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HARBOUR TUNNEL PROPOSALS SOUGHT

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PRIVATE DEVELOPERS ARE BEING INVITED TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, FINANCING AND OPERATION OF A SECOND CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL TO BE KNOWN AS THE +EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING+.

DETAILS OF THE INVITATION ARE PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, FOLLOWING THE GOVERNOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL YESTERDAY.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT THE SECOND CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL WOULD HAVE AT LEAST TWO LANES IN EACH DIRECTION, AND WOULD LINK QUARRY BAY ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND CHA KWO LING ON THE KOWLOON SIDE, TO EASE THE EXISTING CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL TRAFFIC.

+THE FRANCHISE FOR CONSTRUCTING, FINANCING AND OPERATING THE SECOND TUNNEL WILL BE AWARDED TO A PRIVATE DEVELOPER ON TERMS SIMILAR TO THOSE FOR THE EXISTING CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL COMPANY. BUT THE PRECISE TERMS WILL BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+PROPOSALS FROM COMPANIES AND CONSORTIA INTERESTED IN THE PROJECT ARE INVITED BY THE GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. THEY WILL BE EVALUATED BY A GOVERNMENT WORKING GROUP UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT. THE WORKING GROUP WILL THEN DECIDE WHICH IS THE MOST ATTRACTIVE PACKAGE TO BE RECOMMENDED TO THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL FOR FINAL DECISION BEFORE END 1985+.

ENQUIRIES AND PROPOSALS ARE TO BE MADE TO THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.

+THIS IS TO FACILITATE ENQUIRIES FOR INFORMATION AND CLARIFICATION FROM THOSE CONSORTIA WHO MAY BE INTERESTED AND ENABLE THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE PROJECT. ALL PROPOSALS WILL BE TREATED IN THE STRICTEST CONFIDENCE, AND NO COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSALS WILL BE MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT WORKING GROUP UNTIL ALL THE PROPOSALS ARE IN,+ THE SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED.

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CIVIC WORK PLAN FOR OFFENDERS
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A TWO-YEAR PILOT PROJECT WILL BE INTRODUCED TO ASSESS THE SUITABILITY OF A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER SCHEME FOR OFFENDERS IN HONG KONG.

A BILL PROVIDING THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE OPERATION OF SUCH A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER SCHEME HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY AND WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHORTLY.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE PILOT SCHEME WILL ALLOW US TO ASSESS THE EFFECT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS ON OFFENDERS, IN PARTICULAR THE EXTENT TO WHICH OFFENDERS WHO HAVE SERVED SUCH A SENTENCE SUBSEQUENTLY RETURN TO CRIME.+

HE SAID THAT THE PILOT PROJECT WOULD ALSO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO IDENTIFY ANY PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES THAT MAY ARISE IN RUNNING SUCH A SCHEME.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, WHICH WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE TRIAL SCHEME, WILL NEED AT LEAST 12 MONTHS TO PREPARE IT.

A STANDING COMMITTEE WILL BE SET UP TO MONITOR THE RUNNING OF THE PILOT SCHEME AND THEN TO PREPARE A REPORT ON ITS SUITABILITY.

SUCH A SCHEME WAS PROPOSED IN JUNE LAST YEAR IN A LAW REFORM COMMISSION REPORT.

SUCH A SCHEME PROVIDES THE COURTS WITH THE FACILITY TO ORDER OFFENDERS OVER THE AGE OF 14 WHO ARE CONVICTED OF OFFENCES PUNISHABLE WITH IMPRISONMENT TO PERFORM UNPAID WORK OF BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY EITHER IN THE PLACE OF, OR IN ADDITION TO, ANY OTHER SENTENCE.

+PEOPLE WHO HAVE COMMITTED MINOR IMPRISONABLE OFFENCES, PARTICULARLY THOSE INVOLVING SOME ELEMENT OF ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR SUCH AS CRIMINAL DAMAGE AND MINOR ASSAULTS, ARE THE MOST LIKELY CANDIDATES FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER WILL ONLY BE MADE IN THE LIGHT OF A PROBATION OFFICER'S ASSESSMENT, AND PROPER COUNSELLING WILL SUBSEQUENTLY BE PROVIDED TO KEEP OFFENDERS AWAY FROM CRIME,+ HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT PEOPLE CONVICTED OF SERIOUS OFFENCES WOULD NOT LIKELY TO BE SENTENCED TO COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS.

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THE MAIN ADVANTAGES OF A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER SCHEME, AS HIGHLIGHTED BY THE REPORT OF THE LAW REFORM COMMISSION, ARE:

* IT PROVIDES A VERY REAL POSSIBILITY OF REHABILITATING THE OFFENDER AND THUS LOWERING THE RECIDIVIST RATE,

* IT BROADENS THE RANGE OF OPTIONS OF SENTENCES, AND

* IT MAY BE LESS COSTLY THAN MOST OTHER FORMS OF SENTENCE INVOLVING IMPRISONMENT OR OTHER TYPES OF SUPERVISION.

THE BILL PUBLISHED TODAY PROVIDES THAT COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS MAY ONLY BE MADE BY A COURT WHICH HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE THAT FACILITIES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE.

+THIS WILL ENSURE THAT THE NUMBER OF COURTS THAT MAY MAKE SUCH ORDERS IS REGULATED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND FACILITIES,+ HE SAID.

A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER MAY BE MADE FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF UP TO 240 HOURS OF UNPAID WORK, IN ADDITION TO OR INSTEAD OF ANY OTHER SENTENCE.

UNDER THE BILL, A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER CAN REMAIN IN FORCE AGAINST AN OFFENDER FOR UP TO ONE YEAR, UNLESS IT IS EXTENDED BY THE COURT. HOWEVER, IT WILL ORDINARILY BE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN A SHORTER PERIOD.

THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION PRESCRIBES A FINE NOT EXCEEDING $1 000 FOR BREACH OF THE CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS APPLYING TO A COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER. ALTERNATIVELY, THE OFFENDER MAY BE DEALT WITH FOR THE ORIGINAL OFFENCE IN ANY WAY THAT HE COULD HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH IF THE COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER HAD NOT BEEN MADE.

ANY OFFENDER COMMITS ANOTHER OFFENCE, DURING THE PERIOD OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER, WILL BE LIABLE TO ANY PUNISHMENT THAT COULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSED FOR THE ORIGINAL OFFENCE, IN ADDITION TO PUNISHMENT FOR THE SUBSEQUENT OFFENCE.

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## BILL TO UPDATE WORDING OF BUILDING LAW

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A BILL AIMED AT AMENDING THE DEMOLISHED BUILDINGS (REDEVELOPMENT OF SITES) ORDINANCE WILL BE INTRODUCED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 10).

KNOWN AS THE DEMOLISHED BUILDINGS (REDEVELOPMENT OF SITES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1984, IT SEEKS TO UPDATE THE WORDING OF SECTION 4 (1) OF THE ORDINANCE AND BRING IT INTO LINE WITH CURRENT LEGISLATION AND PRACTICE BY REPLACING +VOLUME+ WITH +GROSS FLOOR AREA+.

THE PROPOSAL IS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (OCTOBER 5).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE WORD +VOLUME+ IN THE ORDINANCE DERIVED FROM THE BUILDING (PLANNING) REGULATIONS OF 1956 IN WHICH THE DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL OF SITES WAS CONTROLLED BY +VOLUME+.

THE CURRENT BUILDING (PLANNING) REGULATIONS, HOWEVER, CONTROL DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL BY +GROSS FLOOR AREA+.

+OLD BUILDINGS NORMALLY HAVE FAIRLY HIGH FLOOR-TO-CEILING HEIGHT, AND HENCE A LARGE VOLUME, WHILE MODERN BUILDINGS WITH LOWER CEILING HEIGHTS HAVE LESS VOLUME FOR AN EQUIVALENT GROSS FLOOR AREA.

+THIS HAS RESULTED IN RECENT REDEVELOPMENT CASES WHERE THE VOLUME REQUIREMENT CANNOT BE FULFILLED EXCEPT BY UNNECESSARILY RAISING THE FLOOR-TO-CEILING HEIGHT BEYOND THAT REQUIRED IN THE BUILDING (PLANNING) REGULATIONS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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## NEW TOWN ON HK ISLAND

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SIU CHAI WAN IN THE EASTERN PART OF HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE DEVELOPED INTO A TOWNSHIP WITH A PLANNED POPULATION OF 34 000 PEOPLE IN ABOUT EIGHT YEARS.

GOVERNMENT PLANNERS HAVE DRAWN UP A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME FOR DEVELOPING THE AREA WHERE A NUMBER OF PUBLIC HOUSING AND PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL-COMMERCIAL PROJECTS WILL BE BUILT.

BY 1992, A PUBLIC RENTAL ESTATE, A HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME COURT AND A PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME ESTATE WILL RISE FROM THE AREA, PROVIDING 5 796 GOVERNMENT SUBSIDISED FLATS.

INITIAL FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND SITE INVESTIGATION ARE UNDER WAY FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE IN THE AREA.

THE ESTATE, TO BE DEVELOPED IN TWO PHASES, WILL PROVIDE 3 176 MODERN FLATS FOR ABOUT 17 000 PEOPLE UPON COMPLETION BY 1990.

/THE HOUSING .....

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY IS INVITING PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATIONS FROM APPROVED CONTRACTORS FOR SITE FORMATION.

+THE CONTRACT WILL INCLUDE THE FORMATION OF PLATFORMS AND ASSOCIATED GEOTECHNICAL WORK, ROADS AND DRAINAGE WITHIN A SITE OF ABOUT 11 HECTARES,+ AN AUTHORITY SPOKESMAN SAID.

+PREQUALIFICATION FOR THIS CONTRACT IS CONFINED TO CONTRACTORS ON THE LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS FOR PUBLIC WORKS, AND APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE BY REGISTERED POST ON OR BEFORE NEXT FRIDAY (OCTOBER 12) TO THE COMMITTEES' SECRETARY OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

+ONLY THOSE WHO CAN SATISFACTORILY DEMONSTRATE THE NECESSARY EXPERIENCE AND CAPABILITY WILL BE ALLOWED TO TENDER.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID SITE FORMATION WORK WOULD START EARLY NEXT YEAR AND BE COMPLETED BY MID-1987.

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PAVING WAY FOR DENTAL GRADUATES

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A BILL GIVING DUE RECOGNITION TO THE ROLE OF THE NEW FACULTY OF DENTISTRY IN THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG HAS BEEN GAZETTED TODAY.

THE DENTISTS REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1984, IF PASSED INTO LAW, WILL ENABLE HOLDERS OF A HONG KONG UNIVERSITY DEGREE IN DENTISTRY TO BE REGISTERED TO PRACTISE IN HONG KONG. THE FIRST GROUP OF DENTAL GRADUATES IS EXPECTED IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR.

THE BILL ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY TO BE REPRESENTED ON THE DENTAL COUNCIL AND FOR THE FACULTY AND ITS GRADUATES TO ENJOY CERTAIN PRIVILEGES UNDER THE ORDINANCE.

UNDER THE DENTISTS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE, ANY PERSON WHO HOLDS A DEGREE IN DENTISTRY RECOGNISED BY THE GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, IS QUALIFIED TO BE REGISTERED IN HONG KONG. THE BILL MAINTAINS THIS POSITION IN RESPECT OF DENTISTS HOLDING QUALIFICATIONS AWARDED BY EXAMINING BODIES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, COMMONWEALTH OR REPUBLIC OF IRELAND. HOWEVER, THE BILL PROVIDES THAT THE RECOGNITION OF DENTAL DEGREES FROM OTHER OVERSEAS COUNTRIES, WHICH WOULD QUALIFY THE HOLDERS FOR REGISTRATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HONG KONG DENTAL COUNCIL.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 10) FOR THIRD READING ON NOVEMBER 21.

COMMENTS ON THE BILL MAY BE SENT IN WRITING TO UMELCO AT SWIRE HOUSE, 12TH FLOOR, CHATER ROAD, HONG KONG, OR TO THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, AT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOWER ALBERT ROAD.

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## LORD KENNET ARRIVING

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A SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY PEER, THE LORD KENNET IS DUE TO ARRIVE THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING FOR A NINE-DAY VISIT.

HE WILL MEET UMELCO, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, URBAN COUNCILLORS AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

LORD KENNET WILL ALSO VISIT SHA TIN DISTRICT, FACILITIES MANAGED BY THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING ITS STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE, A TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME FLATS, A FACTORY AND THE CHI MA WAN VIETNAMESE REFUGEE CLOSED CENTRE.

HE WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON OCTOBER 12, AND LEAVE THE FOLLOWING DAY.

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## NEW APPOINTMENT

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THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THE APPOINTMENT OF MR BARRY WOODROFFE AS DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION, IN SUCCESSION TO MR HUI MAN-SHING WHO WILL RETIRE THIS MONTH.

MR HUI, JP, IS 49 YEARS OF AGE. HE JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN NOVEMBER 1956 AS A VALUATION ASSISTANT. HE WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK IN MARCH 1984. MR HUI IS A FELLOW OF THE ROYAL INSTITUTION OF CHARTERED SURVEYORS.

MR WOODROFFE, AGED 43, JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A RATING AND VALUATION SURVEYOR IN JANUARY 1966. HE WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION IN JANUARY 1979. MR WOODROFFE IS A FELLOW OF THE ROYAL INSTITUTION OF CHARTERED SURVEYORS.

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## SEMINAR ON WHITE PAPER

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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS HAVE ORGANISED A SEMINAR ON THE WHITE PAPER ON THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

MORE THAN 600 INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, AREA COMMITTEES, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS. BOARD MEMBERS AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL SPEAK AT THE SEMINAR.

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## MP TO MEET PRESS TOMORROW

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A LIBERAL MP, MR RUSSELL JOHNSTON, WILL GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 11 AM AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, 5TH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

MR JOHNSTON WILL LEAVE HONG KONG ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 8) AFTER A NINE-DAY VISIT.

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## PROMOTION FOR 39 OFFICERS

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THIRTY-NINE ASSISTANT OFFICERS WERE TODAY PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF OFFICER.

THEY RECEIVED THEIR LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT FROM THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, MR BARRY HIGGINBOTTOM, AT A CEREMONY HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, MR HIGGINBOTTOM TOLD THEM THAT, HAVING PASSED THE FIRST AND BIGGEST HURDLE, THEY COULD NOW PROGRESS TO THE HIGHEST RANKS IN THE SERVICE.

THE NEWLY PROMOTED OFFICERS HAVE BEEN SERVING FOR AN AVERAGE OF EIGHT-AND-A-HALF YEARS.

THEY HAD SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A YEAR-LONG OFFICER CADET DEVELOPMENT TRAINING COURSE.

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## SCHOOLS ANTI-DRUG ROLE STRESSED

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SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS WERE TOLD AT A SEMINAR TODAY THAT THE NARCOTICS DIVISION WOULD CONTINUE ITS EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY EFFORTS TO PREVENT YOUNG PEOPLE FROM GETTING INVOLVED IN DRUGS.

THE ADMINISTRATORS WERE ALSO URGED TO ENCOURAGE THEIR STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN A YOUTH SCHEME AGAINST DRUGS.

THE CALL WAS MADE BY THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR ISAAC CHOW, AT THE SEMINAR ENTITLED +THE DRUG PROBLEM AND PREVENTIVE EDUCATION+.

/THE SEMINAR .....

THE SEMINAR WAS ORGANISED BY THE NARCOTICS DIVISION TO GIVE THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DRUG PROBLEM IN HONG KONG AND TO ENABLE THEM TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON PREVENTIVE EDUCATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

PRESENT WERE ABOUT 70 ADMINISTRATORS FROM SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SHAM SHUI PO AND WONG TAI SIN DISTRICTS, WHERE DRUG EDUCATION TALKS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE +SCHOOL TALKS TEAM+ OF THE NARCOTICS DIVISION SINCE FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

THE +YOUTH AGAINST DRUGS SCHEME+ RUN BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) IS OPEN TO ALL YOUTHS WHO ARE 15 AND ABOVE.

IT ENCOURAGES YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN ANTI-NARCOTICS ACTIVITIES.

UNDER THE SCHEME, THE YOUTHS LEARN ABOUT THE EVILS OF DRUG ABUSE AND TRAFFICKING, THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING, ORGANISING AND IMPLEMENTING ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO SPREAD THE ANTI-NARCOTICS MESSAGE, HE SAID.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE, WORKING IN GROUPS, CAN PUT FORWARD PROPOSALS TO THE NARCOTICS DIVISION FOR CONSIDERATION.

THEY MUST ALL BE RECOMMENDED BY THEIR SCHOOLS, YOUTH CENTRES, COMMUNITY CENTRES OR EMPLOYERS. THOSE GROUPS WHOSE PROPOSALS ARE ACCEPTED, ARE GIVEN A FUND OF UP TO $3 000 EACH TO CARRY OUT THEIR WORK.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE SEMINAR, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, DR S.L. CHAN, EXPLAINED TO THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF DRUG ABUSE, AND SUPERINTENDENT C.K. KWOK OF NARCOTICS BUREAU OF ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, ADVISED THEM ON HOW TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS AMONG THEIR STUDENTS.

THE PARTICIPANTS ALSO SAW A PREVIEW OF A FILM ENTITLED +TAKE CARE OF YOUR CHILDREN+, RECENTLY PRODUCED FOR THE ACAN'S 1984-85 PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMME.

THE FILM FEATURES THE EXPERIENCE OF TWO YOUNG ADDICTS.

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## FIRE FIGHTER RETIRES

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THE FIRST CHINESE TO REACH THE RANK OF CHIEF FIRE OFFICER WILL BE RETIRING SHORTLY AFTER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.

HE IS CHIEF FIRE OFFICER LAM LOK-BUN, AT PRESENT HEAD OF THE FIRE PROTECTION BUREAU.

BORN IN 1931 MR LAM JOINED THE FIRE SERVICES AS A SUB-OFFICER IN 1954 AND ROSE TO STATION OFFICER IN 1960.

THREE YEARS LATER, HE BECAME ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL OFFICER, AND IN 1970, DIVISIONAL OFFICER.

MR LAM ROSE TO THE RANK OF SENIOR DIVISIONAL OFFICER IN 1979 AND DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER THE FOLLOWING YEAR. HE REACHED HIS PRESENT RANK IN 1982.

IN 1976, MR LAM WAS AWARDED THE COLONIAL POLICE MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE, AND IN 1983, THE QUEEN'S FIRE SERVICES MEDAL.

DURING HIS SERVICE, MR LAM WAS COMMENDED FOR HIS WORK ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. ON ONE OCCASION, IN 1971, HE WAS COMMENDED BY BOTH THE GOVERNOR, AND THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE FOR COURAGE AND LEADERSHIP DURING THE DISASTROUS JUMBO RESTAURANT FIRE IN ABERDEEN.

TO MARK MR LAM'S RETIREMENT, THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES MR ROBERT HOLMES, RECENTLY PRESENTED A SOUVENIR TO HIM ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT AND HIS COLLEAGUES, AT A CEREMONY HELD AT THE FIRE SERVICES HEADQUARTERS AT JAVA ROAD, NORTH POINT.

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## TWO RESIDENTS COMMENDED FOR CIVIC WORK

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TWO RECIPIENTS OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE WERE TODAY (FRIDAY) PRESENTED WITH CERTIFICATES BY THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR DENIS BRAY, FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING AND VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY.

MR WONG HON-SUM, A USD FOREMAN, WAS COMMENDED FOR HIS DEVOTION AND UNTIRING EFFORTS IN IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT OF SHAU KEI WAN SQUATTER AREAS SINCE AUGUST LAST YEAR.

HE HAS SHOWN SPECIAL EFFORTS IN INVOLVING SQUATTER VILLAGERS IN CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGNS, AND HAS DEVOTED MUCH OF HIS SPARE TIME IN ORGANISING FAMILY VISITS AND TALKS AND SEMINARS TO PROMOTE HEALTH EDUCATION.

/MR WONG .....

MR WONG JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN 1973 AS A PARK KEEPER OF THE CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND WAS APPOINTED FOREMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT IN 1981. HE WORKS ON A NUMBER OF COMMITTEES, INCLUDING THE YUE ON HOUSE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE, TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY WELFARE.

THE OTHER RECIPIENT, MISS LAU YUET-HO, HEADMISTRESS OF AP LEI CHAU KAIFONG PRIMARY SCHOOL, WAS COMMENDED FOR HER STAUNCH SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS, AND FOR HER CONTRIBUTION IN THE TRAINING OF YOUNG VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE PART IN COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES.

MISS LAU SERVES AS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT STUDENTS SERVICE COMMITTEE. SHE HAS TAKEN PART IN ORGANISING CAREER SEMINARS AND CAREER GUIDANCE PROJECTS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVERS, AND HOMEWORK GUIDANCE PROJECTS FOR CHILDREN OF BOAT SQUATTERS AND TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS.

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## SEMINAR ON SCHOOL DISCIPLINE, MORAL EDUCATION

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PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A SEMINAR ON +SCHOOL DISCIPLINE AND MORAL EDUCATION+ TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH.

THE SEMINAR IS ORGANISED BY THE RELIGIOUS-ETHICAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TWO IDENTICAL HALF-DAY SEMINARS WILL BE HELD IN THE HALL OF ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL IN WOOD ROAD, WAN CHAI, ONE IN THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 15 AND THE OTHER IN THE AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 16.

SPECIALISTS WILL TALK ON WAYS OF HANDLING PROBLEM CHILDREN AND ON THE ROLE OF DISCIPLINE MASTERS IN MORAL EDUCATION. TEACHERS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AND IDEAS IN A DISCUSSION SESSION.

APPLICATION FORMS, WHICH MUST BE SIGNED BY THE HEADS OF SCHOOLS, SHOULD BE SENT TO THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, RELIGIOUS-ETHICAL EDUCATION SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, 5TH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG BY OCTOBER 26, 1984.

OWING TO THE LIMITED CAPACITY, ACCEPTANCE WILL BE ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS AND SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE INFORMED BY LETTER.

ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE MADE TO THE RELIGIOUS-ETHICAL EDUCATION SECTION AT 5-8392483.

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NEW FIRE STATION IN VICTORIA BARRACKS

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A NEW SUB-DIVISIONAL FIRE STATION IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN VICTORIA BARRACKS TO REPLACE THE TEMPORARY FIRE STATION IN GARDEN ROAD WHICH IS REQUIRED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW BANK OF CHINA BUILDING AND A CIRCULATORY ROAD SYSTEM.

THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED THE $8.6 MILLION CONTRACT TO HUNG LEE LAM KEE BUILDING CONTRACTOR LTD FOR THE PROJECT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE OFFICE SAID THAT THE NEW FIRE STATION WOULD BE BUILT ON A 2 220-SQUARE-METRE SITE AND EFFORTS WOULD BE MADE TO BLEND IT WITH THE BARRACKS ENVIRONMENT.

A STANDARD FIRE STATION BUILDING IS FIVE STOREYS HIGH. BUT THE NEW STATION WILL HAVE ONLY FOUR STOREYS SO AS TO PRESERVE THE VIEW FROM FLAGSTAFF HOUSE, FORMER HOME OF THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, AND NOW THE MUSEUM OF TEA WARE.

A MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TREES WOULD BE PRESERVED, HE SAID.

THE NEW STATION WILL CONSIST OF A FOUR-BAY APPLIANCE ROOM, OFFICES, QUARTERS, A CANTEEN, A RECREATION AREA AND A DRILL YARD.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY OCTOBER NEXT YEAR.

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STUDENTS AGAINST DRUGS

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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, MR KARL STUMPF WILL ANNOUNCE THE DETAILS OF THE +STUDENTS AGAINST DRUGS MOVEMENT+, WHICH IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THIS YEAR'S ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 8), AT 2.30 PM AT THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, 5TH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR ISAAC CHOW WILL ALSO BE PRESENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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## SHA TIN SITE FOR SALE

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A PIECE OF CROWN LAND AT MA ON SHAN, SHA TIN, IS BEING OFFERED FOR SALE BY TENDER BY THE LANDS DEPARTMENT.

THE SITE COVERS ABOUT 7.292 HECTARES, AND IS FOR PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME (NON-INDUSTRIAL EXCLUDING GODOWN AND CINEMA) PURPOSES.

THE DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS IS NOON ON DECEMBER 14.

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## PROPERTY FOR LEASE

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THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING AN 85 SQUARE-METRE PIECE OF PROPERTY ON THE GROUND FLOOR AND COCKLOFT OF 38 TUNG KUN STREET, KOWLOON, FOR LEASE BY TENDER.

IT IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL (EXCLUDING GODOWN) PURPOSES.

THE DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF TENDERS IS NOON ON OCTOBER 26.

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## TAPS OFF IN CHAI WAN

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CHAI WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 8) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY WAN TSUI ROAD, LIN SHING ROAD, INCLUDING WAN TSUI ESTATE AND YAN TSUI COURT.

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