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HIGH CONVICTION RATE RECORDED BY TARGET COMMITTEE ON CORRUPTION

Forty-nine of the 69 people taken to court in connection with allegations of corruption during 1971 were members of the public, according to the Target Committee on Corruption in its review of the progress made last year.

Of the remaining 20, seven were police officers and 13 from other government departments.

These court cases resulted in 59 convictions and 10 acquittals.

The Target Committee said: "Experience shows that the majority of corruption cases involve members of the public offering government servants bribes for services rather than solicitation by a government servant."

Urging members of the public to report corruption, the Target Committee reminded them that "they do not have to pay 'tea money' or any other illegal charges for services to which they are entitled."

The Target Committee said that 1971 was another record year as far as reports, investigations, arrests and convictions in connection with corruption were concerned, particularly the high conviction rate of 85.5 per cent which reflected an increase of some 15 per cent over 1970.

The Committee noted that more people - a total of 207 - were taken to court in connection with corruption during the three years 1969 to 1971 than in the previous six years, 1963 to 1968, put together when the total was 138.

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During the three-year period 146 were convicted compared with 90 convictions in the preceding six years.

The Target Committee said the year 1971 was marked by a number of innovations in the field of anti-corruption. By far the most important was the new Prevention of Bribery Ordinance which came into force on May 14, 1971.

In conjunction with the new ordinance was the appointment of a newly constituted Target Committee which included unofficials and members of the Government as well as the police.

Serving on the Target Committee are two well-known residents - Mr. Kenneth Ching-kan Lo, Colony Scout Commissioner and a member of the Television Advisory Board, and Professor S. Mackey, Professor of Civil Engineering, University of Hong Kong.

The Professor succeeded Mr. W.H. Henderson, Managing Director of the Shell Company of Hong Kong Limited, who was originally appointed to the new Target Committee.

The other members of the Committee are a Deputy Commissioner of Police (Chairman), the Director of Criminal Investigation, a Principal Crown Counsel, the Director of Audit and a representative of the Establishment Secretary.

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WATER INTERRUPTION IN NORTH POINT

Water supply to a number of premises in North Point on Hong Kong Island will be provisionally turned off for five hours from 1 a.m. on Wednesday (October 18)

This will allow the Waterworks Office to carry out a night leakage test.

The area affected is bounded by Fook Yum Street; Oil Street; Electric Road from Boat Street to Java Road; Java Road to North Point Road; and the northern side of King's Road from Boat Street to Tong Shui Road.

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BIOGRAPHY OF PRINCESS ALEXANDRA

Note to Editors: A biography of Princess Alexandra and her husband, Mr. Angus Ogilvy, with photographs, are being issued as a supplement to today's Daily Information Bulletin. The couple will be arriving in Hong Kong on Saturday (October 21).

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H.R.H. PRINCESS ALEXANDRA, THE HON. MRS. ANGUS OGILVY, G.C.V.O.

Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra was born on Christmas Day 1936, second child of Prince George and Princess Marina, the Duke and Duchess of Kent. Her last name commemorates her birthday: she was christened Alexandra Helen Elizabeth Olga Christabel.

Princess Alexandra was five years old when her father was killed in a flying accident on active service during the second world war. She and her two brothers were brought up by their mother at Coppins, their country home in the Buckinghamshire village of Iver; later she was a pupil at Heathfield, a girls' boarding school at Ascot — first British princess to be given a normal school career. In the winter of 1953-54 she went to Paris, where she stayed with the family of M. le Comte de Paris, attended a finishing school and studied French and music.

After her return home Her Royal Highness began to undertake official engagements, took a short nursing course at the Great Ormond Street (London) Hospital for Sick Children, and accompanied her mother on two overseas tours, to Canada (1954) and to Latin America (1959). In 1959, on the occasion of Her Majesty the Queen's Canadian tour, the Princess was appointed for the first time a Counsellor of State.

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The same year saw her first official overseas visit alone, undertaken at the early age of 22, when she visited Australia to attend the Queensland centenary celebrations and toured New South Wales and Victoria. The following year she was the Queen's special representative at the Nigerian independence celebrations. Since then Her Royal Highness has carried out many overseas tours. On all her travels, she has won the hearts of the peoples she has visited by her radiant personality, her gracious dignity on formal occasions and her spontaneous and happy enjoyment of the hospitality she has received.

On later occasions she has been accompanied by her husband. Princess Alexandra became engaged in November 1962 to the Hon. Angus Ogilvy, second son of the Earl of Airlie; the wedding took place in Westminster Abbey on 24 April 1963. Their son James Ogilvy (James Robert Bruce) was born on 29 February 1964, and their daughter Marina (Marina Victoria Alexandra) on 31 July 1966.

Her Royal Highness is associated as President or Patron with a great number of organisations. Many of these are concerned with young people; for instance, she is Patron of the Junior Red Cross in Britain, Canada and Australia (she is Vice-President of the British Red Cross Society) and of the Twentieth-Century Group of the Royal Over-Seas League. Her early interest in nursing continues in her appointments as Patron and Air Chief Commandant of Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, as Patron of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, and as President of the institution which bears her own name, Alexandra Day - founded by Queen Alexandra to raise money for hospitals and similar purposes by the sale of roses. She is also associated with work for the blind (President of the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind and Patron of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association) and with many other medical and welfare organisations.

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The Princess is fond of outdoor recreations, likes swimming, ski-ing and above all riding; she shares the love of her cousin the Queen for horses. She is an accomplished dancer. Tall and slim, she is strikingly like her beautiful mother.

HRH has received honorary doctorates of Laws from Queensland and Hong Kong Universities, and is an Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, of the Faculty of Anaesthetists of the Royal College of Surgeons (England) and of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. She has also regimental connections, as Colonel-in-Chief of the 3rd Militia Battalion, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, Colonel-in-Chief of the 17/21 Lancers, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief of The Light Infantry, Honorary Colonel of the North Irish Horse (T), and Honorary Commandant of the Women's Royal Australian Naval Service.

She was created GCVO in December 1960, and she has been appointed to the leading Orders of many of the countries she has visited.

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OVERSEAS VISITS MADE BY H.R.H. PRINCESS ALEXANDRA

1953-54	FRANCE	Lived in Paris where she stayed with the family of the Comte de Paris, attending a finishing school and studying French and music.
1954	CANADA and USA	Accompanied her mother, the Duchess of Kent, on her tour of Canada and the USA in August and September.
1956	MEDITERRANEAN	Accompanied the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh on a Mediterranean cruise in March.

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- 1959 SOUTH AMERICA Accompanied the Duchess of Kent on her tour of Latin America, visiting Mexico, Peru, Chile and Brazil in February and March.
- 1959 AUSTRALIA Visited Queensland for its centenary
THAILAND celebrations which began on 18th August.
CAMBODIA The Princess visited 22 cities and towns
INDIA, IRAN in Queensland and afterwards visited other
and TURKEY parts of Australia. On the return journey
paid short visits to Thailand and Cambodia
and made brief stops at Delhi, Tehran and
Istanbul arriving back in London on 7 October.
This was the Princess's first Commonwealth
tour alone.
- 1960 FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY As Colonel-in-Chief The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, visited the 2nd Battalion in Germany for the regiment's centenary celebrations in July.
- 1960 NIGERIA Three weeks' visit as the Queen's special representative at the independence celebrations of the Federation of Nigeria from 1 October.
- 1961 FAR EAST Six weeks' tour of the Far East in November and December. After a private visit to Vancouver, official visits to Honolulu, Wake Island, Hong Kong, where the University was celebrating its 50th anniversary, Japan and Burma. Also visited Thailand privately, returning via Aden and Tripoli in December.
- 1962 NETHERLANDS Visited the Netherlands, with Princess Marina, for the silver wedding celebrations of Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard from 1 to 3 May.
- 1962 SWEDEN Visited Sweden in May to open the British Trade Fair in Stockholm.
- 1962 GREECE Visited Greece to be a bridesmaid at the marriage of Princess Sophia and Don Juan Carlos of Spain on 14 May.
- 1963 SPAIN Visited Spain, with Mr. Angus Ogilvey, in May after her marriage.
- 1965 FRANCE Visited Paris in May.

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- 1965 JAPAN
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IRAN and
JORDAN Accompanied by Mr. Angus Ogilvy, visited Tokyo to attend the British Exhibition in September. They spent ten days in Japan sightseeing and were entertained by the Emperor Hirohito and other members of the Japanese Royal family as well as the Prime Minister. They also visited Hong Kong for a weekend, Tehran for five days as guests of the Shah of Iran and Amman for three days as guests of King Hussein of Jordan. They also visited Jerusalem and Malta. The tour lasted from 16 September to 9 October.
- 1966 NETHERLANDS Visited Amsterdam with her husband and her mother Princess Marina of Kent, to attend the wedding on 10 March of Princess Beatrix to Herr Class von Amberg; Princess Alexandra was one of the witnesses to the marriage.
- 1967 BURMA
HONG KONG
AUSTRALIA
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and CANADA Visit to Burma in February with Mr. Angus Ogilvy, at invitation of Burmese Head of State, General Ne Win, followed by visit to Hong Kong and private visit to Australia as guests of Prime Minister. Official visit with Mr. Angus Ogilvy to Canada May-June, during which the Princess opened the British Columbia international trade fair and made extensive tour including Yukon and Northwest Territories.
- 1967 SWEDEN Visit to Sweden in September to open British Petroleum's new refinery at Gothenburg on 12 September.
- USA and CANADA Visit to North America in October, beginning with stay in United States - first official visit of HRH to United States. During her stay she opened the British fortnight at the Neiman-Marcus store in Dallas. She and Mr. Ogilvy then went to Canada to carry out engagements in connection with British Week in Toronto.
- 1968 SWEDEN Opened British Week in Stockholm in September.

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- 1969 SINGAPORE Represented the Queen in August during 150th anniversary celebrations of founding of modern Singapore.
- KENYA, After a brief stay in Nairobi, visited
 SWAZILAND, Swaziland in September with Mr. Ogilvy for
 MALAGASY and the first anniversary of the country's
 MAURITIUS independence. Visited the Malagasy Republic
 AUSTRIA and paid a three-day visit to Mauritius.
 Visited Vienna and opened British Week
 on 10 October.
- 1970 SWEDEN Visited Gothenburg in June to name a tanker
 built for the World Wide Shipping Group
 at Gotaverken A/B.
- USA Visited USA to open the new British Overseas
 Airways Corporation passenger terminal at
 the Kennedy Airport, New York, in September.
- ARGENTINA In November opened British Industrial
 Exhibition, of which HRH was patron, in
 Buenos Aires.
- 1971 NEW ZEALAND Visit to New Zealand in April with Mr. Ogilvy,
 for centenary celebrations of Auckland, also
 visiting Napier for three days and Wellington
 briefly.
- USA To inaugurate British Trade Week in San Francisco
 in September, afterwards visiting Los Angeles for
 two days.

Princess Alexandra has also made numerous visits to relations in Europe.

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