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COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REVIEW
POST-SECONDARY AND HIGHER EDUCATION
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WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, MR KEN TOPLEY IS TO RELINQUISH ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 20) HIS APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION TO UNDERTAKE AN IN-DEPTH STUDY OF HONG KONG'S HIGHER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AS FULL-TIME CHAIRMAN OF A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW POST-SECONDARY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

IT IS INTENDED THAT ON COMPLETION OF THIS REVIEW MR TOPLEY SHOULD ASSUME A NEW POST OF SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

THE REVIEW OF POST-SECONDARY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION HAS BEEN ORDERED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL IN THE LIGHT OF ADVICE FROM THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE, THE REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSIFICATION AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.

MR TOPLEY, AGED 58, FIRST JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A CADET OFFICER IN NOVEMBER 1955. HE WAS PROMOTED THROUGH THE RANKS TO ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE A IN NOVEMBER 1972. DURING THAT PERIOD, HE HELD MANY SENIOR APPOINTMENTS, INCLUDING THOSE OF COMMISSIONER FOR CO-OPERATIVES AND FISHERIES, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF LABOUR, SECRETARY OF UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMITTEE, COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS AND DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE. HE WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN SEPTEMBER 1974.

MR TOPLEY'S PLACE AS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION WILL BE FILLED BY THE PROMOTION OF MR COLVYN HAYE, CURRENTLY DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION.

MR HAYE IS 54. HE WAS FIRST APPOINTED AS AN EDUCATION OFFICER IN JUNE 1953. HE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER IN SEPTEMBER 1962, TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN MAY 1969 AND TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN NOVEMBER 1975.

FULL MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW POST-SECONDARY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

CHAIRMAN : THE HON K.W.J. TOPLEY, CMG, JP

MEMBERS : THE HON S.L. CHEN, OBE, JP
MR Q.W. LEE, CBE, JP
DR C.J. SYMONS, CBE, JP
MR ANDREW LI
MRS E.L. ALLEYNE, MBE, JP
DR CHEN FONG-CHING
DR Y.K. CHING, JP
SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES
(THE HON E.P. HO, JP)
SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES
(THE HON D.G. JEAFFRESON, JP)
DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY
(MR HENRY CHING, JP)
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
(MR C.H. HAYE, JP)
SECRETARY , UPGC
(MR W.M. BRADLEY, JP)

/THEIR TERMS .....

THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE ARE:

HAVING REGARD TO:

(1) THE ADVICE OF THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE THAT THE MAINTENANCE OF A GROWTH RATE OF THREE PERCENT PER ANNUM FOR THE UNIVERSITIES AND A CEILING OF 12 000 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENTS AT THE POLYTECHNIC INTO THE 1980'S WOULD HAVE UNCOMFORTABLE IMPLICATIONS FOR HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING, AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE A SURVEY OF ALL TERTIARY AND HIGHER LEVEL EDUCATION, TAKING FULLY INTO ACCOUNT THE TYPE AND RANGE OF COURSES OFFERED BY THE POLYTECHNIC AND THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES=

(2) THE CONCERN OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSIFICATION THAT:

(A) THE CURRENT HIGHER EDUCATION TARGETS MAY NOT PRODUCE SUFFICIENT SKILLED AND/OR PROFESSIONALLY TRAINED PERSONNEL (PARTICULARLY IN THE TECHNOLOGICAL FIELD) TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF POTENTIAL STUDENTS AND THE NEEDS OF THE ECONOMY= AND

(B) THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES SHOULD ACHIEVE GREATER FLEXIBILITY OF RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF INDUSTRY= AND

(C) PART-TIME ADULT EDUCATION SHOULD BE A MEANS FOR UP-GRADING HONG KONG'S MANPOWER=

(3) THE INCREASE IN FEES AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS WHICH CURTAIL THE NUMBERS OF HONG KONG STUDENTS OBTAINING PLACES IN TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS OVERSEAS AND MAY THUS RENDER INVALID THE PREVIOUS ASSUMPTIONS THAT THERE WERE LIKELY TO BE NO FEWER HONG KONG STUDENTS UNDERGOING DEGREE COURSES OVERSEAS THAN THE NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATES IN HONG KONG= AND

(4) THE LIKELY INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF POST-SIXTH FORM CANDIDATES SUITABLE FOR FURTHER EDUCATION AS A RESULT OF THE EXPANSION OF SECONDARY EDUCATION=

(5) THE NECESSITY TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHT MIX OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES SO AS TO PRODUCE A BALANCE OF TRAINED MANPOWER SUITABLE FOR PROBABLE EMPLOYMENT DEMANDS= AND

(6) THE HIGH PROPORTION OF THE EDUCATIONAL VOTE ALREADY DEVOTED TO HIGHER EDUCATION,

/TO ADVISE .....

TO ADVISE ON:

(1) THE ADEQUACY OF THE PRESENT PATTERN AND RANGE OF INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION=

(2) CURRENT AND PROJECTED EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING NEEDS AT DIFFERENT LEVELS, INCLUDING UNIVERSITY EDUCATION, TEACHER EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION=

(3) STUDENT ENROLMENT TARGETS FOR THE DECADE COMMENCING WITH THE NEXT TRIENNIUM IN 1984 IN THE RANGE OF AVAILABLE AND PROSPECTIVE COURSES=

(4) POLICY OPTIONS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO

(A) THE EXPANSION OF EXISTING INSTITUTIONS=

(B) THE CREATION OF NEW INSTITUTIONS=

(C) RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS=

(D) THE USE OF DISTANCE LEARNING=

(E) ALTERNATIVE COURSES OF ACTION OR DEVELOPMENT=

(5) THE FEASIBILITY OR DESIRABILITY OF INSTITUTING PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIPS (OR OTHER SCHEMES) FOR DEGREES OVERSEAS EITHER GENERALLY OR IN PARTICULAR FIELDS OF STUDY,

AND TO REPORT WITHIN SIX MONTHS.

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SIR JACK OPENS NEW SHIPYARD ON TSING YI

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THE OPENING OF A NEW SHIPYARD ON TSING YI BY HONGKONG UNITED DOCKYARDS REPRESENTS AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE NOT ONLY IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY, BUT ALSO IN THE FURTHERANCE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PLANS TO SEE THE ISLAND DEVELOPED AS AN INDUSTRIAL AREA, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR JACK CATER SAID TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE YARD THIS MORNING, SIR JACK SAID SHIP REPAIRING WAS AS OLD AS HONG KONG ITSELF: +INDEED SLIPWAYS CAPABLE OF LIFTING 300 TONS WERE IN OPERATION IN 1841, THE YEAR IN WHICH HONG KONG WAS FOUNDED.

+THE INDUSTRY BOASTS THE FIRST BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE EVER ISSUED IN HONG KONG: IT REMAINS OUR MAJOR HEAVY INDUSTRY,+ HE SAID.

/SIR JACK .....

SIR JACK ADDED THAT DESPITE THE INCREASING IMPORTANCE AND IMPACT OF AIRFREIGHTING, OUR MAGNIFICENT HARBOUR, SHIPPING AND THEREFORE SHIP REPAIRING, WOULD REMAIN VITAL ALWAYS TO OUR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND PROSPERITY.

HE NOTED THAT HONGKONG UNITED DOCKYARDS NOW HAS AT THE TSING YI YARD THREE FLOATING DOCKS, +COMPLETE WITH THE MOST UP-TO-DATE EQUIPMENT, WHICH CAN HANDLE SHIPS OF UP TO 100 000 DEADWEIGHT TONS -- A MAJOR STEP TO ENSURING THAT HONG KONG CONTINUES TO BE AN ATTRACTIVE REPAIR PORT.+

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PLANS FOR MORE PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

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PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS ARE PLAYING -- AND WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY -- A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE PROVISION OF A TECHNICAL WORKFORCE FOR OUR INDUSTRIES.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR JACK CATER AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND SOCIAL CENTRE IN SHA TIN THIS AFTERNOON.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD PLANNED FOR THE BUILDING OF 12 MORE PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS IN THE NEW TOWNS, INCLUDING TWO IN SHA TIN, WHICH WOULD BE READY IN 1982, AND ALSO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SENIOR SECONDARY CLASSES IN PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS AS FROM SEPTEMBER 1981.

MOREOVER, IN ORDER TO KEEP IN LINE WITH HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIAL DIVERSIFICATION AND NEEDS, NEW TECHNICAL SUBJECTS WILL BE ADDED TO THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM FROM TIME TO TIME, HE SAID.

SIR JACK BELIEVED THAT PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION WAS INCREASINGLY WANTED BY PARENTS FOR THEIR CHILDREN AND WAS BECOMING AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR SECONDARY EDUCATION SYSTEM.

+WITH A LARGE TECHNICAL CONTENT IN ITS CURRICULUM, WHICH IS GEARED TO THE NEEDS OF INDUSTRY,+ HE SAID, +PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH A WIDE RANGE OF OPPORTUNITIES BOTH FOR JOBS AND FOR FURTHER EDUCATION AFTER LEAVING SCHOOL.+

SIR JACK NOTED THAT THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND SOCIAL CENTRE WOULD CONTRIBUTE GREATLY TO THE SHA TIN COMMUNITY.

HE SAID THE POPULATION THERE WAS EXPECTED TO GROW FROM THE PRESENT 56 000 TO A STARTLING 420 000 IN 1986.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN OF THIS SIZE REQUIRES A BALANCED PROVISION OF HOUSING, INDUSTRY, COMMERCE, EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

THE NEW PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND SOCIAL CENTRE, OFFERING SERVICES TO BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS, AND TO THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, WILL MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE SHA TIN COMMUNITY, SIR JACK SAID.

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PROMPT TREATMENT FOR MENTAL PATIENTS
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HONG KONG IS ONE OF ONLY A FEW PLACES IN THE WORLD WHICH PROVIDE A FULL-TIME PSYCHIATRIC OUT-PATIENT SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE HEAD OF THE GOVERNMENT PSYCHIATRIC SERVICE, DR W.H. LO, IN A TALK TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG NORTHWEST TODAY.

DR LO POINTED OUT THAT THERE ARE AT PRESENT FIVE FULL-TIME PSYCHIATRIC CENTRES -- TWO ON HONG KONG ISLAND, TWO IN KOWLOON AND ONE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES -- RUN BY A GROUP OF PERMANENT PSYCHIATRIC STAFF.

SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE ALMOST DAILY TO ANYONE WHO NEEDS THEM AND THE WAITING TIME FOR NEW APPOINTMENTS IS ONLY A MATTER OF DAYS, HE SAID.

ONCE THE PATIENT IS UNDER THE CARE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HE IS GIVEN FURTHER APPOINTMENTS BUT HE MAY ATTEND ANYTIME IF REQUIRED, HE ADDED.

DR LO SAID THAT IN HONG KONG WHEN ONE TALKS ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS AND MENTAL PATIENTS ONE INVARIABLY THINKS OF CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL AND NOTHING ELSE.

+THIS IS FAR FROM THE TRUE PICTURE BECAUSE THERE IS A LARGE VARIETY OF MENTAL ILLNESSES WITH VASTLY DIFFERENT OUTCOMES,+ HE SAID.

HE EXPLAINED THAT EVEN IN SIMPLEST CLASSIFICATION THERE ARE MAJOR AND MINOR PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS REQUIRING DIFFERENT LEVELS OF TREATMENT.

THE MAJORITY OF PATIENTS SUFFER FROM MINOR PSYCHIATRIC ILLNESS WITH SUCH SYMPTOMS AS DESPONDENCE, ANXIOUS AGITATION, POOR CONCENTRATION, LOSS OF INTEREST, INSOMNIA AND LOSS OF APPETITE.

MOST OF THEM, ACCORDING TO DR LO, SEEK TREATMENT FROM PRIVATE PRACTITIONERS, THE GOVERNMENT PSYCHIATRIC OUT-PATIENT CLINICS AND EVEN HERBALISTS.

IN 1979, 27 000 PATIENTS ATTENDED THE GOVERNMENT PSYCHIATRIC OUT-PATIENT CLINICS REGULARLY BUT THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS RECEIVING IN-PATIENT TREATMENT IN THE SAME YEAR WAS ONLY 5 300.

DR LO SAID SURVEYS CONDUCTED IN MANY WELL-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES INDICATED THAT ONE OUT OF 10 PEOPLE HAD PSYCHIATRIC PROBLEM OR DISORDER OF ONE FORM OR ANOTHER.

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ALTHOUGH NO SUCH SURVEYS HAVE BEEN DONE IN HONG KONG, THERE ARE REASONS TO BELIEVE THAT THE PREVALENCE HERE IS ABOUT THE SAME AS IN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, HE SAID.

THE COMMONEST PSYCHIATRIC ILLNESS IN HONG KONG, ACCORDING TO HIM, IS SCHIZOPHRENIA, WHICH IS A CHRONIC DISEASE WITH FREQUENT RELAPSES.

IN FACT, 75 PER CENT OF IN-PATIENTS IN VARIOUS MENTAL INSTITUTIONS AND 35 PER CENT OF OUT-PATIENTS ARE SUFFERING FROM THIS DISEASE, HE SAID.

THEY CONTRIBUTE HEAVILY TO THE CONGESTION OF CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL AS THEY TEND TO OCCUPY MORE HOSPITAL BEDS AND DEMAND A GREAT DEAL OF PSYCHIATRIC ATTENTION.

HOWEVER, WITH THE TRANSFER OF PATIENTS TO THE NEW SOUTH KWAI CHUNG HOSPITAL NOW UNDER WAY, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE CONGESTION WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED NEXT YEAR WHEN THE NEW HOSPITAL BECOMES FULLY OPERATIONAL, DR LO SAID.

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CONTRACT SIGNED FOR TUEN MUN ROAD PROJECT

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A $64 MILLION CONTRACT FORMING PART OF A MAJOR ROAD PROGRAMME DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE SOUTHERN ACCESS TO ON TING AND YAU OI ESTATES AND THE FUTURE TUEN MUN TOWN CENTRE WAS LET BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY.

THE CONTRACT WAS OFFICIALLY SIGNED BY MR K.K. TANG, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE TUEN MUN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE PWD'S NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF GAMMON (HONG KONG) LIMITED.

MR TANG SAID THE WORK INCLUDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ELEVATED ROAD OVER TUEN MUN ROAD TO LINK CASTLE PEAK ROAD WITH A NEW ROAD LEADING TO THE TWO ESTATES.

PART OF TUEN MUN ROAD IN THE NEW TOWN WILL BE WIDENED TO A DUAL THREE-LANE CARRIAGEWAY FOR 0.8 KILOMETRE SOUTH OF PUI TO ROAD.

THE LINK, HE SAID, WOULD BE MADE BY A HALF-DIAMOND SHAPED INTERCHANGE WITH ON TING BRIDGE, ACROSS TUEN MUN ROAD.

THIS BRIDGE WILL BE A TWO SPAN STRUCTURE OF PRECAST PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAMS WITH REINFORCED CONCRETE DECKS.

THE 0.5 KILOMETRE ELEVATED ROAD WILL HAVE TWO PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS WHICH WILL PROVIDE ACCESS FROM A PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL AREA AND ON TING ESTATE IN THE SOUTH, TO THE TUEN MUN CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX IN THE TOWN'S CENTRE IN THE NORTH.

WORK ON THE PROJECT WILL START LATER THIS MONTH AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN 20 MONTHS.

THE PROGRAMME FORMS PART OF THE OVERALL NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE PWD TUEN MUN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.

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MANPOWER SURVEY OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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THE HONG KONG TRAINING COUNCIL WILL CARRY OUT A SURVEY NEXT MONTH ON THE MANPOWER SITUATION AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS IN ALL BANKS AND IN SOME SELECTED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES.

THE SURVEY, WHICH HAS BEEN PLANNED BY THE BANKING TRAINING BOARD OF THE COUNCIL, WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN DECEMBER 1 AND 20.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES, EXPLANATORY NOTES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF PRINCIPAL BANK AND DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY JOBS, IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, HAVE BEEN SENT TO ALL BANKS AND THE SELECTED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES IN HONG KONG.

OFFICERS OF THE TRAINING COUNCIL WILL, IF NECESSARY, VISIT THESE ESTABLISHMENTS DURING THE SURVEY PERIOD TO ANSWER QUERIES AND ASSIST IN COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRES.

THE ESTABLISHMENTS ARE ASKED TO SUPPLY INFORMATION ON THE NUMBER OF EXISTING EMPLOYEES, FORECASTS OF ADDITIONAL NUMBERS, PERIOD OF TRAINING GIVEN TO THEM AND OTHER PERSONNEL AND TRAINING MATTERS.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TRAINING COUNCIL, DR FRANCIS TIEN, CALLED ON THE SELECTED ESTABLISHMENTS TODAY TO EXTEND FULL SUPPORT TO THE SURVEY BY COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRES AND RETURNING THEM TO THE TRAINING COUNCIL.

HE STRESSED THAT THE INFORMATION COLLECTED WOULD BE HANDLED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND WOULD BE PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE FORM OF STATISTICAL SUMMARIES WITHOUT REFERENCE TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

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POLICY ADDRESS DEBATE RESUMES TOMORROW

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TEN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WILL REPLY TO POINTS RAISED BY THEIR UNOFFICIAL COLLEAGUES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) ON THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING ADDRESS LAST MONTH.

THEY ARE THE SECRETARY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES, SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, ATTORNEY GENERAL AND CHIEF SECRETARY.

AT THE MEETING, THE OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980 AND THE UNDESIRABLE MEDICAL ADVERTISEMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980 WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

THE COUNCIL'S PROCEEDINGS WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON RTHK CHANNELS 2 (CHINESE) AND 4 (ENGLISH).

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INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT MISSION VISITS LOCAL SET-UPS

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THE JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT MISSION, CURRENTLY IN HONG KONG ON A FACT-FINDING VISIT, TODAY TOURED MODERN TERMINALS LTD. AT KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER TERMINAL, AND A ZIPPER FACTORY IN TUEN MUN.

ACCOMPANIED BY MR C.L. CHU, INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER OF THE TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT, THE MISSION VISITED THE PREMISES OF MODERN TERMINALS LTD. AT THE CONTAINER TERMINAL WHICH RANKS AMONG THE TOP THREE IN THE WORLD.

MODERN TERMINALS LTD., A LOCALLY-OWNED COMPANY ESTABLISHED IN 1969, EMPLOYS A STAFF OF 950. FORTY-TWO SHIPPING LINES USE THE COMPANY'S FACILITIES WHICH INCLUDE FOUR FREIGHT STATIONS AND TWO BERTHS. THE TWO BERTHS, WITH FOOTAGES OF 1 000 FT. AND 1 550 FT., ACCOMMODATED 1 300 VESSELS BETWEEN OCTOBER 1979 AND SEPTEMBER 1980.

A WAREHOUSE IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND, WHEN COMPLETED, WILL PROVIDE A TOTAL FLOOR AREA OF 465 000 SQ. FT.

BETWEEN OCTOBER 1979 AND SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, MODERN TERMINALS LTD. HANDLED A TOTAL OF 540 186 TEU (TWENTY-FOOT EQUIVALENT UNITS) AND ALSO 1 968 700 REVENUE TONS THROUGH THE CONTAINER FREIGHT STATIONS.

IN THE AFTERNOON, THE JAPANESE MISSION VISITED THE Y.K.K. ZIPPER CO. (HK) LTD. IN TUEN MUN.

Y.K.K., ESTABLISHED IN 1966, NOW EMPLOYS MORE THAN 190 PEOPLE AND IS A WHOLLY JAPANESE-OWNED COMPANY. ITS MAIN PRODUCT LINE IS METAL, NYLON AND PLASTIC ZIPPERS.

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YUEN LONG DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD OFFERS $3 000 FOR LOGO

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A PRIZE OF $3 000 IS BEING OFFERED TO AN ARTIST WHO CAN DESIGN A LOGO FOR YUEN LONG DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD.

A DESIGN COMPETITION, WHICH IS OPEN TO ALL HONG KONG ARTISTS, WILL CLOSE THIS SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 22).

THE DESIGN CAN BE EITHER CHINESE OR WESTERN STYLE AND SHOULD BE OF ONE COLOUR ONLY. IT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ON CARDBOARD PAPER MEASURING 35 CM BY 45 CM.

THERE WILL BE NO LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES BY INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPANTS. BESIDES THE WINNER'S PRIZE THERE WILL BE FIVE PRIZES OF $200 FOR RUNNERS-UP.

YUEN LONG DAB WAS SET UP IN 1977 TO ADVISE ON THE WELL-BEING OF RESIDENTS AND THE PROVISION AND USE OF PUBLIC FACILITIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

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IT ALSO UNDERTAKES MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND THE PROMOTION OF RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE BOARD BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THIS FINANCIAL YEAR TOTALLED $1 MILLION, DOUBLE THAT FOR 1978/79.

IT HAS 17 UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS, INCLUDING CHAIRMEN OF RURAL COMMITTEES, AND FIVE OFFICIALS FROM GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS. THE CHAIRMAN IS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR FUNG KWOK-KEUNG.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID ENTRIES IN THE COMPETITION SHOULD REFLECT THE ROLE OF THE BOARD IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

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AUCTION OF SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ANOTHER AUCTION OF SPECIAL CAR REGISTRATION NUMBERS ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 22) AT 10 AM IN THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL.

A TOTAL OF 35 SPECIAL NUMBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE :

HK7674	CF7595	CG8838	CG 930	AC 928
AP1132	CH 123	CC 89	CC 989	CG 392
BH8838	BK 55	CH 345	CH 888	CG 311
CF7456	CC 100	CJ 88	AS 1	CG6848
CG 233	CG 707	CE 1	BZ 88	CG 125
CG 143	CD 777	CF 333	CC 36	CH 138
CF7555	CG 633	CG 928	CG9980	AH 336

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY IN CASH OR BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT A NUMBER WOULD BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO A VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE AUCTION.

PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION WILL AS USUAL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE COMING AUCTION IS THE 58TH ORGANIZED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN CENTRAL DISTRICT

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED IN CENTRAL DISTRICT FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 21) IN FRONT OF THE TEMPORARY MACAU FERRY TERMINAL CONCOURSE AND IN JACKSON ROAD AFFECTING PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES AND TAXIS.

FOR PLB'S, ENTRY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO THE FERRY TERMINAL CONCOURSE ON THE CENTRAL RECLAMATION TO THE NORTH OF CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

IN JACKSON ROAD, THE EXISTING TAXI STAND WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR ABOUT SIX WEEKS FOR WORK ON REPAIRS TO WATER DRAINS.

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WATER CUT IN WAN CHAI

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WATER SUPPLY TO AN AREA OF WAN CHAI WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 21) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA IS BOUNDED BY CANAL ROAD EAST, HENNESSY ROAD, PERCIVAL STREET AND LEIGHTON ROAD.

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