEBATE WILL BE FURTHER ADJOURNED.

DURING QUESTION TIME, UNOFFICIAL COUNCILLORS WILL RAISE 15 QUESTIONS ON VARIOUS MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST.

THE HON LEUNG TAT-SHING WILL ASK WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF FURTHER PRIVATE, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ESTATES FOR MIDDLE-INCOME WAGE EARNERS, SUCH AS THE ESTATE CURRENTLY BEING DEVELOPED AT TAI SANG WAI IN YUEN LONG.

THE HON FRANCIS TIEN WILL ASK WHAT STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT TO MONITOR OIL PRICES, PARTICULARLY INDUSTRIAL FUELS, AND TO ENSURE THAT INCREASES IMPOSED BY THE OIL COMPANIES ARE REASONABLE AND NOT OUT OF STEP WITH PRICES PREVAILING ELSEWHERE IN THE REGION.

THE HON PETER C. WONG WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE RECENT SPATE OF ROBBERIES ON BANKS AND GOLDSMITH SHOPS AND THE MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO COUNTER SUCH CRIMES.

THE REV THE HON JOYCE BENNETT WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO STATE WHEN IT IS PROPOSED TO ENABLE THE SCHEME FOR LIMITED LEGAL REPRESENTATION IN MAGISTRATES' COURTS TO BE EXTENDED TO ALL SUCH COURTS AND TO MORE OFFENCES.

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OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED CONCERN THE REPAYMENT OF STUDENT LOANS TO THE STUDENTS LOAN FUND, THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION DIVISION IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TRAIN SERVICES SERVING THE NEW TERRITORIES ESPECIALLY ON SHA TIN RACE DAYS, THE DUAL CARRIAGE ROAD SYSTEM BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND FANLING, RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON CROWN LAND AND AGRICULTURAL LAND, SAFETY TRAINING FOR CYCLISTS, MEASURES TO COUNTER ROBBERY AND THEFT IN PUBLIC CAR PARKS, THE PRESENT DRIVING TEST SYSTEM, THE INTRODUCTION OF PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR WOMEN WORKERS AND THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC CAR-PARKS FOR PASSENGER CARS AND LORRIES, AND THE RECENT ARRIVAL OF A VIETNAMESE REFUGEE VESSEL IN THE HARBOUR.

THREE BILLS, THE BANKING (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980, THE SUMMARY OFFENCES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980 AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND URBAN SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980, WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

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## PRINCESS ALEXANDRA TO OPEN TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL

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HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL, THE FIRST MULTI-PURPOSE CULTURAL COMPLEX IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, ON FEBRUARY 7.

THE OPENING WILL BE AMONG THE MAJOR EVENTS DURING THE PRINCESS'S NINE DAYS IN HONG KONG.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL BE ACCOMPANIED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY BY THE HON ANGUS OGILVY, AND THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE.

SHE WILL ARRIVE AT THE TOWN HALL AT 3 PM AND BE MET BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR DAVID MCDONALD, THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR BRIAN WILSON, THE TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGER AND DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JAMES HAYES, AND OTHER COMMUNITY LEADERS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL WATCH LION AND UNICORN DANCES AFTER PERFORMING THE TRADITIONAL EYE DOTTING CEREMONIES.

IN THE MAIN FOYER THE PRINCESS WILL MEET MEMBERS OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND DIGNITARIES FROM THE NEW TERRITORIES.

AFTER AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY MR WILSON, THE PRINCESS WILL UNVEIL A PLAQUE OFFICIALLY OPENING THE TOWN HALL.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL THEN WALK TO THE AUDITORIUM WHERE, FOLLOWING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CULTURAL AND ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES SUB-COMMITTEE OF TSUEN WAN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, MR CHAN PO-FONG, WILL GIVE A SPEECH OF THANKS.

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AFTER MR CHAN'S SPEECH, THE PRINCESS WILL WATCH PERFORMANCES BY TSUEN WAN GIRLS' AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS AND TSUEN WAN DANCE TROUPE.

THE PRINCESS WILL NEXT GO TO THE EXHIBITION GALLERY TO SEE A PICTORIAL AND MAP DISPLAY TRACING TSUEN WAN'S HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL AS PLANS SHOWING FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TOWN.

THE DISPLAY IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES.

AFTER VIEWING THE DISPLAY, HER ROYAL HIGHNESS WILL ATTEND A RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES AND THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES FOR 550 GUESTS.

DURING HER ONE HOUR VISIT TO THE TOWN HALL, THE WINNERS OF A MURALS COMPETITION, ONE OF WHOM WAS ONLY 11 WHEN SHE ENTERED, WILL BE PRESENTED TO HER ROYAL HIGHNESS.

THE COMPETITION WAS ORGANISED BY TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE LOCAL DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD. IT ATTRACTED OVER 600 ENTRIES.

THE MURALS ARE ON THE GROUND, FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS. THE TOWN HALL HAS ITS OWN EMBLEM.

THE TOWN HALL COST $23 MILLION TO BUILD, OF WHICH $10 MILLION WAS DONATED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

IT IS BUILT BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND WILL BE MANAGED BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

FINISHING TOUCHES ARE NOW BEING PUT IN THE TOWN HALL IN READINESS TO RECEIVE THE ROYAL VISITORS IN TWO WEEKS' TIME.

A FEATURE OF THE BUILDING IS ITS AUDITORIUM WHICH HAS 1 500 SEATS ON THREE STOREYS.

THE MAIN STAGE COVERS AN AREA OF 186 SQUARE METRES WITH ANOTHER 50 SQUARE METRES OF SIDE AND BACK STAGES.

THE AUDITORIUM WILL BE USED DAILY DURING THE SECOND TSUEN WAN ARTS FESTIVAL FROM FEBRUARY 23 TO MARCH 16.

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## TRADE SECRETARY VISITS SITE OF NEW POWER PLANT

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE, THE RT HON JOHN NOTT TODAY (TUESDAY) VISITED THE SITE OF THE NEW POWER PLANT UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT TAP SHEK KOK AND HAD TALKS WITH SENIOR ENGINEERS OF CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY WHICH WILL MANAGE THE STATION.

THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE DUAL (COAL/OIL) FIRED GENERATION UNITS ARE SUPPLIED BY THE BRITISH GEC TURBINE GENERATORS LTD BRITISH EXPERTISE AND SUPPLY OF OTHER ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT ARE ALSO CONTRIBUTING TO THE MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT.

THE STATION IS BEING DEVELOPED IN TWO PHASES. THE 'A' STATION WILL HOUSE FOUR 350 MW GENERATING UNITS, TO BE COMMISSIONED BETWEEN 1982 AND 1985, AND A NUMBER OF GAS TURBINES.

DETAILED STUDIES ARE IN HAND ON THE SECOND PHASE OF THE PROJECT, THE 'B' STATION. THOUGH NO FIRM DECISION HAS YET BEEN MADE, THE SIZE OF ITS GENERATING UNITS WILL PROBABLY BE 660 MW.

CONSTRUCTION WORK, INITIALLY INVOLVING EXTENSIVE SITE FORMATION AND RECLAMATION BEGAN IN 1978. THE STATION IS OWNED BY KOWLOON ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CO LTD WHICH IS JOINTLY FINANCED BY ESSO AND CHINA LIGHT.

MR NOTT WAS ACCOMPANIED ON THE VISIT BY THE SENIOR BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONER, MR D.M. MARCH.

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## FOUR LOTS OF CROWN LAND SOLD

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A 18 600-SQUARE METRE SITE AT SUNDERLAND ROAD, KOWLOON, WAS SOLD FOR $210 MILLION AT AN AUCTION CONDUCTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE IN THE CITY HALL TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE SITE, FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, WAS BOUGHT BY HANG BONG CO LTD AT $11 286.08 PER SQUARE METRE.

A NON-INDUSTRIAL SITE AT ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD, MEASURING ABOUT 2 700 SQUARE METRES, WAS SOLD FOR $135 MILLION OR $50 223.22 PER SQUARE METRE. IT WAS BOUGHT BY IRON COURT LTD.

ANOTHER 2 200-SQUARE METRE SITE, FOR INDUSTRIAL AND/OR GODOWN USES, WAS BOUGHT BY HOPES ICE AND COLD STORAGE LTD. THE LOT, LOCATED AT SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, ABERDEEN, WAS SOLD FOR $84 MILLION OR $37 854.90 PER SQUARE METRE.

THE FOURTH LOT AT THE JUNCTION OF CHO YUEN STREET AND SZE SHAN STREET, YAU TONG, WAS SOLD TO RICH PEARL LTD FOR $14.5 MILLION OR $25 000 PER SQUARE METRE. THE SITE COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 580 SQUARE METRES AND IS INTENDED FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES EXCLUDING RESIDENTIAL USES.

THE LAST LOT AT CHA KWO LING ROAD, KOWLOON, MEASURING ABOUT 2 300 SQUARE METRES, WAS WITHDRAWN BECAUSE THERE WERE NO BIDDERS. THIS LOT IS FOR INDUSTRIAL AND/OR GODOWN PURPOSES.

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BRITISH TRADE SECRETARY VISITS ELECTRONICS FACTORY

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE, THE RT HON JOHN NOTT THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING VISITED AN ELECTRONICS FACTORY WHICH HAS WON NINE HONG KONG AWARDS FOR ITS PRODUCTS IN THE LAST THREE YEARS.

MR NOTT, ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR WILLIAM DORWARD, AND THE SENIOR BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONER, MR DEREK MARCH, WAS CONDUCTED ON A TOUR OF RADOFIN ELECTRONICS (FAR EAST) LTD FACTORY AT MA TAU WEI ROAD, KOWLOON BY THE COMPANY'S MANAGING DIRECTOR, MR LAWRENCE SCOTT.

THE COMPANY MAKES VIDEO MICRO-PROCESSOR GAMES- DESK TOP CALCULATORS- NON-VIDEO SPORTS AND LOGIC GAMES- AND MICRO-PROCESSOR BASED EQUIPMENT - INCLUDING THE TELETEXT DECODING RECEIVER WHICH WON THE 1979 GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR HONG KONG DESIGN.

MR NOTT WAS TOLD BY MR SCOTT THAT THE COMPANY, WHICH BEGAN PRODUCTION IN 1975, THIS YEAR EXPECTED TO PURCHASE FROM TWO COMPANIES IN BRITAIN SEMI-CONDUCTORS VALUED AT $25 MILLION.

THE COMPANY, WHICH IS 51 PER CENT BRITISH-OWNED, IS ABOUT TO LAUNCH A NEW SOPHISTICATED MICRO-PROCESSOR CARTRIDGE GAME, AND MR NOTT WAS SHOWN THE $835 000 COMPUTER-CONTROLLED IN-CIRCUIT TESTER, JUST BOUGHT FROM THE USA. MR SCOTT SAID IT WAS THE MOST MODERN MODEL IN HONG KONG, AND WOULD ENSURE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF QUALITY CONTROL.

MR NOTT'S TOUR ALSO INCLUDED THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, THE QUALITY CONTROL SECTION, AND THE PRODUCTION AREA WHERE HE CHATTED WITH WORKERS. THE VISIT ENDED WITH A DISCUSSION WITH MANY OF THE COMPANY'S MANAGERS.

RADOFIN ELECTRONICS, WHICH HAS TWO FACTORIES TOTALLING 70 000 SQUARE FEET, AND EMPLOYS 1 100 STAFF, SELLS MOST OF ITS PRODUCTS TO THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED KINGDOM, GERMANY AND HOLLAND.

THE AWARDS IT CAPTURED IN 1977 COMPRISE THE PRODUCT OF THE YEAR CONTEST- THE HONG KONG NEW PRODUCTS COMPETITION- THE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AWARD IN THE NEW PRODUCTS COMPETITION- THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES' AWARD FOR GOOD DESIGN AND THE HONG KONG EXPORTERS' ASSOCIATION BEST PRODUCT FOR EXPORT AWARD - ALL FOR TV GAMES.

THE COMPANY ALSO WON THE 1978 FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES' AWARD FOR GOOD DESIGN FOR A THERMAL PRINTER AND DESK CALCULATOR- AND LAST YEAR RECEIVED THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR HONG KONG DESIGN- THE NEW PRODUCT AWARD IN THE HONG KONG NEW PRODUCTS COMPETITION- AND THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS AWARD IN THE HONG KONG NEW PRODUCTS COMPETITION - ALL FOR THE COMPANY'S TELETEXT DECODING RECEIVER.

ELECTRONICS IS HONG KONG'S SECOND LARGEST INDUSTRY IN TERMS OF THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS, WITH 1978 EXPORTS TOTALLING $4 741 MILLION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

BRITISH TRADE SECRETARY TO GIVE PRESS CONFERENCE
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THE VISITING SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE, THE RT HON JOHN NOTT, WILL GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT KAI TAK AIRPORT TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE WHICH WILL START AT 3.45 PM TOMORROW IN THE VIP PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING.

TELEVISION CREWS ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE EARLY SO THAT THEY WILL HAVE AMPLE TIME TO SET UP THEIR EQUIPMENT.

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PEOPLE STAYING IN HOTELS AND LODGING PLACES
REQUIRED TO FURNISH PARTICULARS
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PEOPLE STAYING IN HOTELS AND LODGING PLACES ARE REMINDED OF THEIR OBLIGATIONS TO FURNISH PERSONAL PARTICULARS TO KEEPERS OF THESE ESTABLISHMENTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (TUESDAY), UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE IMMIGRATION ORDINANCE, A PERSON OVER THE AGE OF 15 WISHING TO STAY AT ANY LODGING PLACES MUST INFORM THE KEEPER OF HIS NAME AND NATIONALITY.

+IN ADDITION A VISITOR TO HONG KONG IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE DATE OF HIS ARRIVAL HERE, THE NAME OF THE SHIP OR AIRLINER BY WHICH HE ARRIVED AND HIS OCCUPATION,+ HE SAID.

+BEFORE HE CHECKS OUT HE MUST LET THE KEEPER KNOW THE PLACE TO WHICH HE IS GOING, OR THE NAME OF THE SHIP OR AIRLINER BY WHICH HE WILL DEPART IF HE IS LEAVING HONG KONG,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

SUCH PARTICULARS COULD BE GIVEN BY A PERSON ACTING ON HIS BEHALF.

ON THE KEEPERS' LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES, HE SAID: +THEY ARE TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CLIENTS COMPLY WITH THESE OBLIGATIONS AND MUST KEEP THESE RECORDS IN WRITING FOR AT LEAST 12 MONTHS. THESE RECORDS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION UPON THE REQUEST OF IMMIGRATION OR POLICE OFFICERS.+

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## TEACHING AID DISPLAY FOR CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHERS

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A PERMANENT DISPLAY OF TEACHING RESOURCES FOR CHINESE LANGUAGE HAS BEEN SET UP IN THE KOWLOON UNIT OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE FOR TEACHERS.

ON DISPLAY ARE SAMPLED TEACHING MATERIALS, AIDS AND PROJECTS OF THE CHINESE LANGUAGE SUBJECT. IT IS OPEN TO PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS, EXCEPT PUBLIC HOLIDAYS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TEACHING CENTRE SAID.

OPENING HOURS ON WEDNESDAYS ARE FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM, AND ON SATURDAYS FROM 9 AM TO 12 NOON.

THE CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE'S KOWLOON UNIT IS AT 1 MA TAU KOK ROAD, MA TAU KOK GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SECOND FLOOR, KOWLOON.

FOR INDIVIDUAL VISITS TO THE DISPLAY, NO ARRANGEMENT WITH THE CENTRE IS NECESSARY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+HOWEVER, SCHOOLS WISHING TO ARRANGE VISITS IN LARGE GROUPS AND TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS ON THE SPOT WITH PROFESSIONAL STAFF OF THE CENTRE SHOULD MAKE APPOINTMENTS WITH THE CENTRE IN ADVANCE,+ HE SAID.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE CENTRE'S KOWLOON UNIT IS 3-028404, AND THAT FOR THE HONG KONG UNIT IS 5-485348.

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LONG SERVICE AWARDS TO FIREMEN
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EIGHT SENIOR FIRE OFFICERS AND SIX FIREMEN TODAY (TUESDAY) RECEIVED THE COLONIAL FIRE BRIGADE LONG SERVICE MEDALS AND CLASPS.

AT A CEREMONY HELD AT FIRE SERVICES HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH POINT, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR M.K. LANE PRAISED THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE RECIPIENTS TO PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY.

MR LANE SAID THE RECIPIENTS HAD CONTRIBUTED A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 360 YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG. +THIS IS INDEED A SPLENDID RECORD,+ HE SAID.

+I KNOW THESE AWARDS ARE NOT LIGHTLY EARNED, THEY STAND FOR THE INVESTMENT OF OUR WORKING LIVES AND I FURTHER KNOW THE PUBLIC YOU HAVE SERVED AND CONTINUE TO SERVE HAS BENEFITTED BY YOUR DEVOTION TO YOUR PROFESSION,+ MR LANE TOLD THE RECIPIENTS.

CHIEF FIRE OFFICER OF FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU, MR B.G. FENDER AND DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER OF NEW TERRITORIES FIRE COMMAND, MR S.M. ELCOCK WERE AWARDED SECOND CLASPS TO THEIR MEDALS. THEY HAVE EACH SERVED IN THE FIRE SERVICE FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS.

DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER, MR A.S. CONWAY, SENIOR DIVISIONAL OFFICER MR LAM LOK-BUN, SENIOR DIVISIONAL OFFICER MR CHEUNG SHU-SHING, DIVISIONAL OFFICER MR KWAI SAI-YIU AND A SENIOR FIREMAN WHO HAVE COMPLETED 25 YEARS' OF SERVICE RECEIVED FIRST CLASPS TO THEIR MEDALS.

STATION OFFICER NG MAN-FAT, SENIOR AMBULANCE OFFICER HO WAI-MAN AND FIVE PRINCIPAL FIREMEN RECEIVED THE LONG SERVICE MEDALS, MARKING THEIR 18 YEARS' OF SERVICE.

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