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RO CLOSELY MONITORING SITUATION -- GOVERNOR
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID HE HAD BEEN ADVISED BY THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING THAT THE THREAT OF RADIATION AFFECTING HONG KONG FOLLOWING THE SOVIET NUCLEAR ACCIDENT IN CHERNOBYL IS MINIMAL.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER TOURING THE GOVERNMENT VEHICLE INSPECTION CENTRE AT KOWLOON BAY, SIR EDWARD SAID THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY WAS CLOSELY MONITORING THE SITUATION.

SIR EDWARD SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE PUBLIC'S CONCERN FOLLOWING THE CHERNOBYL DISASTER, AND THE GOVERNMENT WAS KEEPING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH LONDON SO THAT IT WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO ANY INFORMATION THAT WOULD BECOME AVAILABLE.

HE BELIEVED THERE WOULD CERTAINLY BE AN INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF WHAT HAD HAPPENED AND THAT WOULD ENABLE THE WORLD'S NUCLEAR INDUSTRY TO DRAW A LESSON FROM THE INCIDENT.

WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT THE DAYA BAY NUCLEAR PLANT PROJECT, SIR EDWARD SAID THE PLANT, WHICH WAS BEING BUILT BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, WAS AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT KIND OF PLANT AND NOT IN ANY WAY LIKE THE ONE IN THE SOVIET UNION.

+AND IT WILL HAVE VERY HIGH SAFETY STANDARDS WHICH WILL MEET FRENCH STANDARDS, CHINESE STANDARDS, AND INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS,+ HE NOTED.

AS FAR AS HONG KONG WAS CONCERNED, SIR EDWARD SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD SOME TIME AGO SEEN THE NEED FOR BOTH MONITORING AND EXPERT ADVICE ON CONTINGENCIES WHICH MIGHT ARISE.

THAT WAS WHY A FEW YEARS AGO THE GOVERNMENT HAD ASKED THE UNITED KINGDOM ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY AT HARWELL, WHICH WAS ONE OF THE LEADING AUTHORITIES IN THE WORLD, TO BE ITS CONSULTANT ON THESE MATTERS, HE SAID.

ASKED WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE INVOLVED IN ANY STEPPING UP OF SAFETY MEASURES AT THE DAYA BAY PLANT, SIR EDWARD REITERATED THE GOVERNMENT'S ROLE WAS IN REGARD TO HONG KONG.

HONG KONG WAS GOING TO TAKE ELECTRICITY FROM DAYA BAY, BUT THE ATOMIC PART OF THE DAYA BAY PLANT WAS BEING DONE BY FRAMATOME, HE SAID.

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HE ADDED: +THE FRENCH ATOMIC ENERGY PROGRAMME IS OF COURSE A VERY WELL ESTABLISHED PROGRAMME AND THE KIND OF REACTORS WHICH THEY USED AND THE KIND OF STATIONS WHICH THEY BUILT ARE VERY WELL TESTED AND WIDELY USED IN FRANCE.

+SO I THINK THAT THAT PART OF IT IS IN WELL EXPERIENCED AND EXPERT HANDS,+ HE SAID.

ASKED WHETHER IN THE LIGHT OF THE SOVIET ACCIDENT THERE SHOULD BE A NEED FOR INTENSIFIED SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AT DAYA BAY, SIR EDWARD SAID IT WAS NOT GOING TO BE A QUESTION FOR ONLY DAYA BAY.

HE SAID: +I THINK WHEN THIS KIND OF THING HAPPENS, THE WHOLE OF THE WORLD'S NUCLEAR INDUSTRY WILL BE SEEING WHETHER THERE ARE ANY LESSONS TO BE LEARNED.

+DAYA BAY IS OF COURSE ONLY ONE OF VERY MANY ATOMIC POWER PLANTS AND ONE OF THE REASONS WHY A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES HAVE ASKED FOR A LOT MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE SOVIET UNION IS THAT THEY WANT TO SEE WHETHER THERE ARE ANY LESSONS TO BE LEARNED IN RELATION TO THE SAFETY OF NUCLEAR PLANTS.+

AND THAT WAS ON A WORLD-WIDE BASIS RATHER THAN ON THE BASIS OF JUST HONG KONG, SIR EDWARD ADDED.

DEALING WITH OTHER QUESTIONS, SIR EDWARD DISCOUNTED A SUGGESTION THAT NEW RETIREMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR CIVIL SERVANTS WOULD LEAD TO A BRAIN DRAIN.

HE SAID WHAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD LOOKED AT WAS THE PROMOTION AND MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE THROUGH THE CIVIL SERVICE. +WE WANT TO USE THE EXPERIENCE OF EXPERIENCED PEOPLE, AND ALSO TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF PROMOTION OPPORTUNITIES WHICH WILL ENCOURAGE THOSE COMING BEHIND.

ON THE WHOLE, SIR EDWARD SAID THE SYSTEM BEING USED NOW +WILL ENSURE THAT HONG KONG HAS A HIGHLY EFFICIENT CIVIL SERVICE.+

THE GOVERNOR STRESSED THAT THE SERVICES OF THE EXPATRIATE ELEMENT WERE VERY HIGHLY VALUED, AND THAT THERE WAS A GOOD ROLE FOR THEM TO PLAY IN THE CIVIL SERVICE, BOTH NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.

HE ADDED THAT HONG KONG HAD A VERY GOOD SUPPLY OF HIGHLY TALENTED CIVIL SERVANTS AMONG BOTH HONG KONG CHINESE AND YOUNGER EXPATRIATES.

ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD BE VISITING JAPAN LATER THIS MONTH, SIR EDWARD SAID HE WOULD BE ATTENDING A BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING THERE.

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HE NOTED THAT HONG KONG'S TRADE WITH JAPAN WAS VERY IMPORTANT AND +I ALWAYS LIKE TO SEE THINGS FOR MYSELF. I WILL ALSO TELL PEOPLE THAT HONG KONG IS GETTING ALONG REALLY QUITE WELL.+

SIR EDWARD SAID HE WOULD CALL ON SOME JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH THEM.

+I KNOW WE WOULD ALL LIKE TO SEE AN INCREASE IN HONG KONG'S EXPORTS TO JAPAN,+ HE SAID.

ON THE QUESTION OF AUSTRALASIAN LAWYERS, THE GOVERNOR SAID HE WAS LISTENING VERY CAREFULLY TO THIS DEBATE BETWEEN THE LAWYERS. HE HAD HEARD CAREFULLY WHAT THE BAR ASSOCIATION HAD SAID WHEN THEY WERE IN UMELCO, AND ALSO WHAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAD SAID YESTERDAY WHEN HE MADE SOME IMPORTANT POINTS ABOUT THE GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST.

SIR EDWARD SAID HE WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED TO SEE WHAT UMELCO'S RECOMMENDATIONS WERE BECAUSE THEY WOULD HAVE HEARD BOTH SIDES OF THE ARGUMENT.

+I AM SURE THEY WILL COME TO SOME REASONABLE CONCLUSIONS.+

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CS: MORE POWERS NEEDED TO FIGHT TRIADS
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (FRIDAY) HELD AN INFORMAL MEETING WITH THE CHAIRMEN OF THE 19 DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THE RECENTLY RELEASED DISCUSSION PAPER ON OPTIONS TO COUNTER THE TRIAD PROBLEM.

SIR DAVID SAID THAT WHILE SOME OF THE OPTIONS IN THE DISCUSSION PAPER DID CARRY WITH THEM SOME RESTRICTIONS ON CIVIL LIBERTY THE GOVERNMENT NEEDED TO HAVE MORE POWERS IF INROADS INTO TRIADS AND ORGANISED CRIME WERE TO BE MADE.

+WHAT WE NEED IS A COMMUNITY VIEW OF WHETHER SOME CURTAILMENTS IN FREEDOM ARE A PRICE WORTH PAYING TO TRY AND ERADICATE THIS EVIL FROM OUR SOCIETY,+ HE SAID.

THE COMMITTEES MIGHT HAVE THEIR OWN IDEAS ON HOW TO ELIMINATE TRIADS AND THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE PLEASED TO RECEIVE SUGGESTIONS, HE SAID.

SIR DAVID, WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, NOTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN MUCH ADVERSE COMMENT ON THE OPTION THAT THERE COULD BE MORE LEGAL GAMBLING. HE SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THE CLEAR PUBLIC CONCERN HE DID NOT THINK THIS OPTION WOULD BE TAKEN FURTHER.

/HE TOLD

HE TOLD THE CHAIRMEN THAT EACH POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER HAD BEEN FULLY BRIEFED ON THE DISCUSSION DOCUMENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY BRANCH AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS WOULD ATTEND EACH DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE MEETING AT WHICH IT WAS CONSIDERED.

+WE WILL NOTE DOWN THE POINTS THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEES RAISE AND GRADUALLY GATHER THEM TOGETHER SO THAT WE CAN FORM A DEFINITE VIEW TO PUT TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AS TO THE WAY AHEAD,+ SIR DAVID SAID.

SIR DAVID TOLD REPORTERS AFTER THE MEETING THAT THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN CLEARLY HAD A DESIRE TO SEE BILLIARD SALOONS IN PRIVATE CLUBS BROUGHT UNDER SOME CONTROL. +ALL CHAIRMEN SPOKE OUT VERY STRONGLY ABOUT THE NEED TO BRING PRIVATE BILLIARD CLUBS UNDER CONTROL.+

THE MEETING WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR DAVID JEAFFRESON, THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE (OPERATIONS), MR LI KWAN-HA, MR ANDREW BRUCE AND MR PATRICK CHEUNG OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS, AND THE SECRETARY OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR MIKE STONE.

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OTB COMPENSATION TRIBUNAL MEMBERS APPOINTED
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THE GOVERNOR HAS APPOINTED THREE MEMBERS TO THE OVERSEAS TRUST BANK COMPENSATION TRIBUNAL WHICH IS SET UP TO JUDGE ANY CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FROM FORMER SHAREHOLDERS OF THE OVERSEAS TRUST BANK.

THE TRIBUNAL WILL BE CHAIRED BY MR JUSTICE MORTIMER WITH DR KIM CHAM YAU-SUM, A LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, AND MRS BARBARA THOMAS, A COMPANY DIRECTOR, AS MEMBERS.

A NOTICE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRIBUNAL AND THE APPOINTMENT OF ITS MEMBERS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT UNDER THE OVERSEAS TRUST BANK (COMPENSATION OF REGISTERED HOLDERS OF SHARES) REGULATIONS 1986, A COMPENSATION TRIBUNAL, WHICH COMPRISES A JUDGE AS CHAIRMAN AND TWO MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT PUBLIC OFFICERS, MAY BE SET UP BY THE GOVERNOR AND WILL BE SET UP BY HIM IF REQUESTED IN WRITING BY ANY FORMER SHAREHOLDER.

THE REGULATIONS ALSO SET OUT THE MECHANICS OF APPLYING FOR, DETERMINING AND PAYING, ANY COMPENSATION TO FORMER SHAREHOLDERS.

/+THE TRIBUNAL

+THE TRIBUNAL WILL NOTIFY THE CLAIMANTS BY POST OF ITS DECISION. THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY INCORPORATED WILL ALSO PUBLISH THE DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL AND MAY IF IT THINKS FIT DISCLOSE OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE DECISION,+ HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ALL HEARINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN PRIVATE AND THE DATE OF THE FIRST HEARING HAS NOT YET BEEN FIXED.

HE NOTED THAT FORMER SHAREHOLDERS OF THE OVERSEAS TRUST BANK NUMBERED MORE THAN 9 000.

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SIR EDWARD BRIEFED ON TRANSPORT SITUATION
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, TODAY (FRIDAY) VISITED THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TO KEEP HIMSELF UP TO DATE ON THE OVERALL TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT SITUATION IN HONG KONG.

SIR EDWARD SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN THE AREAS OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT, TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND VEHICLE ROAD SAFETY WHEN BEING BRIEFED BY EXPERTS.

ON TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT, THE GOVERNOR LEARNED THAT THE HONG KONG ISLAND AREA TRAFFIC CONTROL (ATC) SYSTEM, WHICH CONTROLS AT PRESENT ABOUT 90 JUNCTIONS EAST OF ARSENAL STREET, WILL BE EXTENDED TO COVER 200 TRAFFIC SIGNALS BETWEEN KENNEDY TOWN AND SHAU KEI WAN BY 1987.

FOR KOWLOON, PLANS ARE IN HAND TO EXTEND THE KOWLOON ATC SYSTEM TO WONG TAI SIN, SAN PO KONG AND KWUN TONG. THE SYSTEM NOW CONTROLS 230 JUNCTIONS WEST OF THE AIRPORT.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR PETER LEEDS, THE GOVERNOR FIRST TOURED THE KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT AT DUNDAS STREET.

THERE SIR EDWARD WAS BRIEFED ON THE ORGANISATION AND WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING DIVISION, THE DAY-TO-DAY TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND RESEARCH AND PLANNING FUNCTIONS.

ONE MAJOR PROJECT NOW IN HAND IS THE TRAFFIC DIVERSION SCHEME FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER. THE GOVERNOR WAS INFORMED THAT TRAFFIC USING THE THREE-LANE FLYOVER IS REACHING SATURATION LEVEL. AN ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC LANE WILL BE PROVIDED AFTER THE RECONSTRUCTION WHICH IS EXPECTED TO TAKE THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE. WHEN RECONSTRUCTION BEGINS IN JULY, THE NORTHBOUND LANE OF THE FLYOVER WILL BE CLOSED AND TRAFFIC REROUTED TO GROUND LEVEL.

THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE OF THE NEED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE DIVERSION SCHEME WELL IN ADVANCE AND IS NOW CONSULTING RELEVANT DISTRICT BOARDS ON THE MEASURES, THE GOVERNOR WAS TOLD.

AFTER TOURING THE KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL OFFICES, THE GOVERNOR PROCEEDED TO THE KOWLOON LICENSING OFFICE WHICH HANDLES ABOUT 3 000 LICENSING TRANSACTIONS A DAY. HE THEN WENT TO THE KOWLOON BAY VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRE.

AT THE CENTRE, SIR EDWARD TOURED THE FACILITIES AND SAW HOW GOODS VEHICLES AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES ARE EXAMINED FOR ROADWORTHINESS. THE GOVERNOR LEARNED THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S FOUR VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRES CONDUCTED 86 000 INSPECTIONS LAST YEAR.

THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OBJECTIVE IS TO INSPECT ANNUALLY ALL PASSENGER VEHICLES, GOODS VEHICLES AND PRIVATE CARS OVER SIX YEARS OLD. THE ANNUAL INSPECTION OF PASSENGER SERVICE VEHICLES SUCH AS TAXIS, PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES, FRANCHISED AND NON-FRANCHISED BUSES HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

OWING TO LACK OF RESOURCES, ONLY GOODS VEHICLES AND PRIVATE LIGHT BUSES MANUFACTURED BEFORE 1977 AND 1983 RESPECTIVELY ARE BEING INSPECTED ANNUALLY. THE INSPECTION OF PRIVATE CARS OVER SIX YEARS OLD IS NOW CARRIED OUT IN 17 PRIVATE GARAGES AUTHORISED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

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LAST VICTORIA BARRACKS SITE UP FOR AUCTION
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KEEN BIDDING IS EXPECTED WHEN THE LAST SITE AT VICTORIA BARRACKS IS AUCTIONED ON MAY 27.

THE 16 150-SQUARE-METRE SITE AT SUPREME COURT ROAD IS NEXT TO THE PLOT SWIRE PROPERTIES BOUGHT FOR \$703 MILLION IN APRIL LAST YEAR TO BUILD A HOTEL/OFFICE COMPLEX.

THE AUCTION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE AT 2.30 PM.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE PRIME SITE, KNOWN AS INLAND LOT NO 8582, IS THE LAST SITE AVAILABLE IN VICTORIA BARRACKS, AND IS EXPECTED TO ATTRACT CONSIDERABLE INTEREST FROM DEVELOPERS.

/+THE SALE

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+THE SALE CONDITIONS ARE DESIGNED TO GIVE CONSIDERABLE FLEXIBILITY IN THE USES TO WHICH THE BUILDINGS MAY BE PUT. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THERE WILL BE A PODIUM STRUCTURE UP TO 31 METRES FOR SHOPS AND CAR PARKING. ABOVE THE PODIUM OFFICES, A HOTEL, RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS, INCLUDING SERVICED APARTMENTS, OR ANY COMBINATION OF THESE, ARE ENVISAGED. THE ONLY USES NOT PERMITTED ARE INDUSTRIAL OR GODOWN.

+A TOTAL OF 450 PARKING SPACES WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE SCHEME, 280 FOR THE NON-RESIDENTIAL ELEMENTS AND THE REST FOR RESIDENTS.+

TO PRESERVE TREES, ESPECIALLY THE OLD BANYAN TREES AT THE EASTERN END OF THE SITE, THE SITE BOUNDARY DELIBERATELY EXCLUDES AREAS OCCUPIED BY THEM. IT IS SPECIFIED IN THE SALE CONDITIONS THAT AN OLD TREE CLOSE TO SUPREME COURT ROAD WITHIN THE BOUNDARY OF THE SITE MUST NOT BE FELLED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT.

THE PODIUM SHOULD BE BUILT TO ACCORD WITH THE LEVEL OF SUPREME COURT ROAD IN ORDER TO MINIMISE THE IMPACT OF THE DEVELOPMENT ON THE SURROUNDING RECREATIONAL AND AMENITY AREA WHICH IS TO BE DEVELOPED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL.

ON THE PODIUM, THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC OPEN SPACE OF 3 000 SQUARE METRES. IT MAY BE STEPPED OR TERRACED DEPENDING ON THE STYLE OF DEVELOPMENT. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE OPEN SPACE WILL INCORPORATE THE MATURE BANYAN TREE WHICH EXISTS WITHIN THE SITE.

ON THE WESTERN FLANK OF THE SITE THE DEVELOPER HAS TO PROVIDE ESCALATORS AND STAIRCASES FROM THE FOOTBRIDGE OVER QUEENSWAY UP TO SUPREME COURT ROAD. THEY WILL SERVE AS DIRECT PUBLIC PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE FUTURE RECREATIONAL AND AMENITY AREA.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IT HAD BEEN AGREED TO PROVIDE A SALT WATER SUPPLY FOR THE AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM WITHIN THE SCHEME.

THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AT LEAST 96 000 SQUARE METRES OF GROSS FLOOR AREA ON THE SITE BEFORE JUNE 30, 1992. THERE IS NO OVERALL HEIGHT RESTRICTION ON THE DEVELOPMENT.

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FOUR NT SITES OFFERED FOR LETTERS A-B
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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM REGISTERED OWNERS OF LAND EXCHANGE ENTITLEMENTS (LETTERS A-B) FOR FOUR GOVERNMENT LOTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

TWO OF THE SITES ARE IN YUEN LONG AND THE OTHERS IN TUEN MUN AND TSUEN WAN.

ONE OF THE YUEN LONG SITES, COVERING 1 434 SQUARE METRES, IS AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD NEAR KAI TEI. ANY BASEMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT ARE TO BE FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL BUT EXCLUDING GODOWN AND RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES= THE GROUND AND FIRST FLOORS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL BUT EXCLUDING GODOWN USES= AND THE REMAINING FLOORS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

ALSO FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL BUT EXCLUDING GODOWN USES ARE TWO SITES AT THE JUNCTION OF YAU SAN AND FAU TSOI STREETS, YUEN LONG, AND AT THE JUNCTION OF SHEK PAI TAU AND TSUN WEN ROADS, TUEN MUN. THEY MEASURE 1 080 AND 10 080 SQUARE METRES.

THE FOURTH SITE MEASURES 3 750 SQUARE METRES AND IS AT WAI TSUEN ROAD, TSUEN WAN. THE LOWER THREE FLOORS OF THE DEVELOPMENT ARE TO BE FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL BUT EXCLUDING GODOWN PURPOSES, WHILE THE REMAINING FLOORS ARE FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL USE.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE SITES MAY OPT TO SUBMIT EITHER A +VINTAGE+ TENDER OR A +MONETISED LETTER B+ TENDER CALCULATED BY REFERENCE TO A LIST OF CURRENCY VALUES PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE ON MARCH 14, 1986. +VINTAGE+ TENDERS WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY.

APPLICATION FORMS, NOTICES AND CONDITIONS OF GRANT MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND RELATED PLANS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT:

- * BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY OFFICE, MURRAY BUILDING, FIFTH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG;
- * DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON; AND
- * DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TUEN MUN, YUEN LONG, TSUEN WAN, TAI PO, NORTH, SAI KUNG AND ISLANDS.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS BY NOON ON MAY 30.

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ADDITION OF NEW FUTURES CONTRACTS
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THE COMMODITIES TRADING (AMENDMENT OF FIRST SCHEDULE) ORDER 1986 WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY), ANNOUNCING THE ADDING OF HANG SENG INDEX FUTURES CONTRACTS TO THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE COMMODITIES TRADING ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 250), THEREBY PERMITTING SUCH NEW CONTRACTS TO BE TRADED ON THE HONG KONG FUTURES EXCHANGE.

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BANK OF YOKOHAMA GRANTED LICENCE
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THE BANK OF YOKOHAMA LIMITED HAS BEEN GRANTED A BANKING LICENCE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN HONG KONG. A NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

INCORPORATED IN JAPAN IN 1920, THE BANK OF YOKOHAMA RANKS 24TH AMONG ALL JAPANESE BANKS AND HAS OVERSEAS PRESENCE IN EIGHT COUNTRIES OR TERRITORIES. WITH THE GRANT OF LICENCE TO THIS BANK, THERE ARE NOW 21 JAPANESE BANKS IN HONG KONG.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MONETARY AFFAIRS BRANCH SAID THAT THE CONTINUED ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN BANKS REFLECTED THE ATTRACTIVENESS OF HONG KONG AS A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CENTRE.

+APART FROM THE PRESENT APPLICATION, SIX FOREIGN BANKS, FOUR OF WHICH ARE FROM AUSTRALIA, HAVE ALREADY BEEN GRANTED BANKING LICENCES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR.

+THERE ARE AT PRESENT 151 LICENSED BANKS IN HONG KONG. AMONG THEM, 115 WERE INCORPORATED IN 23 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES OUTSIDE HONG KONG,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NUMBERS OF REGISTERED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES AND LICENSED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES STAND AT 273 AND 36 RESPECTIVELY. MORE THAN 25 PER CENT OF THESE COMPANIES ARE OWNED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BY FOREIGN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

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ADB GETS ASSURANCE ON HK'S PARTICIPATION

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SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR DAVID NENDICK, TODAY (FRIDAY) ASSURED THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK THAT THERE IS NO DOUBT ABOUT HONG KONG'S CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE ADB AFTER 1997.

ADDRESSING THE 19TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD IN MANILA, MR NENDICK SAID THE BRITISH AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS HAD AGREED, THROUGH DISCUSSIONS IN THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT LIAISON GROUP, THAT HONG KONG WOULD CONTINUE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BANK.

+THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO AGREED TO ASSUME IN 1997 RESPONSIBILITY FOR GUARANTEEING HONG KONG'S FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS TO THE BANK,+ HE SAID.

+WE WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY OUR ROLE AS A MEMBER IN THE BANK. THROUGH MEMBERSHIP, WE HOPE TO CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ASIAN-PACIFIC REGION,+ HE ADDED.

TURNING TO PROTECTIONISM, MR NENDICK SAID A TREND TOWARDS GREATER PROTECTIONISM POSED A REAL THREAT TO TERRITORIES LIKE HONG KONG WHICH HAD EXPORT-ORIENTED ECONOMIES.

HE SAID PROTECTIONIST MEASURES HAD AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON WORLD TRADE AND HENCE ON ECONOMIC GROWTH AND THAT IN THE LONG RUN NO ONE WOULD BENEFIT.

+THEY ARE PARTICULARLY UNJUST WHEN APPLIED TO HONG KONG, AS WE ARE COMMITTED TO AN OPEN MARKET POLICY IN TRADE AS WELL AS FOR INVESTMENT IN OUR INDUSTRY,+ HE SAID.

ON HONG KONG'S ECONOMY, MR NENDICK SAID THE GOVERNMENT MAINTAINED A POLICY OF ALLOWING MARKET FORCES TO PLAY THE MAJOR ROLE IN DEVELOPMENT OF THE ECONOMY.

+THE GOVERNMENT SEES ITS ROLE AS BEING THAT OF CREATING A SOUND AND STABLE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH FREE ENTERPRISE CAN FLOURISH.

+IT IS WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK THAT TRADE AND INDUSTRY HAVE PROSPERED IN HONG KONG AND WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF CHANGING THESE GROUND RULES,+ HE SAID.

MR NENDICK SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD CONTINUED TO INVEST IN DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORY'S PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

/+THERE ARE

+THERE ARE ON-GOING PLANS FOR FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS TO ROAD AND RAIL NETWORKS AND TO PORT FACILITIES= WORK HAS STARTED ON A SECOND CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURAL PLANS ARE IN THE PIPELINE.

+WHERE HUMAN RESOURCES ARE CONCERNED, THERE ARE PLANS FOR THE SETTING UP OF A THIRD UNIVERSITY AND OF OTHER TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES,+ HE SAID.

ON THE QUESTION OF INVESTMENT INCENTIVES, MR NENDICK SAID THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT OFFER CASH OR ANY OTHER FORM OF SUBSIDY FOR INVESTMENT IN HONG KONG, BUT IN MAINTAINED A LOW TAX RATE WHICH WAS APPLIED EVEN-HANDEDLY TO RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS ALIKE.

+HONG KONG IS A FREE PORT AND WE DO NOT IMPOSE TARIFFS OR QUOTAS ON OUR IMPORTS. THERE IS NO FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTROL= PROFITS AND CAPITAL CAN MOVE FREELY IN AND OUT OF THE TERRITORY.

+OUR BANKING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES COMPARE FAVOURABLY WITH THOSE OF OTHER MAJOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CENTRES.

+OVERALL WE BELIEVE THAT THESE FEATURES PROVIDE A FAVOURABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEUR WHETHER HE BE BORN IN HONG KONG OR ELSEWHERE,+ HE SAID.

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PEAK'S PANORAMIC VIEW TO BE PROTECTED
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STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO PRESERVE THE VIEW FROM THE PEAK BY IMPOSING BUILDING HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS.

THE RESTRICTIONS ARE CONTAINED IN AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TO THE PEAK OUTLINE ZONING PLAN, AFFECTING THE NORTH-EASTERN, WESTERN AND NORTH-WESTERN, AND SOUTHERN BOUNDARIES OF THE PEAK. THE AMENDMENTS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID THE HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE BETWEEN THREE AND 12 STOREYS DEPENDING ON LOCATION.

APART FROM PRESERVING THE VIEW, AMENITIES IN THE AREA AND POOR ROAD ACCESS WERE ALSO REASONS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE RESTRICTIONS.

/+DEVELOPMENTS

+DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PEAK WILL CONTINUE TO BE SUBJECT TO A PLOT RATIO RESTRICTION OF 0.5 TO MAINTAIN ITS LOW DENSITY AND LOW-RISE CHARACTER,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

THE SECOND MAJOR AMENDMENT INVOLVES THE PROPOSAL FOR A MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK AT THE GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTION/COMMUNITY SITE NEXT TO THE PEAK TRAM STATION.

THIS WILL NO LONGER BE PURSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PROPOSAL HAS BEEN DELETED FROM THE TOWN PLAN.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID OPPORTUNITY WAS ALSO TAKEN TO AMEND THE PLAN BY REFLECTING THE EXTENSION OF THE GERMAN SWISS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SITE AT GUILDFORD ROAD AS GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTION/COMMUNITY USE AND ALSO TO RATIONALISE THE RESIDENTIAL LOT BOUNDARY OF INLAND LOT 8361.

THE AMENDED PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED AT:

- * THE DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN), HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, GROUND AND 11TH FLOORS, HONG KONG;
- * THE DISTRICT OFFICE (WAN CHAI), 201 HENNESSY ROAD, TUNG WAH MANSION, GROUND, FIRST AND EIGHTH FLOORS, HONG KONG;
- * PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG; AND
- * THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE AMENDMENTS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY, TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, BY MAY 22.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT PLAN ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAP SALES COUNTER, SURVEY OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FIFTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; AND THE KOWLOON MAP SALES SECTION, 382 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON, AT \$10 FOR AN UNCOLOURED COPY AND \$60 FOR A COLOURED ONE.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION SURVEY UNDERWAY
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS CONDUCTING A SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION TO COLLECT DATA FOR THE YEAR 1985.

THE SURVEY IS CONDUCTED ANNUALLY AND REPRESENTS PART OF A CONTINUOUS PROGRAMME TO COLLECT ECONOMIC STATISTICS ON THE STRUCTURE AND PERFORMANCE OF THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

+THE AIM OF THE SURVEY IS TO OBTAIN DATA FOR UPDATING THE ESTIMATES OF THE RELEVANT SECTORS' CONTRIBUTION TO HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT AND TO ASCERTAIN THE OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES,+ HE SAID.

+RESULTS OF THE SURVEY WILL BE USEFUL TO THE GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS STATISTICAL USERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC,+ HE ADDED.

ABOUT 7 500 ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE ENUMERATED IN THE SECTORS OF MANUFACTURING, MINING AND QUARRYING, AND ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER.

INFORMATION SOUGHT IN THE SURVEY INCLUDES TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, COUNTRY OF ORIGIN OF INVESTMENT, FLOOR AREA, EMPLOYMENT, MAN-HOURS WORKED, COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES (I.E. WAGES, SALARIES AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS), CONTRACT AND COMMISSION WORK, PURCHASES OF MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES, OTHER EXPENSES, SALES AND WORK DONE, OTHER RECEIPTS, STOCKS AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

THE SURVEY IS BEING CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS (ANNUAL SURVEY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION) ORDER 1984, WHICH WAS MADE UNDER THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 316) AND ISSUED AS LEGAL NOTICE NO. 15 IN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE OF JANUARY 13, 1984.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING SENT BY RECORDED DELIVERY TO THE ESTABLISHMENTS CONCERNED. MANAGERMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THEM TO THE DEPARTMENT BY THE END OF JULY 1986.

ON REQUEST, OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT MAY VISIT ESTABLISHMENTS AND ASSIST IN COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE. THESE OFFICERS WILL CARRY GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARDS WHILE ON DUTY.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS APPEALED TO MANAGERMENTS TO RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES PROMPTLY AND TO CO-OPERATE WITH OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT, THUS FULFILLING THEIR LEGAL AS WELL AS SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

/THE COMMISSIONER

THE COMMISSIONER EMPHASISED THAT INFORMATION RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS WOULD BE TREATED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND WOULD ONLY BE USED IN AN AGGREGATE FORM FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES.

HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT AUDITED ACCOUNTS WERE NOT ESSENTIAL FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION RELATING TO INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ACCEPTS FIGURES BASED ON PRELIMINARY ACCOUNTS OR ESTIMATES WHICH ARE CORRECT TO THE BEST OF THE RESPONDENTS' KNOWLEDGE AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION OF RETURNS. THIS APPROACH IS NECESSARY TO AVOID THE DELAY THAT WOULD OTHERWISE RESULT FROM WAITING FOR AUDITED ACCOUNTS.

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JEWELLERY INDUSTRY NEEDS MORE SKILLED WORKERS * * * * *

THE JEWELLERY INDUSTRY'S WORKFORCE HAS GROWN FROM 5 600 IN 1983 TO ABOUT 7 200 IN 1985, REPRESENTING A SUBSTANTIAL ANNUAL INCREASE OF 13.6 PER CENT, ACCORDING TO THE FINDINGS OF A VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL SURVEY.

THE GROWTH WAS MAINLY THE RESULT OF REMARKABLE EXPORT PERFORMANCES IN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, THE INDUSTRY'S TWO LARGEST OVERSEAS MARKETS, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL'S JEWELLERY INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD WHICH CONDUCTED THE SURVEY LAST JUNE.

COMMENTING ON THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE INDUSTRY, HE SAID +CHINA MAY ALSO BECOME ANOTHER MAJOR EXPORT MARKET FOR HONG KONG'S JEWELLERY ITEMS FOLLOWING RECENT RELAXATION IN CHINA ON JEWELLERY OWNING.+

THE BOARD WAS ALSO OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE DOMESTIC MARKET.

HOWEVER, THE INDUSTRY HAD FELT INCREASING COMPETITION FROM NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES IN THE LOWER PRICE OF RANGE OF JEWELLERY IN WORLD MARKETS. SOME OF THESE COUNTRIES HAD THE ADVANTAGE OF A READY SUPPLY OF GEMSTONES AND LOWER LABOUR COST.

THE BOARD EXPECTED THE INDUSTRY TO CONTINUE TO GROW IN THE YEARS AHEAD BUT AT A MODERATE RATE.

THE FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE BOARD FORECAST THAT MANPOWER AT TECHNOLOGIST, TECHNICIAN AND CRAFT LEVELS SHOULD INCREASE EIGHT PER CENT, 4-1/2 PER CENT AND SEVEN PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

/THAT MEANT

THAT MEANT THAT EMPLOYERS SHOULD TRAIN ABOUT FOUR TECHNOLOGISTS, 34 TECHNICIANS AND 470 CRAFTSMEN ANNUALLY TO MEET THE GROWTH OF THE INDUSTRY.

THE BOARD ALSO STATED IN THE SURVEY THAT THE RAPID GROWTH OF THE INDUSTRY IN THE PAST 12 YEARS HAD RESULTED IN AN ACUTE SHORTAGE OF PROPERLY TRAINED CRAFTSMEN.

IF THE INDUSTRY WANTED TO MAINTAIN ITS SHARE OF INTERNATIONAL MARKETS, IT MUST MOVE UP MARKET IN TERMS OF QUALITY AND STYLING, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE COUNCIL'S JEWELLERY INDUSTRY TRAINING CENTRE IN KWAI CHUNG, SCHEDULED TO BE OPERATIONAL IN AUTUMN, WOULD PROVIDE BASIC TRAINING COURSES IN GOLDSMITHY (K-GOLD), GOLDSMITHY (FINE-GOLD) AND PRECIOUS STONE SETTING FOR ABOUT 100 TRAINEES, HE ADDED.

THE 1985 MANPOWER SURVEY REPORT ON THE JEWELLERY INDUSTRY IS AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE AT \$9.50 A COPY.

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EDUCATION CHIEF PRAISES PO LEUNG KUK
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THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, TODAY (FRIDAY) PRAISED THE PO LEUNG KUK FOR ITS EFFORTS IN PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF EDUCATION SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY.

SPEAKING AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE PO LEUNG KUK CHEE JING YIN PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SHA TIN, MR LEUNG PLACED ON RECORD HIS THANKS TO THE KUK FOR RUNNING SEVEN SECONDARY SCHOOLS, 10 PRIMARY SCHOOLS, THREE SPECIAL EDUCATION SCHOOLS AND SIX KINDERGARTENS WITH A TOTAL ENROLMENT OF MORE THAN 20 000 PUPILS.

THE NEW SCHOOL, WHICH BEGAN CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER, NOW HAD AN ENROLMENT OF MORE THAN 1 100 PUPILS ATTENDING 30 CLASSES IN AM AND PM SESSIONS, MR LEUNG NOTED.

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FOUR CANDIDATES CONTEST MONG KOK DB BY-ELECTION

FOUR CANDIDATES WILL CONTEST A SEAT ON THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD IN A BY-ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 22.

THE CANDIDATES FOR THE TAI KOK TSUI CONSTITUENCY ARE MR LAI SHIU-NIN (52), MR CHAN CHUNG-KIT (37), MR LEE CHUNG-MING (40) AND MISS ELAINE WONG (26).

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE WILL FILL THE SEAT VACATED BY A BOARD MEMBER WHO WAS ELECTED TO THE URBAN COUNCIL.

IN THE CHUNG WAN CONSTITUENCY OF CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT, MR YUEN BUN-KEUNG (42) WAS THE ONLY CANDIDATE, AND HAS BEEN DULY ELECTED UNOPPOSED. HIS SEAT WAS ALSO VACATED BY A MEMBER BEING ELECTED TO THE URBAN COUNCIL.

REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE TAI KOK TSUI CONSTITUENCY WILL RECEIVE POLL CARDS IN DUE COURSE INFORMING THEM OF THE ELECTION AND OF THE LOCATION OF THEIR POLLING STATIONS.

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HUNDREDS TO WALK FOR HOSPITAL EXTENSION

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE IN KWUN TONG WILL TAKE PART IN A WALK ROUND THE UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL THIS SUNDAY (MAY 4) TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE HOSPITAL'S EXTENSION PROJECT.

THE EVENT, +WALK WITH OUR HEARTS+, IS THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD TO RAISE \$5 MILLION FOR THE HOSPITAL.

+PARTICIPANTS IN THE FOUR-KILOMETRE CHARITY WALK SHOULD BRING ALONG THEIR SPONSORSHIP FORMS AND ARRIVE AT THE SAU NGA ROAD PLAYGROUND IN SAU MAU PING BY 10.30 AM,+ VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL EXTENSION FUND-RAISING ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LAM KIN-KWOK, SAID.

SO FAR, 8 000 SPONSORSHIP FORMS WERE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE.

+MORE THAN 70 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS INCLUDING SCHOOLS, FACTORIES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES HAVE ALREADY FORMED TEAMS TO JOIN THE WALK,+ MR LAM ADDED.

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THE TWO TELEVISION STATIONS WILL ALSO SEND ARTISTES TO WALK FOR THE EXTENSION PROJECT.

BEFORE THE WALK STARTS AT 10 AM, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, WILL PRESENT FLAGS TO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE 14 AREAS IN KWUN TONG TO INAUGURATE THE YEAR-LONG FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN CO-ORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS WILL INCLUDE THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR EDDY CHAN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED CHRISTIAN MEDICAL SERVICE, REVEREND KWOK NAI-WANG, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE, MRS JUNE LI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE +KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL EXTENSION FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN+ TO BE HELD AT 10 AM ON SUNDAY IN THE SAU NGA ROAD PLAYGROUND IN SAU MAU PING.

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DRAWING CONTEST FOR THE YOUNG
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THE 1986 INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN DRAWING CONTEST, WITH THE THEMES ON +MY HOME TOWN+ AND +MY FUTURE WORLD+, WILL BE HELD IN THE UC CENTENARY PARK IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST THIS SUNDAY (MAY 4) FROM 9 AM TO 3 PM.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS: SECTION A FOR THOSE AGED FOUR TO EIGHT; SECTION B FOR THOSE BETWEEN NINE AND 13; AND SECTION C FOR DISABLED CHILDREN UNDER 13.

THE EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICE, THE URBAN COUNCIL, HARBOUR JAYCEES AND SING TAO LIMITED, AND SPONSORED BY THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION.

AMONG OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR KWAN LIM-HO, YAU MA TEI ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS SUSAN MAK, AND CHAIRMAN OF TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION, MR LUI CHE-WOO.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

* YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1986 INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN DRAWING CONTEST WHICH WILL START AT 9 AM ON SUNDAY IN THE UC CENTENARY PARK IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

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SWIMMING POOL TO CLOSE FOR MAINTENANCE
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THE POPULAR MORRISON HILL SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX IN WAN CHAI, WHICH HAS REMAINED OPEN THROUGHOUT THE WINTER, WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED FROM NEXT MONDAY (MAY 5) TO FACILITATE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORK.

+IT WILL REOPEN IN TIME FOR THE PEAK SWIMMING SEASON IN JULY,+ SAID AN URBAN COUNCIL SPOKESMAN TODAY.

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CAUSEWAY BAY URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION
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THE EXISTING PEAK HOUR (7 AM-10 AM AND 4 PM-7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF PERCIVAL STREET BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 2 AND 6 WILL BE EXTENDED SOUTHWARDS ABOUT 20 METRES TO HOUSE NO. 14 FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 5).

NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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NO FLUSHING WATER
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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES IN SAN PO KONG WILL BE TURNED OFF BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5 PM ON MONDAY (MAY 5).

THIS IS TO FACILITATE MAINS WORK IN THE AREA.

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