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EXTENSION SEEN AS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE
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THE OPENING OF A MAJOR INVESTMENT COMPLEX TODAY (MONDAY) DEMONSTRATED CONFIDENCE IN HONG KONG AS A CENTRE FOR MULTI-NATIONAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN THE REGION, THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR E.P. HO, SAID.

SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION OF THE EXTENSION TO THE CIBA-GEIGY BUILDING AT KWAI CHUNG, MR HO STRESSED THAT IT WAS GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENT FOR LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSES TO CARRY ON MANUFACTURING AND TRADING.

HE SAID THAT HE WAS GLAD THE COMPANY HAD EXPANDED ITS OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG.

+THE NEW FACILITIES WILL ASSIST CIBA-GEIGY TO FURTHER DEVELOP THEIR SERVICES IN THIS REGION.+

CIBA-GEIGY SUPPLIES CHEMICALS, DYESTUFFS, PHARMACEUTICALS, PLASTICS AND ADDITIVES FOR USE IN THE TEXTILES, PLASTICS, ELECTRONICS AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES.

IT HAS ESTABLISHED SOPHISTICATED TECHNICAL SERVICE FACILITIES AND LABORATORIES IN THE TERRITORY AND HAS TRAINED ITS STAFF TO APPLY THE LATEST TECHNOLOGIES.

+OUR RE-EXPORTS TO CHINA HAVE INCREASED MORE THAN SIX-FOLD IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS AND THE SUITABILITY OF HONG KONG AS A LOCATION FOR THE REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF ANY MULTI-NATIONAL COMPANY IS UNDISPUTED,+ SAID MR HO.

+HONG KONG IN PARTICULAR HAS A WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE IN TRADING WITH CHINA AND OUR EFFICIENT TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE OFFER UNIQUE ADVANTAGES TO OVERSEAS FIRMS SEEKING TO ESTABLISH BUSINESS CONTACTS OR EXPAND THEIR EXISTING BUSINESS ACTIVITIES WITH THAT ENORMOUS POTENTIAL MARKET,+ HE ADDED.

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+HONG KONG OFFERS GREAT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES+
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A FUNDAMENTAL SHIFT IN THE CENTRE OF GLOBAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, FROM THE ATLANTIC TO THE PACIFIC, IS TAKING PLACE AND IT IS TIME THAT MORE PEOPLE IN EUROPE WOKE UP TO THIS BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR JOHN YAXLEY, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

MR YAXLEY MADE THESE REMARKS WHEN HE ADDRESSED A SEMINAR HOSTED BY THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION IN LONDON DURING HIS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION MISSION TO THE UNITED KINGDOM.

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NOTING THAT THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN, MORE THAN ANY OTHER INDUSTRIALISED NATIONS, HAD RECOGNISED THE INDUSTRIAL OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED BY THE PACIFIC REGION, THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT WESTERN EUROPE INCLUDING THE UNITED KINGDOM SADLY PLAYED A VERY SMALL PART IN THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN THE REGION.

+MOST SIGNIFICANTLY, CHINA WITH A QUARTER OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION AND THE BIGGEST AND POTENTIALLY THE MOST POWERFUL ECONOMY WITHIN THE REGION - HAS BEGUN THE PROCESS OF RETURNING TO THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ARENA. HONG KONG, CENTRALLY LOCATED IN THE REGION AND ON THE DOORSTEP OF CHINA, IS WELL PLACED TO PLAY A UNIQUE ROLE IN CHINA'S MODERNISATION.+

+AS CHINA'S MODERNISATION PROGRAMME PROGRESSES, THERE WILL BE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE COMPANIES IN HONG KONG WITH THE ABILITY TO OFFER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICES.

+MANY OVERSEAS COMPANIES HAVE ALREADY SEIZED SUCH OPPORTUNITIES AND THERE IS NO REASON WHY BRITISH COMPANIES, GIVEN THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BRITAIN AND HONG KONG, SHOULD NOT USE HONG KONG MORE THAN HITHERTO AS THEIR BASE FOR PARTICIPATION IN CHINA'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES,+ HE STRESSED.

MR YAXLEY SAID THAT THE SINO-BRITISH AGREEMENT ON HONG KONG, WHICH PROVIDED FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE ESSENTIALS FOR HONG KONG'S INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIPS AFTER JULY 1, 1997, HAD CREATED AN ENVIRONMENT OF CONFIDENCE AND OPTIMISM IN HONG KONG.

+PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN PLANT, MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT IS ON THE RISE THUS PERMITTING PRODUCTION CAPACITY AND CAPABILITIES TO BE EXPANDED AND UPDATED TO MEET THE EVER-INCREASING DEMAND FOR OUR PRODUCTS.

+INTEREST IN HONG KONG BY OVERSEAS INVESTORS IN MANUFACTURING REMAINED HIGH,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

+BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 1983 AND THE END OF APRIL THIS YEAR, 54 NEW COMPANIES, MANY FROM NORTH AMERICA AND THE GREATER NUMBER IN ELECTRONICS, BEGAN MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG.

+A FURTHER 17 HAVE TAKEN A DECISION TO SET UP BUT HAD NOT YET ACTUALLY BEGUN PRODUCTION AND AN ADDITIONAL 26 HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT THEY ARE LIKELY TO DECIDE TO COME TO HONG KONG.

+THE NUMBER OF ENQUIRIES WE HAVE RECEIVED HAS NOTICEABLY INCREASED IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS.

+THEREFORE HONG KONG WILL CONTINUE TO REMAIN IN THE FUTURE A PLACE OF GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW ENTERPRISE AND INITIATIVES,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

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WARNING ON ILLEGAL BILL POSTING
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MORE THAN 135 200 UNSIGHTLY BILLS AND POSTERS WERE REMOVED BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S POSTER-REMOVAL TEAMS IN THE URBAN AREA DURING THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

OF THE TOTAL, 55 223 WERE REMOVED BY THE TEAMS ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND 80 040 IN KOWLOON.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, 111 PROSECUTIONS WERE TAKEN OUT AGAINST OFFENDERS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT ANY INDISCRIMINATE DISPLAY OF BILLS AND POSTERS, INCLUDING ADVERTISEMENTS PAINTED ON WALLS OR FENCES ON CROWN OR PRIVATE LAND WITHOUT THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE OWNER OR OCCUPIER OF THE LAND, CONSTITUTES AN OFFENCE UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND URBAN SERVICES ORDINANCE.

UPON CONVICTION, AN OFFENDER IS LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$2 000.

+IN THE CASE OF AN UNAUTHORISED DISPLAY OF A BILL OR POSTER, THE PERSON PUTTING IT UP, THE EMPLOYER OR THOSE WHO BENEFIT FROM THE ADVERTISEMENTS WOULD BE PROSECUTED,+ HE WARNED.

+EVEN WHEN AUTHORISED, THE POSTERS OR MATERIAL SHOULD ALSO BE KEPT IN A CLEAN AND TIDY CONDITION OTHERWISE THE AUTHORITY IS EMPOWERED TO REMOVE THEM AND RECOVER THE COST OF REMOVAL FROM THE OFFENDER.+

THE DEPARTMENT HAS FIVE POSTER-REMOVAL TEAMS ON THE ISLAND AND SIX IN KOWLOON, AND THEIR PRIMARY FUNCTION IS TO PATROL THE STREETS AND REMOVE UNAUTHORISED OR UNSIGHTLY BILLS OR POSTERS, AND KEEP EVIDENCE FOR PROSECUTION ACTION.

+MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO LODGE COMPLAINTS ABOUT SUCH BILLS OR POSTERS SHOULD DIAL THE LITTER HOTLINE AT 5-95555,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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KWUN TONG POISED FOR NEW EXPANSION
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KWUN TONG IS POISED FOR A SECOND INDUSTRY-LED EXPANSION, KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN MAK, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, HE CITED THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND CROSS-HARBOUR TUNNEL AS AN IMPORTANT IMPETUS FOR THE EXPANSION.

+THE TUNNEL, LINKING CHA KWO LING AND QUARRY BAY, WILL NOT ONLY BRING ABOUT FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT, BUT WILL ALSO MEAN THAT KWUN TONG WILL NO LONGER CONSTITUTE THE PERIPHERY OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT,+ MR MAK SAID.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF JUNK BAY AS A NEW TOWN WITH AN INITIAL TARGET POPULATION OF 175 000 WOULD ALSO FORM AN IMPORTANT PART OF KWUN TONG'S FUTURE DEVELOPMENT, HE ADDED.

+GIVEN THESE IMPORTANT CHANGES AND THE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF LAND AVAILABILITY, ESPECIALLY IN KOWLOON BAY AND CHA KWO LING, KWUN TONG IS WELL POISED FOR A SECOND INDUSTRY-LED EXPANSION,+ HE SAID.

MR MAK ALSO OUTLINED THE PROBLEMS KWUN TONG HAD INHERITED FROM THE PAST AND HOW THEY WERE BEING TACKLED.

ON TRAFFIC PROBLEMS, HE SAID THE REPORT OF THE EAST KOWLOON TRAFFIC STUDY HAD JUST BEEN COMPLETED AND ITS MAIN RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD AIM TO SOLVE THE CONGESTION IN THE TOWN CENTRE AND INDUSTRIAL AREA.

THE REPORT WOULD ALSO COVER PROVISIONS TO COPE WITH LOADING AND UNLOADING FACILITIES AND ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ARISING FROM THE INITIAL PHASES OF THE JUNK BAY DEVELOPMENT.

MR MAK ALSO SAID THAT THE LACK OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES INCLUDING SPORT GROUNDS, CULTURAL CENTRE AND HOSPITAL BEDS WAS BEING SOLVED, AND THAT IMPROVEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT WITH THE RE-DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

HE SAID THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD, WITH MORE DIRECT REPRESENTATION FROM THE PEOPLE, WOULD CONTINUE TO LOOK AFTER THE DISTRICT AND TO PROVIDE THE MUCH NEEDED COMMUNITY INPUT THROUGH VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS.

GIVEN THE VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE PIPELINE, AND THE DEDICATION OF THE COMMUNITY TO IMPROVE ITSELF, MR MAK SAID KWUN TONG WOULD BECOME +A MORE PROSPEROUS AND BUSIER COMMUNITY, A BETTER PLACE FOR EVERYBODY, WHETHER HE BE AN INDUSTRIALIST, BUSINESSMAN, WORKER OR RESIDENT+.

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RENT REVISION FOR UNITS IN FACTORY ESTATES
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THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HAS COMPLETED A BIENNIAL RENT REVIEW FOR UNITS IN 10 FACTORY ESTATES. THE RENTS FOR THESE UNITS WILL BE INCREASED AS FROM AUGUST.

A HOUSING SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY INCREASES WOULD AMOUNT TO LESS THAN \$100 PER UNIT A MONTH FOR THE GREAT MAJORITY, OR 90 PER CENT, OF THE TENANTS INVOLVED.

HE SAID THE TENANTS HAD BEEN ENJOYING RENTS WHICH WERE SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER THAN MARKET LEVELS AND THE REVISION WOULD BRING THE RENTS TO A MORE REALISTIC LEVEL.

+EVEN AFTER REVISION, THE RENTS CHARGED WILL STILL BE BELOW THEIR FULL MARKET VALUE.

+THERE HAD BEEN AN INCREASE OF 20 PER CENT IN RATES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF THE PROPERTIES IN 1984-85, AND THIS WAS ABSORBED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY. ANOTHER 20 PER CENT INCREASE AGAIN BECAME PAYABLE BY THE AUTHORITY FROM APRIL THIS YEAR.

+IN REVIEWING THE RENTS, THE AUTHORITY TOOK THE RATES INCREASES INTO ACCOUNT.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE RENT REVISION WOULD INVOLVE 9 201 FACTORY UNITS LET IN 4 086 TENANCIES.

THESE UNITS ARE MAINLY 24 SQUARE METRES IN SIZE AND ARE IN THE PRE-1975 FACTORY ESTATES OF CHEUNG SHA WAN, CHAI WAN, JORDAN VALLEY, SAN PO KONG, KWUN TONG, KWAI CHUNG, TAI WO HAU AND YUEN LONG, AS WELL AS IN KOWLOON BAY AND SHEK KIP MEI FACTORY ESTATES.

HE SAID FACTORY ESTATE RENTS VARIED ACCORDING TO THE DESIGNED FLOOR-LOADING CAPACITIES OF THE UNITS.

+REVISED RENTS WILL RANGE FROM \$8 TO \$18.58 A SQUARE METRE IN THE EIGHT PRE-1975 FACTORY ESTATES.

+IN KOWLOON BAY ESTATE WHICH WAS COMPLETED IN 1975, NEW RENTS WILL BE FROM \$14.58 TO \$28.25 A SQUARE METRE. THESE WILL VARY BETWEEN \$27.50 AND \$46.63 A SQUARE METRE IN SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE WHICH WAS COMPLETED IN 1977 AS THE FIRST FACTORY BLOCK PROVIDED WITH CARGO LIFTS.+

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MARKET COMPLEX FOR QUARRY BAY
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AN EIGHT-STOREY COMPLEX, WHICH WILL PROVIDE MARKET AND LEISURE FACILITIES, WILL BE BUILT ON TOP OF A PUMPING STATION AT QUARRY BAY STREET.

BESIDE THE PUMPING STATION, WHICH WAS COMPLETED IN OCTOBER 1983, A REFUSE COLLECTION POINT, LOADING AND UNLOADING BAYS AND LIFT SERVICES ARE TO BE PROVIDED ON THE GROUND FLOOR.

FACILITIES ON THE UPPER FLOORS INCLUDE A MARKET, FIVE COOKED FOOD STALLS, OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, A LIBRARY, A STUDY ROOM, GAMES ROOMS, SQUASH COURTS AND A MULTI-PURPOSE GAMES HALL.

THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT, WORK ON WHICH IS EXPECTED TO START IN AUGUST AND TAKE TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS ARE ALSO BEING CALLED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TEMPORARY MARKET ON A 2 000-METRE SITE AT HUNG SHUI KIU MAIN STREET.

WORK ON THE PROJECT INCLUDES HARD PAVING AND LINE MARKING FOR 54 MARKET STALLS AND 180 MINI STALLS AND PERIMETER FENCING. THE CONTRACTOR WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO BUILD A REFUSE CHAMBER AND TO PROVIDE CONTAINER OFFICES AND STORE ROOMS.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO START IN JULY OR AUGUST AND BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR.

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SPECIAL STAMPS FOR DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL
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FOUR SPECIAL STAMPS, DEPICTING THE DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL, WILL BE ISSUED BY THE POST OFFICE ON JUNE 19.

THE STAMPS, IN DENOMINATIONS OF 40 CENTS, \$1, \$1.30 AND \$5, WILL SHOW A DRAGON BOAT IN ACTION WHEN LINKED TOGETHER, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POST OFFICE SAID.

A SOUVENIR SHEET CONTAINING THE SET OF STAMPS IN A SE-TENANT STRIP WILL ALSO BE ISSUED AT A PRICE OF \$7.70, HE ADDED.

THE STAMPS AND SOUVENIR SHEETS WILL BE ON DISPLAY ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, CONNAUGHT PLACE, AND AT THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE FROM JUNE 5 TO JUNE 18.

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OFFICIAL FIRST-DAY COVERS WILL ALSO BE ON SALE ON JUNE 5, AT 50 CENTS EACH, WHILE ADVANCE ORDERS FOR THE SERVICING OF THE COVERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ALL POST OFFICES FROM JUNE 5 TO JUNE 13.

THE STAMPS AND SOUVENIR SHEETS, PRINTED ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER, WAS DESIGNED BY LOCAL DESIGNER, MR ROBERT W. HOOKHAM.

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BLOOD DONORS RESPOND WELL
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A HONG KONG RED CROSS BLOOD COLLECTION TEAM CALLED AT BEACONSFIELD HOUSE TODAY (MONDAY) AND STAFF OF THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT RESPONDED WELL TO THE WORTHY CAUSE.

DONORS FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S VARIOUS SECTIONS - SOME DONATING FOR THE FIRST TIME - KEPT RED CROSS NURSES BUSY INSIDE THE FIFTH FLOOR PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM.

THE ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES, MR PETER MOSS, WAS AMONG THE 32 DONORS WHO GAVE BLOOD.

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BUILDING MANAGEMENT SEMINAR IN NORTH POINT
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ABOUT 100 REPRESENTATIVES FROM MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS INCORPORATIONS IN THE NORTH POINT AREA WILL TAKE PART IN A BUILDING MANAGEMENT SEMINAR TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) EVENING.

ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE SEMINAR IS AIMED AT INTRODUCING THE WORKS OF THE NEWLY-FORMED EASTERN DISTRICT BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM, AND TO HELP RESIDENTS LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW TO IMPROVE BUILDING MANAGEMENT.

MEMBERS FROM THE TEAM WILL GIVE SPECIAL TALKS ON THE +MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE SYSTEM+ AND, +IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF CLEANLINESS IN BUILDINGS.+

FORMED LAST MONTH, THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM WAS SECONDED FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT AND STATIONED IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE. ITS MEMBERS COMPRISE A HOUSING MANAGER, AN ASSISTANT HOUSING MANAGER AND TWO HOUSING ASSISTANTS.

THE TEAM HAD BEEN CARRYING OUT SITE INSPECTIONS ON PRIVATE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS, AND ADVISING RESIDENTS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AND MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS.

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SURVEY OF STORAGE, COMMUNICATIONS, FINANCING,
INSURANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICE FOR 1984
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS CONDUCTING AN ANNUAL SURVEY OF STORAGE, COMMUNICATIONS, FINANCING, INSURANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 1984.

THE SURVEY COVERS THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- * STORAGE AND WAREHOUSING FACILITIES FOR HIRE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC;
- * POSTAL, TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH, RADIO AND CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, MESSAGE DELIVERY AND MESSAGE EXCHANGE SERVICES;
- * ALL FINANCE (EXCEPT BANKS AND DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES) AND INVESTMENT COMPANIES; LOAN, MORTGAGE AND DISCOUNT COMPANIES; DEALERS/BROKERS AND EXCHANGES IN STOCKS AND SHARES, COMMODITY FUTURES, GOLD BULLION AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE; PAWNSHOPS; MONEY CHANGERS; AND OTHER FINANCIAL UNDERTAKINGS;
- * INSURERS, RE-INSURERS, AGENTS AND BROKERS OF ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE AND RELATED INSURANCE SERVICES;
- * ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING, ADVERTISING, DATA PROCESSING, EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY RENTAL, LEGAL, NEWS AGENCY, SECRETARIAL AND OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES.

QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING SENT TO ABOUT 2 400 ESTABLISHMENTS OUT OF A TOTAL OF ABOUT 10 000 ESTABLISHMENTS FALLING UNDER THE PURVIEW OF THE SURVEY.

DATA TO BE COLLECTED INCLUDE THE TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, FLOOR AREA, EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR COSTS, OPERATING EXPENSES, BUSINESS TURNOVER AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

SUCH ECONOMIC DATA WILL PROVIDE BASIC INFORMATION ON THE STRUCTURE AND PERFORMANCE OF THE SECTORS CONCERNED AND ARE NEEDED FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE SECTORS' CONTRIBUTION TO HONG KONG'S GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT.

THE SURVEY RESULTS WILL ALSO BE USED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE FORMULATION OF DECISIONS AND POLICIES.

RESPONSE TO THE SURVEY IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT. A CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF THIS SURVEY WAS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDINANCE AND ISSUED AS LEGAL NOTICE NO.12 IN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT GAZETTE ON JANUARY 13, 1984.

/SELECTED ESTABLISHMENTS

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SELECTED ESTABLISHMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO RETURN THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES BY JULY 31, 1985.

OFFICERS OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, WHO CARRY A GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARD WHILE ON DUTY, WILL VISIT THE ESTABLISHMENTS CONCERNED TO ASSIST THEM IN COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRES IF REQUIRED.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS STRESSES THAT INFORMATION RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE TREATED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND THAT ONLY AGGREGATE INFORMATION WHICH DOES NOT REVEAL DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS WILL BE RELEASED.

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INTELPOST SERVICE EXTENDED TO GREECE
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THE INTELPOST (INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONIC POST) NETWORK FROM HONG KONG WILL BE EXTENDED TO GREECE FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY), A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY.

INTELPOST ITEMS POSTED IN HONG KONG BEFORE 6 PM WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION BY THE ADDRESSEE AT THE INTELPOST CENTRES OR DELIVERED TO THE ADDRESSEE THE SAME DAY IN ATHENS AND PIRAEUS, HE SAID.

+ITEMS POSTED BEFORE 4 PM TO THESSALONIKI, PATRA AND HERAKLION KRETA WILL ALSO BE DELIVERED THE SAME DAY,+ HE ADDED.

CHARGES FOR THE SERVICE TO GREECE WILL BE: FOR THE FIRST SIDE OF AN A4 SHEET OF PAPER \$65; FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT A4 SIDE SENT TO THE SAME ADDRESSEE AT THE SAME TIME \$30.

THOSE WISHING TO USE THE SERVICE SHOULD HAND IN THEIR DOCUMENTS AT EITHER THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, HENNESSY ROAD, QUEEN'S ROAD AND WYNDHAM STREET POST OFFICES ON HONG KONG ISLAND OR THE TSIM SHA TSUI, GRANVILLE ROAD, INTERNATIONAL MAIL CENTRE, KOWLOON CENTRAL, KWUN TONG AND MONGKOK POST OFFICES IN KOWLOON.

THOSE HAVING FACSIMILE MACHINES IN THEIR OFFICE CAN, BY ARRANGEMENT, TRANSMIT THEIR ITEMS DIRECT TO THE POST OFFICE INTELPOST TERMINAL IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE FOR RETRANSMISSION OVERSEAS.

FURTHER INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE INTELPOST REPRESENTATIVE ON TELEPHONE 5-2671148.

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WORK STARTS ON FANLING MAINS LAYING
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED A \$3.7 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE LAYING OF ABOUT 4 000 METRES OF FRESH WATER MAINS IN SHA TAU KOK ROAD AND PING CHE ROAD IN FANLING.

THE WATER MAINS, RANGING IN DIAMETER FROM 150 MILLIMETRES TO 800 MILLIMETRES, FORM PART OF A PROJECT TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM BETWEEN LUEN WO MARKET AND SHA TAU KOK.

WORK ON THE PROJECT HAS STARTED AND IS EXPECTED TO TAKE 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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CENTRAL WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CENTRAL DISTRICT WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (JUNE 6) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

AFFECTED PREMISES INCLUDE THOSE AT HOUSE NOS. 13-90 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, NOS. 19-195 AND 54-78 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, NOS. 67-85 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, CONNAUGHT PLACE, NOS. 2A-31A POTTINGER STREET, NOS. 2-16 QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, NOS. 3-29 MAN YEE LANE, NOS. 2-19 JUBILEE STREET, NOS. 1-52 GILMAN STREET AND NOS. 2-33 WING WO STREET.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURES
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 55 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 322.098 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 421.914 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 72 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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