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PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF APRIL EXTERNAL TRADE RELEASED
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THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS DECLINED BY THREE PER CENT WHILE THAT OF RE-EXPORTS GREW BY 40 PER CENT, GIVING A 13 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS, COMPARING THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF 1985 WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IMPORTS INCREASED BY 11 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY FOUR PER CENT AND FIVE PER CENT RESPECTIVELY WHILE THOSE OF IMPORTS DECLINED BY ONE PER CENT.

COMPARING APRIL 1985 WITH APRIL 1984, THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS INCREASED BY 13 PER CENT. WITHIN TOTAL EXPORTS, THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS DECREASED BY NINE PER CENT WHILE THAT OF RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY 52 PER CENT. IMPORTS INCREASED BY 10 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY TWO PER CENT AND THREE PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN APRIL 1985 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, PRICES INCREASED BY THREE PER CENT.

PRICES OF IMPORTS, ON THE OTHER HAND, DECREASED BY THREE PER CENT. AS A RESULT, THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX (EXPRESSED AS A RATIO OF THE TOTAL EXPORT PRICE INDEX TO THE IMPORT PRICE INDEX) ROSE BY SIX PER CENT.

EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF COMPARISON TO THE 12 MONTHS ENDING APRIL 1985 WITH THE 12 MONTHS ENDING APRIL 1984, THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY EIGHT PER CENT AND 33 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY, GIVING A 17 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS.

MEANWHILE, THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS ROSE BY 12 PER CENT. PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS, RE-EXPORTS AND IMPORTS ROSE, ON AVERAGE, BY NINE PER CENT, 10 PER CENT AND SIX PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

PRICES ARE BASED ON UNIT VALUES WHICH DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF GOODS TRADED, EXCEPT FOR SOME SELECTED COMMODITIES FOR WHICH SPECIFICATION PRICE INDEXES ARE COMPILED. CHANGES IN THE VOLUME OF TRADE ARE DERIVED FROM CHANGES IN TRADE VALUES, AFTER DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP FOR APRIL 1985 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 1.

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AS SEEN FROM TABLE 1, THE EXPORT PRICES OF SOME COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED IN APRIL 1985 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, RANGING FROM FOUR PER CENT FOR TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD TO 12 PER CENT FOR TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES.

DECREASES IN EXPORT PRICES WERE REGISTERED FOR COMMODITY GROUPS SUCH AS METAL ORES AND SCRAP (-19 PER CENT), WATCHES AND CLOCKS (-NINE PER CENT), DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES (-SIX PER CENT), TEXTILE FABRICS (-FOUR PER CENT) AND FOOTWEAR (-FOUR PER CENT).

THE DOMESTIC EXPORT VOLUME OF NEARLY ALL COMMODITY GROUPS DECREASED IN APRIL 1985 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, THE MORE SUBSTANTIAL ONES BEING TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD (-42 PER CENT), RADIOS OF ALL KINDS (-37 PER CENT), TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR ARTICLES (-25 PER CENT), ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS (-22 PER CENT), DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES (-19 PER CENT), TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES (-18 PER CENT), CLOTHING (-17 PER CENT) AND TEXTILE FABRICS (-16 PER CENT). HOWEVER, SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN DOMESTIC EXPORT VOLUME WAS RECORDED FOR METAL ORES AND SCRAP (+63 PER CENT).

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY FOR APRIL AND FOR JANUARY-APRIL OF 1985 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 2.

AS PRESENTED IN TABLE 2, IMPORT PRICES OF ALL THE END-USE CATEGORIES DECREASED IN APRIL 1985 AS COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, RANGING FROM -ONE PER CENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS TO -SEVEN PER CENT FOR FOODSTUFFS.

SOME OF THE MAJOR IMPORTED FOODSTUFFS DECLINED IN VOLUME TERMS IN APRIL 1985 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, THE MORE SIGNIFICANT ONES BEING TEA AND COFFEE; RICE AND SOYA BEAN OIL, PEANUT OIL AND LARD. HOWEVER, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR FRUIT; WHEAT AND FLOUR; CEREALS AND CEREAL PREPARATIONS, OTHER THAN RICE, WHEAT AND FLOUR AS WELL AS LIVE POULTRY.

OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF MANY CONSUMER GOODS INCREASED, THE MORE SUBSTANTIAL ONES BEING RADIOS, TELEVISION SETS, GRAMOPHONES, RECORDS, TAPE RECORDERS AND AMPLIFIERS; HOUSEHOLD TYPE ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES; PASSENGER MOTOR CARS; TOBACCO MANUFACTURES AS WELL AS CAMERAS, FLASHLIGHT APPARATUS AND SUPPLIES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY. HOWEVER, DECREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND MISCELLANEOUS MADE-UP ARTICLES OF TEXTILE MATERIALS.

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THE IMPORT VOLUME OF SOME OF THE RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES ROSE IN APRIL 1985 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, AMONG WHICH SIGNIFICANT INCREASES WERE RECORDED FOR WOOL AND OTHER ANIMAL HAIR; BASE METALS, EXCLUDING IRON AND STEEL; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS, SILK FABRICS AS WELL AS FABRICS OF MAN-MADE FIBRES.

HOWEVER, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF RAW COTTON; MAN-MADE FIBRES COTTON YARN AND THREAD; LEATHER AND DRESSED FUR SKINS; CLAY AND REFRACTORY CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, BUILDING MATERIALS, ETC., EXCEPT GLASS; AND CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS DECREASED RATHER SIGNIFICANTLY.

IMPORTS OF FUELS DROPPED BY 11 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS IN APRIL 1985.

IN THE CAPITAL GOODS CATEGORY, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF NEARLY ALL THE COMMODITIES INCREASED OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE MORE NOTABLE ONES BEING OFFICE MACHINES, TEXTILE MACHINERY, CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY AS WELL AS SCIENTIFIC, MEDICAL, OPTICAL, MEASURING AND CONTROLLING INSTRUMENTS AND APPARATUS.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY FOR APRIL AND FOR JANUARY-APRIL OF 1985 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 3.

AS DEPICTED IN TABLE 3, THE RE-EXPORT VOLUME OF NEARLY ALL THE END-USE CATEGORIES INCREASED IN APRIL 1985 WHEN COMPARED WITH APRIL 1984, RANGING FROM THREE PER CENT FOR FOODSTUFFS TO 108 PER CENT FOR CAPITAL GOODS. HOWEVER, THE RE-EXPORT VOLUME OF FUELS DECREASED BY 23 PER CENT.

FURTHER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE APRIL 1985 ISSUE OF THE +HONG KONG TRADE INDEX NUMBERS+, AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE ON JULY 10, 1985 AT HK\$2 PER COPY.

TABLE 1 : CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1985 WITH APRIL 1984 OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP

COMMODITY GROUP	VALUE	UNIT VALUE	VOLUME
	%	%	%
CLOTHING	- 12	+ 7	- 17
TEXTILE FABRICS	- 19	- 4	- 16
TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD	- 40	+ 4	- 42

/TEXTILE MADE-UPS

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TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES	- 8	+ 12	- 18
RADIOS OF ALL KINDS	- 36	*	- 37
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	- 24	- 2	- 22
FOOTWEAR	- 5	- 4	- 2
METAL MANUFACTURES	- 2	+ 5	- 7
METAL ORES AND SCRAP	+ 32	- 19	+ 63
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	- 7	- 9	+ 2
TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR ARTICLES	- 19	+ 7	- 25
DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES	- 24	- 6	- 19
ALL COMMODITIES	- 8	+ 2	- 9

* INSIGNIFICANT, I.E. LESS THAN $\pm 0.5\%$

TABLE 2 : CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1985 WITH APRIL 1984 OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY

END-USE CATEGORY	VALUE	UNIT VALUE	VOLUME
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	%	%	%
FOODSTUFFS	- 2	- 7	+ 5
CONSUMER GOODS	+ 21	- 1	+ 22
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	- 1	- 3	+ 2
FUELS	- 14	- 4	- 11
CAPITAL GOODS	+ 19	- 2	+ 22
ALL COMMODITIES	+ 7	- 3	+ 10

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TABLE 3 : CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1985 WITH APRIL 1984
OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY

END-USE CATEGORY	VALUE	UNIT VALUE	VOLUME
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	%	%	%
FOODSTUFFS	+ 6	+ 3	+ 3
CONSUMER GOODS	+ 53	+ 1	+ 52
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	+ 47	+ 4	+ 41
FUELS	- 19	+ 6	- 23
CAPITAL GOODS	+118	+ 5	+108
ALL COMMODITIES	+ 56	+ 3	+ 52

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RIGHT-TURN GREEN ARROW SIGNAL TO BE INTRODUCED

A NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL AIMED AT IMPROVING TRAFFIC FLOW AND PREVENTING ACCIDENTS INVOLVING RIGHT-TURNING VEHICLES AT BUSY JUNCTIONS WILL BE INTRODUCED ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS AT THE TAI PO ROAD JUNCTION WITH CASTLE PEAK ROAD ON TUESDAY (JULY 9), AND AT THE ARGYLE STREET JUNCTION WITH YIM PO FONG STREET THE FOLLOWING DAY.

+THE SIGNAL, AN INDICATIVE GREEN ARROW FOR RIGHT-TURNING VEHICLES, WILL BE TRIED OUT AT 15 SELECTED JUNCTIONS IN KOWLOON, + A SENIOR ENGINEER OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL AND SURVEILLANCE DIVISION OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, MR ROBERT SIMPSON, EXPLAINED. THE TRIAL PROGRAMME WOULD TAKE 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

MR SIMPSON SAID THE RIGHT-TURN GREEN ARROW WOULD BE INSTALLED AS AN ADDITION TO THE GREEN LENS ON SECONDARY SIGNALS AT JUNCTIONS WITH A HIGH RIGHT-TURNING TRAFFIC VOLUME.

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+UNLIKE THE GREEN ARROWS CURRENTLY USED FOR AHEAD OR LEFT-TURN FILTER MOVEMENTS, WHICH ARE ALWAYS EXTINGUISHED WHEN THE FULL GREEN IS LIT, THE INDICATIVE RIGHT-TURN GREEN ARROW WILL ONLY BE LIT WHEN THE GREEN LIGHT IS ON,+ HE SAID.

+WHEN A RIGHT-TURN GREEN ARROW IS LIT, IT ONLY INDICATES TO DRIVERS THAT THE ASPECTS FOR THE ONCOMING OPPOSING TRAFFIC HAS TURNED TO RED, AND MOTORISTS CAN THEREFORE TURN RIGHT UNOPPOSED.

+IN A SITUATION WHERE THE INDICATIVE GREEN ARROW IS OFF AND ONLY THE GREEN LIGHT IS ON, THIS MEANS THAT THE ASPECTS ARE GREEN FOR THE OPPOSING TRAFFIC FLOW. IN SUCH A CASE, MOTORISTS CAN STILL TURN RIGHT BUT THEY HAVE TO EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN CROSSING THE ONCOMING TRAFFIC,+ MR SIMPSON STRESSED.

UNDER THE PRESENT SIGNALLING ARRANGEMENT AT SOME JUNCTIONS, RIGHT-TURNERS ARE LEFT TO JUDGE NOT ONLY WHEN AN ACCEPTABLE GAP OCCURRED IN THE ONCOMING TRAFFIC FLOW BUT ALSO SIMULTANEOUSLY TO JUDGE WHETHER OR NOT THE ASPECTS HAD TURNED TO RED FOR OPPOSING TRAFFIC. IN LOW OR UNSTABLE TRAFFIC FLOW CONDITIONS, THIS COULD LEAD TO POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS.

AT OTHER JUNCTIONS, A SEPARATE PHASE FOR RIGHT-TURNING TRAFFIC IS PROVIDED, I.E., VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED TO TURN RIGHT ONLY WHEN ASPECTS FOR THE ONCOMING TRAFFIC ARE SET TO RED. THIS METHOD OF CONTROL, THOUGH DESIRABLE FROM THE SAFETY POINT OF VIEW, WOULD HOWEVER REDUCE THE CAPACITY AT JUNCTIONS, PARTICULARLY FOR RIGHT-TURNING VEHICLES.

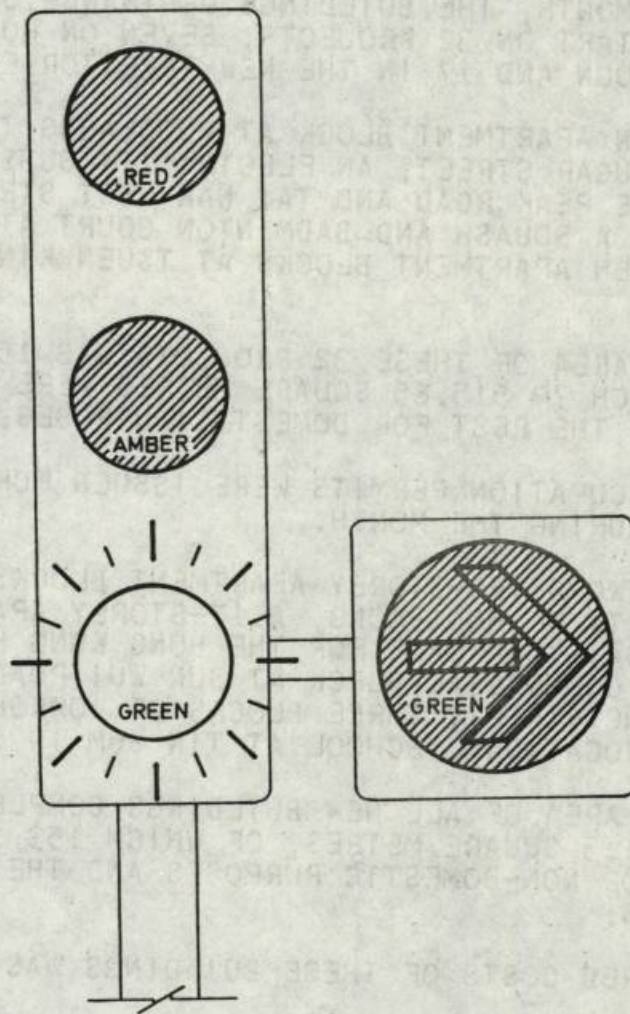
+THE INDICATIVE RIGHT-TURN GREEN ARROW PROVIDES A SIMPLE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM AS IT CAN REMOVE HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS AT JUNCTIONS WITHOUT REDUCING TRAFFIC CAPACITY. IN FACT, THE SIGNAL HAS BEEN WIDELY AND SUCCESSFULLY ADOPTED IN BRITIAN,+ MR SIMPSON NOTED.

HE SAID THE NEW GREEN ARROW WOULD BE INTRODUCED AT 13 OTHER JUNCTIONS AT THE RATE OF ABOUT TWO A MONTH AFTER JULY. THESE LOCATIONS INCLUDE : NATHAN ROAD JUNCTION WITH PUBLIC SQUARE STREET, GASCOIGNE ROAD, SALISBURY ROAD AND PEKING ROAD; JORDON ROAD JUNCTION WITH COX'S ROAD, FERRY STREET AND GASCOIGNE ROAD; WATERLOO ROAD JUNCTION WITH FERRY STREET AND PUI CHING ROAD; LAI CHI KOK ROAD JUNCTION WITH TONKIN STREET, SALISBURY ROAD JUNCTION WITH CHATHAM ROAD, GASCOIGNE ROAD JUNCTION WITH WYLIE ROAD, AND AUSTIN ROAD JUNCTION WITH COX'S ROAD.

THE TRIAL PROGRAMME WILL BE CLOSELY MONITORED BY THE TRAFFIC CONTROL AND SURVEILLANCE DIVISION AS WELL AS THE ROAD SAFETY AND STANDARDS DIVISION.

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Indicative Green Arrow for Right-turning Vehicles



When the indicative green arrow is off and only the green light is on, motorists can still turn right but they have to exercise caution when crossing the oncoming traffic in acceptable gaps.

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37 BUILDING PLANS APPROVED IN MAY
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THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE APPROVED 37 BUILDING PLANS IN MAY - NINE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, SEVEN IN KOWLOON AND 21 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THESE INCLUDED A SIX-STOREY APARTMENT BLOCK AT WAN CHAI GAP ROAD, A 19-STOREY HOTEL BLOCK AT SALISBURY ROAD, A RECREATIONAL BUILDING AT MUI WO ON LANTAU ISLAND, A FACTORY BUILDING AT THE TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AND A COMMERCIAL CENTRE AT PAK SHA WAN IN SAI KUNG.

DURING THE SAME MONTH, THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE GAVE CONSENT FOR WORK TO START ON 32 PROJECTS, SEVEN ON HONG KONG ISLAND, EIGHT IN KOWLOON AND 17 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THESE INCLUDED AN APARTMENT BLOCK AT WOODLANDS TERRACE, A COMMERCIAL BLOCK AT SUGAR STREET, AN ELECTRICITY SUBSTATION AT THE JUNCTION OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND TAI NAN WEST STREET, A FACTORY IN YUEN LONG, A SQUASH AND BADMINTON COURT AT LO WAI IN TSUEN WAN, AND SEVEN APARTMENT BLOCKS AT TSUEN KING CIRCUIT, ALSO IN TSUEN WAN.

THE TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF THESE 32 PROJECTS WAS 158 330.95 SQUARE METRES, OF WHICH 79 515.65 SQUARE METRES WERE FOR NON-DOMESTIC PURPOSES AND THE REST FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES.

A TOTAL OF 33 OCCUPATION PERMITS WERE ISSUED FOR NEWLY-COMPLETED BUILDINGS DURING THE MONTH.

THESE INCLUDED TWO SEVEN-STOREY APARTMENT BLOCKS AT POKFIELD ROAD FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, A 17-STOREY APARTMENT-COMMUNITY CENTRE AT SAI YUEN LANE FOR THE HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY, A 21-STOREY COMMERCIAL BLOCK AT SUN WUI ROAD, A SCHOOL EXTENSION AT WING MING STREET, THREE BLOCKS OF WORKSHOP ON TSING YI ISLAND, AND A PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL AT TIN SUM IN SHA TIN.

THE TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF ALL NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED DURING THE MONTH WAS 283 741.3 SQUARE METRES, OF WHICH 153 195.6 SQUARE METRES WERE FOR NON-DOMESTIC PURPOSES AND THE REMAINDER FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES.

THE TOTAL DECLARED COSTS OF THESE BUILDINGS WAS ABOUT \$851.6 MILLION.

THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE ALSO ISSUED 16 DEMOLITION ORDERS IN RESPECT OF 36 BUILDINGS DURING THE MONTH.

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FROM COURTHOUSE TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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FROM OCTOBER THIS YEAR, HONG KONG'S VENERABLE AND HISTORIC SUPREME COURT BUILDING IN THE HEART OF CENTRAL WILL BECOME A BEEHIVE OF ACTIVITY -- NOT FOR DELIBERATIONS OF THE COURT, BUT FOR DISCUSSIONS AND DEBATES ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

SINCE THE JUDICIARY VACATED THE 73-YEAR-OLD BUILDING IN JULY 1984 TO MOVE TO ITS NEW HEADQUARTERS ON QUEENSWAY, THE OLD COURT HOUSE HAS BEEN UNDERGOING INTERNAL REMODELLING TO SUIT THE NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE MODERN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

+THE MOVE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBER FROM ITS PRESENT LOCATION IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES WILL PHYSICALLY SEPARATE THE LEGISLATURE FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND ENHANCE THE STANDING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN THE COMMUNITY IN A MORE PUBLIC VENUE,+ A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE COURT HAS SEVERAL LARGE ROOMS AND IS IDEALLY SUITED FOR USE AS THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, HE ADDED.

THE BUILDING WILL ALSO HOUSE THE OFFICES OF THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS (UMELCO) AND OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SECTION OF THE SECRETARIAT'S COUNCILS DIVISION.

TWO YEARS AGO THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL APPROVED THAT THE BUILDING BE CONVERTED FOR USE AS THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND FOR ASSOCIATED PURPOSES AFTER DECLARING THE EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING OF HISTORIC INTEREST.

PRELIMINARY STUDIES BY THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOUND THAT THE LANDMARK WAS QUITE SOUND IN ITS FOUNDATIONS AND SUPERSTRUCTURE.

THE DEPARTMENT ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE CONVERSION COULD BE CARRIED OUT IN A WAY WHICH WOULD NOT ONLY RETAIN THE CHARACTER OF THE BUILDING BUT WOULD ADAPT IT EFFECTIVELY TO ITS NEW ROLE.

SENIOR ARCHITECT, MR ROGER MATTHEWS, SAID THAT CHANGES ARE NOW BEING MADE BY A CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, WHICH WAS AWARDED THE \$37.5 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONVERSION AND GENERAL FITTING-OUT WORK.

HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, LIFT, ELECTRICAL AND FIRE SERVICES WORKS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT BY SEPARATE SUB-CONTRACTORS.

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A FURTHER SPECIALIST CONTRACTOR WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE, HE SAID, FOR THE PRINCIPAL SPACES SUCH AS THE CHAMBER, THE ANTE-CHAMBER AND THE UMELCO SOCIAL-DINING AREA.

SERVICING THE BUILDING TO CONTEMPORARY STANDARDS HAD ALSO MEANT VERY CAREFUL PLANNING OF TRUNKING AND CONDUIT ROUTINGS, MACHINERY LOCATIONS, AND EQUIPMENT SELECTION, MR MATTHEWS POINTED OUT, AND THESE WERE NOW PROGRESSING TOGETHER WITH THE MAIN WORK.

THE FIRST STAGE OF THE WORKS, MR MATTHEWS NOTED, HAD BEEN THE CAREFUL DEMOLITION AND REMOVAL OF REDUNDANT PARTITIONS, ENCLOSURES, AIR-CONDITIONING AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

THESE DEMOLITION WORKS HAVE BEEN FOLLOWED BY STRUCTURAL CONVERSION WORKS, INCLUDING RECONSTRUCTION OF THE TWO PRINCIPAL STAIRCASES, THE ADDITION OF A PASSENGER LIFT AND DUMB-WAITER, AND INSTALLING TWO GALLERIES INTO THE CHAMBER ITSELF.

IN SOME PARTS OF THE BUILDING, THE OLD BRICK AND GRANITE STRUCTURE HAD REQUIRED STRENGTHENING, PARTICULARLY THOSE ELEMENTS WHICH SUFFERED FROM DE-WATERING AND SETTLEMENT OF THE GROUND DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION'S CENTRAL STATION.

AFTER CONVERSION, THE FIRST FLOOR WILL BE USED AS THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER WITH CONFERENCE FACILITIES, AND THE GROUND AND SECOND FLOORS OF THE THREE-STORY COURT BUILDING WILL BE OCCUPIED BY UMELCO.

KEEPING UP WITH MODERN DAY DEVELOPMENT THE CHAMBER WILL HAVE SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION FACILITIES AS WELL AS IMPROVED ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOUR PERMANENT TELEVISION POSITIONS AND FOUR RADIO COMMENTARY BOXES AT THE SECOND FLOOR LEVEL.

ON THE FIRST FLOOR, THERE WILL ALSO BE A SUITE FOR THE GOVERNOR (OR +PRESIDENT+ OF THE COUNCIL) AND HIS SUPPORTING STAFF, A FINANCE COMMITTEE ROOM, TWO CONFERENCE ROOMS FOR UMELCO, AND A PRESS ROOM.

FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED ON THE GROUND FLOOR ARE THE COMPLAINTS OFFICE ROOMS, THREE INTERVIEW ROOMS, ONE COMPLAINTS WAITING ROOM, ONE COMPLAINTS MEETING ROOM, A GENERAL OFFICE WITH PRINTING FACILITIES AND A KITCHEN.

THE TOP FLOOR WILL HAVE OFFICES FOR UMELCO, A LIBRARY MEMBERS' SUITE AND A SOCIAL-DINING AREA FOR OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS.

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THE IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS OF THE BUILDING ARE ALSO BEING IMPROVED IN A MANNER APPROPRIATE TO THE PRECINCTS OF THE BUILDING, WHICH WILL BE DEFINED BY MEANS OF CAST-IRON EDWARDIAN LAMP STANDARDS AND BOLLARDS. AND WITHIN THE PRECINCTS, THERE WILL BE REMODELLING, USING MOSTLY HARD LANDSCAPE, BUT WITH SOME TREES.

ORIGINALLY DESIGNATED THE COURTS OF JUSTICE, THE BUILDING WAS CONSTRUCTED DURING THE PERIOD 1899-1910. A MEMORIAL STONE WAS LAID IN NOVEMBER 1903 BY THE THEN GOVERNOR OF HONG KONG, SIR HARRY ARTHUR BLAKE.

THE BUILDING WAS OCCUPIED IN JANUARY 1912 AND SINCE THEN HAS HAD A SPECIAL POSITION AS THE CENTRE OF LEGAL AND JUDICIAL LIFE IN HONG KONG, IN ADDITION TO BEING A FAMILIAR LANDMARK.

IT WAS DESIGNED IN LONDON BY ARCHITECTS ASTON WEBB AND INGRESS BELL.

THE STYLE OF THE BUILDING IS +ECLECTIC+ - COMBINING FEATURES BELONGING TO THE +ENGLISH SCHOOL+ WITH ELEMENTS OF GREEK ARCHITECTURE.

THE BUILDING IS SURROUNDED BY TALL GRANITE COLUMNS SIMILAR TO IONIC ORDER, 18 METRES HIGH, AND AN ORNAMENTAL BALUSTRADE.

THE CENTRAL PORTION IS SURMOUNTED BY A PEDIMENT CONTAINING A SEMI-CIRCULAR OPENING AROUND WHICH ARE GROUPED THE ROYAL ARMS AND THE FIGURES OF MERCY AND TRUTH. ABOVE THE PEDIMENT IS A STATUE OF THE GREEK GODDESS +THEMIS+, DENOTING JUSTICE, WHICH STANDS THREE METRES HIGH.

THE WHOLE BUILDING IS FACED WITH GRANITE AND IS CROWNED BY A GRACEFUL DOME WITH FOUR PINNACLES AT EACH CORNER.

LARGE TILED ROOFS WITH GENEROUS EAVES SUPPORTED ON BLACK PAINTED TIMBER BRACKETS COVER THE REST OF THE BUILDING.

DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE THREE LARGE COURTS, THE BUILDING HAS BEEN MODIFIED INTERNALLY SEVERAL TIMES SINCE IT WAS COMPLETED TO HOUSE A TOTAL OF 10 COURTROOMS; AND IT WAS IN THIS CONDITION THAT THE JUDICIARY SURRENDERED THE BUILDING.

ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE MAIN ROOMS HAVE RETAINED THEIR ORIGINAL STYLES, OTHERS HAVE BEEN ALTERED TO SUIT MODERN NEEDS. WORK ON THE EXTERIOR, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN PRIMARILY OF A RESTORATIVE NATURE TO PRESERVE THE HISTORIC VALUE OF THE BUILDING.

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SPECIAL QUEEN MOTHER STAMPS
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A SPECIAL SET OF STAMPS ON THE LIFE AND TIMES OF QUEEN ELIZABETH, THE QUEEN MOTHER WILL BE ISSUED BY THE POST OFFICE ON AUGUST 7.

THIS SET IS PART OF AN OMNIBUS SERIES, ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 19 OTHER POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS, FEATURING VARIOUS SCENES, PORTRAITS AND HISTORICAL EVENTS.

THIS IS THE SECOND TIME THAT HONG KONG IS PRODUCING STAMPS DEPICTING THE QUEEN MOTHER. A \$1.3 STAMP WAS ISSUED ON AUGUST 4, 1980 TO COMMEMORATE HER 80TH BIRTHDAY.

THE STAMPS, WHICH HAVE ALL BEEN APPROVED BY THE QUEEN AND THE QUEEN MOTHER ARE IN DENOMINATIONS OF 40 CENTS, \$1, \$1.3 AND \$5.

THEY HAVE BEEN DESIGNED BY THE RENOWNED BRITISH ARTIST, CLIVE ABBOTT, AND PRINTED IN UNWATERMARKED PAPER.

OFFICIAL FIRST DAY COVERS AT 50 CENTS EACH WILL BE ON SALE ON JULY 24.

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REMINDER TO NT LORRY DRIVERS
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LORRY DRIVERS DELIVERING MUD, DEBRIS AND ALL KINDS OF REFUSE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ARE ADVISED TO PROPERLY COVER THEIR VEHICLES WITH CANVAS OR PLASTIC SHEET SO AS TO PREVENT RUBBISH FROM BEING BLOWN ONTO THE ROAD.

THEY ARE ALSO REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO WASH THE WHEELS OF THEIR VEHICLES BEFORE LEAVING CONSTRUCTION SITES.

UNDER THE PUBLIC CLEANSING AND PREVENTION OF NUISANCES (NEW TERRITORIES) REGULATIONS, OFFENDERS WILL BE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5 000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, 90 PERSONS WERE CONVICTED OF THE OFFENCES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES RESULTING IN A TOTAL FINE OF \$40 400.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO STRESSED THAT IF EFFORTS TO CATCH THE DRIVER OF THE OFFENDING VEHICLE PROVE UNSUCCESSFUL, THE REGISTERED OWNER OR HIRER OF THE VEHICLE COULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OFFENCES.

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URBCO MEETS BEFORE RECESS

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THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL HOLD ITS LAST MONTHLY OPEN MEETING AT 2.30 P.M. ON TUESDAY BEFORE ITS GOES INTO ITS SUMMER RECESS.

THE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN, WILL MAKE A STATEMENT AND THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE MARKETS AND STREET TRADERS SELECT COMMITTEE, MR LEE CHIK-YUET, WILL MOVE A MOTION TO DECLARE A NUMBER OF MARKETS.

DURING QUESTION TIME, MRS MARGARET LI WILL ASK WHETHER THERE IS A PRIORITY LIST FOR CUTTING COSTS WITHOUT CUTTING SERVICES.

SHE WILL ALSO ENQUIRE IF THE COUNCIL WOULD MEASURE THE STRENGTH AND FORCE OF THE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND AUDIT UNIT OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT OR ENLIST THE SERVICES OF OUTSIDE MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS.

MR KWAN LIM-HO WANTS TO KNOW IF THE COUNCIL WOULD CONSIDER DEVELOPING THE OPEN SPACE AT THE JUNCTION OF MAN CHEONG STREET AND FERRY STREET INTO A BMX VELODROME, SIMILAR TO THE ONE AT LAI KOK ESTATE.

COUNCILLORS WILL DISCUSS NINE PAPERS AT COMMITTEE STAGE. THESE INCLUDE THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE PUBLIC TOILET AND SITTING-OUT AREA AT LAN KWAI FONG, THE ALIENATION OF A PORTION OF THE AMENITY PLOT NEAR THE JORDAN ROAD VEHICULAR FERRY PIER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL VEHICULAR FERRY BERTH, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SITTING-OUT AREA AT KOWLOON PARK.

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BOOK REPORT WRITING COMPETITION ORGANISED

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IN SUPPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR 1985, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE URBAN COUNCIL PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARE ORGANISING A BOOK REPORT WRITING COMPETITION FOR SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

THE COMPETITION IS AIMED AT PROMOTING WIDE READING AND ENCOURAGING STUDENTS TO READ DURING THE SUMMER VACATION, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

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THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTORS -- THE SENIOR SECONDARY SECTION FOR STUDENTS OF FORM 4 TO 7, THE JUNIOR SECONDARY SECTION FOR FORM 1 TO 3 STUDENTS AND UPPER PRIMARY SECTION FOR STUDENTS OF PRIMARY 4 TO 6.

THOSE WISHING TO TAKE PART ARE ADVISED TO READ SUPPLEMENTARY CHINESE BOOKS, INCLUDING FABLES, STORIES, FICTIONS AND BIOGRAPHIES.

ENTRANTS SHOULD BE PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AND HOLDERS OF URBAN COUNCIL PUBLIC LIBRARY CARDS. THEY SHOULD ALSO BE MEMBERS OF THE URBAN COUNCIL READING PROGRAMME.

THE LENGTH OF ENTRIES FOR THE SENIOR SECONDARY GROUP AND JUNIOR SECONDARY GROUP SHOULD NOT BE MORE THAN 1 500 AND 1 000 WORDS RESPECTIVELY WHILE UPPER PRIMARY GROUP SHOULD NOT BE MORE THAN 500 WORDS.

EACH STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO SUBMIT ONE ENTRY WHICH MUST BE THE ORIGINAL WORK WRITTEN ON CHINESE DRAFTING PAPER VERTICALLY OR HORIZONTALLY WITH PUNCTUATION MARKS WRITTEN INSIDE THE SQUARES. STUDENTS ARE ADVISED NOT TO WRITE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PAPER.

THE BOOK REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE BOOK, WRITER, PUBLISHER, SUMMARY OF CONTENT AND COMMENTS.

STUDENTS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR ENTRIES THROUGH THEIR SCHOOL HEADS TO THE CHINESE SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30.

BOOK COUPONS AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE AWARDED TO WINNING ENTRIES AND THERE WILL BE A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD PRIZE AND SEVEN MERIT AWARDS FOR EACH CATEGORY.

RESULTS WILL BE POSTED IN ALL URBAN COUNCIL PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN NOVEMBER AND PRIZE-WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY LETTERS SENT TO THEIR SCHOOLS.

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TREE-PLANTING DAYS ARRANGED
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THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS ARRANGED FOR A TREE PLANTING DAY TO BE HELD IN EACH OF THE NINE DISTRICTS IN THE NON-URBAN AREAS.

TWO SUCH DISTRICT-LEVEL TREE PLANTING CAMPAIGNS WILL BE ORGANISED THIS WEEK.

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ONE WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY (JULY 9) IN NORTH DISTRICT WHERE SOME 60 ENVIRONMENT-CONSCIOUS STUDENTS FROM THREE SCHOOLS WILL PLANT 40 SAPLINGS AT THE KWU TUNG GRASS SOCCER PITCH IN SHEUNG SHUI.

THEY WILL BE JOINED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, MR PANG HANG-YIN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, MR LAW CHAK-TONG, THE DISTRICT OFFICER (NORTH), MR PETER TAM, AND THE NORTH DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER, MR CHU KWONG-MAN.

THE OTHER TREE PLANTING DAY WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY (JULY 11), AT A MINI-SOCCER PITCH ON PENG CHAU ISLAND FOR THE ISLANDS DISTRICT RESIDENTS.

TAKING PART IN THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD, MR LAM WAI-KEUNG, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD, MR YOUNG WING-YAU, THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (ISLANDS), MR RAYMOND WONG, THE ISLANDS DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER, MR TAM PAK-HANG, AND THE ISLANDS DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT, MR IP KIT-TIT.

THEY WILL BE JOINED BY 30 STUDENTS WHO WILL PLANT 50 TREES TO MARK THE OCCASION.

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VALUE OF YOUTH PROJECTS STRESSED
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THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS HAS BEEN UNDERLINED IN THE PLANNING OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME, DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN MAK, SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

+THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WILL HAVE MORE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES OR SOCIAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE MORE CONCERNED AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR COMMUNITY,+ MR MAK SAID.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SCOUTS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, KOWLOON BAY DISTRICT.

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THERE ARE ABOUT 400 EVENTS IN THE KWUN TONG 'SYP', RANGING FROM RECREATION, SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT ACTIVITIES TO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMMES.

+THIS YEAR, THERE WAS A 30 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMMES ORGANISED FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF KWUN TONG,+ SAID MR MAK.

THE SIX-WEEK SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WILL START OFF NEXT WEEK WITH A FAMILY FILM SHOW AND A TREE PLANTING DAY FOR YOUTHS.

MR MAK URGED THE MORE THAN 250 000 YOUTHS IN THE DISTRICT TO JOIN THE PROGRAMME, WHICH HAS, LIKE MANY OTHER DISTRICTS, ADOPTED THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR THEME OF 'PARTICIPATION, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE'.

THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE RECEIVED ABOUT 700 APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS FROM MORE THAN 100 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS TO ORGANISE ACTIVITIES. THE COMMITTEE APPROVED 391 APPLICATIONS.

KWUN TONG DISTRICT WAS ALLOCATED \$345 000 FROM THE JOCKEY CLUB FUND.

PUBLICITY PAMPHLETS AND BOOKMARKS ON THE SYP ARE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, ITS SUB-OFFICES AND LOCAL YOUTH ORGANISATIONS. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 3-416315.

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FREE GAMES COUPONS FOR YOUTH CARNIVAL
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THE SEVEN-WEEK NORTH DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME, FEATURING VARIOUS RECREATIONAL, SPORTS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES, WILL BE OPENED ON SUNDAY (JULY 14).

A CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD TO LAUNCH THE PROGRAMME AT THE CENTRAL PLAYGROUND OF CHEUNG WAH ESTATE IN FANLING.

ABOUT 15 GAME STALLS WILL BE PUT UP AT THE CARNIVAL BY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, THE ICAC AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS TO PROVIDE FUN AND GAMES FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ALIKE.

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PARTICIPANTS ARE ADVISED THEY CAN OBTAIN FREE GAMES COUPONS WHICH ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS BRANCH OFFICES AND THE HOUSING ESTATE OFFICES AT CHOI YUEN ESTATE AND CHEUNG WAH ESTATE.

THE ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER TAM, AND THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR RAYMOND PANG, WILL OFFICIATE AT AN OPENING CEREMONY.

OTHER EVENTS OF THE NORTH DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME INCLUDE VARIOUS SPORTS TRAINING AND COMPETITIONS, BARBECUES, FORUMS, PICNICS, VOLUNTEER TRAINING AND TRAINING CAMPS.

A LEAFLET WITH DETAILED INFORMATION OF THE PROGRAMME CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES.

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CARNIVAL FUN FOR YOUTHS
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HUNDREDS OF YOUNGSTERS IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT HAD LOTS OF FUN AND GAMES THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON AT A CARNIVAL MARKING THE OPENING OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR JASPER LAM, URGED YOUTHS TO MAKE GOOD USE OF THEIR VACATION BY ACTIVELY TAKING PART IN THE MANY ACTIVITIES ARRANGED FOR THEM OVER THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, HE SAID: +THESE ACTIVITIES, WHICH INCLUDE RECREATION, SPORTS, CRAFTWORK, INTEREST COURSES AND ACADEMIC ITEMS, WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTHS TO DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL, AND TO BETTER UNDERSTAND HUMAN RELATIONSHIP AND THE COMMUNITY THEY LIVE IN.+

+PARENTS SHOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE THEIR CHILDREN TO SPEND MORE TIME ON HEALTHY ACTIVITIES, RATHER THAN ALLOW THEM TO BE IDLE AND RISK FALLING INTO CRIME,+ MR LAM SAID.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS DONATED \$150 000 FOR ORGANISING SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT. A BOOKLET CONTAINING DETAILS OF THESE ACTIVITIES CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS BRANCH OFFICES.

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ADDITIONAL WORK ON TUEN MUN TOWN PARK
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THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND PHASE OF THE TUEN MUN TOWN PARK.

THE PARK, WHICH WILL COVER ABOUT 11.5 HECTARES, IS LOCATED NEXT TO THE NEW TOWN CENTRE AND CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND THE MAJOR HOUSING ESTATES OF YAU OI, ON TING AND SAN FAT.

THE MAIN FEATURE OF THE PROJECT'S SECOND PHASE IS A WATER CASCADE TO BE BUILT ON AN ARTIFICIAL HILL. THE HILL WILL BE PROVIDED WITH PATHWAYS, FOUR FOOTBRIDGES AND ACCESS TO A NUMBER OF VIEWING POINTS AT DIFFERENT LEVELS. SMALLER CASCADES AND POOLS FOR CHILDREN WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT.

OTHER FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED ARE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS, A ROLLER SKATING RINK ON A 1 600-SQUARE-METRE SITE NEAR YAU OI ESTATE, AND A PROMENADE LINKING YAU OI ESTATE TO PUI TO ROAD.

THE PARK WILL BE EXTENSIVELY LANDSCAPED AND SURROUNDED BY ATTRACTIVELY MOUNDED AND PLANTED AREAS.

WORK ON THE SECOND PHASE WILL START IN SEPTEMBER WHEN THE FIRST PHASE OF THE PARK IS COMPLETED.

WORK ON THE FIRST PHASE, WHICH INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LARGE ORNAMENTAL LAKE, WITH BOATING FACILITIES AND AN ISLAND CAFE, AN AMPHITHEATRE FOR OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT, CHILDREN'S PLAY AND SITTING AREAS, A PAVILION, TOILETS AND OTHER ANCILLARY FACILITIES, STARTED IN OCTOBER, 1983.

THESE FACILITIES WILL BE OPENED TO THE PUBLIC LATER THIS YEAR.

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