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SIR ROBERT BLACK TRUST FUND INVITES APPLICATIONS

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THE SIR ROBERT BLACK TRUST FUND COMMITTEE WILL SHORTLY BE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR A NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND TRAINING GRANTS UNDER THE FUND FOR 1989-90.

THE TRUST FUND, WHICH WAS SET UP IN 1961, IS ONE OF THE SIX TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION (CNTA).

A CNTA SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT ADVERTISEMENTS WOULD BE PLACED IN NEWSPAPERS ON FEBRUARY 20 AND 21 TO INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND TRAINING GRANTS UNDER THE SIR ROBERT BLACK TRUST FUND.

"THE PRIMARY AIM OF THESE AWARDS IS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE OF EXCEPTIONAL MERIT, WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEIR POTENTIAL TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE QUALITIES OF PERSONAL LEADERSHIP, TO DEVELOP THEIR INITIATIVE AND CHARACTER, SO THAT THEY MAY ACQUIRE GREATER SOCIAL USEFULNESS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"PRIORITY WILL THEREFORE BE GIVEN TO CANDIDATES OF PROVEN ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE IN FIELDS WHICH HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON COMMUNITY LIFE, SUCH AS JOURNALISM, SOCIAL WORK, EDUCATION, ARTS, AND POLITICAL SCIENCE," HE ADDED.

APPLICATIONS WILL CLOSE ON MARCH 23. FURTHER ENQUIRES CAN BE MADE BY TELEPHONING THE CNTA TRUST FUND SECTION ON 3-7337825.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID OVER \$16 MILLION IS EXPECTED TO BE PAID OUT THIS FINANCIAL YEAR UNDER THE SIX TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE CNTA.

"THE BENEFICIARIES, EXPECTED TO TOTAL MORE THAN 2,000, INCLUDE STUDENTS AS WELL AS WORKERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS OF ACCIDENT VICTIMS," HE SAID.

FOUR OF THE TRUST FUNDS ARE SET UP IN THE NAMES OF FOUR FORMER GOVERNORS - THE GRANTHAM SCHOLARSHIPS FUND, THE SIR ROBERT BLACK TRUST FUND, THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL FUND AND THE SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE TRUST FUND.

THE FIRST THREE TRUST FUNDS ARE SET UP MAINLY TO GRANT SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS AT SENIOR SECONDARY AND TERTIARY LEVELS, WHILE THE SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE TRUST FUND IS AIMED AT FINANCING LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG.

THE FIFTH TRUST FUND IS THE LI PO CHUN CHARITABLE TRUST FUND. APART FROM GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS, THE FUND ALSO PROVIDES FINANCIAL RELIEF TO PEOPLE IN DISTRESS. THIS IS DONE IN LIAISON WITH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

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A TOTAL OF \$15 MILLION IS EXPECTED TO BE PAID OUT FROM THESE FIVE TRUST FUNDS THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

THE SIXTH TRUST FUND, THE BREWIN TRUST FUND, WAS SET UP IN 1906 WHEN \$50,000 WAS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE CHINESE COMMUNITY TO START A FUND IN HONOUR OF MR A.W. BREWIN, THEN SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS.

THE FUND IS INTENDED TO BENEFIT CHINESE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS AS WELL AS INCAPACITATED CHINESE WORKERS. OVER \$1.2 MILLION IS EXPECTED TO BE PAID OUT FROM THIS FUND THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

EACH TRUST FUND IS ADVISED BY EITHER A BOARD OF TRUSTEES OR A MANAGEMENT/ADVISORY COMMITTEE WHOSE MEMBERS INCLUDE GOVERNMENT OFFICERS AS WELL AS PROFESSIONALS FROM THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, SUCH AS ACCOUNTANTS, BANKERS AND LAWYERS.

"APART FROM APPROVING THE PAYOUTS TO RECIPIENTS, THE BOARDS AND COMMITTEES ARE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING ON THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS OF THE FUNDS TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE PROPERLY INVESTED," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"IT IS ENCOURAGING TO SEE THAT THE AMOUNT EXPECTED TO BE PAID OUT IN THE 1988-89 FINANCIAL YEAR, TALLING \$16.16 MILLION, REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF 68 PER CENT OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR," HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID ALL THE TRUST FUNDS WERE MANAGED ON THE BASIS THAT ONLY THEIR RECURRENT INCOME WAS USED IN ORDER THAT THEIR CAPITAL WAS PERPETUATED FOR POSTERITY.

"EACH FUND MAINTAINS ITS OWN PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENT BALANCED BETWEEN EQUITIES, BONDS AND BANK DEPOSITS," HE ADDED.

THE TOTAL ASSET VALUE OF THE SIX TRUST FUNDS LAST DECEMBER 31 WAS \$411 MILLION, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF THREE PER CENT OVER \$399 MILLION ON MARCH 31 LAST YEAR.

INVITATIONS TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS UNDER THE FUNDS ARE ANNOUNCED IN NEWSPAPERS OR THROUGH SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONS.

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CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED AGAINST FOOTWAY OBSTRUCTION

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AN EIGHT-MONTH CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN LAUNCHED IN KWUN TONG TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM OF OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FOOTWAYS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE CAMPAIGN, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE TERRITORY, HAS BEEN INITIATED BY A TASK FORCE FORMED UNDER THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POLICE, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DISTRICT OFFICE SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THE TASK FORCE WAS FORMED IN RESPONSE TO CONCERN EXPRESSED BY MEMBERS OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD.

PUBLIC FOOTWAYS WERE BEING OBSTRUCTED BY ILLEGAL HAWKING ACTIVITIES AND BY THE DISPLAY OF GOODS AND ADVERTISING SIGNS BY SHOPOWNERS.

"AS A RESULT OF THESE OBSTRUCTIONS, THE WIDTH OF FOOTWAY AVAILABLE FOR PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION HAS BEEN GREATLY REDUCED," HE SAID.

"AT SOME LOCATIONS, PEDESTRIANS ARE EVEN FORCED TO WALK ALONG THE CARRIAGEWAY, THUS EXPOSING THEMSELVES TO THE HAZARD OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC," HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FOOTWAYS IS AN OFFENCE FOR WHICH THE PENALTY CAN BE A \$5,000 FINE OR THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

A THREE-PHASE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN DRAWN UP TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM.

THE AIM IS TO AROUSE THE CIVIC-MINDEDNESS OF SHOPOWNERS WHOSE GOODS AND ADVERTISEMENT SIGNS OBSTRUCT THE PAVEMENT, EDUCATE THEM ON THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THE PAVEMENT CLEAR, AND REMIND THEM OF THE POSSIBLE PENALTY FOR COMMITTING THE OFFENCE.

THE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND IS BEING JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE BOARD, AREA COMMITTEES, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE POLICE AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

PHASE I OF THE PROGRAMME, WHICH INVOLVES THE DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLICITY LEAFLETS IN THE TOWN CENTRE, TING HONG AND NGAU TAU KOK, WHERE THE PROBLEM IS MOST SERIOUS, BEGAN LATE LAST MONTH AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE END OF THIS MONTH.

PHASE II OF THE PROGRAMME WILL BE MOUNTED BETWEEN MARCH AND MAY DURING WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT NEWSPAPER TO ILLUSTRATE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE PROBLEM.

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THE FINAL PHASE WILL BE CARRIED OUT OVER THREE MONTHS STARTING FROM JUNE.

IN THIS PHASE, THE POLICE AND URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL TAKE ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST THOSE SHOPKEEPERS WHO DO NOT HEED THE ADVICE GIVEN IN THE FIRST TWO PHASES, AND CONTINUE TO CAUSE OBSTRUCTION.

IN THE MEANTIME, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO TAKE ENFORCEMENT ACTION AT HAWKER BLACK SPOTS TO CONTAIN THE PROBLEM OF ILLEGAL HAWKING IN THE DISTRICT, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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WAN CHAI FIGHT CRIME, ANTI-NARCOTICS CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY
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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD IN SOUTHORN PLAYGROUND ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 12) AFTERNOON TO PUBLICISE THE FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS MESSAGES.

THE FUNCTION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN).

THERE WILL BE LION DANCE, CHINESE OPERATIC SONGS PERFORMANCE, GAME STALLS, LUCKY DRAWS, AND SINGING BY POPULAR ARTISTES.

THE EVENT IS AIMED AT AROUSING LOCAL RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF THE FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS EFFORTS AS WELL AS PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT FOR THEM DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE CARNIVAL WILL BE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER MANN; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR MICHAEL PREW; LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR AND ACAN MEMBER, MRS PEGGY LAM; AND WAN CHAI DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR CHENG HOK-YIN.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS TO THE CARNIVAL ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME AND ANTI-NARCOTICS CARNIVAL TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 12) BEGINNING AT 2 PM IN SOUTHORN PLAYGROUND.

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VARIETY SHOW TO MARK CONCLUSION OF CIVIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME
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MORE THAN 1,500 WONG TAI SIN RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO AN ENTERTAINING VARIETY SHOW WHEN THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME CLOSES ON FEBRUARY 18.

THE SHOW IS ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION UNDER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE. IT WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM IN THE OPEN-AIR THEATRE AT MORSE PARK.

THERE WILL BE SINGING PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR SINGERS TSOI KWOK-KUEN, WONG PO-YAN, JOSEPH TAY, NG KIT-MUI AND LEE HAK-KAN. OTHER ATTRACTIONS INCLUDE A MAGIC SHOW BY A RENOWNED MAGICIAN, MR X, DEMONSTRATIONS OF MARTIAL ARTS AND TAEKWONDO, AS WELL AS ORIENTAL DANCES.

FAMOUS DISC JOCKEYS OF RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, MISS CHOW WAI-MAN AND MR YUEN SIU-CHEUNG, WILL BE MASTERS OF CEREMONY.

DURING THE SHOW, PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO WINNERS OF VARIOUS CIVIC EDUCATION COMPETITIONS HELD EARLIER. THESE INCLUDE A GOOD CITIZEN AWARD SCHEME AND CIVIC EDUCATION SLOGAN, POSTER AND PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITIONS.

OFFICIATING AT THE EVENT WILL BE A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, MR MAK HOI-WAH; WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, DR MICHAEL LEE; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN LAU; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, MR ALBERT LI.

FREE ADMISSION TICKETS TO THE SHOW ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES.

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DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS INVITED TO APPLY FOR SUBSIDIES

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ORGANISATIONS IN THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT ARE BEING INVITED TO APPLY FOR SUBSIDIES FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD FOR ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD BETWEEN APRIL 14 AND NOVEMBER 30, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

APPLICATION IS OPEN TO ALL VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OTHER LOCAL ORGANISATIONS FOR STAGING CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL, SPORTS, EDUCATIONAL OR COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES.

IT IS HOPED THAT THE ACTIVITIES SUBSIDISED BY THE BOARD WILL HELP PROMOTE RESIDENTS' UNDERSTANDING AMONG EACH OTHER AND THEIR SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE COMMUNITY.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS FOR ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD IN APRIL, MAY AND JUNE IS FEBRUARY 28, WHILE THAT FOR ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD BETWEEN JULY AND NOVEMBER IS APRIL 14.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES WHERE ENQUIRIES CAN ALSO BE MADE.

ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE EXAMINED BY A VETTING SUB-COMMITTEE BEFORE THEY ARE APPROVED BY THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE.

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NEW YEAR CARNIVAL FOR YAU TSIM RESIDENTS

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YAU TSIM DISTRICT RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO A FUN-FILLED CARNIVAL ON FEBRUARY 19 (SUNDAY) AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI AND TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURE AND ARTS ASSOCIATION AND SPONSORED BY THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD AND THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE EVENT WILL TO PROVIDE FREE ENTERTAINMENT TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

THERE WILL BE GAME STALLS TO BE SET UP BY AREA COMMITTEES AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES, FORTUNE-TELLING AND DISTRIBUTION OF BALLOONS BY CARTOON CHARACTERS.

FREE TICKETS FOR THE GAME STALLS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE AT 490 NATHAN ROAD AND AT ITS TSIM SHA TSUI SUB-OFFICE AT 40 CARNARVON ROAD.

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NEW DISTRICT OFFICE SUB-OFFICE FOR LUNG SHING
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PUBLIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE WILL BE STRENGTHENED WITH THE OPENING OF ITS LUNG SHING SUB-OFFICE TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

CONVENIENTLY LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR AT 68-74 JUNCTION ROAD, THE NEW SUB-OFFICE WILL PROVIDE A WIDE RANGE OF PUBLIC SERVICES TO RESIDENTS IN THE LUNG SHING AREA AS WELL AS IN MA TAU WAI AND KOWLOON TONG.

THE SUB-OFFICE WILL HAVE A PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE MANNED BY A TEAM OF LIAISON OFFICERS WHO FORMERLY OPERATED FROM THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE IN TO KWA WAN. THE SETTING UP OF THE NEW SUB-OFFICE WILL ENABLE THE TEAM TO FORGE A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH RESIDENTS.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN APPROACH THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE TO MAKE ENQUIRIES ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, MAKE OATHS AND DECLARATIONS, AS WELL AS OBTAIN VARIOUS GOVERNMENT FORMS, REPORTS, CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION LEAFLETS.

THEY CAN ALSO SEEK ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FREE LEGAL ADVICE AND RENT OFFICER SCHEMES.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE LUNG SHING SUB-OFFICE'S PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE IS 3-7165440.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF TUEN MUN ROAD
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TO FACILITATE BRIDGE RESURFACING WORKS, THE THREE TRAFFIC LANES ON TUEN MUN ROAD (TUEN MUN BOUND) AT TING KAU VIADUCT AND TELFORD BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED IN TURN FROM SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 11) FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS.

HOWEVER, AT LEAST TWO TRAFFIC LANES WILL REMAIN OPEN DURING THE PEAK PERIODS. CLOSURE OF TWO LANES WILL ONLY BE EFFECTED AT NIGHT OR DURING WEEKENDS.

MOTORISTS MAY TRAVEL VIA CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC AIDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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NIGHT CLOSURE OF INTERCHANGE IN KWAI CHUNG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TO FACILITATE FLYOVER CONSTRUCTION, CHEUNG WING ROAD INTERCHANGE WILL BE PARTIALLY CLOSED BETWEEN 1.30 AM AND 5.30 AM DAILY ON FRIDAY (FEBRUARY 10) AND THE NEXT DAY.

DURING THESE PERIODS, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC: KWAI CHUNG ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH WO TONG TSUI STREET AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD; KWAI CHUNG ROAD SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN ITS JUNCTIONS WITH CHEUNG WING ROAD AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD; AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN ITS JUNCTIONS WITH LEI MUK ROAD AND KWAI CHUNG ROAD.

DURING THE CLOSURE, NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC ON KWAI CHUNG ROAD HEADING FOR TSUEN WAN WILL BE DIVERTED VIA KWAI CHUNG ROAD SOUTHBOUND.

VEHICLES ON SOUTHBOUND KWAI CHUNG ROAD HEADING FOR KWAI CHUNG WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CASTLE PEAK ROAD, WAH YIU ROAD, LAI YIU STREET, LAI CHO ROAD, LAI KING SHAN ROAD, KWAI FUK ROAD, HING FONG ROAD AND KWAI FOO ROAD.

ALSO, TRAFFIC ON NORTHBOUND CASTLE PEAK ROAD HEADING FOR TSUEN WAN WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SOUTHBOUND KWAI CHUNG ROAD, TAI LIN PAI ROAD, KWAI ON ROAD AND NORTHBOUND KWAI CHUNG ROAD.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS IN KWUN TONG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 11), SEVERAL SECTIONS OF HIP WO STREET IN KWUN TONG WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS.

THE FOLLOWING TWO SECTIONS WILL BE MADE URBAN CLEARWAYS ROUND-THE-CLOCK:

- * THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF HIP WO STREET BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 39 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TUNG YAN STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES NORTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION; AND
- * THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF HIP WO STREET BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TUNG YAN STREET AND ITS JUNCTION WITH MUT WAH STREET.

IN ADDITION, THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF HIP WO STREET BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TUNG YAN STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES NORTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BECOME A PEAK HOUR (7 AM - 10 AM AND 4 PM - 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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