



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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NON-INDUSTRIAL SITES TO BE AUCTIONED

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TWO NON-INDUSTRIAL SITES WILL BE PUT UP FOR SALE BY THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE ON JULY 13 AT 2.30 P.M.

ONE SITE, MEASURING ABOUT 1,176 SQUARE METRES, IS LOCATED AT QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

THE OTHER SITE AT 171 RECLAMATION STREET, KOWLOON, COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 83.6 SQUARE METRES.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG, AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR TAXI LICENCES

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TENDER FORMS FOR A FURTHER 300 HONG KONG AND KOWLOON TAXI LICENCES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE LICENSING OFFICES TOMORROW (FRIDAY), A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE TENDER FORMS, YELLOW IN COLOUR, CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE HONG KONG OFFICE AT 2 MURRAY ROAD AND THE KOWLOON OFFICE AT THE PARK-IN COMMERCIAL CENTRE, DUNDAS STREET, MONG KOK.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED TENDERERS NOT TO USE PREVIOUSLY ISSUED FORMS AS THESE ARE NO LONGER VALID.

+THE TENDER WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A PREMIUM IN RESPECT OF ONE OR MORE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON TAXIS,+ HE POINTED OUT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A TENDERER MAY SUBMIT ONE FORM FOR ANY NUMBER OF LICENCES NOT EXCEEDING 300, IN WHICH CASE, ONLY ONE FIXED PREMIUM SHOULD BE OFFERED. TENDERERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT MORE THAN ONE TENDER FORM.

+A SMALLER NUMBER OF LICENCES MAY BE ALLOCATED TO A TENDERER IF THE NUMBER AVAILABLE IS LESS THAN THAT REQUIRED BY HIM,+ HE ADDED.

IF THE UNIT PREMIA ARE IDENTICAL A PUBLIC BALLOT MAY BE HELD TO DETERMINE ACCEPTANCE.

COMPLETED TENDER FORMS, WITH THE ORIGINAL DEPOSIT RECEIPTS, MUST BE SUBMITTED IN SEALED ENVELOPES ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY, CENTRAL TENDER BOARD, AND PLACED IN THE SECRETARIAT TENDER BOX AT THE ENTRANCE HALL ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, MAIN WING, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG, BEFORE NOON ON JUNE 29. LATE TENDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

SUCCESSFUL TENDERERS WOULD BE ISSUED TAXI LICENCES AT THE RATE OF 100 A MONTH FROM AUGUST WITH THE HIGHEST BIDS RECEIVING PRIORITY.

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ACTING GOVERNOR TO ATTEND LUNCHEON

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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER WILL ATTEND A LUNCHEON GIVEN BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO OFFICIALS OF THE CO-OPERATIVE FOR AMERICAN RELIEF EVERYWHERE (CARE) WHICH IS CLOSING DOWN ITS OPERATION HERE AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE.

AMONG CARE OFFICIALS INVITED TO THE LUNCHEON ARE MR. EDWIN WESELY, CHAIRMAN OF CARE CURRENTLY IN HONG KONG- MR. MERTON CREGGER, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CARE, AND MR. WILLIAM SALAS, THE HONG KONG DIRECTOR.

OTHER GUESTS INCLUDE SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA, THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL SOCIAL ORGANISATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE RELATION WITH CARE PROJECTS IN THE PAST YEARS.

CARE, A NON-PROFIT-MAKING ORGANISATION SET UP TO HELP DEVELOP AND PROVIDE VOLUNTARY SERVICE TO OVERSEAS COUNTRIES, IS FUNDED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

DURING THE PAST 25 YEARS, IT HAS SPONSORED HUNDREDS OF PROJECTS IN HONG KONG, MOST OF WHICH WERE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THESE INCLUDE BUILDING FISHERMEN'S VILLAGES ON LANTAU ISLAND, PLAYGROUNDS, CULTURAL AND RECREATION CENTRES, FOOTPATHS, AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS. THEIR LAST PROJECT IS THE TSING LUNG TAU CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL CENTRE WHICH WAS OPENED THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING.

ACCORDING TO MR. SALAS THE DECISION TO WITHDRAW CARE'S SERVICE WAS MADE AFTER CAREFUL STUDY OF THE PRESENT CONDITIONS IN HONG KONG IN RELATION TO THE NEEDS OF LESS FORTUNATE AREAS IN WHICH CARE IS CALLED ON TO SERVE.

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CUSTOMS OFFICERS GRADUATE
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THIRTY-EIGHT PROBATIONARY CUSTOMS OFFICERS WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING COURSE WILL TAKE PART IN A PASSING-OUT PARADE ON SATURDAY AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL IN TAI LAM CHUNG, NEW TERRITORIES.

TAKING THE SALUTE WILL BE SUPERINTENDENT K.S. TONG.

IT WILL BE THE SECOND PASSING-OUT OF CUSTOMS OFFICERS HELD THIS YEAR. THE PREVIOUS PARADE WAS HELD IN FEBRUARY WHEN 36 CUSTOMS OFFICER AND 27 INSPECTORS COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING.

THE CUSTOM AND EXCISE TRAINING COURSES ARE DESIGNED TO GIVE RECRUITS A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF THE LAW IN RELATION TO SMUGGLING, NARCOTICS AND REVENUE PROTECTION.

THE TRAINING PROGRAMME ALSO INCLUDES JUDO, THE USE OF FIRE-ARMS, AND METHODS OF SEARCHING ON LAND AND SEA AND AT THE AIRPORT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF 38 CUSTOMS OFFICERS OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL IN TAI LAM CHUNG AT 11.15 A.M. ON SATURDAY. TAKING THE SALUTE WILL BE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SERVICE, MR. TONG KANG-SING.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT. A GOVERNMENT COACH, AM 5606, WILL BE AT HUNG HOM FERRY PIER BETWEEN 9.15 A.M. AND 9.30 A.M. ON SATURDAY TO TAKE MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

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NEW BRANCH OFFICE FOR WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS UNIT
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THE BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS UNIT AT THE CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, FIFTH FLOOR, SHA TSUI ROAD, TSUEN WAN, WILL BE MOVED TO THE FIRST FLOOR OF CHEUNG YIU BUILDING AT 167 - 173 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN, ON SATURDAY.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE NEW OFFICE WILL BE: 12-440832 FOR THE SENIOR LABOUR INSPECTOR AND 12-440835 AND 12-440839 FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES.

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SEMINAR ON 'NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN TEACHING ECONOMICS'
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SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS OF ECONOMICS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN TEACHING ECONOMICS WHICH WILL BE HELD ON JULY 11 AT KNOWLES BUILDING OF THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY.

THE SEMINAR IS ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION FOR ECONOMICS EDUCATION.

ONE OF THE GUEST SPEAKERS WILL BE MR. DAVID WHITEHEAD OF THE INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

TEACHERS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE SEMINAR SHOULD APPLY THROUGH THEIR HEADS OF SCHOOLS. THE CLOSING DATE OF APPLICATION IS JULY 4.

FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, E.P.A. SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TEL. NO. 5-774001 EXT. 33.

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PRISONS DEPARTMENT PASSING-OUT PARADE
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TEN OFFICERS AND 70 ASSISTANT OFFICERS II WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED THEIR TRAINING COURSE WILL TAKE PART IN A PASSING-OUT PARADE ON SATURDAY AT THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN TUNG TAU WAN ROAD, STANLEY.

TAKING THE SALUTE WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES, MR. F.J. YOUNG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF 10 OFFICERS AND 70 ASSISTANT OFFICERS II WILL BE HELD AT THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY AT 10 A.M. ON SATURDAY. TAKING THE SALUTE WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES, MR. F.J. YOUNG.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL LEAVE GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI, AT 9.15 A.M. ON SATURDAY AND RETURN AFTER THE PARADE.

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SPECIAL TRAINS TO SHA TIN RACE COURSE STATION
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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL OPERATE THREE SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS TO THE SHA TIN RACE COURSE STATION ON SATURDAY.

THESE SPECIAL NON-STOP TRAINS WILL LEAVE THE KOWLOON STATION IN HUNG HOM AT 12.30 P.M., 12.51 P.M. AND 1.11 P.M.

THREE SPECIAL TRAINS WILL ALSO BE OPERATED TO CARRY PASSENGERS BACK FROM THE RACE COURSE STATION TO KOWLOON STATION. IN ADDITION, KCR WILL RE-ROUTE THREE OF ITS SCHEDULED TRAINS VIA THE RACE COURSE STATION AT 6.12 P.M., 8.12 P.M. AND 8.52 P.M. TO PICK UP PASSENGERS.

THE RUNNING TIME OF THESE SPECIAL TRAINS IS 20 MINUTES AND TIMETABLES WILL BE DISPLAYED AT ALL RAILWAY STATIONS AND AT THE JOCKEY CLUB'S OFF-COURSE BETTING CENTRES.

THOSE GOING BY PRIVATE CARS ARE ADVISED TO USE THE HUNG HOM MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK ABOVE THE KOWLOON STATION.

MEANWHILE, THE TIMETABLES OF THE SCHEDULED TRAINS BETWEEN 10.30 A.M. AND 11 P.M. HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS :

FROM KOWLOON STATION: 10.57 A.M., 12.10 P.M., 1.18 P.M.,
* 2 P.M., 2.11 P.M., 3.05 P.M., 4.04 P.M.,
5 P.M., 5.34 P.M., 6.02 P.M., 7 P.M.,
7.56 P.M., 9.08 P.M. AND 11 P.M.

FROM LO WU STATION: 10.47 A.M., 11.53 A.M., 12.58 P.M.,
1.55 P.M., 2.54 P.M., 3.49 P.M., 4.29 P.M.,
5.27 P.M., 6.22 P.M., 7.18 P.M., 8.07 P.M.
AND 9.15 P.M.

* THROUGH PASSENGER TRAIN BETWEEN KOWLOON AND CANTON.

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WATER CUT
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN TAI PO WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR SIX HOURS FROM MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M. ON SATURDAY FOR NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY KWONG FUK ROAD, TIN KOK ROAD BETWEEN TAI PO ROAD AND TAI PING RUGS AND CARPETS LTD., INCLUDING TAI PO OLD MARKET, SAN WAI TSAI AND CHUK HANG.

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DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN SUPPLEMENT

SPEECH BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR,
SIR JACK CATER, K.B.E., J.P., ON THE OCCASION
OF THE MARYKNOLL CONVENT SCHOOL SPEECH DAY ON JUNE 14, 1979

My wife and I are honoured to be with you today on the occasion of your annual speech day. Your school has certainly come a long way since it was founded in 1925 as a small kindergarten with an enrolment of 12, to the present school complex with an enrolment of 2,510!

The contribution which the Maryknoll Sisters have made to education in Hong Kong is significant, and you are all indeed fortunate to be educated here where not only is academic achievement prized but where the development of a well-balanced, wholesome personality is the school's objective.

I quote from your magazine which summarises Maryknoll's view of the philosophy of education: "to provide experiences which will enable students to grow as individuals, spiritually, physically, intellectually and to become informed, sensitive, responsible members of society."

I know that you have a full range of activities within the school including sports days, games competitions, swimming galas, as well as numerous clubs and societies. And in taking full advantage of the facilities offered to students, I can see that you must be very busy as well as talented young people.

/The school.....

The school environment has always had a most important part to play in character building. In Hong Kong we need educated young people with a sense of vision and initiative who are willing and able to contribute to our community.

Now, many of you will be leaving school this year and will be stepping out for the first time into the wider world of Hong Kong: a few may even be going overseas. Some of you will go on to university or some other form of tertiary education, others perhaps into the world of commerce.

I hope you will carry with you not only what you have grasped academically but what you have acquired by example during the years you have spent here. Learning the contribution you as an individual can make to a group or team: learning the need to care for others through community involvement: learning to develop your own personal and special talents in creative activity: and being given responsibilities, the encouragement to participate actively in school life through the Student Council: all these help to form you into mature, well-balanced and confident people.

The experiences gained here at Maryknoll are building for you a "bank-balance" for the future which will prove of very great value: the sort of "bank-balance" which really matters. Here in the materialism of Hong Kong, too much store is placed on how much money somebody has in the bank, or how many cars he has.

I look to the day when one tests the value of a person not from his worldly wealth, nor from the colour of his skin, or his race or his religion but from the component parts of his character.

/Hong Kong

Hong Kong needs, and deserves, a new generation of concerned, committed young people who will ask not what can we make out of Hong Kong, but what can we do to help make Hong Kong a cleaner and better place in which to live: a community which cares.

SOLA NOBILITAS VIRTUS are the words written on your school crest: Virtue Alone Ennobles. A truly high and splendid aim. Virtue embraces many qualities - excellence, courage, goodness, probity, compassion. And talking of compassion, I am sharply reminded of a story which I heard just yesterday of one of the many Vietnamese refugees who have escaped from the misery, the horror and the brutality of life in Vietnam.

A Vietnamese Chinese girl, aged 14, left Vung Tau in mid-April, with her mother and father, and a brother aged 4. This is her story:

"I used to go to school but then the school was closed. All Chinese schools were closed and ... because we were Chinese we couldn't go to school with Vietnamese children. I stayed at home ... and helped my mother ... and I used to play with my friends but my friends all went away.

"My teacher used to come to visit my father in the evenings. He used to come to the house after dark and they would talk for a long time ... and then there was a curfew for Chinese and it was difficult for him to come. Nobody came then ... nobody came to see us ... my father went out sometimes, in the daytime, but my mother stayed at home with me ... and with my brother.

"It was lonely.

"Two men came one afternoon and told us to be ready the next morning and ... after they had left my mother was crying. She sat on the stairs, holding my brother in her lap, and she cried and I couldn't comfort her. And my father was putting things in a suitcase and was cross with us because we weren't helping him. It was very late before I went to bed.

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"And we were ready in the morning, before it was light and we waited outside the house ... my parents and my brother and me ... sitting on suitcases ... and when the truck came we climbed into the back of it and my father locked the door of our house and gave the key to someone I'd never seen before. And we were driven away in the truck ... and my mother was still crying and my father had his arm round her. And as I looked back ... our street was empty. There was nobody to wave to ..

"We didn't get on to the boat until the third night when it was dark. There were several boats all close together and it was raining. There were some headlights shining from a car and men with lamps and we had to form into a long line ... and my father and mother were both carrying two suitcases each and I had to hold on to my brother ... mother kept on saying 'Keep hold of him! Hold on to him!' and I kept hold of his hand and ... when we got near the plank that went up onto the boat there were two men in uniform who started asking my father questions and we stopped moving forward ... and they made my mother and father open the suitcases in the rain ... and they started to go through everything inside...

"And somebody picked up my brother and carried him up the plank and I still kept hold of him and I went up onto the boat ... and looking back I could see my parents pleading with the two men and my mother was kneeling on the stones in front of them ... and I kept on calling to her ... because I knew she thought we were still with her and didn't know we were on the boat ...

"And then we were made to go down some stairs, under the deck and there was no room anywhere and no space to sit down ... and we were all pushed close together in our wet clothes ... and a man lifted me and my brother up onto a sort of shelf and we stayed there holding on to each other.

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"And I was frightened.

"In the morning it was still raining but it was hot and smelt and I thought I would choke ... and I pushed my way up the stairs ... trying not to tread on people ... and it was misty and we couldn't see the land and ... and there were no other boats ... and I kept on looking for my parents ... pushing my way along the deck and up and downstairs ... calling out for them ... and I couldn't find them ... I went back to my brother and then searched again for my mother ... and she wasn't there."

Subsequently the girl and her brother were reunited with their family two weeks later. Her mother and father had boarded another small boat, and reached Hong Kong about six days after their children.

In the circumstances, I suppose they were lucky: we are told that the chances of survival of those who leave Vietnam are slim: one in two --- half --- perish on the high seas.

"SOLA NOBILITAS VIRTUS": I have the conviction that it can also be "translated" as "DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD BE DONE BY". I would like to think that that embraces the hall-mark of the true Maryknoller.

Reverend Sister I am sure that all your students will do their very best always to keep that aim in front of them throughout their lives.

In the same way as throughout the life of this school the Maryknoll sisters have dedicated their lives and given of their qualities and professional talents in order to produce the sort of Maryknoll girl who is not only a credit to the school but also very much a credit to Hong Kong.

Thank you.