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$200 M. TO BE SPENT ON TSUEN WAN THIS YEAR

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AN ESTIMATED $220.6 MILLION WILL BE SPENT ON TSUEN WAN THIS FINANCIAL YEAR, ABOUT ONE THIRD ON PUBLIC HOUSING INCLUSIVE OF BASIC COMMUNITY FACILITIES, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, TSUEN WAN, MR. JAMES HAYES SAID TODAY.

MR. HAYES, WHO WAS SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE 18TH TERM OFFICE BEARERS OF THE TSUEN WAN RURAL COMMITTEE, ADDED THAT IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR SOME $260 MILLION WAS LIKELY TO BE SPENT.

HE ASSURED THE CHAIRMAN OF TSUEN WAN RURAL COMMITTEE, MR. PETER YEUNG, THAT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE WOULD BE DONE TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR EXISTING AS WELL AS PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, +SINCE WE RECOGNISE THE NEED TO MAKE UP PRESENT DEFICIENCIES.+ HE SAID THERE WERE 140 ITEMS AT PRESENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, WHICH WAS UPDATED EACH YEAR.

REFERRING TO OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES, LIKE KEEPING THE PEACE, REDUCING CRIME, IMPROVING TRAFFIC CONDITIONS AND PROMOTING CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTING ACTIVITIES, MR. HAYES SAID: +THESE MATTERS ARE ALREADY RECEIVING ATTENTION.+

HE WENT ON: +TO TAKE ONE MAJOR EXAMPLE, YOU ARE ALL I THINK AWARE OF THE CREATION OF A NEW KWAI CHUNG DIVISION OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

+THIS IMPORTANT STEP IN THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER AND THE SUPPRESSION OF CRIME IS BEING ACCOMPANIED BY THE INCREASED ATTENTION GIVEN TO LIAISON WITH THE LOCAL POPULATION THROUGH THE RURAL COMMITTEES, LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS AND THE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MOVEMENT.

+THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DISTRICT FIGHT VIOLENT CRIME COMMITTEE EARLIER THIS YEAR CHAIRED BY THE DEPUTY DISTRICT OFFICER IS YET ANOTHER INDICATION OF THE IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO THIS SUBJECT BY THE GOVERNMENT IN THE NEW TOWN.+

MR. HAYES SAID THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO STRENGTHEN THE PUBLIC SERVICES IN TSUEN WAN +IS NOT SHIRKED.+ IN PRACTICAL TERMS, RESPONSIBILITY WAS EXERCISED THROUGH THE NEW TOWN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE COMPRISING SENIOR OFFICERS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WORKING IN TSUEN WAN.

+THE COMMITTEE IS EVER WATCHFUL OF LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AND WHERE NECESSARY SUGGESTS TO DEPARTMENTS THE NEED FOR INCREASED SERVICES AND THE EXTRA STAFF TO GO WITH THEM,+ MR. HAYES SAID.

HE MADE SPECIAL MENTION OF THE RECREATIONAL AMD AMENITIES COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED LAST JANUARY. ITS MEMBERSHIP WAS MADE UP OF A LARGE NUMBER OF +UNOFFICIALS+ DRAWN FROM A WIDE RANGE OF TSUEN WAN RESIDENTS AND OF OFFICIALS WHO HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THIS FIELD.

/+THIS COMMITTEE .....

+THIS COMMITTEE HAS THE SPECIAL DUTY OF EXAMINING THE PROVISION AND MANAGEMENT OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND AMENITIES IN TSUEN WAN AND OF MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THEIR ADDITION AND IMPROVEMENT,+ MR. HAYES SAID. +YOUR CHAIRMAN, MR. YEUNG AND OTHER LEADERS ARE MEMBERS OF THE NEW COMMITTEE WHICH IS ALREADY PROVING ITS VALUE.+

PRAISING THE RURAL COMMITTEE, MR. HAYES SAID IT WAS NOT THE INWARD-LOOKING NOR NARROWLY-BASED BODY THAT ITS NAME SUGGESTED.

HE DECLARED: +YOUR WIDE CONTACTS, INFORMED VIEWS AND PRACTISED LEADERSHIP ARE OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO OUR ENLARGED COMMUNITY WORK AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TSUEN WAN IDENTITY. WE IN TSUEN WAN ARE FORTUNATE THAT THIS IS SO AND I URGE YOU STRONGLY TO CONTINUE TO GIVE THIS LEAD.+

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LAST MONTH AGAIN UNUSUALLY DRY AND WARM

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LAST MONTH, WHICH WAS CLOUDIER AND LESS SUNNY THAN USUAL, WAS THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE MONTH WITH SUBNORMAL RAINFALL AND HIGHER THAN AVERAGE TEMPERATURES.

THE MEAN TEMPERATURE FOR THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE YEAR WAS 17.1 DEGREES CELSIUS, 1.1 DEGREES ABOVE NORMAL, AND THE ACCUMULATED RAINFALL FOR THE SAME PERIOD WAS 30.1 M.M., WHICH IS ONLY ONE-FIFTH OF THE NORMAL FIGURE.

THE STRONG MONSOON SIGNAL WAS HOISTED FOUR TIMES — THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF OCCASIONS IN ANY MARCH SINCE 1957.

TROPICAL STORM LORNA DISSIPATED NEAR THE ISLAND OF YAP ON MARCH 1, AND NO OTHER TROPICAL CYCLONES OCCURRED OVER THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC OR SOUTH CHINA SEA.

THE LOWEST TEMPERATURE OF THE MONTH WAS 7.9 DEGREES CELSIUS, RECORDED ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 1. THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 27.9 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS RECORDED ON MARCH 18.

THE WEATHER BECAME PROGRESSIVELY MILDER AND HUMID IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH. WIDESPREAD FOG DEVELOPED ON MARCH 16 AND PERSISTED FOR THREE DAYS.

DURING THIS PERIOD, VISIBILITY WAS REDUCED TO 100 M. AT WAGLAN ISLAND AND 800 M. AT CHEUNG CHAU. ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 17, TWO CARGO SHIPS COLLIDED JUST SOUTH OF HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE STRONG MONSOON SIGNAL WAS HOISTED ON MARCH 19 AND 20. OVER THE NORTHERN PART OF THE SOUTH CHINA SEA, WINDS REACHED GALE FORCE AND A CARGO SHIP, THE SENYO MARU, CAPSIZED NEAR THE SOUTHWEST TIP OF TAIWAN.

FOURTEEN AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG AIRPORT DURING THE MONTH BECAUSE OF ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS, AND A THUNDERSTORM WARNING WAS ISSUED AT 7.55 A.M. ON MARCH 30 FOR THREE HOURS.

NOTE TO EDITORS: A MORE DETAILED WEATHER REPORT, PREPARED BY THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1976, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN THE G.I.S. PRESS BOXES.

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OPENING OF AUSTIN ROAD EXTENSION

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THE REMAINING SECTION OF THE AUSTIN ROAD EXTENSION WILL OPEN TO TRAFFIC ON THURSDAY (APRIL 15) AT 2 P.M., THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY.

TO BE KNOWN AS CHEONG WAN ROAD, THE EXTENSION WILL CONNECT CHATHAM ROAD TO THE SYSTEM OF GROUND-LEVEL LOOP ROADS ALREADY IN USE AND THE HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION.

IT WILL PROVIDE EXIT AND ENTRY FACILITIES FROM CHATHAM ROAD TO THE HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION AND WILL ALSO PROVIDE A U-TURN LOOP FOR TRAFFIC LEAVING THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC AND KOWLOON MORTUARY WISHING TO USE CHATHAM ROAD, OR FOR TRAFFIC ENTERING THE CHATHAM ROAD DETENTION CENTRE FROM CHATHAM ROAD.

BESIDES THE ROAD LINKS, A SYSTEM OF FOOTPATHS AND FOOTBRIDGES HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED TO PROVIDE ACCESS FOR PEDESTRIANS FROM CHATHAM ROAD TO THE RAILWAY STATION, THE POLYTECHNIC AND THE CROSS-HARBOUR BUS STOPS AT THE TUNNEL INTERCHANGE.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE FOLLOWING BUS ROUTES WILL BE ALTERED TO PROVIDE IMPROVED SERVICES TO THE KOWLOON RAILWAY STATION AT HUNG HOM:

* ROUTES 5 AND 5A - ON JOURNEYS TO CHOI HUNG AND KOWLOON CITY RESPECTIVELY, THE SERVICES WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO OPERATE VIA CHATHAM ROAD, CHEONG WAN ROAD AND HONG CHONG ROAD STOPPING AT THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC IN CHEONG WAN ROAD.

* ROUTES 5C 25 AND 211 - ON JOURNEYS FROM TSIM SHA TSUI, THESE SERVICES WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO OPERATE VIA CHATHAM ROAD, CHEONG WAN ROAD, ON WAN ROAD (STOPPING AT THE RAILWAY STATION BUS LAY-BYE), CHEONG WAN ROAD AND GILLIES AVENUE.

* ROUTES 5C, 25, 201 AND 211 - ON JOURNEYS TO TSIM SHA TSUI, THESE SERVICES WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO OPERATE VIA GILLIES AVENUE, CHEONG WAN ROAD, HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION BUS STATION, CHEONG WAN ROAD AND CHATHAM ROAD.

* ROUTE NO. 216 - THIS URBAN EXPRESS COACH SERVICE WILL BE EXTENDED TO OPERATE BETWEEN HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION AND MEI FOO SUN CHUEN VIA NATHAN ROAD. ROUTE 212 WHICH HAS PROVIDED THIS LINK ON A DIFFERENT ROUTING WILL BE WITHDRAWN.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE DISPLAYED TO ADVISE MOTORISTS AND PEDESTRIANS OF THE CHANGES AND COPIES OF LEAFLETS CONTAINING DETAILS OF REVISED BUS SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE RAILWAY STATION AND TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OFFICES.

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SPORTS DAY FOR THE DISABLED
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MORE THAN 1,300 PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY HANDICAPPED TRAINEES, SHELTERED WORKERS AND RESIDENTS UNDER THE CARE OF THE 15 REHABILITATION CENTRES RUN BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WILL PARTICIPATE IN A SPORTS DAY TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE SPORTS DAY WILL BE HELD AT THE MONG KOK STADIUM IN BOUNDARY STREET FROM 10 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

THE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ASSISTED BY SOME 500 REHABILITATION WORKERS INCLUDING VOLUNTEERS FROM SCHOOLS, HEEP HANG CLUB, THE JUNIOR RED CROSS, THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE CADET SCHOOL, THE CIVIL AID SERVICES AND THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE CONTESTANTS, GROUPED INTO THE MENTALLY RETARDED, THE DEAF AND THE PHYSICALLY DISABLED, WILL MEET TO TEST THEIR STAMINA IN A SERIES OF FIELD AND TRACK EVENTS. A TOTAL OF 43 EVENTS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED FOR TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS.

A BRIEF OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD. OFFICIATING WILL BE DR. HARRY S.Y. FANG, LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, AND MR. FRED CLARK, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE.

NOTE TO EDITORS

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE SPORTS DAY, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT THE MONG KOK STADIUM (ENTRANCE AT FLOWER MARKET ROAD) BEGINNING AT 10 A.M.

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SUMMER TIME COMES INTO EFFECT THIS SUNDAY
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RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT SUMMER TIME WILL COME INTO EFFECT AT 3.30 A.M. THIS SUNDAY (APRIL 18).

THIS MEANS THAT PEOPLE SHOULD PUT THEIR CLOCKS AND WATCHES FORWARD ONE HOUR BEFORE RETIRING FOR THE NIGHT ON SATURDAY.

UNDER THE INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL CLAUSES ORDINANCE, SUMMER TIME COMES INTO EFFECT EACH YEAR AT 3.30 A.M. ON THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER APRIL 15.

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NEW ANTI-POLLUTION LAUNCH
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS ARE INVITED TO GO ON BOARD THE MARINE DEPARTMENT'S NEW $1.8 MILLION ANTI-POLLUTION LAUNCH ON THURSDAY (APRIL 15).

THE LAUNCH IS THE BIGGEST AND MOST SOPHISTICATED OF THE DEPARTMENT'S POLLUTION CONTROL VESSELS. WITH STORAGE TANKS THAT CAN HOLD 6,000 GALLONS OF DISPERSANTS, IT CAN CARRY ON DISPERSING OPERATIONS FOR A WHOLE DAY WITHOUT RE-LOADING. IT CAN CARRY SUFFICIENT FUEL TO OPERATE FOR ABOUT 100 HOURS AT A STRETCH AT HALF ITS FULL SPEED OF 12 KNOTS.

ON THURSDAY, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE ASKED TO MEET MR. TONY MASON, MARINE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE POLLUTION CONTROL UNIT, AT 2.30 P.M. AT THE GOVERNMENT CENTRAL PIER NEXT TO THE MACAU FERRY PIER. A G.I.S. OFFICER WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST THE PRESS.

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+MEET THE MEDIA+ SESSION
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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE REMINDED THAT A +MEET THE MEDIA+ SESSION WILL BE HELD IN THE G.I.S. THEATRE ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE AT 4 P.M. TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

ATTENDING THE MEETING WILL BE THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AID, MR. T.L. VON POKORNY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE MEETING. TELEVISION CREWS ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE EARLY SO THAT THEY WILL HAVE AMPLE TIME TO SET UP THEIR EQUIPMENT.

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SCHOOL TEACHERS' ROLE IN CAREERS EDUCATION

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THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (ADMINISTRATION), MR. COLVYN HAYE, TODAY STRESSED THAT ALL SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS HAD A ROLE TO PLAY IN CAREERS EDUCATION IN HONG KONG.

CAREERS TEACHERS IN PARTICULAR, HE SAID, HAD THE RESPONSIBILITY OF DRAWING UP PROGRAMMES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WAS ALWAYS READY TO GIVE THEM WHATEVER HELP THAT WAS NECESSARY.

MR. HAYE WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CAREERS MASTERS SEMINAR ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF CAREERS MASTERS AND THE HANG SENG BANK LTD.

THE THEME OF THE SEMINAR IS +EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVERS.+

MR. HAYE SAID : +CAREERS GUIDANCE, AS I SEE IT, MUST BE A PROCESS EXTENDING OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS RATHER THAN AN EVENT CONFINED TO THE FINAL TERM OF A STUDENT'S SCHOOL COURSE.

+IT SHOULD START AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PROGRAMME.+

HE POINTED OUT THAT A SCHOOL HEAD WHO GAVE CAREERS EDUCATION HIGH PRIORITY WAS IMPLEMENTING EDUCATIONAL PRINCIPLES.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR COMPLIMENTED THE ASSOCIATION OF CAREERS MASTERS FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION TO CAREERS GUIDANCE IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF FIRMS, INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS, HOSPITALS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, THE ASSOCIATION EXTENDED ITS ACTIVITIES TWO YEARS AGO BY INTRODUCING THE SUMMER WORK EXPERIENCE SCHEME FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVERS.

+THIS SCHEME HAS ENABLED MANY STUDENTS TO REALISE THEIR POTENTIALITIES AND TO HAVE GREATER CONFIDENCE IN CHOOSING A CAREER,+ MR. HAYE SAID.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR EMPHASISED THAT CAREERS GUIDANCE SHOULD NOT BE THE MATCHING OF THE STUDENTS' TALENTS AND INTERESTS WITH THE QUALITIES REQUIRED FOR PARTICULAR JOBS. IN FACT CAREERS EDUCATION SHOULD BE CONCERNED WITH HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO DEVELOP SELF-UNDERSTANDING AND DECISION-MAKING AS WELL AS FOSTERING THEIR AWARENESS OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND FURTHER STUDIES AVAILABLE.

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TO ENSURE THAT CAREERS TEACHERS HAVE THE EXPERTISE IN OFFERING GUIDANCE TO STUDENTS, THE ASSOCIATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXTRA-MURAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG WILL BE CONDUCTING AN IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE THIS AUTUMN.

+I AM HAPPY TO SAY THAT MY CAREERS OFFICER, WHO IS ALSO YOUR ASSOCIATION'S SECRETARY, IS INVOLVED IN LAUNCHING THIS FIRST IN-SERVICE COURSE FOR THE ASSOCIATION.

+YOU MAY HAVE LISTENED TO THE RECENT SPEECH BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WHEN HE OUTLINED THE IMPLICATIONS INVOLVED IN EXPANDING SECONDARY EDUCATION AND IN THE COURSE OF WHICH HE MENTIONED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAREERS SERVICE. YOU KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS AS CAREERS MASTERS,+ MR. HAYE SAID.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR REFERRED TO THE PRESENT SEMINAR AS AN IMPORTANT OCCASION FOR CAREERS MASTERS TO ENRICH THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF AND TO KEEP PACE WITH THE EDUCATIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL TRENDS IN HONG KONG.

HE PAID TRIBUTE TO THE ASSOCIATION AND THE BANK FOR THEIR EXCELLENT EFFORTS IN THIS DIRECTION.

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NO MAIL DELIVERY ON GOOD FRIDAY

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ALL POST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED AND THERE WILL BE NO DELIVERY OF MAIL ON GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 16) AND ON THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY (APRIL 21), THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY.

ON SATURDAY (APRIL 17) AND EASTER MONDAY (APRIL 19), THERE WILL BE ONE MAIL DELIVERY AND 32 POST OFFICES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE OPEN FROM 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON.

THESE INCLUDE THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, THE KOWLOON CENTRAL POST OFFICE AND THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE.

ALL OTHER POST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

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TRAINING CENTRE FOR BUILDING INDUSTRY

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY, MR. GEOFFREY YEH, WILL VISIT THE SITE OF THE AUTHORITY'S TRAINING CENTRE IN KWUN TONG TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF PILING WORK.

THE FIVE-STOREY CENTRE, WHICH PROVIDE ONE-YEAR FULL-TIME BASIC TRAINING FOR ABOUT 660 CRAFT TRAINEES IN THE KEY CONSTRUCTION TRADES, IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BY APRIL 1977.

PILING WORK AT THE SITE BEGAN SHORTLY AFTER THE $6.2 MILLION CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WAS SIGNED ON JANUARY 28 THIS YEAR.

THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS OF THE CENTRE ARE MET BY A LEVY OF 0.25 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF ALL CONSTRUCTION WORKS OVER $250,000 UNDERTAKEN IN HONG KONG.

THE LEVY IS PAYABLE BY THE CONTRACTORS CONCERNED.

THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY IS A STATUTORY BODY SPECIALLY FORMED TO ADMINISTER THE TRAINING CENTRE PROJECT.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE VISIT WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT 3 P.M. THE SITE OF THE CENTRE IS IN TAI YIP STREET NEAR KOWLOON BAY.

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TAI PO'S CONTRIBUTION TO COMMUNITY CHEST

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A CHEQUE FOR $51,442 RAISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN TAI PO THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WALK-FOR-A-MILLION ON JANUARY 18 WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE COMMUNITY CHEST THURSDAY (APRIL 15) BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. CLIVE OXLEY, AT THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AT 3.15 P.M.

RECEIVING THE CHEQUE WILL BE MR. YU LOOK-YAU, A VICE-PATRON OF THE COMMUNITY CHEST.

MR. OXLEY LED A TEAM FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE DURING THE WALK. OTHER PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS OF RURAL COMMITTEES IN TAI PO DISTRICT, WHO WILL ALSO BE PRESENT AT THE HANDING-OVER CEREMONY.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND MEMBERS OF YOUR STAFF TO ATTEND THE PRESENTATION.

A VEHICLE (NO. AM 3274) WILL LEAVE FROM TSIM SHA TSUI SUB-POOL BEHIND THE POST OFFICE AT 2.15 P.M. TO TAKE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES TO TAI PO AND BRING THEM BACK TO TSIM SHA TSUI AFTERWARDS.

MR. DONALD STRANGE, PIO/NTA, WILL BE PRESENT AT THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE TO ASSIST YOUR STAFF.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION RETIRES

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MR. LI WANG-FAI, ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (DEVELOPMENT), IS LEAVING HONG KONG SHORTLY ON RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN 18 YEARS' SERVICE.

ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MR. LI WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A RETIREMENT GIFT BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY.

MR. LI BEGAN HIS CAREER AS AN ASSISTANT EDUCATION OFFICER IN SEPTEMBER 1957 WHEN HE TAUGHT AT VICTORIA TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

HE WAS LATER ATTACHED TO THE KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SECTIONS AS A SUB-INSPECTOR AND INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS RESPECTIVELY.

IN OCTOBER 1961 HE WAS PROMOTED TO EDUCATION OFFICER. EIGHT YEARS LATER HE BECAME SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER.

MR. LI HAS ACTED AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (PRIMARY) AND HE IS NOW HEAD OF THE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.

NOTE TO EDITOR: YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT 3.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY. IT WILL BE HELD IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM, LEE GARDENS, 3RD FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG.

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