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**LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) ORDINANCE
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GOVERNMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT IT IS PROPOSED TO PROVIDE A MECHANISM FOR REGULATING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LANDLORDS AND TENANTS OF DOMESTIC PREMISES EXCLUDED FROM THE EXISTING RENT CONTROL LEGISLATION AND THOSE WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO BE EXCLUDED IN FUTURE.

THIS PROPOSAL IS CONTAINED IN THE LANDLORD AND TENANT (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT)(NO. 2) BILL 1981 PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

COMMENTING ON THE BILL, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT UNDER ITS PROVISIONS THE LANDS TRIBUNAL WOULD BE EMPOWERED TO DECIDE WHETHER A TENANT OTHERWISE UNPROTECTED BY RENT CONTROL SHOULD BE GRANTED A NEW TENANCY AND TO DETERMINE THE TERMS OF THE NEW TENANCY WHERE THESE CANNOT BE AGREED BETWEEN THE LANDLORD AND THE TENANT.

UNDER THE BILL, A TENANT WILL BE ENTITLED TO APPLY TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL FOR A NEW TENANCY WHENEVER THE CURRENT TENANCY IS APPROACHING EXPIRATION AND THE LANDLORD DOES NOT AGREE TO ITS RENEWAL. A NEW TENANCY WILL BE ORDERED BY THE LANDS TRIBUNAL UNLESS THE LANDLORD CAN ESTABLISH THAT HE REQUIRES THE PREMISES FOR HIS OWN OR HIS FAMILY'S OCCUPATION, THAT HE INTENDS TO REBUILD THE PREMISES OR THAT ONE OF THE OTHER SPECIFIED GROUNDS FOR OPPOSING THE GRANT OF A NEW TENANCY APPLY. THE BILL PROVIDES THAT THE DURATION OF ANY NEW TENANCY WILL BE FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING THREE YEARS.

WHERE A NEW TENANCY HAS BEEN ORDERED, THE PARTIES ARE FREE TO NEGOTIATE THE NEW RENT. IF AGREEMENT CANNOT BE REACHED, AN APPLICATION MAY BE MADE TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL FOR A DETERMINATION OF THE NEW RENT. THE RENT DETERMINED WILL BE THE FAIR MARKET RENT, THAT IS, THE RENT AT WHICH, HAVING REGARD TO OTHER TERMS OF THE NEW TENANCY, THE PREMISES MAY REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO BE LET, BUT DISREGARDING THE EFFECTS OF THE ORDINANCE.

THE TENANT MAY ELECT WITHIN ONE MONTH AFTER THE DETERMINATION OF ITS TERMS NOT TO TAKE UP THE NEW TENANCY, IN WHICH CASE HE MUST DELIVER UP POSSESSION WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE MEASURES ARE DESIGNED TO ENSURE A REASONABLE DEGREE OF SECURITY OF TENURE FOR TENANTS NOT OTHERWISE PROTECTED BY THE RENT CONTROL LEGISLATION. THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THE PROPOSAL WAS NOT ANOTHER FORM OF RENT CONTROL BECAUSE THE GRANT OF ANY NEW TENANCY WOULD BE SUBJECT TO PAYMENT OF A FAIR MARKET RENT. THE BILL PROVIDES THAT THE SYSTEM WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE FROM DECEMBER 19, 1981.

ANOTHER PROPOSAL OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE IN THE BILL IS THE APPLICATION TO SUB-TENANCIES IN POST-WAR DOMESTIC PREMISES OF THE SAME SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING RENT INCREASES AS IS ENJOYED BY PRINCIPAL TENANTS.

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UNDER THIS PROPOSAL, THE MAXIMUM RENT INCREASE IN RESPECT OF SUB-TENANCIES WILL BE LIMITED TO HALF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CURRENT RENT AND THE FAIR MARKET RENT, SUBJECT TO THE INCREASE NOT EXCEEDING 30 PER CENT OF THE CURRENT RENT.

THE BILL ALSO SEEKS TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE OF REVIEW IN RESPECT OF CASES IN WHICH THE LANDLORD SEEKS POSSESSION OR OPPOSES THE GRANT OF A NEW TENANCY, BECAUSE HE INTENDS TO REBUILD THE PREMISES. THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES ARE PROVIDED FOR THE DETERMINATION OF SUCH CASES:

- (A) THE REBUILDING MUST RESULT IN A MATERIAL INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS FOR DOMESTIC USE OR IN ACCOMMODATION FOR NON-DOMESTIC USE, AND IN THE CASE OF A DEVELOPMENT FOR NON-DOMESTIC PURPOSES THE SITE MUST BE SUITABLE FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT= OR
- (B) THE REBUILDING MUST BE DESIRABLE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REASONS= OR
- (C) THE EXISTING BUILDING MUST BE BEYOND ECONOMIC REPAIR.

IN ADDITION, PROVISION IS MADE FOR THE IMPOSITION OF CONDITIONS, PARTICULARLY IN RELATION TO COMPENSATION, THE LODGING OF PLANS, CONTROL OF THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS, VARIATIONS IN THE PLANS AND TIMING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT. PENALTIES ARE PROVIDED FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED.

THE BILL PROPOSES THAT A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION SHOULD BE PAYABLE TO TENANTS DISPOSSESSED AND THAT THIS SHOULD BE RELATED TO THE LENGTH OF THE TENANT'S RESIDENCE.

IT IS PROPOSED THAT WHERE A TENANT HAS BEEN IN OCCUPATION FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS, THE MINIMUM COMPENSATION PAYABLE WILL BE EQUAL TO THE RATEABLE VALUE OF THE PREMISES. THIS MINIMUM AMOUNT IS TO INCREASE TO 1.5 TIMES THE RATEABLE VALUE WHERE THE TENANT HAS BEEN IN OCCUPATION FOR BETWEEN THREE AND FIVE YEARS, AND TWICE THE RATEABLE VALUE WHEN THE PERIOD OF OCCUPATION EXCEEDS FIVE YEARS.

A FURTHER PROVISION IN THE BILL RELATES TO THE RATIONALISATION OF JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS UNDER THE ORDINANCE.

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A LESS FORMAL AND RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVE FORUM, MOST OF THE JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS UNDER THE ORDINANCE ARE TO BE VESTED IN OR TRANSFERRED TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL. ACCORDINGLY, THE TENANCY TRIBUNAL AND THE RENT TRIBUNAL ARE TO BE ABOLISHED.

CRIMINAL SANCTIONS UNDER THE ORDINANCE WILL, HOWEVER, CONTINUE TO BE HANDLED BY THE COURTS, AND APPEALS ON POINTS OF LAW UNDER THE ORDINANCE WILL REMAIN WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT OF APPEAL.

THE COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION IS ALSO TO TAKE OVER MORE OF THE FACTUAL AND TECHNICAL MATTERS FALLING UNDER THE ORDINANCE. WHERE APPROPRIATE, THERE WILL BE PROVISION FOR APPEAL TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL AGAINST A DECISION OF THE COMMISSIONER.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT IN FUTURE PROCEEDINGS, EXCEPT IN RESPECT OF APPEALS TO THE COURT OF APPEAL, EACH PARTY WILL BEAR HIS OWN COSTS. THE COURT OR TRIBUNAL WILL, HOWEVER, RETAIN THE DISCRETION TO AWARD COSTS AGAINST A PARTY ENGAGING IN FRIVOLOUS AND VEXATIONS PROCEEDINGS.

ALTHOUGH, UNDER THE BILL, POSSESSION CASES UNDER PART II OF THE ORDINANCE REMAIN WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE DISTRICT COURT, IT IS INTENDED THAT THIS FUNCTION ALSO WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL.

LEGISLATION TO ACHIEVE THIS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THE LANDS TRIBUNAL ORDINANCE AND THE RULES TO COPE WITH THE TRIBUNAL'S NEW FUNCTIONS, IS IN THE COURSE OF PREPARATION. THIS LEGISLATION WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WITHIN THREE MONTHS.

THE BILL ALSO -

- * SEEKS TO APPLY TO PRE-WAR DOMESTIC PREMISES THE SAME PROVISIONS WHICH APPLY TO POST-WAR DOMESTIC PREMISES IN RESPECT OF INCREASES IN RENT WHERE IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN EFFECTED-
- * RE-STATES CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PART II OF THE ORDINANCE TO CLARIFY THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE CONTRACTUAL PERIOD OF A TENANCY AND THE STATUTORY PERIOD-
- * MAKES PROVISION FOR THE RIGHTS OF SUB-TENANTS WHERE THE LANDLORD APPLIES FOR POSSESSION OR OPPOSES THE GRANT OF A NEW TENANCY-
- * PROVIDES FOR DIFFICULTIES IN RELATION TO PROSECUTIONS IN CASES WHERE THE LANDLORD HAS OBTAINED POSSESSION FOR PERSONAL USE OR REBUILDING BUT, THEREAFTER, DISPOSES OF THE PREMISES- AND
- * STATES THAT, NEVERTHELESS, SUCH A DISPOSITION IS NOT VOID.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT SITTING ON NOVEMBER 25, 1981.

THE SPOKESMAN CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT IF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAD QUERIES ABOUT INDIVIDUAL CASES, THEY SHOULD SEEK LEGAL ADVICE OR APPROACH RENT OFFICERS OF THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT AT THEIR LOCAL CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, DISTRICT OFFICE OR THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT, FOR ASSISTANCE.

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PROVISIONAL NT REGISTER OF ELECTORS
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THE PROVISIONAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS (NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICTS) IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UP TO DECEMBER 5.

THE REGISTER CONTAINS THE NAMES, IDENTITY CARD NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL THE 193 812 REGISTERED ELECTORS FROM THE 46 NEW TERRITORIES CONSTITUENCIES.

MR WONG CHUN-WAH, REGISTRATION OFFICER, SAID : +NOTICES OF REGISTRATION HAVE BEEN SENT OUT INFORMING ELECTORS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT BOARD CONSTITUENCIES AND POLLING STATIONS FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON MARCH 4 NEXT YEAR.+

THE FULL REGISTER WILL BE OPEN FOR INSPECTION DURING OFFICE HOURS INCLUDING SATURDAY MORNINGS AT THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL OFFICE, THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS AND THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

+MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN ALSO INSPECT AT EACH OF THE EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT OFFICES THE PART OF THE PROVISIONAL REGISTER RELATING TO THAT PARTICULAR DISTRICT,+ MR WONG SAID.

+MOREOVER ELIGIBLE ELECTORS WHO HAVE MISSED THE RECENT REGISTRATION CYCLE HAVE A LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER AS A VOTER FOR THE UPCOMING NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

+THEY CAN APPLY IN PERSON TO THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL OFFICE ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF BLOCK AA, EX-VICTORIA BARRACKS, DURING OFFICE HOURS FROM NOVEMBER 21 TO DECEMBER 5, AND HAVE THEIR NAMES ADDED TO THE ELECTORAL ROLL,+ HE ADDED.

REGISTERED ELECTORS ARE URGED TO REPORT CHANGES OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS BEFORE NOVEMBER 30 SO THAT NECESSARY CHANGES TO THEIR DISTRICT BOARD CONSTITUENCIES AND POLLING STATIONS MAY BE MADE.

THESE CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ALL THE POST OFFICES, DISTRICT OFFICES AND CITY DISTRICT OFFICES.

THE BREAKDOWN OF REGISTERED ELECTORS FOR THE EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT BOARDS IS : ISLANDS DISTRICT (14 795), NORTH DISTRICT (19 429), SAI KUNG DISTRICT (5 922), SHA TIN DISTRICT (15 710), TAI PO DISTRICT (12 662), TSUEN WAN DISTRICT (71 009), TUEN MUN DISTRICT (25 694) AND YUEN LONG DISTRICT (28 591).

+THE DIFFERENCE IN THE FIGURES IS MAINLY DUE TO THE VARIATION OF POPULATION IN EACH DISTRICT,+ MR WONG EXPLAINED.

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TOO MUCH ARSENIC IN HERBAL PILL

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FORENSIC PHARMACISTS OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAVE FOUND THAT A HERBAL PILL SOLD LOCALLY CONTAINS TOO MUCH ARSENIC.

ROUTINE SAMPLING OF THE +HAEMORRHOID PILLS+ MANUFACTURED BY A LOCAL MEDICINE COMPANY SHOWED THAT EACH PILL CONTAINED 3.1 MG OF ARSENIC, WHEREAS THE DAILY ACCEPTABLE INTAKE OF ARSENIC AS RECOMMENDED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION IS 3.5 MG PER DAY FOR AN ADULT OF 70 KG BODY WEIGHT.

AS A DAILY DOSAGE OF 24 PILLS IS RECOMMENDED IN THE LITERATURE OF THE +HAEMORRHOID PILLS+, THIS COULD BE HARMFUL TO THE CONSUMER, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE PRESENCE OF ARSENIC IN THE PILL IS DUE TO THE USE OF A CHINESE HERB CALLED REALGAR, WHICH IS ARSENIC DISULPHIDE, AS A COLOUR COAT, HE SAID.

THE MANUFACTURER OF THE HERBAL MEDICINE HAS BEEN WARNED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND HAS AGREED TO WITHDRAW ALL STOCKS FROM THE MARKET.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT FORENSIC PHARMACY INSPECTORS ARE CLOSELY WATCHING THE SITUATION TO ENSURE THAT ALL THE STOCKS ARE WITHDRAWN.

HE ALSO WARNED THAT RETAILERS OF THE MEDICINE SHOULD RETURN THE PILLS TO THE MANUFACTURER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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MAN NOT CHOLERA CASE

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A 71-YEAR-OLD SEAMAN WHO WAS ADMITTED TO PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL ON WEDNESDAY SUFFERING FROM DIARRHOEA AND VOMITING HAS NOT BEEN INFECTED WITH CHOLERA.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID THIS MORNING THAT LABORATORY TESTS FOR CHOLERA PROVED TO BE NEGATIVE.

HONG KONG REMAINS A CHOLERA FREE AREA ALTHOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN TWO IMPORTED CASES SO FAR THIS YEAR.

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SQUATTER AREA RESIDENTS WARNED ABOUT HIGH FIRE RISK

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SQUATTER RESIDENTS WERE TODAY (FRIDAY) URGED TO PAY MORE ATTENTION TO FIRE SAFETY RULES DURING THE DRY SPELL, ESPECIALLY DURING WATER RESTRICTIONS.

THE APPEAL CAME FROM THE GOVERNMENT'S FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY WORKING GROUP FOLLOWING THE RECENT SPATE OF SQUATTER FIRES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLICITY WORKING GROUP SAID: +NEARLY ALL FIRES ARE CAUSED BY CARELESSNESS, NEGLIGENCE OR IGNORANCE. IN MOST CASES, THEY CAN BE AVOIDED IF RESIDENTS OF SQUATTER AREAS OBSERVE THE BASIC FIRE PREVENTION RULES.+

THE RULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- * STORE COOKING FUEL SUCH AS KEROSENE AND LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS WELL AWAY FROM ANY SOURCE OF HEAT-
- * DO NOT STORE MORE THAN ONE CONTAINER OF FUEL AT ANY TIME-
- * NEVER FILL A KEROSENE STOVE OR HEATER WHEN IT IS ALIGHT-
- * ALWAYS KEEP ALL ELECTRIC WIRES, PLUGS, INSTALLATIONS AND APPLIANCES IN GOOD CONDITION, AND HAVE THEM REGULARLY CHECKED BY A QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN-
- * DO NOT CONNECT TOO MANY APPLIANCES TO ONE CIRCUIT-
- * KEEP MATCHES AND CIGARETTE LIGHTERS OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN-
- * BURN JOSS STICKS AND WORSHIPPING ITEMS ONLY IN A METAL CONTAINER AND AWAY FROM ANY ADJACENT COMBUSTIBLES SUCH AS CURTAINS, CARTON BOXES ETC.-
- * BEFORE GOING OUT OR RETIRING, MAKE SURE ALL COOKERS AND ELECTRIC APPLIANCES ARE SWITCHED OFF AND CIGARETTE ENDS COMPLETELY EXTINGUISHED.

TO DRIVE HOME THE FIRE-SAFETY MESSAGE, THE CIVILIAN INFORMATION TEAMS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND THE MOBILE UNIT OF THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAVE BEEN BROADCASTING TAPED MESSAGES IN THE MORE FIRE-PRONE SQUATTER AREAS AND VILLAGES.

+BY BRINGING THE MESSAGE TO THEIR DOOR-STEPS, WE HOPE THAT THE RESIDENTS WILL HEED OUR ADVICE MORE READILY, AND MAKE AN EXTRA EFFORT IN PREVENTING FIRES,+ HE ADDED.

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BIG TENDER AWARDED
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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY AWARDED A TENDER FOR A 55 510 SQUARE-METRE RESIDENTIAL SITE AT TAI TAM RESERVOIR ROAD TO TRI-VIEW LTD., A SUBSIDIARY OF HSIN CHONG PROPERTIES LTD. AND CHYAU FWU INVESTMENTS LTD. AT A PREMIUM OF \$1 160 000 000.

THE PURCHASER IS PROPOSING TO BUILD 600 FLATS FOR SALE AND IS TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 160 FLATS FOR GOVERNMENT QUARTERS.

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT INCLUDES A SUPERMARKET, SWIMMING POOLS, TENNIS COURTS, SQUASH COURTS AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

A SECOND TENDER FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF A 7 251 SQUARE-METRE SITE AT WYLIE PATH WAS ALSO AWARDED TODAY.

THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER IS TAK WING INVESTMENT (HOLDINGS) LTD. IN ADDITION TO A PREMIUM OF \$41 000 000 THE DEVELOPER IS REQUIRED TO BUILD 120 FLATS FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

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ANNUAL INSPECTION AND PARADE
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THE ST JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL INSPECTION AND PARADE, AT THE SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION STADIUM ON SUNDAY MORNING (NOVEMBER 22).

THE INSPECTION AND PARADE WILL BE TAKEN IN TWO PARTS.

AT 11 AM, THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLENOSE WILL INSPECT THE PARADE AND TAKE THE MARCH PAST, AS WELL AS PRESENT LONG SERVICE MEDALS AND TROPHIES TO 33 BRIGADE MEMBERS.

PRIOR TO THAT, AT 10.25 AM THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BRIGADE, MR LEONARD CHIU, WILL TAKE THE INSPECTION AND MARCH PAST OF SOME 1 600 MEMBERS OF THE BRIGADE, COMMANDED BY MR MORRIS CHAN, AREA SUPERINTENDENT, HONG KONG ISLAND.

PERSONNEL FROM THE ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE WILL JUDGE THE COMPETITIONS TO BE HELD DURING THE MARCH PAST.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE BAND WILL PROVIDE MUSIC.

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO REVIEW RED CROSS YOUTH RALLY
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE HONG KONG RED CROSS YOUTH SILVER JUBILEE RALLY AT THE HONG KONG STADIUM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 22).

COMMEMORATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS YOUTH PROGRAMME, THE RALLY WILL BE ATTENDED BY MORE THAN 5 000 YOUTH MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS.

SIR PHILIP WILL REVIEW THE GRAND PARADE FORMED BY DIFFERENT GROUPS OF MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS. HE WILL ALSO ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND PRESENT AWARDS TO OUTSTANDING MEMBERS OF THE ORGANISATION.

THE PROGRAMME WILL START AT 10 AM AND VISITORS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

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A MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT ST MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER AT 12 NOON (LONDON TIME) ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 26) FOR LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS WHO DIED IN HIS HOME IN NORTH WALES IN JULY THIS YEAR, AGED 67.

MR DAVID FORD, HONG KONG COMMISSIONER IN LONDON, WILL ATTEND THE MEMORIAL SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT.

LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS, WHO WAS TWICE MINISTER OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE AND AN MP FOR 29 YEARS, HAD BEEN DESCRIBED BY THE THEN ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER AS A TRUE FRIEND OF HONG KONG.

HE VISITED HONG KONG BETWEEN JANUARY 12-18, 1975 AND AGAIN MADE BRIEF STOPOVERS IN AUGUST 1976 AND MARCH 1978 WHEN TRAVELLING ON OFFICIAL VISITS TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIA.

THROUGHOUT HIS TERMS OF OFFICE, LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS MADE BY HONG KONG, AND DEFENDED IT VIGOROUSLY AGAINST MISINFORMED AND UNJUST CRITICISMS.

LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS' DEATH HAS BEEN DEEPLY FELT IN HONG KONG.

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TWO YUEN LONG SITES FOR TENDER
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THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION IS OFFERING TWO SITES IN YUEN LONG FOR DISPOSAL BY CASH TENDER.

DETAILS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

ONE IS LOCATED IN FUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND MEASURES 805 SQUARE METRES. IT IS FOR SERVICE INDUSTRY USE WITH A BUILDING COVENANT OF \$3.86 MILLION TO BE COMPLETED IN THREE YEARS.

THE OTHER SITE MEASURES 193 SQUARE METRES AND IS FOR DEVELOPMENT AS A DOMESTIC FUEL STORE. THE PURCHASER WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A BUILDING COVENANT OF \$230 000 IN TWO YEARS.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON DECEMBER 18.

DETAILS AND APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS AND THE EIGHT DISTRICT OFFICES.

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TENDERS SOUGHT FOR SUBMARINE PIPELINE
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO INVITE TENDERS SHORTLY FROM PRE-QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR THE SUPPLY AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SUBMARINE PIPELINE FROM KOWLOON TO HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE PIPELINE WILL CONSIST OF TWIN MILD-STEEL MAINS WITH AN INTERNAL DIAMETER OF ABOUT 1 000 MM.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE SUBMARINE PIPELINE WOULD BE USED TO TRANSFER ADDITIONAL WATER ACROSS THE HARBOUR FROM KOWLOON TO HONG KONG ISLAND.

HE POINTED OUT THAT WATER SUPPLY ON HONG KONG ISLAND CAME MAINLY FROM RESERVOIRS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

+THE ADDITIONAL PIPELINE AIMS TO COPE WITH THE INCREASING DEMAND,+ HE SAID.

+THE EXACT ALIGNMENT OF THE PIPELINE HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED. HOWEVER, WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN NEXT YEAR FOR COMPLETION IN MID-1983.+

A NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM APPROPRIATE CONTRACTORS TO CONTACT THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INCLUSION IN THE PRE-QUALIFICATION LIST WAS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE.

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FORESHORE FOR LEASE

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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO GRANT A LEASE OF AN AREA OF ABOUT 1.65 HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEABED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PIER AT CHEUNG SHA WAN RECLAMATION FOR GENERAL CARGO HANDLING.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

ANY PERSON HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR CLAIMS OF PRIVATE RIGHT SHOULD SUBMIT THEM IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM NOW.

THE NOTICE, IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH ITS RELATED PLAN HAS BEEN POSTED ON BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, 8TH FLOOR, EMPIRE CENTRE, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

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TRAFFIC PLAN FOR YUEN LONG/TUEN MUN WALK

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 22) FOR THE ANNUAL YUEN LONG/TUEN MUN JOINT DISTRICTS WALK.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, TAI LAM CHUNG ROAD WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 5 PM. HOWEVER, FRANCHISED BUSES AND VEHICLES ISSUED WITH LABELS BY THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE ROAD.

SPECIAL BUS SERVICES WILL BE RUN FOR THE WALK.

SPECIAL THROUGH ROUTE 61S FROM TAI HING VIA YUEN LONG TO SHEUNG TSUEN WILL RUN AT 12-MINUTE INTERVALS BETWEEN 8 AM AND 10.36 AM AND FROM SHEUNG TSUEN VIA YUEN LONG TO TAI HING BETWEEN 9 AM AND 11.36 AM AT A FLAT FARE OF \$2.50.

SPECIAL ROUTE 52S FROM THE TAI LAM CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL TO TAI HING WILL RUN EVERY 10 MINUTES BETWEEN 1 PM AND 3.20 PM AT A FARE OF \$1.50.

SPECIAL ROUTE 50S FROM TAI LAM CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL TO YUEN LONG WILL RUN EVERY 10 MINUTES BETWEEN 1.30 PM AND 4 PM AT A FARE OF \$2.50.

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BEAUTIES HELP WITH ANTI-DRUG DRIVE
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SEVERAL HONG KONG BEAUTIES WILL BE AMONG THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE TAKING PART IN A +CELEBRITY SHOW+ IN SAU MAU PING ESTATE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) EVENING AND IN AN +ANTI-DRUG WALKATHON+ IN CENTRAL DISTRICT ON SUNDAY MORNING.

THE +CELEBRITY SHOW+, TO BE HELD AT NO. 10 PLAYGROUND IN SAU MAU PING ESTATE, IS ORGANISED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, WITH THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD.

THE EVENT, WHICH FORMS PART OF ACAN'S PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES FOR THIS FINANCIAL YEAR, IS AIMED AT PUBLICISING ANTI-NARCOTICS MESSAGES.

THE SHOW WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM FOLLOWING A SWITCH-ON CEREMONY TO BE OFFICIATED BY THE HON WONG LAM, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

AMONG OTHER GUESTS OFFICIATING WILL BE MR PETER LEE, COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS- MR PETER PANG, CITY DISTRICT OFFICER (KWUN TONG) AND MISS MONA LO, MR CHAN KAN-CHOW AND MR LAM LEUNG-KEE, MEMBERS OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD.

THERE WILL BE SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES BY WELL-KNOWN SINGERS AND TV ARTISTES AS WELL AS AN EXCITING TELE-MATCH GAME.

IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT, THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ALSO ORGANISED AN +ANTI-NARCOTICS WALKATHON+ FOR SUNDAY MORNING IN SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT'S ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN.

THE WALKATHON WILL BEGIN AT 9 AM, FOLLOWING A STARTING CEREMONY IN EDINBURGH PLACE. OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE MR ANTHONY CLARK, CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (CENTRAL AND WESTERN/WAN CHAI)- MR PETER LEE, COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS- MR CHENG KAM-CHING, ACTING CITY DISTRICT OFFICER- MISS IRENE LO, MISS HONG KONG 1981- MISS WINNIE CHIN AND MISS DEBORAH MOORE, RUNNERS-UP OF THE 1981 MISS HONG KONG PAGEANT, TOGETHER WITH OTHER COMMUNITY LEADERS OF THE DISTRICT.

A TEA RECEPTION AND A LUCKY DRAW WILL THEN BE HELD IN BLAKE'S PIER GARDEN WHERE THE ROUND-THE-CENTRAL WALK ENDS.

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NOVICE SQUASH COMPETITION AT SHA TIN
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ENTRIES FOR THE 1981 SWEETMAN CUP SHA TIN NOVICE SQUASH KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 23).

THE COMPETITION IS TO BE HELD AT THE SHA TIN JOCKEY CLUB SQUASH COURTS FROM DECEMBER 14 TO 19, AND WILL BE LIMITED TO 64 MEN AND 32 WOMEN FOR THE SINGLE'S KNOCK-OUT SECTIONS.

ENTRY FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE SHA TIN JOCKEY CLUB SQUASH COURTS, THE SHA TIN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE AT LEK YUEN COMMUNITY HALL AND THE RECREATION PROMOTION UNIT OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT FOURSEAS BUILDING, 208 NATHAN ROAD, 9TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SHA TIN JOCKEY CLUB SQUASH COURTS BY MONDAY.

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1 000 TAKING PART IN SPORTS MEET

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MORE THAN 1 000 COMPETITORS WILL TAKE PART IN THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT ATHLETIC MEET TO BE HELD AT MONG KOK STADIUM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 22).

THE ATHLETIC MEET, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SHAM SHUI PO CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE, THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS COMMITTEE AND SHAM SHUI PO COUNCIL FOR PROMOTION OF CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL SERVICES, AIMS AT ENCOURAGING YOUNG PEOPLE AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN HEALTHY SPORTING ACTIVITIES AND AT PUBLICISING THE ANTI-DRUG THEME.

TAKING PART WILL BE STUDENTS, WORKING YOUTHS AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN SHAM SHUI PO, WHO WILL COMPETE IN A WIDE RANGE OF EVENTS, INCLUDING RUNNING, HIGH JUMP, BROAD JUMP, SOFT BALL THROWING AND SHOTPUT.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 9 AM WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS TAKING PART.

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BEACH CARNIVAL TO BE HELD IN TSUEN WAN

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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD ON LIDO BEACH, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, ON SUNDAY MORNING (NOVEMBER 22) AS PART OF THE THIRD TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL.

EVENTS WILL INCLUDE A BEACH PARADE, CANOE RACING, BEACH GAMES AND A PERFORMANCE BY THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE BAND.

ABOUT 400 MEN AND WOMEN FROM LOCAL WATER SPORTS ORGANISATIONS AND LIFE-SAVING TEAMS FROM KOWLOON, HONG KONG ISLAND AND THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL TAKE PART.

TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGER, DR JAMES HAYES, WILL TAKE THE SALUTE DURING THE BEACH PARADE. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SPORTS FESTIVAL, MR CHAU HAU-CHEN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NEW TERRITORIES BRANCH OF THE HONG KONG LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION, MR LAU HON-WAH, AND NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MR JAMES WILSON, WILL ALSO OFFICIATE.

THE CARNIVAL ORGANISERS ARE THE SPORTS FESTIVAL COMMITTEE AND HONG KONG LIFE-SAVING ASSOCIATION. TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD IS SPONSORING THE EVENT WHICH IS ONE OF THE 50 FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES BEING HELD FROM NOVEMBER 7 TO 28.

THE FESTIVAL IS BEING JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD WHICH HAS ALLOCATED \$250 000, THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND THE FEDERATION OF TSUEN WAN DISTRICT SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION.

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