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JOINT DECLARATION REFLECTS COMMITMENT TO LEGAL SYSTEM CONTINUING
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THE PROVISIONS OF THE JOINT DECLARATION DEMONSTRATE FIRM COMMITMENTS BY CHINA TO THE CONTINUATION OF HONG KONG'S LEGAL SYSTEM AFTER 1997, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR MICHAEL THOMAS, REITERATED IN SAN FRANCISCO YESTERDAY (FRIDAY).

ADDRESSING A JOINT LUNCHEON MEETING OF MORE THAN 140 MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG BAY AREA ASSOCIATION AND THE SAN FRANCISCO BAR ASSOCIATION, MR THOMAS SAID THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CONTINUATION OF HONG KONG'S LEGAL SYSTEM IS REFLECTED IN THE CONSIDERABLE DETAIL DEVOTED TO THE BASIC LAW AS PART OF THE FUTURE SAR'S +MINI CONSTITUTION+.

+THE DRAFTING OF THE BASIC LAW IS A MATTER FOR CHINA. WORK ON IT IS NOW IN PROGRESS AND NATURALLY AROUSES INTENSE INTEREST,+ MR THOMAS SAID, ADDING THAT MANY PEOPLE FROM HONG KONG ARE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS EITHER AS MEMBERS OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE OR AS MEMBERS OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN SET UP TO REFLECT THE VIEWS OF CITIZENS OF HONG KONG AND CHINA.

+THE JOINT DECLARATION HAS BEEN A SUCCESS IN ASSURING THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG THAT THEIR WAY OF LIFE AND THE LEGAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FRAMEWORK BY WHICH THEY ARE GOVERNED WILL SURVIVE THE TRANSFER OF SOVEREIGNTY IN 1997,+ MR THOMAS SAID.

HE UNDERLINED THAT HONG KONG'S PROSPERITY AND STABILITY ARE AT STAKE: +THE HOPES AND EXPECTATIONS OF ITS POPULATION OF FIVE AND A HALF MILLION REST WITH THE OUTCOME, NOT TO MENTION ALSO THE FOREIGN INVESTORS, BANKERS AND TRADERS WHO HAVE BASED THEIR OPERATIONS UPON THIS SPRINGBOARD INTO EAST ASIA.+

TURNING TO THE FUTURE, MR THOMAS PAID TRIBUTE TO THE FINE RECORD HELD BY CHINA FOR SCRUPULOUSLY ADHERING TO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS WHICH IT HAS SIGNED.

+CHINA HAS EVERYTHING TO GAIN BY FULFILLING HER OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE JOINT DECLARATION IN THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT, AND MAKING A SUCCESS OF DENG'S HISTORIC CONCEPT OF 'ONE COUNTRY -- TWO SYSTEMS',+ MR THOMAS CONCLUDED.

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TRIPARTITE COMMITMENT URGED TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS
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SENIOR MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SIR S.Y. CHUNG, TODAY (SATURDAY) STRESSED THE NEED FOR TRIPARTITE COMMITMENT TO PREVENT INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY WEEK AT THE HONG KONG BANK GROUND FLOOR PLAZA, SIR S.Y. POINTED OUT THAT INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH HAD BEEN A SUBJECT OF GROWING CONCERN IN HONG KONG IN RECENT YEARS.

+INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS RESULT NOT ONLY IN LOSS OF PRODUCTION AND HEAVY COMPENSATION COSTS TO EMPLOYERS, THEY ALSO CAUSE HUMAN SUFFERING AND HARDSHIP TO THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES,+ HE SAID.

+THEREFORE, FOR ANY SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TO BE ACHIEVED, VIGOROUS EFFORTS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT, EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ARE ESSENTIAL.+

SIR S.Y. ALSO PAID TRIBUTES TO THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD FOR HAVING CONDUCTED MANY SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST TO PROMOTE SAFETY AT WORK.

THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY WEEK IS BEING ORGANISED TO COINCIDE WITH THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMITTEE.

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK STARTING TODAY, A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED INCLUDING A FUN FAIR, AN EXHIBITION, QUIZZES, COMPETITIONS AND AN INDUSTRIAL SAFETY GALA NIGHT.

IN ADDITION, INDUSTRIAL SAFETY BANNERS WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT CONSTRUCTION SITES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY AS DECORATED BUSES, TRAMS, TUG BOATS AND A HELICOPTER ARE DEPLOYED TO PROVIDE A VISUAL IMPACT.

SONGS WITH LYRICS SPECIALLY WRITTEN TO PROMOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF WORK SAFETY WILL ALSO BE BROADCAST FROM A +SAFETY+ BUS SENT TO VARIOUS INDUSTRIAL AREAS, COMPLEMENTING THE AUDIO EFFECT.

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UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS RELEASED

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IN THE QUARTER NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987, THE UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION SHOWED FURTHER SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT WHILE THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION REMAINED STABLE, COMPARED WITH THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 1986, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987 WAS 2.0 PER CENT, COMPARED WITH 2.6 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 1986 AND 3.0 PER CENT FOR THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR AGO.

THE DECREASES OF 0.6 PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE PREVIOUS QUARTER AND OF 1.0 PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR AGO ARE BOTH STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT.

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN THE QUARTER NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987 WAS ESTIMATED AT 54 600, LESS THAN THE FIGURE OF 70 700 FOR THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 1986 AND OF 80 800 FOR THE SAME QUARTER ENDING JANUARY 1986.

A GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT 2.0 PER CENT IS THE LOWEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RECORDED SINCE THE NEW SERIES OF UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WAS INTRODUCED IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985. WITH THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT SUCH A LOW LEVEL, THE LABOUR FORCE AS A WHOLE WAS EFFECTIVELY FULLY EMPLOYED.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987 WAS 1.2 PER CENT, WHICH COMPARES WITH 1.3 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 1986. THE RATE FOR NOVEMBER 1985-JANUARY 1986 WAS 2.5 PER CENT.

THE DECREASE OF 0.1 PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE PREVIOUS QUARTER IS STATISTICALLY NOT SIGNIFICANT, WHILE THE DECREASE OF 1.3 PERCENTAGE POINTS BELOW THE SAME QUARTER ONE YEAR PREVIOUSLY IS STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT.

THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS FOR NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987 WAS 31 700, LESS THAN THE FIGURE OF 35 400 FOR THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 1986 AND OF 67 100 FOR NOVEMBER 1985-JANUARY 1986.

CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO), PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS (SUCH AS SLACK WORK, MATERIAL SHORTAGE MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN AND INABILITY TO FIND FULL-TIME WORK) WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE EITHER SEEKING OR AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK.

COMMENTING UPON THESE FIGURES, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS SAID THAT BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES THAT HAD BEEN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME.

THE COMMISSIONER ADDED THAT, BASED ON A SYSTEM OF MANUAL EXTRACTION OF INFORMATION FROM SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRES FOR THE LATEST MONTH, PROVISIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATES COVERING THE LATEST THREE-MONTH PERIOD COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN TWO WEEKS AFTER THE SURVEY.

THESE PROVIDE AN EARLY INDICATION OF THE LATEST TREND IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION. THE PROVISIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED) FOR DECEMBER 1986-FEBRUARY 1987 WAS 1.9 PER CENT AND THE PROVISIONAL UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 1.0 PER CENT. (THE UNADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR NOVEMBER 1986-JANUARY 1987 WAS ALSO 1.9 PER CENT.)

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT. THIS SURVEY COVERS A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 14 000 HOUSEHOLDS OR 50 000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION IN HONG KONG.

PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AGED 15 AND ABOVE IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED. IN THE SURVEY, THE DEFINITIONS USED IN MEASURING UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT FOLLOW CLOSELY THOSE RECOMMENDED BY THE ILO.

DETAILED ANALYSES OF LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE REPORT ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR. THE NEXT REPORT COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 1986 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE NEXT WEEK AT \$8.50 PER COPY.

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ROLE OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS EMPHASISED

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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, VILLAGE OFFICES AND RURAL COMMITTEES IN PARTICULAR, PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN STRENGTHENING TIES BETWEEN INDIGENOUS AND NEW RESIDENTS AS WELL AS ENHANCING COMMUNITY SPIRIT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE FANLING WAI VILLAGE OFFICE, MR CHEUNG SAID THAT WHILE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TOWN HAD BEEN PROCEEDING AT A FAST PACE, THE ROLE OF RURAL ORGANISATIONS IN IMPROVING DISTRICT WELFARE WOULD NOT BE UNDERSTATED.

IN FACT, THE FANLING WAI VILLAGE COMMUNITY HAD BEEN PLAYING AN ACTIVE PART IN PROMOTING BOTH EDUCATION AND WELFARE IN THE DISTRICT, AN EXAMPLE OF WHICH WAS THE SETTING UP OF THE YAN TAK STUDY ROOM AND THE FANLING PUBLIC SCHOOL, HE SAID.

THEIR TEN YEARS TA CHIU CELEBRATIONS AND THE MANY ACTIVITIES HELD FOR THE ELDERLY DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HAD ALSO GAINED WIDESPREAD SUPPORT IN THE DISTRICT, HE ADDED.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED CHAIRMAN OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK, MR LAU WONG-FAT, AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICER, MR ROGER HARDING.

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BUSY YEAR FOR PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES
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MORE THAN 15 MILLION ENQUIRIES AND TELEPHONE CALLS SEEKING ADVICE AND INFORMATION WERE RECEIVED THROUGH THE 67 PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE (PES) CENTRES OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION DURING THE 1986 CALENDAR YEAR.

THIS REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF NINE PER CENT COMPARED WITH THE 13.9 MILLION HANDLED IN 1985, A CNTA SPOKESMAN SAID.

+THERE WERE MORE THAN 6.1 MILLION ENQUIRIES AND 9.117 MILLION FORMS AND INFORMATION LEAFLETS WERE DISTRIBUTED,+ HE SAID.

+OF THE SIX MILLION ENQUIRIES, FIVE POPULAR SUBJECTS BEING ASKED RANGED FROM GOVERNMENT JOB VACANCIES (237 000 OR 3.9 PER CENT); LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND OPENING HOURS OF GOVERNMENT OFFICES (152 000 OR 3.6 PER CENT); DISTRICT FUNCTIONS (233 000 OR 3.8 PER CENT); PROCUREMENT OF POSTERS, PAMPHLETS AND FORMS ISSUED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS (206 000 OR 3.4 PER CENT); AND STATUTORY DECLARATION OR OATHS (184 000 OR 3 PER CENT),+ HE EXPLAINED.

+LOCATED IN ALL 19 DISTRICTS, THE 67 PES CENTRES PROVIDE SERVICES SUCH AS ADMINISTERING STATUTORY DECLARATIONS, GIVING ADVICE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS, DISTRIBUTING GOVERNMENT FORMS AND LEAFLETS AND IN SOME CENTRES ALSO DEALING WITH LEGAL AND RENTAL PROBLEMS.

+MORE THAN 500 000 STATUTORY DECLARATIONS WERE ADMINISTERED DURING THE YEAR WHICH SHOWED A SLIGHT INCREASE OF 4.1 PER CENT COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THESE MAINLY WERE FOR DECLARATION OF TRUE COPIES, APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS-GRANTS AND EDUCATION AND EXAMINATIONS,+ HE NOTED.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO NOTED THAT UNDER THE +FREE LEGAL ADVICE SCHEME+, A TOTAL OF 3 119 CASES WERE REFERRED TO THE HONG KONG LAW SOCIETY, OF WHICH 2 991 CASES WERE HANDLED BY THE SOCIETY'S SOLICITORS AND 309 WERE SUBSEQUENTLY REFERRED TO THE LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE.

+IN ADDITION, 12 059 PEOPLE CONSULTED THE RENT OFFICERS OF THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT STATIONED AT 12 DISTRICT OFFICES (10 IN URBAN AND TWO IN THE NEW TERRITORIES) FOR ADVICE ON RENTAL AND TENANCY PROBLEMS,+ HE ADDED.

FURTHER INFORMATION MAY ALSO BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE SECTION AT CNTA HEADQUARTERS ON THE 13TH FLOOR OF WORLD SHIPPING CENTRE, 7 CANTON ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI, OR ON 3-692255.

SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS FETCH \$886 000 AT AUCTION
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THIRTY-FIVE SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS MORNING (SATURDAY) FOR A TOTAL OF \$886 000 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION HELD AT RECITAL HALL OF THE CITY HALL, 8TH FLOOR, SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER DM1 AND DN1, EACH FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$180 000.

ANOTHER NUMBER (7707) WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$100 000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1 000 FOR DM3181 AND DL5516 RESPECTIVELY.

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

	\$		\$		\$
DL608	3 000	DL786	5 000	DL313	9 000
DM560	8 000	CK22	50 000	MD230	4 000
CY8787	WITHDRAWN	DM786	8 000	DM322	8 000
DL560	12 000	DM1088	6 000	DL5000	21 000
DL861	3 000	AP8333	19 000	AB107	15 000
AH2525	7 000	AA635	13 000	DM928	12 000
DL8818	12 000	DM13	16 000	AC107	15 000
DM866	16 000	DM6638	9 000	AC1686	11 000
CK3	60 000	DM3378	8 000	DM822	16 000
HK638	38 000	DL6222	8 000	DL2889	12 000

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

TODAY'S SALE, THE 112TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR CHARITY REALISED SO FAR TO \$(42 832 832).

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CIVIC LESSONS AT A HOLIDAY CAMP

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ABOUT 120 YOUNGSTERS IN THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT TOOK PART TODAY (SATURDAY) IN THE YOUTH CIVIC DAY AT THE PO LEUNG KUK PAK TAM CHUNG HOLIDAY CAMP.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE CIVIC DAY WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR PROGRAMMES OF THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.

THE PROGRAMMES STARTED AT 9.30 AM WITH A SEMINAR CONDUCTED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER, MRS ROSANNA TAM, AND THE CO-ORDINATOR OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD ADVICE ACTION COUNCIL, MR MAK HOI-WAH.

THEY SPOKE ABOUT THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF YOUTHS IN THE SOCIETY AND THEIR ROLE IN ASSISTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

AFTER THE SEMINAR, PARTICIPANTS WERE DIVIDED INTO TEN GROUPS TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS OF CIVIC EDUCATION IN HONG KONG. IN EACH GROUP, A LEADER AND A SECRETARY WERE CHOSEN TO START DISCUSSIONS WHILE TEACHERS WERE ALSO PRESENT TO GIVE ADVICE AND GUIDANCE.

PARTICIPANTS WERE THEN TESTED IN A QUIZ ON THEIR COMMON SENSE AND KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CIVIC EDUCATION. THEY LATER JOINED IN RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES ARRANGED BY THE ORGANISERS.

THEY ALSO SPENT AN AFTERNOON AT THE SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT FARM AT TSUI HANG WHERE THEY WERE TOLD ABOUT VEGETATION, THE WAYS OF CUTTING GRASS AND APPLYING FERTILIZERS TO PLANTS.

MOST PARTICIPANTS, AGED BETWEEN 15 TO 21, WERE SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WHILE SOME WERE WORKERS RECOMMENDED BY VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN THE DISTRICT.

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STAFF MOVEMENTS AT CNTA

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THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T. H. CHAU, WILL GO ON ONE MONTH'S LEAVE FROM MARCH 27, AND HIS POST WILL BE TEMPORARILY FILLED BY THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR PETER NG.

ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MICHAEL WU, WILL ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DRS (NT). AND IN ADDITION HE WILL ALSO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DEVELOPMENT) DURING THIS PERIOD, WHEN THE CURRENT INCUMBENT MR JOHN TELFORD, BECOMES THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (OPERATIONS) OF THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1.

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ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF SHA TIN, MR JOHNATHAN NG, WILL TAKE OVER AS ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER.

PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (HEADQUARTERS), MRS CARRIE YAU, WILL LEAVE CNTA ON MARCH 16.

PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (COMMUNITY INFORMATION), MR ALLAN CHOW, IN ADDITION TO HIS OWN DUTIES WILL TAKE OVER MRS YAU'S JOB UNTIL APRIL 29 WHEN MRS STELLA HUNG, CURRENTLY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT, WILL TAKE OVER.

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TSUEN WAN FAIR TO BOOST INDUSTRIAL SAFETY

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A FUN FAIR HAS BEEN ORGANISED TO BOOST PUBLIC AWARENESS ON WORK SAFETY IN THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY AT THE TSUEN WAN SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

ORGANISED BY THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE AS ONE OF THE MAJOR ATTRACTIONS OF THE CURRENT INDUSTRIAL SAFETY WEEK, THE FAIR FEATURES 26 GAMES STALLS, SIX EXHIBITION BOOTHS ON SAFE WORK PRACTICES, AND AN HOUR-LONG DISC-JOCKEY SHOW TO BE HOSTED BY RTHK ARTISTE CHEA SHUK-MUI.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER, MR RICHARD LAI, CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXTILES INDUSTRY SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE, MR ROBERT LAI, AND THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR DARWIN CHEN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE FAIR AT SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND AT 1 PM TOMORROW.

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REOPENING OF THREE SHEUNG SHUI ROADS

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A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN SHEUNG SHUI FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 16) TO TIE IN WITH THE REOPENING OF THREE ROADS IN THE AREA.

THESE ROADS ARE ROAD SR9, ROAD SR6 AND CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

THE ARRANGEMENTS ARE :

- * THE EXISTING ACCESS FROM THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD TO HO SHEUNG HEUNG WILL BE CLOSED OFF. ALTERNATIVE ACCESS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM CASTLE PEAK ROAD.
- * THE EXISTING ACCESS FROM THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD TO KAM TSIN VILLAGE, HANG TAU VILLAGE AND KWU TUNG NEW MARKET WILL BE CLOSED. TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED TO CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND ROAD SR7 AT HANG TAU.
- * THE EXISTING ACCESS TO CHAU TAU AND PAK SHEK AU FROM THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD WILL BE CLOSED OFF. TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED TO CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND ROAD SR6.
- * ALTERNATIVE ACCESS BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI AND YUEN LONG WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM ROAD SR10, ROAD SR9, CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND ROAD SR6.

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FRESH WATER CUT IN YAU TONG

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN YAU TONG AREA WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 17) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY CHA KWO LING ROAD, KO FAI ROAD, TUNG YUEN STREET AND SHUNG SHUN STREET, INCLUDING SHUNG TAK WAI, SHUNG YIU STREET, SZE SHAN STREET AND YAN YUE WAI.

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