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HK TO EXAMINE ANTI-DUMPING CASE

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A TRADE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL TODAY (SATURDAY) EXPRESSED CONCERN AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE'S FINAL DETERMINATION THAT MAN-MADE FIBRE (MMF) SWEATERS FROM HONG KONG WERE BEING SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES AT LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE.

"WE ARE DISAPPOINTED AT THE DECISION," THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE, MR T.H. CHAU SAID.

"OUR MANUFACTURERS ARE OPERATING IN AN OPEN AND HIGHLY COMPETITIVE TRADING ENVIRONMENT, AND ARE UNLIKELY TO BE THE SOURCES OF GOODS SOLD AT LESS THAN FAIR MARKET VALUE."

"WE FEEL THAT THE CALCULATIONS AND METHODOLOGY UNDER U.S. ANTI-DUMPING LEGISLATION MIGHT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO FINDINGS WHICH BEAR NO RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMMERCIAL REALITIES OF THE BUSINESS AFFECTED."

"THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT IS EXAMINING THE CASE AND IF NECESSARY WILL TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH THE U.S. AUTHORITIES," HE SAID.

MR CHAU ALSO POINTED OUT THAT, UNDER U.S. LEGISLATION, ALTHOUGH A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE DUMPING MARGINS IS IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE, THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTY WILL BE CONFIRMED ONLY IF IT IS ESTABLISHED THAT THE "DUMPED" GOODS HAVE CAUSED INJURY TO THE U.S. INDUSTRY PRODUCING SIMILAR PRODUCTS.

AN INJURY STUDY ON MMF SWEATERS IS BEING SEPARATELY CONDUCTED BY THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC), AND A DECISION ON WHETHER THERE IS INJURY IS EXPECTED BY SEPTEMBER 4, 1990.

"THE TRADE DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE INDUSTRY AND OFFER EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE," MR CHAU SAID.

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LONGER LEAVE FOR LONG-SERVING WORKERS

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WORKERS WILL GET SEVEN MORE DAYS OF PAID ANNUAL LEAVE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS DEPENDING ON THEIR LENGTH OF SERVICE UNDER A RECENT AMENDMENT TO THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE.

"WITH EFFECT FROM JULY 13, AN EMPLOYEE WITH THREE YEARS' SERVICE IS ENTITLED TO EIGHT DAYS' PAID ANNUAL LEAVE, AN EMPLOYEE WITH FOUR YEARS ENTITLED TO NINE DAYS AND THOSE WITH FIVE YEARS OR LONGER GET 10 DAYS," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

/"THE MAXIMUM .....

"THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF PAID ANNUAL LEAVE FOR EMPLOYEES WITH FIVE YEARS' SERVICE OR LONGER WILL BE INCREASED FROM 10 TO 14 DAYS OVER A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS," HE ADDED.

THE FOLLOWING TABLE ILLUSTRATES THE PHASED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN PAID ANNUAL LEAVE:

YEAR OF SERVICE OF EMPLOYEE	NUMBER OF DAYS OF PAID ANNUAL LEAVE				
	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
	(1990)*	(1991)*	(1992)*	(1993)*	(1994)*
1	7	7	7	7	7
2	7	7	7	7	7
3	8	8	8	8	8
4	9	9	9	9	9
5	10	10	10	10	10
6	10	11	11	11	11
7	10	11	12	12	12
8	10	11	12	13	13
9 OR ABOVE	10	11	12	13	14

\* THE CALENDER YEAR (FOR 1990, THE PART OF THE YEAR AFTER ENACTMENT) IN WHICH THE EMPLOYEE COMPLETES THE LENGTH OF SERVICE SPECIFIED IN THE LEFT-HAND COLUMN.

THE LAW ALSO PROVIDES THAT WHERE AN EMPLOYEE'S LEAVE ENTITLEMENT DOES NOT EXCEED 10 DAYS, UP TO THREE DAYS MAY BE GRANTED SEPARATELY AT THE EMPLOYEE'S REQUEST.

"IF THE LEAVE ENTITLEMENT EXCEEDS 10 DAYS, THE NUMBER OF DAYS IN EXCESS OF SEVEN DAYS MAY BE GRANTED SEPARATELY AT THE EMPLOYEE'S REQUEST," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THIS IS TO KEEP IN LINE WITH THE PRINCIPLE THAT A MAJOR PORTION OF THE LEAVE SHOULD BE ENJOYED WITHOUT INTERRUPTION, WHILE MAKING LEAVE-TAKING MORE FLEXIBLE," HE EXPLAINED.

"WITH THE INCREASE IN PAID ANNUAL LEAVE, THE EMPLOYEE WILL BE PERMITTED TO ACCEPT PAYMENT IN LIEU OF THE PART OF HIS LEAVE ENTITLEMENT WHICH EXCEEDS 10 DAYS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR BOTH THE EMPLOYEE AND THE EMPLOYER."

AS A SAFEGUARD AGAINST POSSIBLE ABUSE OF THE PROVISION, THE SPOKESMAN SAID IT WOULD BE AN OFFENCE FOR AN EMPLOYER TO INCLUDE IN AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT ANY CLAUSE WHICH WOULD COMMIT THE EMPLOYEE CONCERNED TO FOREGO ALL OR ANY OF HIS ANNUAL LEAVE ENTITLEMENT.

"OFFENDERS WILL BE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$10,000," HE WARNED.

"TO HELP MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND THE NEW AMENDMENT, A 'GUIDE TO THE PROVISIONS OF PAID ANNUAL LEAVE' LEAFLET HAS BEEN PUBLISHED AND IS BEING DISTRIBUTED FREE AT ALL LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE OFFICES," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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CO-OPERATIVE EFFORTS TO SERVE COMMUNITY  
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THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, TODAY (SATURDAY) STRESSED THE NEED FOR GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO BE COMPLEMENTED BY THOSE OF COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS IN PROMOTING THE WELL-BEING OF THE SOCIETY.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF LIONS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 303 CABINET OFFICERS FOR 1990-91.

HE PRAISED THE LIONS FOR ORGANISING DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING SEMINARS ON HONG KONG'S FUTURE, CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY BUILDING WORK, IN THE PAST YEAR.

"THESE PROJECTS HAVE HELPED CULTIVATE RESIDENTS' SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE COMMUNITY BY ENCOURAGING THEM TO PAY ATTENTION TO GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND TO VOICE THEIR OPINIONS AND TO MAKE SUGGESTIONS," MR LAN NOTED.

"THEY HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT ON MAINTAINING THE PROSPERITY AND STABILITY OF SOCIETY," HE SAID.

MR LAN WAS PLEASED TO LEARN THAT THE LIONS WERE NOW RAISING FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "LIONS NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE" TO ENHANCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S INTEREST IN AND KNOWLEDGE OF NATURAL SCIENCE.

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HK REACHES AN INTERESTING POINT IN ITS CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
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THROUGH THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND A NUMBER OF ENTHUSIASTIC COMMUNITY LEADERS OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS, HONG KONG HAS DEVELOPED AN ARTS SCENE THAT ANY COUNTRY WOULD BE PROUD OF, THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MRS SHELLEY LAU, SAID IN NEW YORK EARLY THIS WEEK.

SPEAKING AT THE SYMPOSIUM ON "NETWORKING IN THE GLOBAL AGE" BY INTERNATIONAL OF BUSINESS ARTS ASSOCIATIONS, MRS LAU SAID HONG KONG HAD REACHED AN INTERESTING POINT IN ITS CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.

IT ALSO HAD WORLD CLASS CULTURAL FACILITIES SUCH AS THE NEWLY OPENED CULTURAL CENTRE AND PUBLIC PERFORMANCES VENUES IN MANY DISTRICT TOWN HALLS.

"WE HAVE MAJOR ARTS FESTIVALS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WHICH ATTRACT BOTH LOCAL AND OVERSEAS AUDIENCE.

/"TWENTY YEARS .....

"TWENTY YEARS AGO, IT (HONG KONG) WAS CALLED A CULTURAL DESERT, AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR APPRECIATING THE ARTS USUALLY TOOK THE FORM OF IMPORTING OVERSEAS ARTS GROUPS ON RARE OCCASIONS FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE MINORITY - A LARGELY EXPATRIATE HIGH INCOME GROUP IN THE COMMUNITY," MRS LAU SAID.

COMMENTING ON BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP FOR THE ARTS, MRS LAU SAID HONG KONG HAD ONLY JUST "SCRATCHED THE SURFACE" AND A LOT HAD DEPENDED ON AD HOCKERY AND PHILANTHROPY.

"WE INTEND TO CHANGE THAT," MRS LAU SAID.

"DESPITE THE FACT THAT HONG KONG IS NOT AN INDEPENDENT COUNTRY, WITH LITTLE POLITICAL CLOUT TO SPEAK OF IN ATTRACTING MAJOR BUSINESS SPONSORS OF THE ARTS, THE POTENTIAL IS VERY MUCH THERE," SHE SAID.

IN THE LAST 10 YEARS, MRS LAU SAID, HONG KONG HAD VIGOROUSLY ENCOURAGED THE GROWTH OF LOCAL ARTISTIC TALENTS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE HONG KONG BALLET, THE CHUNG YING THEATRE COMPANY AND THE CITY CONTEMPORARY DANCE COMPANY.

"THE QUESTION IS HOW TO ATTRACT BUSINESS SPONSORS TO TURN TO SUPPORTING THESE LOCAL TALENTS INSTEAD OF RESPONDING MERELY TO THE BIG NAMES FROM OVERSEAS," SHE ADDED.

MRS LAU SAID THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT FELT THAT MORE BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO HELP FUND THE BURGEONING ARTS GROUPS.

"THROUGH THE COUNCIL FOR PERFORMING ARTS, THE GOVERNMENT FEELS IT SHOULD RETAIN RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEVELOPING NEW ART FORMS AND TO ENCOURAGE EXPERIMENTAL ARTS GROUP THROUGH SEEDING GRANTS," MRS LAU SAID.

SHE POINTED OUT THAT THE COUNCIL HAD RECENTLY INTRODUCED MATCHING GRANTS WHEREBY FOR EVERY DOLLAR THAT A BUSINESS PLEDGED TO SPONSOR A PERFORMING ARTS GROUP, IT PROVIDED ANOTHER DOLLAR.

"THIS MATCHING GRANT SCHEME HAS KICKED OFF WITH HK\$1 MILLION DRAWN FROM THE COUNCIL'S ANNUAL VOTE, AND IS INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE BOTH BUSINESS AND PERFORMING GROUPS TO EXPERIENCE THE MUTUAL BENEFITS OF ASSISTING BUSINESS WITH THE ARTS," SHE SAID.

MRS LAU SAID THIS TWO-MONTH-OLD SCHEME HAD DRAWN A NUMBER OF ENQUIRIES FROM BOTH THE BUSINESS SECTOR AND THE ARTS GROUPS, AND HAD SUCCESSFULLY MATCHED TWO PROJECTS.

SHE ADDED THAT AN EXAMPLE OF CLOSE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE BUSINESS SECTOR COULD BE FOUND IN THE RECENT FORMATION OF A FOUNDATION OF BUSINESS IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTS (FBSA).

"THROUGH THE INITIATIVE OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF DHL WITH THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDING SUPPORT WHERE NECESSARY, THIS FOUNDATION IS NOW IN ITS FORMATIVE STAGE," SHE SAID.

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"ITS OBJECTIVE IS TO ENCOURAGE, ASSIST AND PROMOTE THE ARTS IN ALL ITS FORMS, INCLUDING NOT JUST PERFORMING ARTS, BUT FESTIVAL ARTS, CERAMICS AND SCULPTURE ETC.

"THE FBSA WILL BE INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING HONG KONG LAUNCH A MORE PROFESSIONAL APPROACH TO BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP," MRS LAU SAID.

THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT HAD ADOPTED THE CENTRAL FUNDING ROLE FOR THE ARTS OWING TO THEIR COMPARATIVELY RECENT DEVELOPMENT, MRS LAU SAID, ADDING THAT IT PLAYED AN INCREASINGLY MATCH-MAKING AND FACILITATING ROLE.

AS THE NEXT STEP OF IMPROVING THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BUSINESS AND THE ARTS GROUPS, MRS LAU SAID A CONFERENCE ON BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS WOULD TAKE PLACE IN SEPTEMBER.

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TRAVELLERS WARNED NOT TO BE USED BY DRUG TRAFFICKERS  
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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED AGAINST BEING USED BY DRUG TRAFFICKERS TO ACT AS DRUG COURIERS WHEN TRAVELLING ABROAD.

THE WARNING WAS ISSUED TODAY (SATURDAY) BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR DAVID WEEKS, AMIDST THE CURRENT SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAY, A FAVOURITE TRAVELLING SEASON FOR MANY PEOPLE.

"NAIVE TRAVELLERS ARE ALWAYS LIKELY TO BE THE TARGETS OF DRUG SYNDICATES," HE SAID.

"THE REWARD OFTEN IS SMALL : PERHAPS A FEW THOUSAND DOLLARS AND A FREE AIR TICKET, BUT THE PRICE WHEN CAUGHT CAN BE VERY HIGH.

"THE DEATH PENALTY IS MANDATORY FOR TRAFFICKING IN SOME COUNTRIES, AND PRISON SENTENCES OF UP TO 25 YEARS ARE ALSO COMMON," MR WEEKS ADDED.

THE COMMISSIONER NOTED THAT WORLDWIDE CONCERN OVER DRUG ABUSE AND ENHANCED INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN RECENT YEARS HAD LED TO MORE STRINGENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TOUGHER PENALTIES FOR DRUG OFFENCES IN MOST COUNTRIES.

A TOTAL OF 473 HONG KONG RESIDENTS WERE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN DETAINED IN OVER 20 COUNTRIES FOR DRUG OFFENCES BETWEEN 1980 AND 1989.

THE COMMISSIONER GAVE THE FOLLOWING ADVICE:

- \* DON'T CARRY PACKAGES OR BAGGAGE FOR ANYONE UNLESS ABSOLUTELY SURE THEY CONTAIN NO ILLICIT DRUGS OR OTHER PROHIBITED ITEMS.

/\* NEVER AGREE .....

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- \* NEVER AGREE TO CHECK IN BAGGAGE ON BEHALF OF SOMEONE WHO CLAIMS TO HAVE EXCESS BAGGAGE.
- \* DON'T BELIEVE PEOPLE WHO SAY "IT IS ALL RIGHT OR LEGAL TO USE DOPE OVER THERE". ALL COUNTRIES PROHIBIT ILLICIT DRUG USE.
- \* DON'T BELIEVE PEOPLE WHO TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE NOT THE TYPE THE CUSTOMS GO FOR.
- \* DO REPORT TO THE POLICE OR THE CUSTOMS IF A POSSIBLE DRUG CARRYING DEAL IS PUT TO YOU. THE SYNDICATE WILL GET THE PROFIT; YOU WILL TAKE THE RISK.

PENALTIES FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENCES IN HONG KONG WERE VERY SEVERE : THE MAXIMUM PENALTY WAS LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF \$5 MILLION, AND THE ASSETS OF CONVICTED DRUG TRAFFICKERS COULD BE CONFISCATED, MR WEEKS STRESSED.

EVEN PERSONS FOUND IN ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF SMALL QUANTITIES OF DRUGS ARE LIABLE TO THREE YEARS' IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF \$10,000.

MR WEEKS APPEALED TO THE PUBLIC TO CALL THE POLICE NARCOTICS BUREAU AT 527 1234 OR THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE AT 545 6182 IF THEY SUSPECTED THAT ANY PERSON WAS A DRUG TRAFFICKER OR PUSHER.

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#### VISITING SERVICE FOR OUTLYING DISTRICTS

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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) REMINDED MEN BORN IN 1917 OR BEFORE THAT A VISITING SERVICE FOR THE ISSUE OF NEW IDENTITY CARDS WILL START TO OPERATE FROM MONDAY (JULY 23) TILL AUGUST 9.

THE SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED IN CHEUNG CHAU, LAMMA, MUI WO, TAI O AND SAI KUNG.

"THE SERVICE IS AIMED AT FACILITATING APPLICATIONS FROM PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT PHASE WHO LIVE IN OUTLYING DISTRICTS," A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

MEN BORN BETWEEN 1918 AND 1940 WHO HAVE MISSED THEIR TURN TO OBTAIN NEW IDENTITY CARDS MAY ALSO FILE THEIR APPLICATIONS DURING THIS PERIOD.

THE VISITING SERVICE WILL OPERATE FROM MONDAY TO SATURDAY, ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

/OPERATING PERIOD .....

OPERATING PERIOD -----	CENTRE -----	OPENING HOURS -----
JULY 23 TO 26	ISLAND DISTRICT OFFICE, MUI WO SUB-OFFICE, GRAND VIEW MANSION, GROUND FLOOR, SHOP D, 11 MUI WO FERRY PIER ROAD, LANTAU ISLAND.	10 AM - 1 PM 2 PM - 4 PM
JULY 23 TO AUGUST 4	CHEUNG CHAU RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE, 2 CHURCH ROAD, CHEUNG CHAU.	10 AM - 1 PM 2 PM - 4 PM
JULY 23 TO AUGUST 4	SAI KUNG JOCKEY CLUB TOWN HALL, PO TUNG ROAD, SAI KUNG.	10 AM - 1 PM 2 PM - 4 PM
JULY 30 TO AUGUST 4	TAI O RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE, 29 MARKET STREET, TAI O.	10.30 AM - 1 PM 2 PM - 3.30 PM
AUGUST 6 TO 9	NORTH LAMMA RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE, YUNG SHU WAN MAIN STREET, NORTH LAMMA.	10 AM - 1 PM 2 PM - 4 PM

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TO LAUNCH A RECRUITMENT DRIVE  
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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT WILL LAUNCH A RECRUITMENT DRIVE AT THREE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES STARTING FROM MONDAY (JULY 23) FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTRACTING YOUNG PEOPLE TO JOIN THE DEPARTMENT AS IMMIGRATION ASSISTANTS.

CAREER EXHIBITIONS WILL BE HELD AT LOK FU, OI MAN AND WO CHE ON THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULES:

LOCATION -----	OPERATING PERIOD -----	OPENING HOURS -----
LOK FU SHOPPING CENTRE, SECOND FLOOR, LOK FU	JULY 23 TO AUGUST 2	11 AM TO 7 PM

/OI MAN .....

OI MAN COMMERCIAL  
COMPLEX, FIRST FLOOR,  
HOMANTIN

AUGUST 4 TO AUGUST 16

11 AM TO 7 PM

WO CHE COMMERCIAL  
COMPLEX, SECOND FLOOR,  
SHA TIN

AUGUST 18 TO AUGUST 30

11 AM TO 7 PM

"THOSE WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR THE POST OF IMMIGRATION ASSISTANT CAN OBTAIN AND SUBMIT APPLICATIONS AT THE EXHIBITION COUNTER," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

"MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO MAKE ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE RECRUITMENT PROCEDURES MAY TELEPHONE THE RECRUITMENT SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AT 829 3294," HE ADDED.

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FUN PLAZA CARNIVAL IN SOUTHERN TOMORROW  
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A "FUN PLAZA" CARNIVAL TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE 1990 SOUTHERN DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME (SDSYP) WILL BE HELD AT THE ABERDEEN PROMENADE TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE SDSYP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE AND THE ABERDEEN KAI FONG WELFARE ASSOCIATION, THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN AT 1.15 PM AND LAST UNTIL 5 PM.

THERE WILL BE A VARIETY OF GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT AGES.

FOR CHILDREN, THE MAIN ATTRACTIONS INCLUDE A NUMBER OF ARTS AND CRAFTS STALLS, GAME STALLS, TOYS AND DRAWING CORNERS AND A GIGANTIC DINOSAUR TRAMPOLINE.

FOR YOUNGSTERS, THERE WILL BE A VARIETY SHOW, A KARAOKE CORNER, AN EXHIBITION AND DEMONSTRATIONS ON COOKING, HAIR-CARE, CHINESE ROPE KNOTTING, RIBBON FLOWERS AND SOCIAL DANCE.

ALL LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO TAKE PART IN THE CARNIVAL AND SHARE THE FUN. GAMES TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FREE AT THE VENUE.

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OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE SYP COMMITTEE, MR PETER LEE; SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS MAUREEN CHAN; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR HUI YUNG-CHUNG; VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE ABERDEEN KAI FONG WELFARE ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CENTRE, MR CHAN KWONG; AND THE SDSYP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR YUNG CHEK-CHOW.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1990 SOUTHERN DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME OPENING CEREMONY AND "FUN PLAZA" CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT THE ABERDEEN PROMENADE TOMORROW (SUNDAY). THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 1.15 PM.

INFORMATION OFFICER, MR ALEX LI, WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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SEWERAGE MASTER PLAN ON DB AGENDA

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THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE TSUEN WAN, KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI SEWERAGE MASTER PLAN STUDY AT A MEETING ON MONDAY (JULY 23) MORNING.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE BUS ROUTE PROGRAMME FOR 1990-91 AND THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT FOR TSUEN WAN WEST.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR TEXACO ROAD AND THE PROPOSED CANCELLATION OF TWO KMB BUS ROUTES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON MONDAY (JULY 23) IN THE MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, SECOND FLOOR, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STORY CARPARK BUILDING, TSUEN WAN.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN HUNG HOM

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM MONDAY (JULY 23) FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT 10 DAYS, A SECTION OF SUNG CHI STREET IN HUNG HOM, FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH BAILEY STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 80 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION, WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE ROAD CLOSURE IS TO FACILITATE THE LAYING OF A WATERMAIN IN SUNG CHI STREET.

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TEMPORARY URBAN CLEARWAYS IN WESTERN DISTRICT

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (JULY 23), THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS IN WESTERN DISTRICT WILL BE DESIGNATED URBAN CLEARWAYS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE TRAM TRACK RENEWAL:

THE SECTION OF THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WATER STREET FROM A POINT ABOUT 25 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST TO A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

THE SECTION OF THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF DES VOEUX ROAD WEST BETWEEN CHIU KWONG STREET AND WATER STREET WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY 24 HOURS DAILY FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

THE SECTION OF THE EASTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF KA ON STREET BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST AND DES VOEUX ROAD WEST WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY 24 HOURS DAILY FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN WAN CHAI

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF ROADS NEAR THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL INTERCHANGE WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO FACILITATE ROAD RESURFACING WORKS:

- \* THE HAPPY VALLEY APPROACH ROAD LEADING FROM CANAL ROAD FLYOVER DOWN RAMP TO THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY (JULY 23 AND 24). TRAFFIC FROM CANAL ROAD FLYOVER NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL, INCLUDING CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL BUS ROUTES 121 AND 122, WILL BE DIVERTED VIA GLOUCESTER ROAD EASTBOUND, VICTORIA PARK ROAD, FLYOVER AND GLOUCESTER ROAD WESTBOUND.
- \* THE CAUSEWAY BAY EXIT ROAD AND THE CAUSEWAY BAY FLYOVER WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON JULY 25 AND 26. TRAFFIC FROM CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL HEADING FOR CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE NORTH POINT EXIT ROAD.

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VEHICLE LENGTH LIMIT IN WESTERN DISTRICT

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (JULY 23), VEHICLES EXCEEDING SEVEN METRES IN LENGTH WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING RIGHT FROM WATER STREET NORTHBOUND TO DES VOEUX ROAD WEST EASTBOUND FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK TO FACILITATE TRAM TRACK RENEWAL WORKS.

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