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STI TO ATTEND APEC TRADE MINISTERS MEETING

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THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR T H CHAU, WILL REPRESENT HONG KONG AT THE TRADE MINISTERS MEETING OF THE ASIA PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION (APEC) TO BE HELD IN JAKARTA, INDONESIA ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 6).

THE MEETING WILL REVIEW THE OUTCOME OF THE URUGUAY ROUND AND ASSESS ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION. WAYS TO ENSURE THE EFFECTIVE AND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED.

"SUPPORT FOR THE MULTILATERAL TRADE SYSTEM UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE IS THE CORNERSTONE OF HONG KONG'S EXTERNAL TRADE POLICY. WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE PROMPT AND FAITHFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE URUGUAY ROUND AGREEMENTS," MR CHAU SAID.

"I WILL ALSO URGE OTHER APEC MEMBER ECONOMIES TO RATIFY THE URUGUAY ROUND AGREEMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT THE WORLD TRADE ORGANISATION CAN BE SET UP ON JANUARY 1, 1995," HE ADDED.

MR CHAU WILL ALSO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH TRADE MINISTERS FROM OTHER APEC ECONOMIES ON ISSUES OF CONCERN TO HONG KONG.

APEC IS A FORUM FOR INFORMAL HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUE ON REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND TRADE ISSUES, AND AT PRESENT COMPRISES 17 MEMBERS.

BESIDES HONG KONG, OTHER MEMBERS ARE: AUSTRALIA, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM, CANADA, CHINA, INDONESIA, JAPAN, KOREA, MALAYSIA, MEXICO, NEW ZEALAND, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, THE PHILIPPINES, SINGAPORE, CHINESE TAIPEI, THAILAND AND THE USA.

MR CHAU WILL BE ACCOMPANIED AT THE MEETING BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE, MR TONY MILLER, AND OTHER TRADE OFFICIALS.

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GOVT READY TO HELP MANUFACTURERS ON TECHNOLOGIES

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THE GOVERNMENT STANDS READY TO HELP LOCAL MANUFACTURERS TO APPLY NEW OR IMPROVED PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGIES, DESIGNS, PROCESSES AND MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES, THE ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF INDUSTRY, MR DOMINIC LAW, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE THIRD VARSITY COMPETITION IN ELECTRONIC DESIGN, MR LAW SAID: "THE CULTURE OF APPLIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R AND D) AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT WORK IN HONG KONG IS ACTIVELY ENCOURAGED BY THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH A \$200 MILLION APPLIED R AND D FUND SCHEME.

"FURTHERMORE, THE GOVERNMENT HAS, STARTING FROM THIS FINANCIAL YEAR, PROVIDED \$180 MILLION TO SUPPORT PROJECTS WHICH WOULD BENEFIT THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY," HE SAID.

"ONE OF THE PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE SCHEME IS THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL (HKPC) OF A CENTRE FOCUSING ON APPLIED R AND D AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT WORK IN THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR OF THE ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY.

"THE GOVERNMENT ALSO PROMOTES AND RECOGNISES EXCELLENCE IN CONSUMER PRODUCT DESIGN, AND EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY DESIGN THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR INDUSTRY.

"ANOTHER INITIATIVE BY THE GOVERNMENT IS THE PUTTING UP OF A CAPITAL GRANT OF \$250 MILLION PLUS A LOAN OF \$188 MILLION TO ESTABLISH THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY CENTRE CORPORATION TO NURTURE TECHNOLOGY BASED START-UP COMPANIES, DEVELOPING NEW AND IMPROVED PRODUCTS.

"IN ADDITION, THE HKPC OFFERS A WIDE RANGE OF ELECTRONIC PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE TO ASSIST MANUFACTURERS IN THEIR DESIGN WORK.

"ALL THESE SUPPORT SERVICES AND SCHEMES UNDERSCORE THE IMPORTANCE OF PRODUCT DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT FOR THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY AS IT MOVES INTO HIGH-VALUE ADDED MANUFACTURING TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE," MR LAW ADDED.

THE VARSITY COMPETITION IN ELECTRONIC DESIGN, WHICH IS FUNDED BY THE ZONTA CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, AIMS AT PROMOTING INTERESTS AMONG POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS IN ELECTRONIC DESIGNS.

"THROUGH THEIR PARTICIPATION, STUDENTS ARE BEING ENCOURAGED TO APPLY THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATIVE THOUGHTS TO PRACTICAL DESIGN. THE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE GAINED IN DESIGNING ELECTRONIC CIRCUITS WILL BE IMPORTANT IN PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR PURSUING A CAREER IN INDUSTRY," SAID MR LAW.

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#### GOVT POLICY TO MAINTAIN GOOD BUS SERVICE

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IN RESPONSE TO PRESS ENQUIRIES, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT BRANCH SAID: "IT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TO MAINTAIN A GOOD AND EFFICIENT BUS SERVICE FOR THE PUBLIC.

"WE ARE REVIEWING THE PUBLIC BUS SERVICES ORDINANCE REGULARLY.

"A CASE IN POINT IS THAT AS A RESULT OF OUR REVIEW, THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PASSED AN AMENDMENT IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS YEAR TO IMPOSE HEAVIER FINANCIAL PENALTIES ON PUBLIC BUS COMPANIES FOR SERVICE DEFICIENCIES.

"THE QUESTION OF BUYING UP THE BUS FLEET OF A FRANCHISED COMPANY UPON THE CESSATION OF SERVICE IS ONE OF THE AREAS WE ARE LOOKING INTO.

"DETAILS AND TIMETABLE OF THE REVIEW HAVE NOT YET BEEN WORKED OUT.

"IF THERE IS A NEED TO AMEND THE PUBLIC BUS SERVICES ORDINANCE, THE AMENDMENT, SUBJECT TO LEGCO'S APPROVAL, WILL BE APPLICABLE TO ALL FRANCHISED BUS COMPANIES."

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DEGREE IN THERAPY REGISTRABLE

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THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL HAS GIVEN APPROVAL FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AWARDED BY THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1994 TO BE A REGISTRABLE QUALIFICATION UNDER THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS (REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE) REGULATION.

"THE NEW QUALIFICATION REPLACES THE PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ISSUED PREVIOUSLY BY THE POLYTECHNIC, WHICH HAS BEEN PHASED OUT," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

"HOWEVER, THE PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA ISSUED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1994 WILL REMAIN A VALID QUALIFICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST," THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED.

"NO ONE WILL BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY MAKING THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE A REGISTRABLE QUALIFICATION," HE ADDED.

THE DEGREE WAS AWARDED FOR THE FIRST TIME TO STUDENTS GRADUATING IN SUMMER THIS YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID A DIPLOMA ISSUED BY THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS WAS ALSO A REGISTRABLE QUALIFICATION.

"IN ADDITION, THE SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL PROFESSIONS COUNCIL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS BOARD, WILL DECIDE WHETHER A PARTICULAR OVERSEAS QUALIFICATION IS REGISTRABLE," HE SAID.

THE REGULATION WILL ALSO ALLOW AN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST FROM EITHER THE GOVERNMENT OR THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITY TO BE APPOINTED TO THE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE WHICH DEALS WITH COMPLAINTS AGAINST ANY REGISTERED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST OR APPLICANT FOR REGISTRATION.

DETAILED PROVISIONS ARE CONTAINED IN THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS (REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 1994, WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE ON FRIDAY (OCTOBER 7).

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WEST NEW TERRITORIES LANDFILL OPENS

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR MR PETER WONG TODAY (TUESDAY) OFFICIALLY OPENED THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT'S WEST NEW TERRITORIES LANDFILL, WHICH IS THE FIRST OF THE GOVERNMENT'S THREE STRATEGIC LANDFILLS TO BE COMMISSIONED.

SITUATED AT NIM WAN OF TUEN MUN, THE LANDFILL FIRST RECEIVED WASTE IN NOVEMBER LAST YEAR. IT WILL BE ABLE TO ACCEPT A TOTAL OF 61 MILLION TONNES OF WASTE WITH A DAILY INTAKE RATE OF SOME 8,000 TONNES PER DAY OVER THE NEXT TWO DECADES.

THE \$3.7 BILLION LANDFILL PROVIDES THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY ACCEPTABLE FACILITY TO CATER FOR THE PRESSING WASTE DISPOSAL NEED OF THE COMMUNITY.

STATE-OF-THE-ART ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN ENGINEERED INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS LANDFILL TO PREVENT POLLUTING THE ENVIRONMENT. CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF THE AIR, NOISE, GROUND WATER AND SEAWATER QUALITY WITHIN AND NEAR THE LANDFILL IS BEING CARRIED OUT TO ENSURE THAT HIGH ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS ARE MET.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, MR WONG SAID THE OPENING OF THE LANDFILL MARKED A MILESTONE IN THE HISTORY OF HONG KONG'S WASTE CONTROL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

HE SAID THE NEW LANDFILL WOULD BE SUPPLIED WITH CONTAINERISED WASTE FROM A NETWORK OF REFUSE TRANSFER STATIONS IN KOWLOON AND WOULD BE SERVICED BY FLEETS OF COLLECTION VEHICLES AND MARINE CONTAINER VESSELS.

NOTING THAT THE LANDFILL WOULD BE OPERATED TO THE HIGHEST INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND WOULD BE RUN BY A REPUTABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMPANY, MR WONG SAID: "I HAVE THEREFORE GREAT CONFIDENCE IN AND HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR A SUCCESSFUL PIONEERING PROJECT THAT WILL SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE SOUTH EAST NEW TERRITORIES AND NORTH EAST NEW TERRITORIES LANDFILLS TO FOLLOW."

HOWEVER, HE STRESSED THAT LANDFILLING SHOULD NOT BE LOOKED UPON AS THE ONLY OPTION, ADDING THAT MORE COULD BE DONE TO EXPLORE BETTER WASTE DISPOSAL STRATEGIES.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE THE SECRETARY FOR PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS, MR TONY EASON; THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR STUART REED; THE CHAIRMAN OF SWIRE PACIFIC LIMITED, MR PETER SUTCH, AND THE DIRECTOR AND GENERAL MANAGER OF SWIRE BFI WASTE SERVICES LIMITED, MR LIONEL KRIEGER.

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#### ILLEGAL BEAR PARTS TRADE IN HK UNDER CONTROL

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WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STRICT DOMESTIC MEASURES AND THE STEPPING UP OF ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLICITY, ILLEGAL TRADE IN BEAR PARTS IN HONG KONG IS UNDER CONTROL.

THIS WAS STATED TODAY (TUESDAY) BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT'S (AFD) SENIOR CONSERVATION OFFICER, MR CHAN PING-KWONG, AT A MEDIA SESSION ON SEIZURES OF BEAR PARTS AND PRODUCTS IN A SERIES OF OPERATIONS IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS.

MR CHAN SAID THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF ALL BEAR SPECIES INCLUDING THEIR PARTS, SUCH AS GALL BLADDER, BILE AND BILE POWDER WERE SUBJECT TO CONTROL SINCE THE AMENDMENT OF THE ANIMALS AND PLANTS (PROTECTION OF ENDANGERED SPECIES) ORDINANCE IN HONG KONG IN JANUARY THIS YEAR.

ANY PERSON IN POSSESSION OF OLD STOCK BEFORE THE AMENDMENT WAS GIVEN A THREE-MONTH PERIOD WHICH ENDED IN LATE APRIL, TO APPLY FOR THE REQUIRED POSSESSION LICENCES.

"THE DOMESTIC MEASURES OVER POSSESSION ADOPTED BY HONG KONG ARE STRICTER THAN THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA (CITES) WHICH ONLY REQUESTS MEMBER COUNTRIES OR TERRITORIES TO IMPOSE CONTROL OVER THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF ENDANGERED SPECIES," HE SAID.

THE AFD HAS ALSO TAKEN STEPS TO REGISTER THE OLD STOCK HELD BY TRADERS AND MONITOR THE MOVEMENT OF THE SPECIMENS BY REQUIRING TRADERS TO FILE REGULAR RETURNS ON STOCK. IN ADDITION, ALL LEGALLY LICENSED BEAR GALL BLADDERS ARE TAGGED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

"BY SO DOING, SMUGGLING INTO HONG KONG OF NEW ITEMS CAN BE DETERRED AND PREVENTED.

"HONG KONG'S STRINGENT MEASURES AND EFFORT ON THE CONTROL OF BEAR PARTS FOR MEDICINAL USE HAD BEEN DULY RECOGNISED AT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE TRADE OF BEAR PARTS FOR MEDICINAL USE HELD IN SEATTLE, UNITED STATES, LAST MONTH," MR CHAN SAID.

"AT THE SYMPOSIUM, AFD SHARED HONG KONG'S INITIATIVES AND EXPERIENCE IN ENFORCING STRICT DOMESTIC MEASURES ON THE CONTROL OF BEAR TRADE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENT CONSERVATION ORGANISATIONS."

ON THE ENFORCEMENT SIDE, MR CHAN SAID THE AFD HAD INSPECTED SOME 1,080 CHINESE MEDICINAL SHOPS BETWEEN MAY AND SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

A TOTAL OF 58 ITEMS CLAIMED OR SUSPECTED BEAR GALL BLADDERS AND 0.32 KILOGRAMS OF CLAIMED OR SUSPECTED BEAR POWDER WERE SEIZED FROM 17 SHOPS IN THESE OPERATIONS.

"THE SEIZED ITEMS CARRIED A MARKET PRICE TAG OF ABOUT \$500,000. PROSECUTION WILL BE INITIATED WHEN INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETED. OFFENDERS ARE LIABLE TO A FINE AND IMPRISONMENT TERMS IN ADDITION TO MANDATORY FORFEITURE OF GOODS UPON CONVICTION. HEAVIER PENALTIES ARE BEING CONSIDERED.

"FROM THE QUANTITY SEIZED AND THE TIGHT REGISTRATION SYSTEM ADMINISTERED BY AFD, IT IS BELIEVED THAT ILLEGAL TRADE IN THESE ITEMS IN HONG KONG HAS BEEN KEPT UNDER STRICT CONTROL," MR CHAN SAID.

APART FROM ENFORCEMENT, AFD'S EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES HAVE ALSO BEEN PLAYING A ROLE IN ENHANCING PUBLIC AWARENESS ON THE PROTECTION OF BEARS AND OTHER ENDANGERED SPECIES.

MR CHAN URGED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO REFRAIN FROM PURCHASING ANY BEAR PARTS OTHER THAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING THESE ENDANGERED SPECIES.

HE SAID THERE WAS A GOOD CHANCE THAT THE ITEMS WERE FAKE SINCE THEY COULD NOT BE DISTINGUISHABLE FROM GENUINE ONES BY PHYSICAL INSPECTION. IDENTIFICATION CAN ONLY BE DONE THROUGH SOPHISTICATED LABORATORY TESTS.

HE CALLED ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO REPORT ANY SUSPECTED ILLEGAL SALE OF BEAR GALL BLADDER TO THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT ON TEL 733 2144.

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OBJECTION TO CHANGE OF LAND USE IN YUEN LONG  
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IN RESPONSE TO PRESS ENQUIRIES, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT SAID A PRIVATE LAND ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF SHA PO VILLAGE ACROSS THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD, YUEN LONG, WAS THE SUBJECT OF LOCAL OBJECTIONS TODAY (TUESDAY) OVER ITS CHANGE OF USE TO OPEN STORAGE FOR CONTAINERS.

HE SAID THE LAND (LOT 1743 IN DD 105) WAS ZONED "OPEN STORAGE" ON THE DRAFT NAM SANG WAI OUTLINE ZONING PLAN.

AN APPLICATION FOR CONTAINER STORAGE WAS MADE AND CONSIDERED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD ON AUGUST 19 THIS YEAR.

AFTER CONSIDERING THE LIKELY IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL VIEWS, THE BOARD GAVE TEMPORARY APPROVAL OF THREE YEARS WITH CONDITIONS WHICH INCLUDE ENSURING THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD HAVE INSIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON DRAINAGE, FLOODING AND TRAFFIC IN THE AREA.

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FIRST MEETING OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS  
AND CONSUMERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS AND CONSUMERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, A NEWLY ESTABLISHED CONSULTATIVE ORGAN TO ADVISE THE OFFICE OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY (OFTA), HELD ITS FIRST MEETING LAST SATURDAY (OCTOBER 1).

"THE COMMITTEE ADVISES OFTA ON THE DEVELOPMENT, PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FROM THE CONSUMER AND USER PERSPECTIVE AND TO ADVISE ON THE EDUCATION OF AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO CONSUMERS AND USERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES," SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OFTA AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MR ANTHONY S K WONG, SAID.

"REPLACING ITS PREDECESSOR (HONG KONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS BOARD), THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS AND CONSUMERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TOGETHER WITH THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS NUMBERING ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE RADIO SPECTRUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE, FORMS A TASK-ORIENTED FORUM FOR SPECIALISED DISCUSSION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS ISSUES," MR WONG SAID.

MEMBERS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS AND CONSUMERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE WERE APPOINTED BY THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY FOR ONE YEAR WITH EFFECT FROM OCTOBER 1, 1994.

THEY ARE MRS CHAN WONG SHUI, (REPRESENTING THE CONSUMER COUNCIL); MR JOSEPH TSUI (REPRESENTING HONG KONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION); MR SIMON CHAN (REPRESENTING HONG KONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS GROUP); DR CHAN WAI-KWAN (REPRESENTING HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE); PROFESSOR LEONG CHI-YAN (REPRESENTING THE DISABLED COMMUNITY INTERESTS); MS LEE WAI-FONG (REPRESENTING THE AGED COMMUNITY INTERESTS) AND FIVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: MR CHAN HOI-WING; MS LAM WAI-LING; MR LO KAM-WAH; MR WAN TUNG-LAM; AND MR WONG KWOK-KEUNG. IN ADDITION, TWO OTHERS WILL BE APPOINTED ON A PERSONAL BASIS TO THE COMMITTEE.

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IN THE FIRST MEETING, USEFUL DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD ON SUBJECTS SUCH AS INFOLINE, MOBILE TELEPHONE, PAYPHONES, TELEPHONE BILL PAYMENT REMINDER, UNSOLICITED FAX, SERVICES FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED PERSONS.

"THE MEETING WAS LIVELY AND MEMBERS HAVE SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN THEIR PARTICIPATION IN OFFERING USEFUL ADVICE TO OFTA ON SUBJECTS WHICH AFFECT THE DAILY LIVES OF EVERYONE IN HONG KONG.

"THEIR VIEWS WILL BE EXTREMELY USEFUL IN IMPROVING THE EXISTING SERVICES AND IN THE FORMULATION OF FUTURE POLICIES ON THE REGULATION OF PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES," MR WONG REMARKED.

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR ATTENDANCE IN ITS MEETINGS. ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY APPLY TO THE CHAIRMAN FOR ATTENDANCE IN MEETINGS AS OBSERVERS.

THE AGENDA AND MINUTES OF MEETING ARE CLASSIFIED AS PUBLIC DOCUMENTS AND ARE FREE FOR ACCESS BY ANYONE ON APPLICATION TO OFTA.

FOR DETAILS, PLEASE CONTACT THE SECRETARY, TELECOMMUNICATIONS USERS AND CONSUMERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, OFFICE OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY, 29TH FLOOR, WU CHUNG HOUSE, 213 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG. ITS FAX NO. IS 803 5112 AND TEL NO. 961 6629.

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#### GOVERNOR EXPLAINS POLICY ADDRESS ON TV AND RADIO

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THE GOVERNOR, THE RT HON CHRISTOPHER PATTEN, WILL GIVE A FIVE-MINUTE BROADCAST ON THE MAIN AREAS OF HIS THIRD POLICY ADDRESS TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

#### THE BROADCAST TIME SCHEDULE IS:

TELEVISION STATION -----	TIME -----
TVB (JADE)	6.10 PM
ATV (HOME)	5.50 PM
TVB (PEARL)	6.50 PM
ATV (WORLD)	6.55 PM
WHARF CABLE (NEWS)	7 PM, 8 PM AND 9 PM
RADIO STATION -----	TIME -----
RTHK 1	5.05 PM
RTHK 3	5.05 PM

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100 CAR MARKS OPEN FOR AUCTION

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL AUCTION 100 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 8) AT THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL.

A TOTAL OF 50 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING AT 9.30 AM. THEY ARE:

GC720	GB8567	GC281	GC6669
GC349	AA3108	GC328	GC122
*DG767	*CF6699	*GC7	*EJ63
GB8283	GC708	GC1965	GB6270
GA2333	GC230	GC568	GC1112
GC9893	GC163	HK112	AA1838
GC5613	AL8660	GC3323	GC3339
*GD1001	*997	*AL1881	*AA2020
GC2618	XX521	GB8328	GC903
GC103	GC1398	GC1129	GC435
GC3382	GC927	*CJ1010	BB3517
FK654	GD1002	GC841	*CG1616
GC4271	AD1933		

IN THE AFTERNOON SESSION, WHICH WILL START AT 2.30 PM, ANOTHER 50 LUCKY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE:

GC729	GC980	GC3288	AK1885
GD9388	GC918	GC8933	GC127
*AV700	*GC9	*FG18	*8698
GC1207	GC355	GC631	GC133
GC3008	AK993	GC8633	GD1489
GD510	GD560	GD822	GD8889
GC3112	GA2888	GD663	CH105
*GD12	*120	*GB8	*EV2222
GC115	GC8666	BM675	EL3365
GC379	GD127	EX2329	GD1023
GD1004	GD1319	*GB7	GD632
AA841	GD220	GD270	*DD456
HK105	GC3991		

\* SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK (NOT TRANSFERABLE)

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK WOULD BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO A VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE AUCTION.

THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION MUST BE PRODUCED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE AUCTION IF THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK IS TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE NAME OF BODY CORPORATE.

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PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION, AFTER DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE CONDUCT THEREOF, WILL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE COMING AUCTIONS WILL BE THE 242ND AND 243RD ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY  
TENDER RESULTS

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TENDER DATE	4 OCT 94	4 OCT 94
PAPER ON OFFER	EF BILLS	EF BILLS
ISSUE NUMBER	Q440	Y494
AMOUNT APPLIED	HK\$4,490 MN	HK\$1,280 MN
AMOUNT ALLOTTED	HK\$1,500 MN	HK\$500 MN
AVERAGE YIELD ACCEPTED	4.44 PCT	5.54 PCT
HIGHEST YIELD ACCEPTED	4.45 PCT	5.58 PCT
PRO RATA RATIO	ABOUT 41 PCT	ABOUT 30 PCT
AVERAGE TENDER YIELD	4.49 PCT	5.59 PCT

HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY

TENDERS TO BE HELD IN THE WEEK BEGINNING 10 OCT 1994 -

TENDER DATE	11 OCT 94	11 OCT 94
PAPER ON OFFER	EF BILLS	EF BILLS
ISSUE NUMBER	Q441	H475
ISSUE DATE	12 OCT 94	12 OCT 94
MATURITY DATE	11 JAN 95	12 APR 95
TENOR	91 DAYS	182 DAYS
AMOUNT ON OFFER	HK\$1,500 + 300 MN	HK\$800 + 160 MN

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MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS

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	\$ MILLION	TIME (HOURS)	CUMULATIVE CHANGE (\$ MILLION)
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OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	2,394	0930	+104
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	2,007	1000	+104
CHANGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO :		1100	+72
MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY	+13	1200	+73
LAF TODAY	-400	1500	+73
		1600	+13
LAF RATE 3.00 BID/5.00 OFFER	TWI 121.7	*-0.2*	4.10.94

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EF BILLS

EF NOTES/HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BONDS

TERMS	YIELD	TERM	ISSUE	COUPON	PRICE	YIELD
1 WEEK	3.96	20 MONTHS	2605	6.35	100.28	6.26
1 MONTH	4.18	23 MONTHS	2608	6.15	99.52	6.53
3 MONTHS	4.41	31 MONTHS	3704	6.15	98.15	7.07
6 MONTHS	4.80	34 MONTHS	3707	6.95	99.55	7.25
12 MONTHS	5.47	60 MONTHS	5909	7.45	98.40	8.00

TOTAL TURNOVER OF BILLS AND BONDS - 20,976MN

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