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APPOINTMENT OF KCRC CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR KEVIN O. HYDE AS THE CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION UPON THE RETIREMENT OF THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN, MR H.M.G. FORSGATE, ON DECEMBER 24, 1990.

MR HYDE, AGED 45, WAS BORN IN NEW ZEALAND. HAVING OBTAINED HIS LLB AT THE VICTORIA UNIVERSITY IN 1970, HE JOINED THE NEW ZEALAND RAILWAY CORPORATION AND HAS SINCE WORKED IN A NUMBER OF SENIOR POSTS BEFORE TAKING UP HIS PRESENT POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN 1987.

AS CEO HE HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL ASPECTS OF THE CORPORATION'S BUSINESS INCLUDING RAIL PASSENGER AND FREIGHT SERVICES, FERRIES, HEAVY ENGINEERING, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT.

HE MANAGES A PROFITABLE ORGANISATION WITH A TOTAL STAFF OF 8,000, WITH TOTAL REVENUE CURRENTLY AT HK\$2.8 BILLION.

MR HYDE IS MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN.

MR HYDE IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN HONG KONG IN MID AUGUST FIRST TO TAKE OVER FROM MR PETER QUICK THE DUTIES OF MANAGING DIRECTOR AND BECOME CHAIRMAN (DESIGNATE) FROM SEPTEMBER 1 PRIOR TO ASSUMING THE FULL RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE CORPORATION IN DECEMBER.

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NO NEW AIDS CASE IN JUNE

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THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AIDS (ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME) CASES IN HONG KONG REMAINS AT 37 TO DATE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

HOWEVER, ONE OF THE AIDS PATIENTS DIED THIS MONTH.

THIS BRINGS TO 23 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AIDS PATIENTS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY WHILE 14 OTHER PATIENTS ARE UNDER COUNSELLING AND TREATMENT.

RELEASING THE MONTHLY STATISTICS ON THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT ONE MORE MAN WAS FOUND TO BE POSITIVE FOR THE HIV ANTI-BODY TEST.

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THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HIV CARRIERS WHO HAVE NOT YET DEVELOPED AIDS WAS 145 AT THE END OF MAY. OF THESE, 52 WERE HAEMOPHILIACS, 76 ACQUIRED THE INFECTION SEXUALLY, THREE WERE DRUG ABUSERS, THREE ACQUIRED THE INFECTION THROUGH BLOOD TRANSFUSION AND THE INFORMATION FOR THE OTHER 11 WAS INADEQUATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

UNDER THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME STARTED IN 1985, A TOTAL OF 160,598 BLOOD SPECIMENS HAVE BEEN TESTED FOR THE AIDS VIRUS.

THE HONG KONG RED CROSS BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE HAS ALSO SCREENED ALL BLOOD DONORS FOR AIDS.

UP TO LAST MONTH, 725,507 UNITS OF BLOOD HAD BEEN TESTED AND 12 WERE FOUND POSITIVE.

/AIDS VIRUS

愛滋病抗體檢驗
AIDS Virus (HIV) Antibody Testing
病毒組 衛生署
Virus Unit, Department of Health

	Apr 85 - Apr 90		May 90		Total	
	No. tested*	No. +ve	No. tested*	No. +ve	No. tested*	No. +ve
經由政府醫院及診所介紹 Referrals from Govt. hospitals and clinics	10 487	62	203	0	10 690	62
經由私家醫生及補助醫院介紹 Referrals from private practitioners and subvented hospitals	1 940	40	12	0	1 952	40
到社會衛生科求醫人數 Attendances at social hygiene clinics	139 901	20	2 517	1	142 418	21
血友病患者 Haemophiliacs	428	56	4	0	432	56
濫用靜脈注射毒品者 IV drug abusers	4 093	1	114	0	4 207	1
經由家庭計劃協會介紹 Referrals from Family Planning Association	202	0	2	0	204	0
健康護理人員 Health care personnel	681	0	14	0	695	0
總數 Total	157 732	179	2 866	1	160 598	180

此乃驗血樣本數目，並非人數，因某些個別人士的檢驗是重複的。

* This indicates the number of specimens and not persons as tests are repeated for certain individuals.

	Aug 85 - Apr 90		May 90		Total	
	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve
香港紅十字會輸血服務 Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	711 636	10	13 871	2	725 507	12

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REMINDER ON ILLEGAL FISH MARKETING
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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT (AFD) IS CO-OPERATING WITH THE POLICE TO STEP UP PROSECUTION ACTION AGAINST ILLEGAL FISH MARKETING ACTIVITIES IN THE TERRITORY.

THE SENIOR FISHERIES OFFICER OF THE DEPARTMENT, MR RAYMOND CHUNG, ISSUED A REMINDER TODAY (THURSDAY) FOLLOWING A RECENT COURT CASE IN WHICH THREE MEN WERE EACH FINED \$5,000 AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY FOR TRANSPORTING A TOTAL OF 2,605 KILOGRAMS OF MARINE FISH WITHOUT PERMIT.

TWO OF THE DEFENDANTS WERE ALSO SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT SUSPENDED FOR TWO YEARS.

IN ADDITION, ALL THE FISH SEIZED, VALUED AT MORE THAN \$27,000, WERE CONFISCATED.

THE THREE MEN WERE ARRESTED ON MAY 25 THIS YEAR DURING A JOINT OPERATION OF THE POLICE AND AFD TO COMBAT ILLEGAL FISH MARKETING ACTIVITIES IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

MR CHUNG SAID IT WAS HOPED THAT HEAVY PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THE COURT, TOGETHER WITH STRINGENT LAW ENFORCEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT, WOULD FURTHER DETER PEOPLE FROM BREACHING THE LAW.

UNDER THE MARINE FISH (MARKETING) ORDINANCE, IT IS AN OFFENCE TO TRANSPORT OVER 60 KILOGRAMS OF MARINE FISH ON LAND OR IN THE WATERS OF HONG KONG IN ANY VESSEL OTHER THAN A FISHING VESSEL WITHOUT A PERMIT. IT IS ALSO AN OFFENCE TO LAND MARINE FISH OUTSIDE THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE FISH MARKETS WITHOUT A PERMIT.

OFFENDERS ARE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$10,000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

DURING THE PAST 18 MONTHS, THERE WERE 178 SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTIONS RELATING TO ILLEGAL FISH MARKETING, INVOLVING 195 DEFENDANTS.

THE TOTAL FINE AMOUNTED TO \$174,300. A TOTAL OF 55 TONNES OF MARINE FISH, VALUED AT ABOUT \$599,000, WERE ALSO CONFISCATED.

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ANTI-II OPERATION IN KWUN TONG

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IMMIGRATION INVESTIGATORS CARRIED OUT AN ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT OPERATION IN KWUN TONG YESTERDAY (WEDNESDAY).

THEY MADE IDENTITY CHECKS ON 130 PERSONS AT 29 LOCATIONS.

DURING THE OPERATION, SEVEN OVERSTAYERS AND ONE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT FROM CHINA WERE APPREHENDED.

THE SEVEN OVERSTAYERS -- THREE FEMALES AGED 18 TO 57 AND FOUR MALES AGED 20 TO 26 -- ARE ALL NATIVES OF FUKIEN. THEY ARE TWO-WAY PERMIT HOLDERS AND HAVE OVERSTAYED IN HONG KONG FOR ABOUT TWO TO SEVEN MONTHS.

THE FEMALE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT, AGED 27, IS A NATIVE OF HAI FUNG AND CLAIMED TO HAVE SLIPPED INTO HONG KONG IN JANUARY LAST YEAR. HER HUSBAND, A HONG KONG RESIDENT, IS ASSISTING WITH THE INVESTIGATION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT REITERATED THAT THERE WILL BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

HE ALSO WARNED THAT THOSE WHO HAVE BREACHED THEIR CONDITION OF STAY HERE ARE LIABLE TO PROSECUTION AND UPON CONVICTION TO A FINE OF \$5,000 AND TWO YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

PERSONS WHO AID AND ABET PEOPLE TO COMMIT THESE OFFENCES ARE ALSO LIABLE TO PROSECUTION AND PENALTY.

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KWAI TSING YOUTH AMBASSADORS TO VISIT JAPAN

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FOURTEEN YOUNG PEOPLE FROM KWAI TSING DISTRICT WILL GO ON A SEVEN-DAY STUDY TOUR TO JAPAN ON TUESDAY (JULY 3).

THE YOUTH AMBASSADORS ARE WINNERS OF AN ESSAY COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT FEDERATION OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN APRIL AND MAY THIS YEAR.

HEADED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PAUL TANG, AND A LOCAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, MR WAN HING-YUEN, THE DELEGATION WILL VISIT A COMPUTER AND ELECTRONICS FACTORY, AN AIRLINE COMPANY, A FLOWERS EXPOSITION, THE TOKYO BUREAU OF CITIZENS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, THE METROPOLITAN ART MUSEUM AND THE HALL OF MARTIAL ARTS.

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THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ESSAY COMPETITION ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHAN KWOK-WAI, WILL PRESENT A FLAG TO THE DELEGATION AT A CEREMONY TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE FLAG PRESENTATION WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING (NEXT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), KWAI CHUNG.

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TRADE INSPECTION AND VERIFICATION BUREAU'S URBAN DIVISIONS ON MOVE
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URBAN DIVISIONS OF THE TRADE INSPECTION AND VERIFICATION BUREAU (TIVB) OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT WILL OPERATE FROM NEW PREMISES AT TRADE DEPARTMENT TOWER (FORMERLY KNOWN AS ARGYLE CENTRE TOWER II), 700 NATHAN ROAD, FROM MONDAY (JULY 2).

THESE ARE THE HONG KONG INSPECTION DIVISION, THE KOWLOON EAST INSPECTION DIVISION, THE KOWLOON WEST INSPECTION DIVISION AND THE TRADE CONTROLS VERIFICATION DIVISION, WHICH WILL BE LOCATED ON THE 14TH, 15TH AND 16TH FLOORS OF THE BUILDING.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN TELEPHONE 309 1712 FOR ENQUIRIES.

THE THREE INSPECTION DIVISIONS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FACTORY AND CONSIGNMENT INSPECTIONS RELATING TO CERTIFICATE ORIGIN INCLUDING GSP (FORM A), TEXTILE EXPORT AND IMPORT LICENCES AND OTHER TRADE LICENCES ISSUED BY THE TRADE DEPARTMENT FOR HONG KONG AND OUTLYING ISLANDS, AND KOWLOON.

THE TRADE CONTROLS VERIFICATIONS DIVISION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFICATION OF IMPORT AND EXPORT DECLARATIONS TO ENSURE PROPER LODGEMENT AND PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM CHARGE AND CLOTHING TRAINING LEVY; VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF DATA DECLARED ON THE IMPORT AND EXPORT DECLARATIONS WITH EMPHASIS ON THE TRADE VALUES DECLARED; AND VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY OF GOODS FOR PREFERENTIAL TARIFF TREATMENT AT THE IMPORTING END UNDER THE GENERALISED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES.

TIVB'S NEW TERRITORIES INSPECTION DIVISION, WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FACTORY AND CONSIGNMENT INSPECTIONS COVERING THE NEW TERRITORIES, WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE FROM THIRD FLOOR, PHASE II, TSUEN WAN GARDEN, 12-18 TEXACO ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

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GRADING OF BEACH WATER QUALITY

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF ALL BATHING BEACHES IN HONG KONG.

THE PURPOSE OF THE GRADING SYSTEM IS TO INFORM SWIMMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATE OF BACTERIAL POLLUTION AT VARIOUS BEACHES. THE GRADING WILL BE ANNOUNCED BIWEEKLY DURING THE BATHING SEASON TO COINCIDE WITH THE FREQUENCY AT WHICH BEACH WATERS ARE USUALLY SAMPLED.

THE GRADING IS BASED ON THE MOST RECENT E. COLI DATA OBTAINED BY THE EPD IN ITS ROUTINE MONITORING PROGRAMME. AS WITH LAST YEAR, THE GRADING ALSO INCLUDES AN ESTIMATE OF THE RISK OF SUFFERING SOME MINOR SKIN OR GASTROINTESTINAL COMPLAINTS AS A RESULT OF SWIMMING AT A BEACH WHICH HAS SOME DEGREE OF POLLUTION. THE ESTIMATE IS BASED ON A VERY LARGE BODY OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION GATHERED IN HONG KONG IN RECENT BATHING SEASONS.

THE GRADING OF SOME BEACHES MAY VARY DURING THE SUMMER. THIS REPRESENTS A NATURAL FLUCTUATION IN THE BACTERIAL QUALITY OF BATHING WATERS IN MOST CASES, AS RAIN AND TIDES BRING MORE OR LESS POLLUTION TO THE BEACHES.

HOWEVER, THE GRADES GIVE A GOOD GENERAL PICTURE OF THE WATER QUALITY AT BATHING BEACHES AT THE TIME OF REPORTING AND FORM THE BEST AVAILABLE FORECAST FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

THE SYSTEM FOR GRADING BEACH WATER QUALITY IS AS FOLLOWS:

GRADE "1" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS GOOD. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 24 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED RISK OF MINOR ILLNESS TO SWIMMERS IS UNDETECTABLE.

GRADE "2" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS FAIR. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 180 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS NO MORE THAN 10 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

GRADE "3" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS ACCEPTABLE. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 610 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS NO MORE THAN 15 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

GRADE "4" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS POOR. THE E. COLI COUNT IS MORE THAN 610 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS MORE THAN 15 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

THE DECISION WHETHER OR NOT TO CLOSE A BEACH TO SWIMMERS IS BASED ON A JUDGEMENT OF WHAT DEGREE OF POLLUTION IS ACCEPTABLE.

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NORMALLY, THE CLOSURE OF A BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED BY THE URBAN OR REGIONAL COUNCIL IF A "4" GRADING OCCURRED REPEATEDLY, SO THAT THE AVERAGE HEALTH RISK OVER THE BATHING SEASON EXCEEDED 15 CASES PER 1,000 SWIMMERS. SIMILARLY, THE REOPENING OF A CLOSED BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF A "3" GRADE OR BETTER WERE CONSISTENTLY OBTAINED.

AT PRESENT, TWO BATHING BEACHES, NAMELY CASTLE PEAK AND OLD CAFETERIA, HAVE BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES, BASED ON THE WATER QUALITY DURING PAST SEASONS. THEY ARE POLLUTED BY FAECAL WASTES AND FAIL TO ACHIEVE CONSISTENTLY THE HONG KONG STANDARDS. THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED NOT TO SWIM IN THE WATER AT THESE TWO BEACHES.

IN ADDITION, ROCKY BAY BEACH HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES BY THE URBAN COUNCIL. THESE THREE BEACHES ARE IDENTIFIED BY AN "X" IN THE FOLLOWING LIST.

THE GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF VARIOUS BEACHES IN HONG KONG AS AT TODAY ARE LISTED BELOW:

BEACH -----	LAST GRADING ----- (AS AT 14.6.90)	PRESENT GRADING ----- (AS AT 28.6.90)
HONG KONG SOUTH -----		
BIG WAVE BAY	3	3
CHUNG HOM KOK	2	2
DEEP WATER BAY	1	1
HAIRPIN	3	3
MIDDLE BAY	1	1
REPULSE BAY	1	1
SHEK O	3	4
SOUTH BAY	1	1
ST STEPHEN'S	1	2
TURTLE COVE	2	2
STANLEY MAIN	2	2
ROCKY BAY	X	X
TO TEI WAN*	1	1

TUEN MUN DISTRICT

OLD CAFETERIA	X	X
NEW CAFETERIA	2	2
CASTLE PEAK	X	X
KADOORIE	2	2
BUTTERFLY	2	3

ISLANDS DISTRICT

CHEUNG SHA UPPER	1	1
CHEUNG SHA LOWER	2	2
DISCOVERY BAY*	2	2
HUNG SHING YEH	1	1
KWUN YAM WAN	1	1
TONG FUK	1	1
LO SO SHING	1	1
PUI O	2	1
SILVERMINE BAY	3	3
TUNG WAN, CHEUNG CHAU	1	1
TUNG O*	2	2

SAI KUNG DISTRICT

CAMPERS	2	2
CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST BEACH	1	2
CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND BEACH	1	2
HAP MUN BAY	1	1
KIU TSUI	1	1
PAK SHA CHAU	1	1
SILVERSTRAND	2	3
TRIO (HEBE HAVEN)	3	3

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TSUEN WAN DISTRICT

ANGLERS'	2	3
APPROACH	2	2
CASAM	2	2
GEMINI	2	2
HOI MEI WAN	2	2
LIDO	2	2
TING KAU	3	4
TUNG WAN, MA WAN	1	1

NOTE: "X" THE BEACH HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES.
* NON-GAZETTED BEACHES.

THE FOLLOWING BEACHES HAVE CHANGED GRADING ON THIS OCCASION:

PUI O, FROM "2" TO "1"; ST STEPHEN'S, CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST AND CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND FROM "1" TO "2"; SILVERSTRAND, ANGLERS' AND BUTTERFLY FROM "2" TO "3".

THE CHANGES ARE WITHIN THE NORMAL RANGE OF FLUCTUATION OF THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF THESE BEACHES.

SHEK O AND TING KAU, FROM "3" TO "4".

THE DOWNGRADING OF SHEK O BEACH AND TING KAU BEACH IS DUE TO THE RECENT HEAVY RAINFALL WHICH HAS CAUSED POLLUTANTS IN THE BEACH HINTERLANDS TO BE FLUSHED INTO THE BEACH WATER.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER (WATER POLICY) OF EPD, MR PAUL R. HOLMES, ON TEL. 835 1234.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN YAU YAT TSUEN TO BE CLOSED
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AT FLAT B, THIRD FLOOR, SUNSHINE COURT, 4 VERBENA ROAD, YAU YAT TSUEN, AND ON ITS APPERTAINING ROOF SO THAT THEY CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS AND THE PUBLIC.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COURT ON JULY 26 THIS YEAR WAS POSTED ON A CONSPICUOUS PART OF THE STRUCTURES TODAY (THURSDAY).

UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE, A CLOSURE ORDER IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE DEMOLITION CAN BE CARRIED OUT.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT ONCE THE CLOSURE ORDER IS OBTAINED.

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