



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES FOR MAY 1979

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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) PUBLISHED THE PROVISIONAL FIGURES FOR HONG KONG'S EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE DURING MAY 1979. THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS FOR MAY WAS \$6,208 MILLION, MADE UP OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF \$4,552 MILLION AND RE-EXPORTS OF \$1,656 MILLION. WITH IMPORTS AT \$6,884 MILLION, THE VISIBLE TRADE DEFICIT FOR MAY WAS \$676 MILLION.

COMMENTING ON THESE TRADE FIGURES, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IT WAS ENCOURAGING TO SEE A SUBSTANTIAL NARROWING IN THE ABSOLUTE SIZE OF THE VISIBLE TRADE DEFICIT, ALTHOUGH IT IS NORMAL FOR THE VISIBLE TRADE DEFICIT TO NARROW AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR.

HE ADDED THAT THE VISIBLE TRADE DEFICIT FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF 1978 WAS ABOUT 45 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VISIBLE DEFICIT FOR THAT YEAR. SO, A DEFICIT OF \$5,287 MILLION FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF 1979 COULD MEAN A VISIBLE TRADE DEFICIT SLIGHTLY LESS THAN THE FIGURE OF \$12,000 MILLION IMPLICIT IN THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S BUDGET SPEECH FORECAST ON THE ECONOMY FOR 1979. MOREOVER, THE DEFICIT FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF 1979, AT ABOUT 17 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, WAS SMALLER IN RELATIVE TERMS THAN IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR WHEN THE PROPORTION WAS ABOUT 18 PER CENT.

IT WAS ENCOURAGING, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THAT TOTAL EXPORTS WERE CONTINUING TO GROW FASTER THAN IMPORTS. COMPARED WITH THE SAME MONTH IN 1978, THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN MAY INCREASED BY 35 PER CENT AND THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS BY 42 PER CENT. SO THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS, THAT IS, DOMESTIC EXPORTS PLUS RE-EXPORTS, INCREASED BY 37 PER CENT. THIS IS SLIGHTLY FASTER THAN THE INCREASE IN IMPORTS AT 36 PER CENT.

COMPARING FIGURES FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF THE YEAR WITH THOSE OF THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF 1978, THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WAS 33 PER CENT HIGHER, THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS WAS 53 PER CENT HIGHER, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS WAS 38 PER CENT HIGHER AND THE VALUE OF IMPORTS WAS 36 PER CENT HIGHER.

LOOKING AT THE MORE SHORT-TERM CHANGES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IT WAS WORTH NOTING THAT WHILE THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS INCREASED BY EIGHT PER CENT IN MAY OVER APRIL, THE VALUE OF IMPORTS ACTUALLY DECREASED BY ABOUT THREE PER CENT. HE SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT TOO MUCH SHOULD BE READ INTO MONTH-TO-MONTH CHANGES, THE DECREASE IN IMPORTS DID NOT SEEM TO BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO SEASONAL FACTORS AND SO PROVIDED AN ADDITIONAL INDICATION THAT THE ECONOMY WAS FOLLOWING THE COURSE PREDICTED IN THE BUDGET SPEECH.

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FOLLOWING ARE THE PROVISIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FIGURES FOR MAY:

MERCHANDISE:

DOMESTIC EXPORTS	:	\$4,552 MILLION
IMPORTS	:	\$6,884 MILLION
RE-EXPORTS	:	\$1,656 MILLION
TRADE BALANCE	:	\$ 676 MILLION (IN DEFICIT)

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

<u>LATEST 3 MONTHS</u>	MARCH - MAY 1979	MARCH - MAY 1978	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	12,536	9,284	+ 3,253	+ 35.0
IMPORTS	20,513	14,938	+ 5,574	+ 37.3
RE-EXPORTS	4,812	3,198	+ 1,614	+ 50.5
TRADE BALANCE	- 3,165	- 2,456	- 709	
<u>SAME MONTH LAST YEAR</u>	MAY 1979	MAY 1978	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	4,552 (73.3%)	3,373 (74.4%)	+ 1,180	+ 35.0
IMPORTS	6,884	5,061	+ 1,823	+ 36.0
RE-EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	1,656 (26.7%)	1,163 (25.6%)	+ 492	+ 42.3
TRADE BALANCE	- 676	- 525	- 151	

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<u>LAST MONTH</u>	MAY 1979	APRIL 1979	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	4,552 (73.3%)	4,154 (72.4%)	+ 398	+ 9.6
IMPORTS	6,884	7,114	- 230	- 3.2
RE-EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	1,656 (26.7%)	1,586 (27.6%)	+ 70	+ 4.4
TRADE BALANCE	- 676	- 1,374	+ 698	
<u>CALENDAR YEAR TO-DATE</u>	JAN. - MAY 1979	JAN. - MAY 1978	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	18,822 (71.6%)	14,130 (74.4%)	+ 4,693	+ 33.2
IMPORTS	31,560	23,135	+ 8,425	+ 36.4
RE-EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	7,451 (28.4%)	4,858 (25.6%)	+ 2,593	+ 53.4
TRADE BALANCE	- 5,287	- 4,147	- 1,140	
<u>LAST 12 MONTHS</u>	JUNE 1978 TO MAY 1979	JUNE 1977 TO MAY 1978	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	45,404	36,288	+ 9,116	+ 25.1
IMPORTS	71,480	52,389	+19,092	+ 36.4
RE-EXPORTS	15,790	10,883	+ 4,908	+ 45.1
TRADE BALANCE	-10,286	- 5,218	- 5,068	

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OVER 247,000 WORKERS GIVEN ANNUAL LEAVE  
DURING LAST LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD  
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A TOTAL OF 247,652 WORKERS — 31.3 PER CENT OF THE WORKFORCE IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR — WERE GIVEN ALL OR PART OF THEIR PAID ANNUAL LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS DURING THE LAST LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD.

THE LEAVE WAS GIVEN ON TOP OF THE THREE LUNAR NEW YEAR STATUTORY HOLIDAYS, REST DAYS AND NO PAY LEAVE DAYS IN ORDER TO ENABLE THE WORKERS TO HAVE A LONGER BREAK FROM WORK DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON.

THIS IS THE FINDING OF SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT BETWEEN LAST MARCH AND APRIL ON 858 MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS EMPLOYING A TOTAL OF 292,561 WORKERS MAINLY IN THE FIELDS OF TEXTILES, TOYS, PLASTICS, GARMENTS, ELECTRONICS AND METALWARE. THESE WORKERS REPRESENTED 40 PER CENT OF THE WORKFORCE IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR.

EACH OF THESE ESTABLISHMENTS COVERED BY THE SURVEY EMPLOYED BETWEEN 100 TO MORE THAN 2,000 WORKERS, WITH THE MAJORITY OF THEM — 738 OR 86 PER CENT — EACH EMPLOYING BETWEEN 100 AND 499 WORKERS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO FIND OUT WHETHER LARGE INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS HAD MADE USE OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD TO GRANT THEIR EMPLOYEES ANNUAL LEAVE.

ACCORDING TO THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE, AN EMPLOYEE IS ENTITLED TO SEVEN DAYS ANNUAL LEAVE WITH PAY AFTER SERVING 12 MONTHS UNDER A CONTINUOUS CONTRACT WITH THE SAME EMPLOYER.

THE LEAVE SHOULD BE GRANTED ON SEVEN CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR, IF THE EMPLOYEE SO REQUESTS, ON FOUR CONSECUTIVE DAYS, AND THE REMAINING DAYS OF ANNUAL LEAVE ENTITLEMENT EITHER CONSECUTIVELY OR SEPARATELY AT SOME OTHER TIME DURING THE YEAR.

OF THE 858 ESTABLISHMENTS SURVEYED, 741 GAVE THEIR EMPLOYEES — TOTALLING 247,652 — ANNUAL LEAVE RANGING FROM ONE TO SEVEN DAYS DURING THE NEW YEAR PERIOD. A TOTAL OF 373 ESTABLISHMENTS (43.5 PER CENT) GAVE FOUR DAYS WHILE 205 (23.9 PER CENT) GAVE SEVEN DAYS.

THE OTHER 117 ESTABLISHMENTS HAD NOT GRANTED ANY ANNUAL LEAVE TO THEIR 44,909 EMPLOYEES DURING THAT PERIOD, BUT HAD INDICATED THAT THE LEAVE WOULD BE GRANTED AT SOME OTHER TIME OF THE YEAR.

THE WORKERS GIVEN ANNUAL LEAVE REPRESENT 85 PER CENT OF THE SURVEYED WORKFORCE. A TOTAL OF 142,776 (48.8 PER CENT) OF THEM ENJOYED FOUR DAYS AND 63,948 (21.86 PER CENT) SEVEN DAYS.

THOSE GIVEN THREE, FIVE AND SIX DAYS TOTALLED 15,422, 15,405 AND 5,780 RESPECTIVELY.

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### SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME LAUNCHED AT OCEAN PARK

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THE 1979 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WAS OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED TODAY (SATURDAY) IN AN OPENING CEREMONY HELD AT THE OCEAN PARK.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, SIR KENNETH PING-FAN FUNG SAID THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WOULD CONCENTRATE ON OUTDOOR EVENTS WHICH HAVE PROVED TO BE THE MOST POPULAR IN PAST YEARS.

MORE THAN 8,000 SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL EVENTS WILL BE HELD DURING THE NEXT TWO MONTHS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. THESE INCLUDE TRAINING AND RECREATIONAL CAMPS, COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS, LIFE-SAVING COURSES AND VARIOUS INTEREST GROUP ACTIVITIES.

+MANY OF OUR YOUNGSTERS LIVE IN OVERCROWDED CONDITIONS AND ARE SUBJECT TO CONTINUOUS STRESS AND STRAIN FROM THEIR STUDIES OR EMPLOYMENT. THE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, WHICH ARE ARRANGED FOR THEM THIS TIME EVERY YEAR, ALLOW THEM TO TAKE PART IN HEALTHY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THEIR CHOICE,+ SIR KENNETH SAID.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, MR. NORMAN OEI, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR YOUTH RECREATION SAID, +THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME ALLOWS YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE TO USE THEIR INITIATIVE AND ENCOURAGES THEM TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY IN DIFFERENT WAYS.+

MR. OEI PAID TRIBUTE TO ALL THE ORGANISATIONS, SCHOOLS, DEPARTMENTS AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB FOR HELPING IN THE ANNUAL EVENT.

THE JOCKEY CLUB IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE DONOR OF FUNDS TOWARDS THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1969 AND IT HAS MADE A GENEROUS DONATION OF \$2 MILLION IN SUPPORT OF THIS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

+THE CLUB IS HAPPY TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME AND IS PLEASED WITH ITS PROGRESSIVE GROWTH OVER THE YEARS,+ SIR KENNETH SAID.

AFTER THE PRESENTATION OF SOUVENIR PENNANTS TO REPRESENTATIVES FROM DIFFERENT ORGANISATIONS CONCERNED, THE GUESTS ATTENDING THE CEREMONY WERE ENTERTAINED BY COLOURFUL FOLK DANCES PERFORMED BY SCHOOL TEAMS.

THE GUESTS LATER WATCHED DEMONSTRATIONS OF SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THIS YEAR.

THE DEMONSTRATIONS, PERFORMED BY 12 YOUTH GROUPS, INCLUDED FORESTRY SHOW, CHILDREN'S ART GALLERY, CAMP PITCHING, SILK SCREEN PRINTING AND FOLK SINGING.

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FOUNDATION WORK ON STUBBS ROAD FLYOVER MAKING HEADWAY  
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CAISSON FOUNDATION WORK ON THE \$54.6 MILLION STUBBS ROAD FLYOVER IS MAKING HEADWAY.

MR. YEUNG KIM-CHOY, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S HIGHWAYS OFFICE, SAID: +THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE SINKING OF MORE THAN 170 PILES.

+SO FAR, NEARLY 100 OF THEM HAVE EITHER BEEN COMPLETED OR IN THE PROCESS OF CONSTRUCTION.+

IN THE MEANTIME, A CASTING YARD IS BEING SET UP NEAR THE SITE TO PRODUCE BEAMS FOR THE FLYOVER.

MR. YEUNG SAID THE FIRST COLUMN FOR THE ELEVATED ROAD WOULD GO UP WITHIN A MONTH.

ON COMPLETION IN THE SECOND HALF OF NEXT YEAR, THE 450-METRE LONG FLYOVER WILL LINK LOWER STUBBS ROAD WITH WONG NAI CHUNG GAP ROAD, THUS IMPROVING THE TRAFFIC FLOW AT THE STUBBS ROAD ROUNDABOUT.

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AFTER-CARE SERVICES IMPORTANT FOR EX-DRUG ADDICTS  
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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING THAT AFTER-CARE REHABILITATION SERVICES HAD AN IMPORTANT PART TO PLAY IN ANTI-NARCOTICS PROGRAMMES.

ADDRESSING THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CARITAS LOK HEEP CLUB, MR. LEE SAID BREAKING AWAY FROM DRUG DEPENDENCE WAS NOT EASY AND THE MOST CHALLENGING PART WAS THE TIME WHEN THE EX-ADDICT CAME OUT FROM A TREATMENT CENTRE.

HE POINTED OUT THAT MANY EX-ADDICTS HAD A TENDENCY TO RELAPSE INTO DRUG DEPENDENCE WHEN THEY FAILED TO SOLVE PROBLEMS.

WHAT THEY NEED IS A SECURE JOB, TEMPORARY FINANCIAL HELP AND, MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL, THE UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR FAMILY AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMMUNITY, HE SAID.

MR. LEE SAID SOCIAL WORKERS HAD A SIGNIFICANT ROLE TO PLAY IN THIS RESPECT BY HELPING TO REBUILD THE FAMILY MEMBERS' CONFIDENCE AND HOPE IN THE EX-ADDICTS.

+IN ADDITION, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SOCIAL WORKERS, BY POSITIVE MEANS THROUGH CASE EXAMPLES, PROVE TO THE EX-ADDICTS THAT THEY CAN VERY WELL CHANGE FROM BEING A LIABILITY OF THE SOCIETY INTO A CONTRIBUTING CITIZEN,+ HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT DRUG ADDICTION WAS MAINLY A SOCIAL PROBLEM AND COULD NOT BE SOLVED SIMPLY BY MEDICAL OR LEGAL MEANS.

+CONCERTED EFFORTS BY ALL SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY ARE NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE PREVENTIVE MEASURES,+ HE SAID.

IN PRAISING THE CARITAS LOK HEEP CLUB FOR ITS WORK IN AFTER-CARE SERVICES FOR EX-DRUG DEPENDANTS, MR. LEE SAID: +APART FROM PROVIDING SERVICES TO INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS TO HELP COPE WITH PROBLEMS, TO MAKE FRIENDS AND TO FOSTER HARMONIOUS FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS, THE CLUB ORGANISES VARIOUS COMMUNITY AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST THEM IN REGAINING CONFIDENCE.+

AT THE MEETING, MR. LEE ALSO PRESENTED AWARD PINS TO MEMBERS OF THE CLUB AND DESCRIBED THEM AS GOOD EXAMPLES IN ABSTAINING FROM THE TEMPTATION OF DRUGS AFTER TREATMENT.

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IMPORTANCE OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN NEW TOWNS STRESSED  
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THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS TO PROMOTE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AMONG LOCAL RESIDENTS IS IMPORTANT IN THE EARLY DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

ADDRESSING THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF NEW OFFICE BEARERS OF THE TUEN MUN ARTS PROMOTION ASSOCIATION AT ST. SIMON LUI MING CHOI SECONDARY TECHNICAL SCHOOL, MR. AKERS-JONES SAID THERE WERE NOW ABOUT 62,000 PEOPLE IN TUEN MUN TOWN WHERE DEVELOPMENT WAS SCATTERED AND THE TOWN CENTRE HAD NOT YET BEEN FULLY DEVELOPED.

+HOWEVER, + HE SAID, +IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS THE TUEN MUN ARTS PROMOTION ASSOCIATION ARE ESTABLISHED AT THIS EARLY STAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT, AND GROW AS THE TOWN GROWS.+

THEY WERE TO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN IMPROVING THE CULTURAL STANDARD OF THE NEW TOWN BY ENCOURAGING LOCAL MUSICIANS AND ARTISTS, AND ORGANISING ORCHESTRAS AND BANDS, DANCING CLASSES, CAMERA CLUBS AND FILM SOCIETY, HE ADDED.

MR. AKERS-JONES NOTED THAT THE TUEN MUN ARTS PROMOTION ASSOCIATION — FORMED JUST OVER A YEAR AGO — HAD SINCE ITS INCEPTION PROVIDED THE LOCAL POPULATION WITH A WIDE RANGE OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES WHICH WERE WELL RECEIVED AND APPRECIATED.

THESE ACTIVITIES RANGED FROM OPERA SHOWS TO EXHIBITIONS AND COMPETITIONS, MOST OF WHICH WERE ORGANISED WITH THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD AND SUPPORT FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

IN ADDITION, COURSES ON CANTONESE OPERA, CHINESE MUSIC, FOLK DANCES AND SINGING WERE ALSO RUN TO ENRICH THE CULTURAL LIFE OF LOCAL RESIDENTS AND CULTIVATE THEIR INTERESTS IN ART.

+THERE IS SO MUCH WORK TO BE DONE THAT YOU MUST ENSURE THAT YOU BRING NEW MEMBERS INTO YOUR ASSOCIATION AND COMMITTEE AS THE TOWN EXPANDS,+ SAID MR. AKERS-JONES WHO LATER PRESENTED LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT TO THE NEW OFFICE BEARERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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NEW PREMISES FOR SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE  
MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
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SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL BE MOVED NEXT WEEK TO NEW PREMISES AT 181-185 CENTRE POINT, THIRD FLOOR, GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI.

MOVING TO THE NEW PREMISES ON JUNE 27 (WEDNESDAY) ARE THE DENTAL AND MEDICAL COUNCILS, PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD, MIDWIVES AND NURSING BOARDS, RADIATION BOARD, THE LICENTIATE OFFICE AND THE MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKERS UNIT. THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE WILL BE MOVED ON JUNE 29 (FRIDAY).

THE NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR THESE OFFICES ARE:

BOARDS AND COUNCILS	5-724456
RADIATION BOARD	5-724151
LICENTIATE OFFICE	5-724795
PRINCIPAL MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER	5-724945
AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE	5-724850

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AUCTION OF SPECIAL NUMBERS REALISES \$151,700

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TWENTY-FIVE SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING FOR A TOTAL OF \$151,700 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION, HELD IN THE LECTURE HALL OF THE CITY HALL, SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER BZ 1 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$36,000.

ANOTHER NUMBER BZ 9 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$35,000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1,000 FOR BY 7351, BY 7366, BY 8263, BY 8589, BY 8123, BY 9110, BY 9833, BZ 387, BZ 709 AND BZ 619.

THE OTHER SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

BZ 13	--	\$11,000	BZ 911	--	\$3,800
BY 78	--	\$9,400	BZ 218	--	\$3,500
BN 2992	--	\$8,000	BZ 628	--	\$3,500
BZ 338	--	\$8,000	BZ 308	--	\$3,300
BZ 280	--	\$6,600	BZ 108	--	\$2,900
BZ 125	--	\$6,000	BG 5658	--	\$2,500
			AA 786	--	\$2,200

THE NUMBERS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 45TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY REALISED SO FAR TO \$9,998,900.

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TAI PO URBAN SERVICES OFFICE REMOVAL NEXT MONDAY

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SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE TAI PO URBAN SERVICES OFFICE OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT, PRESENTLY ACCOMMODATED AT MEI TAK BUILDING, KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO, WILL MOVE TO TAI PO GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, FOURTH FLOOR, TING KOK ROAD, TAI PO NEXT MONDAY (JUNE 25).

MOVING TO THE NEW PREMISES ARE: THE ADMINISTRATION SECTION, THE ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE SECTION, THE RECREATION AND AMENITIES SECTION AND THE PEST CONTROL SECTION.

THE HAWKERS AND MARKETS SECTION AND THE CLEANSING SECTION WILL REMAIN IN MEI TAK BUILDING.

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TO FACILITATE THE REMOVAL, THE TAI PO URBAN SERVICES OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR ONE DAY ON JUNE 25 (MONDAY).

ALL TELEPHONE ENQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE URBAN SERVICES AT TAI PO MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE NEW PREMISES AT 12-677111, EXT. 162.

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#### TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 A.M. ON MONDAY, TWO NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN WONG CHUK HANG ROAD TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE.

THEY ARE:

- \* RIGHT-TURNS FROM WONG CHUK HANG ROAD ONTO HEUNG YIP ROAD AND FROM HEUNG YIP ROAD ONTO WONG CHUK HANG ROAD WILL BE BANNED TO FACILITATE TRAFFIC FLOW- AND
- \* THE UNNAMED ROAD FROM WONG CHUK HANG ROAD LEADING TO CHUNG MEI SQUATTER AREA WILL BE CLOSED TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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#### WATER CUT

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN STANLEY WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON MONDAY TO 6 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY STANLEY BEACH ROAD, STANLEY VILLAGE ROAD, STANLEY MOUND ROAD, CARMEL ROAD, STANLEY MARKET ROAD AND STANLEY LINK ROAD.

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