



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO SWITZERLAND

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THE POST OFFICE SPEEDPOST SERVICE WILL HAVE 11 INTERNATIONAL LINKS WHEN THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED SERVICE TO SWITZERLAND COMES INTO EFFECT ON JANUARY 2, 1979, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POST OFFICE SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE IS A FAST AND RELIABLE DOOR TO DOOR COLLECTION AND DELIVERY SERVICE FOR SENDING BUSINESS DOCUMENTS AND GOODS OVERSEAS.

PRE-DETERMINED FLIGHTS OUT OF HONG KONG ARE USED AND PACKAGES ARE SPECIALLY DELIVERED TO THE OVERSEAS ADDRESSES. THIS SERVICE IS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE TO AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, BRAZIL, FRANCE, GREAT BRITAIN, JAPAN, THE NETHERLANDS, SINGAPORE, TAIWAN AND THE U.S.A.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SERVICE TO SWITZERLAND WOULD BE AVAILABLE ON A CONTRACT BASIS AND +ON-DEMAND+. IN ADDITION TO BUSINESS PAPERS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE CAN ALSO BE SENT BY THIS SERVICE.

+SPEEDPOST ITEMS POSTED BEFORE THE LATEST TIME OF POSTING ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY WILL BE DELIVERED IN SWITZERLAND THE FOLLOWING DAY. ON OTHER DAYS THEY WILL BE DELIVERED ON THE SECOND DAY AFTER POSTING,+ HE SAID, ADDING:

+FOR CONTRACT SERVICES, SENDERS SIGN A CONTRACT FOR A MINIMUM PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS, WITH A MINIMUM OF ONE REGULAR PRE-DETERMINED POSTING PER MONTH.

+TIME OF COLLECTION AND DELIVERY OF PACKAGES ARE SPECIFIED AND AGREED WITH THE CUSTOMER. THE COST WILL BE A BASIC CHARGE OF \$80 FOR THE FIRST POUND PLUS \$15 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL POUND, OR PART OF A POUND.

+THIS WILL INCLUDE PICK UP AT THE CUSTOMER'S PREMISES AT A TIME AGREED BY THE CUSTOMER, AND DELIVERY DIRECT TO THE ADDRESSEE.+

HE SAID +ON-DEMAND+ SERVICE WAS PROVIDED TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT OF CASUAL USERS OF SPEEDPOST OR TO SUPPLEMENT A CUSTOMER'S CONTRACT SERVICE.

+ON-DEMAND+ ITEMS MAY BE HANDED IN AT SPECIALLY DESIGNATED COUNTERS AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, TSIM SHA TSUI AND KOWLOON CENTRAL POST OFFICE WITHOUT THE NEED TO MAKE PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE POST OFFICE.

FOR +ON-DEMAND+ ITEMS, THE CHARGE IS \$90 FOR THE FIRST POUND AND \$15 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL POUND.

CUSTOMERS WISHING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE ARE ASKED TO CONTACT THE POST OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE ON TEL. NO. 5-2671105.

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NEW YEAR'S DAY TIME SIGNAL CORRECTION

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THE USUAL 6-PIP TIME SIGNALS FROM THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY WILL NOT BE BROADCAST AT 8 A.M. ON NEW YEAR'S DAY (JANUARY 1) BUT WILL RESUME AT 8.15 A.M., A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THIS IS TO ENABLE A CORRECTION TO BE APPLIED WHICH WILL RESULT IN A DELAY OF ONE SECOND TO THE RESUMED TIME SIGNALS, THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE CORRECTION AROSE FROM THE FACT THAT THE TIME SCALE NOW IN USE, KNOWN AS THE CO-ORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME (UTC), WAS BASED ON THE ATOMIC TIME SCALE WHICH PROVIDED A MORE PRECISE AND UNIFORM SECOND THAN THAT DERIVED BY ASTRONOMICAL MEANS.

+IT HAS BEEN INTERNATIONALLY AGREED THAT A CORRECTION OF ONE SECOND SHOULD BE APPLIED FROM TIME TO TIME SO THAT THE UTC WILL NOT DIFFER FROM THE ASTRONOMICAL TIME BY MORE THAN NINE-TENTHS OF A SECOND,+ HE SAID.

THE LAST CORRECTION OF ONE SECOND WAS MADE ON JANUARY 1, 1978.

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10TH ANNIVERSARY FOR YAU MA TEI C.D.O.

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THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (YAU MA TEI) WILL HOST A COCKTAIL RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OFFICE TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

MORE THAN 150 PEOPLE COMPRISING CIVIC LEADERS, KAIFONG CHAIRMEN, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, REPRESENTATIVES OF AREA COMMITTEES, CLANSMAN ASSOCIATIONS AND HEADS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN THE DISTRICT HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND.

ESTABLISHED ON NOVEMBER 11, 1968, THE OFFICE IS THE THIRD TO BE SET UP IN THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE SCHEME. IT NOW PROVIDES A GREAT VARIETY OF SERVICES TO THE 170,000 RESIDENTS LIVING IN THE AREA.

MR. THOMAS SHARR, CITY DISTRICT OFFICER AND HIS STAFF WILL BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE THE GUESTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE COCKTAIL RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (YAU MA TEI) AT 2 P.M. TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AT ITS PREMISES AT 260-264 TEMPLE STREET, YAU MA TEI.

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FINAL REGISTER OF URBAN COUNCIL ELECTORS
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THE FINAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS TO THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION FROM DECEMBER 30 (SATURDAY) AT THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE, AT 4 SUNNING ROAD, SEVENTH FLOOR, HONG KONG, DURING OFFICE HOURS.

COPIES OF THE COMPLETE REGISTER, COMPRISING TWO VOLUME AT \$184 AND \$92 RESPECTIVELY, MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED ON PERSONAL APPLICATION AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE.

THE REGISTER CONTAINS THE NAMES OF ELECTORS REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES POLLING STATIONS.

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DHA TO VISIT CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE

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THE DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS, MR. JOHN WALDEN, WILL VISIT PO LEUNG KUK'S KWAI SHING CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE TOMORROW (THURSDAY) MORNING.

ESTABLISHED ON MARCH 2, 1978, IT IS A RESIDENTIAL-REHABILITATION CENTRE FOR THE SEVERE GRADE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

THE CENTRE IS ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF BLOCKS 13 AND 14 OF KWAI SHING (EAST) ESTATE AND ITS FACILITIES INCLUDE FIVE LIVING QUARTERS, 10 CLASS-ACTIVITY ROOMS, ONE MEDICAL-SICK ROOM, THREE OFFICE-STAFF ROOMS, ONE KITCHEN AND ONE LAUNDRY ROOM.

THE CENTRE IS STAFFED BY 53 PROFESSIONAL AND 25 SUPPORTING STAFF. IT NOW PROVIDES LONG-TERM PROTECTIVE AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES TO 50 FEMALE RESIDENTS AND 30 DAY TRAINEES OF BOTH SEXES AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 16.

AT PRESENT, THE CENTRE IS PARTLY SUPPORTED BY THE LOTTERIES FUND AND THE KUK SUBSIDISES \$20 PER MONTH TOWARDS EACH CHILD'S LIVING COST. A NOMINAL FEE OF \$130 IS CHARGED FOR EVERY RESIDENT AND \$50 FOR EVERY DAY TRAINEE PER MONTH.

MR. WALDEN WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MR. MARVYN LAW, KUK CHAIRMAN, MR. VINCENT WOO, VICE-CHAIRMAN AND SIX DIRECTORS AND MR. STEPHEN HO, CHIEF LIAISON OFFICER OF THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE VISIT OF MR. JOHN WALDEN, DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS, TO PO LEUNG KUK'S KWAI SHING CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRE TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AT 11 A.M.

TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED AND WILL BE LEAVING THE PO LEUNG KUK CAMPUS IN LEIGHTON ROAD AT 10 A.M. SHARP.

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PORT COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE TO REMAIN OPEN ON
NEW YEAR'S DAY

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT ITS PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREAS IN WAN CHAI, YAU MA TEI, TSUEN WAN AND KWUN TONG AND THE PORT COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE WILL REMAIN OPEN ON NEW YEAR'S DAY (JANUARY 1).

IN ADDITION, THE VICTORIA SMALL CRAFT LICENSING OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9 A.M. TO 11 A.M. ON THAT DAY AND THE MACAU FERRY WHARF UNIT OFFICES, FROM 7.30 A.M. ON JANUARY 1 TO 1.30 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY (JANUARY 2).

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FUN FAIR FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

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ABOUT 300 CHILDREN FROM VARIOUS HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S CENTRES ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE TREATED TO A CHRISTMAS FUN FAIR TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

THERE WILL BE NINE GAME-STALLS SPECIALLY DESIGNED GAME-STALLS AND A PONY-RIDE. ABOUT 30 VOLUNTEERS WILL BE ON HAND TO HELP THEM.

MR. RICKY FUNG, CITY DISTRICT OFFICER (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE FUNCTION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) AND THE SHEUNG WAN (WESTERN) AREA COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE CHRISTMAS FUN FAIR FOR 300 CHILDREN FROM HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S CENTRES, ORGANISED BY THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) AND THE SHEUNG WAN (WESTERN) AREA COMMITTEE, TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AT 2 P.M. IN THE KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PARK, HOSPITAL ROAD, SAI YING PUN.

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