



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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NEW LICENCE FOR COMMERCIAL RADIO

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A NEW LICENCE IS TO BE ISSUED TO THE HONG KONG COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING CO., LTD. (COMMERCIAL RADIO) FOR A 10-YEAR PERIOD WITH EFFECT FROM AUGUST 26, 1979.

THE ORIGINAL LICENCE WAS GRANTED TO COMMERCIAL RADIO IN 1959 FOR A PERIOD OF 15 YEARS. IT WAS RENEWED IN 1974 FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.

MR. NIGEL WATT, COMMISSIONER FOR TELEVISION AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE PROVISIONS OF THE LICENCE, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT HE WELCOMED THIS DECISION.

HE SAID: +COMMERCIAL RADIO HAS A GOOD RECORD OF PERFORMANCE AND RELIABILITY OVER A PERIOD OF NEARLY 20 YEARS AND TOGETHER WITH THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING SERVICE OF RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, HAS GIVEN THE COMMUNITY A WELL-BALANCED CHOICE OF PROGRAMMES.+

HE ADDED: +I AM SURE THE COMPANY WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A VALUABLE SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG.+

THE AWARD TO COMMERCIAL RADIO OF A NEW 10-YEAR LICENCE UNTIL AUGUST 25, 1989 IS ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT GOVERNMENT MAY INTRODUCE ADDITIONAL COMMERCIAL RADIO STATIONS AND NEW BROADCASTING CONTROLS DURING THE PERIOD OF LICENCE. HOWEVER, THERE ARE NO IMMEDIATE PLANS TO INTRODUCE SUCH COMPETITION.

GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED THAT A DECISION IN RESPECT OF ANY FURTHER RADIO COMPETITION SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE SITUATION IN COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING, PARTICULARLY IN TELEVISION, HAS BECOME CLEARER AND MORE FINANCIALLY SECURE.

HONG KONG IS AT PRESENT WELL SERVED WITH EIGHT CHANNELS OF RADIO -- FIVE PROVIDED BY RTHK AND THREE BY COMMERCIAL RADIO.

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CROWN LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL 1979
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THE GOVERNMENT IS PROPOSING TO AMEND THE CROWN LAND ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE GREATER CONTROL OVER UNLAWFUL OCCUPATION OF UNLEASED LAND AND TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY REMEDY IN CASE OF UNLAWFUL CONVERSIONS OF AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES.

THE CROWN LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL 1979 GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY) WOULD ALSO WIDEN THE EXISTING POWER OF ENTRY AND INSPECTION, CREATE A NEW CRIMINAL OFFENCE IN RESPECT OF FALSE STATEMENTS AND CONFER BROADER POWERS ON THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE AMENDING LEGISLATIONS WERE DIRECTED AT TWO MAIN PROBLEM AREAS — THE UNAUTHORISED CHANGE OF USE OF STRUCTURES LAWFULLY ERECTED ON LAND LEASED FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES AND THE UNLAWFUL OCCUPATION OF UNLEASED CROWN LAND.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT UNDER THE CROWN LAND ORDINANCE, THE AUTHORITY MIGHT, BY NOTICE, REQUIRE AN UNLAWFUL OCCUPATION OF UNLEASED LAND TO CEASE AND FAILURE TO COMPLY WOULD BE AN OFFENCE. IT WOULD ALSO ENABLE THE AUTHORITY TO TAKE POSSESSION OF THE STRUCTURE AND DEMOLISH IT.

+HOWEVER,+ HE SAID, +THE DELAY INVOLVED IN USING THIS PROCEDURE SOMETIMES PREVENTS ACTION BEING TAKEN WHEN THE AUTHORITIES DISCOVER AN ILLEGAL STRUCTURE IN THE COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION OR HAS BEEN NEWLY BUILT BUT NOT OCCUPIED.

+EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT MANY OF THESE STRUCTURES ARE BUILT BY RACKETEERS FOR SALE TO THE PUBLIC,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

HE SAID THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD ENABLE AN UNLAWFUL STRUCTURE TO BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT NOTICE IF IT WAS EITHER IN THE COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION OR NOT BEING HABITUALLY AND BONA FIDE USED.

IT WOULD FURTHER MAKE IT AN OFFENCE FOR ANY PERSON TO BE ENGAGED IN THE BUILDING OF AN UNLAWFUL STRUCTURE ON UNLEASED LAND OR FOR ANY PERSON TO ARRANGE OR DIRECT SUCH BUILDING WORKS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN ADDITION, HE SAID, THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD ALSO AMEND THE PRINCIPAL ORDINANCE, WHICH EMPOWERED THE AUTHORITY TO DEMOLISH, AFTER GIVING NOTICE, UNLAWFUL STRUCTURES BUILT ON LEASED LAND, SO AS TO EXTEND THE PROVISION TO COVER THE UNLAWFUL CHANGE OF USE OF AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES.

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HE SAID: +WHERE THERE HAS BEEN AN UNLAWFUL CONVERSION THE AUTHORITY MAY SERVE A NOTICE ON THE LESSEE OR LICENSEE OF THE LAND REQUIRING THE WRONGFUL USE TO BE DISCONTINUED AND, IF THE AUTHORITY THINKS FIT, REQUIRING THE STRUCTURE TO BE RESTORED TO USE FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

+IF THE NOTICE IS NOT COMPLIED WITH, THE AUTHORITY CAN ENTER THE LAND AND DEMOLISH THE STRUCTURE.+

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE AMENDING LEGISLATION WOULD ALSO PROVIDE A NEW SECTION TO CONFER WIDER POWERS OF ENTRY ON TO LEASED LAND.

+EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT THESE POWERS ARE NECESSARY, IN THE CONTEXT OF SQUATTER CLEARANCE OPERATIONS, TO ASCERTAIN THE NUMBERS OF PERSONS REQUIRING RE-HOUSING AND THE ASSESSMENT OF COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES,+ HE SAID.

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DISTINGUISHED VISITORS LOOK AT HK'S CLOTHING INDUSTRY

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SIR PAUL AND LADY BRYAN TODAY (FRIDAY) VISITED ONE OF HONG KONG'S LEADING CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS.

THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR. DAVID JORDAN AND MRS JORDAN ACCOMPANIED SIR PAUL AND LADY BRYAN DURING THEIR ONE-HOUR VISIT TO SAN'S CLOTHING FACTORY IN TO KWA WAN.

THE PARTY WAS SHOWN OVER THE MODERN MULTI-STOREY FACTORY BY THE DIRECTOR AND MANAGER, MR. JAMES HSIN.

SAN'S CLOTHING FACTORY, WHICH EMPLOYS SOME 1,700 STAFF, PRODUCES MAINLY SHIRTS, JACKETS, BLOUSES, TROUSERS AND RAINCOATS FOR EXPORT TO EUROPE.

SIR PAUL BRYAN, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE ANGLO-HONG KONG PARLIAMENTARY GROUP IN BRITAIN, AND LADY BRYAN ARE VISITING HONG KONG FOR ONE WEEK AS GUESTS OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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D.S.W. TO OPEN SHELTERED WORKSHOP FOR EX-MENTAL PATIENTS
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THE FIRST SHELTERED WORKSHOP FOR EX-MENTAL PATIENTS ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED TOMORROW (SATURDAY) IN WONG CHUK HANG ESTATE, ABERDEEN.

WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY FOR 140, THE WORKSHOP AIMS AT ENCOURAGING THE INTEGRATION OF EX-MENTAL PATIENTS INTO THE COMMUNITY BY ENABLING THEM TO CARRY ON A USEFUL WORKING LIFE.

GOVERNMENT-SUBVENTED, THE WORKSHOP WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED BY THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE.

WITH ITS CAPITAL COST FINANCED BY THE LOTTERIES FUND THROUGH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THE PROJECT IS RUN BY THE NEW LIFE PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION.

THE WORKSHOP CATERS FOR EX-MENTAL PATIENTS AGED BETWEEN 15 AND 60 YEARS AND PROVIDES VARIOUS FORMS OF SIMPLE INDUSTRIAL WORK.

IT ENABLES THEM TO ACQUIRE WORKING HABITS AND MOTIVES, AS WELL AS TO REGAIN SELF-CONFIDENCE BEFORE RETURNING TO THE SOCIETY AND OPEN EMPLOYMENT --- A MAJOR STEP IN THEIR REHABILITATION PROCESS.

ADMISSIONS ARE BY WAY OF REFERRALS MADE BY SOCIAL WORKERS OR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WONG CHUK HANG SHELTERED WORKSHOP FOR EX-MENTAL PATIENTS, RUN BY THE NEW LIFE PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION AT WONG CHUK HANG ESTATE, BLOCK 10, ROOMS 017-032. THE CEREMONY WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 11 A.M. THE ASSOCIATION WILL PROVIDE PRESS TRANSPORT, WHICH WILL LEAVE AT 10 A.M. FROM OUTSIDE QUEEN'S PIER IN CENTRAL.

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SHA TIN TO GET GENERAL CLINIC

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) INVITED TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TYPE OF GENERAL CLINIC IN LEK YUEN ESTATE TO SERVE SHA TIN RESIDENTS.

MR. S.C. KWAN, CHIEF ARCHITECT OF PWD'S ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE, SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO A GENERAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT AND A FAMILY HEALTH SERVICE CENTRE, THE SEVEN-STOREY CLINIC WOULD HAVE A HEALTH EDUCATION UNIT, A DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEDICINE AND A PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY.

HE SAID WORK ON THE PROJECT, FINANCED BY THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, WOULD START IN APRIL AND WOULD TAKE ABOUT A YEAR TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS WERE ALSO CALLED TODAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TYPE OF STANDARD URBAN CLINIC AT NGAU TAU KOK, KOWLOON.

THE CLINIC WILL SERVE PEOPLE LIVING IN KOWLOON BAY, NGAU TAU KOK AND KWUN TONG AREAS.

APART FROM THE GENERAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT AND THE FAMILY HEALTH SERVICE CENTRE, IT WILL HAVE A MATERNITY HOME WITH 24 BEDS AND FOUR DAY WARDS WITH A TOTAL OF 60 BEDS FOR BOTH MALE AND FEMALE PATIENTS.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS APPROVED A GRANT OF \$1.7 MILLION TOWARDS THE COST OF THE SCHEME.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START AROUND MAY FOR COMPLETION IN JULY NEXT YEAR.

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SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR SHEK WU HUI

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO BUILD A SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AS PART OF THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE 170,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE TO LIVE IN THE FAN LING-SHEUNG SHUI-SHEK WU HUI AREA.

SITE FORMATION WORK HAS ALREADY STARTED AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST PHASE, COSTING ABOUT \$83 MILLION, IS EXPECTED TO GET UNDER WAY LATER THIS YEAR.

THE NEW PLANT IS TO BE INSTALLED NORTH-WEST OF THE PILOT TREATMENT PLANT BUILT AT SHEUNG SHUI FOUR YEARS AGO.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TAI PO AND FAN LING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THE FIRST PHASE, DUE FOR COMPLETION IN TWO YEARS, HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO CATER FOR THE INITIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA, INCLUDING PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES AT FAN LING AND SHEK WU HUI AS WELL AS PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

+EVENTUALLY, A PLANT WILL BE OPERATING TO SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE DEVELOPMENT AREA'S PROJECTED POPULATION OF 170,000 BY THE MID-80'S, + HE ADDED.

TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT LAND FOR THE PROJECT, THE GOVERNMENT WILL RESUME ABOUT 170,000 SQUARE METRES OF PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL LAND NORTH OF THE EXISTING PLANT AT SHEUNG SHUI, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE.

HE SAID LAND EXCHANGE AND COMPENSATION AT CURRENT RATES WOULD BE OFFERED ALONG WITH EX-GRATIA PAYMENTS FOR CROPS, FENCES, IRRIGATION PIPES AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

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PENG CHAU RECLAMATION FOR INDUSTRIAL, RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RECLAIM NEARLY 8.5 HECTARES OF LAND AT PENG CHAU FOR INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE RECLAMATION, TOTALLING 8.34 HECTARES, IS TO BE DONE AS PART OF THE PENG CHAU DEVELOPMENT PACKAGE, AND WILL PROVIDE LAND IN THE NORTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND.

IT WILL BE USED FOR PUBLIC AND VILLAGE-TYPE HOUSING, GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONAL, INDUSTRIAL AND COMMUNITY USE. THERE WILL BE AREAS FOR A SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT, ABATTOIR AND AN INCINERATOR.

THE EXTENT OF THE FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED WAS DESCRIBED IN A NOTIFICATION IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL, OR ANY CLAIM OF PRIVATE RIGHT, SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH THE RELATED PLAN, CAN BE SEEN ON BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG- THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR OF THE SAME BUILDING- OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE ISLANDS, INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, FOURTH FLOOR, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

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MUI WO RECLAMATION

THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RECLAIM AN AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED OF ABOUT 1.18 HECTARES AT MUI WO ON LANTAU.

THIS AREA, TOGETHER WITH THE ADJACENT AREA PREVIOUSLY GAZETTED FOR MUI WO DEVELOPMENT, WILL BE USED AS SITES FOR A SAND DEPOT, AN INCINERATOR AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED WAS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE IN TODAY'S (FRIDAY) GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR ANY CLAIM FOR PRIVATE RIGHT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTIFICATION.

THE NOTICE (IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE) WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE ISLANDS, FOURTH FLOOR, INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

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AMENDED PEAK OUTLINE ZONING PLAN

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THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED AN AMENDED OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR THE PEAK AREA.

UNDER THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT, PREVIOUSLY ZONED GREEN BELT AREA IS EXCLUDED FROM THE PLAN, AS IT IS NOW PART OF THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK.

THE AMENDED PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, 17TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG AND THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND EASTERN) ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT PLAN ARE ALSO ON SALE AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, AT \$5 FOR AN UNCOLOURED COPY.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE AMENDMENT TO THE PLAN MAY SUBMIT HIS OBJECTIONS IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY, TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, HONG KONG.

OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTED ALTERATIONS TO THE PLAN SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARY BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1979.

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ROADS RE-NAMED

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THREE ROADS IN KOWLOON HAVE BEEN DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND POSTAL SERVICES.

THEY ARE CHATHAM ROAD, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD AND SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET.

THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT, THE SECTION OF CHATHAM ROAD NORTH OF HONG CHONG ROAD HAS BEEN RE-NAMED CHATHAM ROAD NORTH, WHILE THE SECTION SOUTH OF HONG CHONG ROAD IS NOW CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH.

THE SECTION OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST OF TAK KU LING ROAD IS NOW CALLED PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST, AND ITS EASTERN SECTION WITH TAK KU LING ROAD RE-NAMED PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST.

SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET NORTH OF PLAYING FIELD ROAD HAS BEEN RE-NAMED SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET NORTH AND ITS SECTION SOUTH OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET SOUTH.

IN A SEPARATE NOTICE, A THOROUGHFARE IN CHUNG HOM KOK, ON HONG KONG ISLAND, HAS BEEN NAMED CHING SAU LANE.

THE LANE STARTS AT ITS JUNCTION WITH CHUNG HOM KOK ROAD, RUNS IN A NORTH-EASTERLY DIRECTION AND THEN TURNS EAST FOR A TOTAL DISTANCE OF ABOUT 140 METRES.

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SPECIAL TRAINS TO RACE COURSE STATION
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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL OPERATE THREE SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS TO SHA TIN RACE COURSE STATION ON SUNDAY.

THESE SPECIAL NON-STOP TRAINS WILL LEAVE KOWLOON STATION IN HUNG HOM AT 12.16 P.M., 12.35 P.M. AND 1.14 P.M.

ON THE RETURN JOURNEY, THERE WILL ALSO BE THREE SPECIAL TRAINS TO BRING PASSENGERS BACK FROM RACE COURSE STATION TO KOWLOON.

THE RUNNING TIME OF THESE SPECIAL TRAINS IS 20 MINUTES AND THEIR TIMETABLES ARE DISPLAYED AT ALL RAILWAY STATIONS AND AT THE JOCKEY CLUB'S OFF-COURSE BETTING CENTRES.

A KCR SPOKESMAN TODAY (FRIDAY) ENCOURAGED MOTORISTS TO MAKE USE OF THE HUNG HOM MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK ABOVE KOWLOON STATION.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO REMINDED PEOPLE GOING ON PICNIC ON SUNDAY THAT THE TIMETABLES OF RETURN JOURNEYS TO THE URBAN AREA HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY ADJUSTED. THE REVISED TIMETABLES OF SCHEDULED TRAINS BETWEEN 10.30 A.M. AND 11 P.M. ARE:

FROM KOWLOON STATION: 9.56 A.M., 10.25 A.M., 11.17 A.M.,
11.49 A.M., 1.01 P.M., 1.46 P.M.,
2.29 P.M., 3.44 P.M., 5 P.M.,
6.37 P.M., 7.26 P.M., 7.55 P.M.,
8.48 P.M., 9.53 P.M., 11.02 P.M.

FROM LO WU STATION: 10.10 A.M., 11.05 A.M., 11.57 A.M.,
12.41 P.M., 1.51 P.M., 2.32 P.M.,
3.38 P.M., 4.32 P.M., 5.28 P.M.,
6.33 P.M., 7.57 P.M., 8.54 P.M.,
9.39 P.M.

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SHORT-TERM TENANCY TENDERS FOR SHA TIN SITES INVITED

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THE GOVERNMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SHORT-TERM TENANCY OF TWO LARGE INDUSTRIAL SITES AT TAI WAI IN SHA TIN NEW TOWN TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY SITES FOR CONCRETE BATCHING PLANT OPERATORS SEEKING ACCOMMODATION IN THE DISTRICT.

THE SENIOR ESTATE SURVEYOR OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, MR. ROGER THOMPSON SAID TODAY (FRIDAY): +THESE SITES, CARRYING THREE-YEAR TENANCY AGREEMENTS, PROVIDES AN INTERIM MEASURE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE OPERATORS ARE ABLE TO RELOCATE THEMSELVES IN PERMANENT ACCOMMODATION.+

THE SITES, EACH MEASURING ABOUT 1,107 SQUARE METRES, ARE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA OF TAI WAI AND HAVE EASY ACCESS TO KOWLOON AND OTHER NEW TERRITORIES AREAS THROUGH THE SHA TIN TRUNK ROAD.

TENDERS FOR THE SITES WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON JANUARY 19.

TENDER FORMS, TENDER NOTICE AND AGREEMENTS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND TENDER PLANS INSPECTED AT THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS OR ANY OF ITS SEVEN DISTRICT OFFICES.

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COMMUNICATION AN IMPORTANT AIM OF EDUCATION

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EXAMINATIONS CANNOT MEASURE EVERYTHING AND THERE IS FAR MORE TO LIFE THAN EXAMINATION RESULTS, MR. ARTHUR BROWN, SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

HE ADDED THAT HE FELT SURE THAT IN THE FUTURE EXAMINATIONS WOULD PLAY A FAR LESS IMPORTANT ROLE THAN AT PRESENT.

MR. BROWN WAS SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL SPEECH DAY OF THE SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES AT THE CLEMENTI MIDDLE SCHOOL CENTRE. THE SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES ARE PART-TIME COURSES OF SIX-YEAR DURATION AND LEAD TO THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION.

TURNING TO THE WIDER AIM OF EDUCATION, HE SAID: +I THINK IT IS TO LEARN TO DEVELOP OUR SKILLS AND INTERESTS, TO LEARN TO WORK AND CO-OPERATE WITH OTHER PEOPLE, TO HAVE A FEELING FOR THE WORLD AROUND US, TO LEARN TO EXPRESS OURSELVES SO THAT WE CAN COMMUNICATE WITH OTHERS AND TO LEARN THE TECHNIQUES OF LEARNING SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO STUDY THE THINGS WE NEED, OR THAT INTEREST US, AFTER WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR COURSE OF FORMAL EDUCATION.+

IN PARTICULAR, MR. BROWN STRESSED THE NEED TO LEARN TO COMMUNICATE, WHICH HE FELT TO BE ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL THE AIMS OF EDUCATION IN HONG KONG.

+I THINK THAT WE MUST ALL STRIVE TO IMPROVE OUR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH SO THAT WE CAN PASS ON OUR IDEAS TO OTHER PEOPLE AND RECEIVE IDEAS FROM THEM,+ HE SAID.

NOTING THAT WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF UNIVERSAL EDUCATION UP TO FORM III LEVEL THERE WOULD BE VERY LITTLE NEED FOR EVENING COURSES COVERING LOWER SECONDARY WORK, MR. BROWN SAID THIS WOULD INEVITABLY AFFECT THE NATURE OF PART TIME SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES.

+SCHOOLS RUNNING THESE COURSES WILL THEREFORE BE ABLE TO TURN TO THE JOB OF PROVIDING PART TIME UPPER SECONDARY COURSES FOR THOSE NEEDING TO START WORK AFTER COMPLETING FORM III WHO WOULD LIKE BOTH TO EARN SOME MONEY AND CONTINUE WITH THEIR EDUCATION,+ HE SAID.

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URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION — TWO NEW POLLING STATIONS

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TWO NEW POLLING STATIONS WILL REPLACE THE TWO AT PERTH STREET GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL AND THE HONG KONG EXAMINATIONS AUTHORITY SAN PO KONG SUB-OFFICE, THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE TWO NEW STATIONS FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION THIS YEAR WILL BE AT THE HO MAN TIN GOVERNMENT MIDDLE SCHOOL AT 8 PERTH STREET AND NG WAH COLLEGE AT 5 CHOI HUNG ROAD.

THE REGISTRATION OFFICER, URBAN COUNCIL ELECTIONS, MR. KUO KET-CHEN SAID 2,579 PEOPLE HAVE REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE PERTH STREET GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION WHILE 1,603 HAVE REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE SAN PO KONG VENUE.

+EACH OF THESE ELECTORS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY A PERSONAL LETTER ON THE CHANGE OF POLLING STATIONS,+ MR. KUO SAID.

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30 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT AS FROM 10 A.M. ON MONDAY (JANUARY 15), A 30 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT WILL BE IMPOSED ON CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AT TSENG LAN SHUE FROM A POINT ABOUT 140 METRES EAST OF THE 6-1/2 MILESTONE TO A POINT 25 METRES EAST OF THE JUNCTION TO CLEAR WATER BAY APARTMENTS.

THE MEASURE IS BEING TAKEN TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF BOTH DRIVERS AND PEDESTRIANS.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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