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NEED FOR YOUTH POLICY BEING STUDIED

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PLANS HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH (CCY) TO EXAMINE THE NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH POLICY IN HONG KONG.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (MONDAY), CHAIRMAN OF THE CCY, MRS ROSANNA TAM, SAID A WORKING PARTY UNDER THE COMMITTEE HAD AGREED TO THE FRAMEWORK AND TIMEFRAME OF A STUDY WHICH WOULD ALSO INCLUDE AN EXAMINATION OF YOUTH POLICIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

A STUDY DOCUMENT CONTAINING THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE COMPLETED IN JULY OR AUGUST NEXT YEAR, SHE SAID.

+AFTER THE COMPILATION OF THE STUDY DOCUMENT THERE WILL BE A PERIOD OF CONSULTATION SO THAT VIEWS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC MAY BE CONSIDERED AND COMPILED BEFORE A FINAL SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNMENT,+ SHE ADDED.

IN ADDITION, THE CCY WOULD REQUIRE A BUDGET OF \$300 000 AND FUNDS WERE BEING SOUGHT FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

THREE COMMITTEES AND A WORKING PARTY HAVE BEEN SET UP UNDER THE CCY TO LOOK INTO RELATED MATTERS. THEY ARE THE INFORMATION AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE; YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROMOTION COMMITTEE; SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME COMMITTEE AND WORKING PARTY ON YOUTH POLICY.

CHAIRMAN OF THE INFORMATION AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE, DR CHOI YUEN-WAN, SAID THE COMMITTEE WOULD COMPILE A SUMMARY SHEET AND INDEX ON THE EXISTING RANGE OF YOUTH RELATED SERVICES PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS CONCERNED AND A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF EXISTING PUBLICATIONS ON YOUTH MATTERS.

ALSO IN HAND WERE PLANS TO CONDUCT TWO OPINION SURVEYS ON +ATTITUDE OF TODAY'S YOUTH+ AND +COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS OF TODAY'S YOUTH+, HE SAID.

THE TARGET GROUP OF THE FIRST SURVEY WOULD BE YOUTHS AGED 10 TO 25 AND THE LATTER ONE RESPONDENTS AGED 24 TO 64.

THE CCY HAD ALSO TAKEN OVER THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME (SYP) FROM THE FORMER SYP POLICY COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME COMMITTEE, MR PETER LEE SHUNG-TAK SAID.

BUT THE THREE-TIER MACHINERY OF THE SCHEME WHICH WAS FOUND TO HAVE WORKED EFFECTIVELY IN THE PAST WAS ADOPTED BY THE CCY AND AN SYP COMMITTEE HAD BEEN SET UP TO REPLACE THE FORMER SYP CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE WHILE THE DISTRICT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE WOULD REMAIN.

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ROUNDING UP THIS YEAR'S SYP, MR LEE SAID ABOUT A MILLION YOUNG PEOPLE HAD PARTICIPATED IN MORE THAN 10 000 EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECTS UNDER THE THEME OF +CARE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY, GET TO KNOW IT BETTER+.

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FOR THIS YEAR'S SYP AMOUNTED TO \$15 MILLION OF WHICH \$6 MILLION CAME FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB. THE COMMITTEE WAS CURRENTLY WORKING ON THE SELECTION OF SIX OUTSTANDING PARTICIPANTS IN THE SYP FOR THE OUTWARD BOUND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.

ALSO SPEAKING AT TODAY'S CONFERENCE WAS THE CHAIRMAN OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROMOTION COMMITTEE, MR NG SHUI-LAI, WHO SAID THE COMMITTEE WAS PLANNING A CONFERENCE TO FACILITATE THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON PROMOTION OF ACTIVITIES AND TO EXPLORE NEW IDEAS AMONG YOUTH GROUPS, GOVERNMENT BODIES AND YOUTH RELATED ORGANISATIONS.

THE COMMITTEE WAS ALSO PLANNING A WIDER RECOGNITION OF CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY YOUTHS IN THE FORM OF AN AWARD SCHEME AND EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITIES TO MAXIMISE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE.

THE CCY WAS ALSO ORGANISING A DESIGN COMPETITION FOR A CCY LOGO, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMPETITION'S STEERING GROUP, MR FAN KAM-PING, SAID.

THE COMPETITION WOULD BE DIVIDED INTO THREE CATEGORIES-- THE JUNIOR SECTION FOR PARTICIPANTS BETWEEN 10-15 YEARS OLD-- THE INTERMEDIATE SECTION FOR THOSE BETWEEN 16-19 YEARS AND THE SENIOR SECTION FOR 20-25 YEARS OLD.

FIRST THREE WINNERS IN EACH SECTION WOULD BE AWARDED BOOK VOUCHERS VALUED AT UP TO \$1 500.

ENTRY FORMS AND REGULATIONS OF THE LOGO COMPETITION WOULD SOON BE AVAILABLE FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICES AND DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS NOVEMBER 15.

IN ADDITION, THE CCY HAD LAUNCHED A VISIT PROGRAMME TO REACH OUT TO RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS ON YOUTH WORK SUCH AS CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES.

TO DATE, VISIT HAD BEEN MADE TO CARITAS, HONG KONG PHAB ASSOCIATION, OUTWARD BOUND SCHOOL, PO LEUNG KUK PAK TAM CHUNG MUSIC CAMP, LADY MACLEHOSE HOLIDAY VILLAGE, WU KAI SHA YOUTH VILLAGE JUNIOR POLICE CALL CAMP AND THE JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE.

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION VITAL IN FORMULATING TRANSPORT POLICIES
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION IS AN IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL STEP IN THE FORMULATION OF GOVERNMENT'S TRANSPORT POLICIES AND THERE IS A WELL-ESTABLISHED NETWORK THROUGH WHICH GOVERNMENT SEEKS AND RECEIVES ADVICE ON TRANSPORT MATTERS, THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR DAVID LAN, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

OUTLINING THESE CHANNELS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION AT A MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR LAN SAID SENIOR TRANSPORT BRANCH OFFICIALS MET WITH THE UMELCO TRANSPORT PANEL TO DISCUSS TRANSPORT MATTERS ON A REGULAR BASIS.

ON MAJOR POLICY ISSUES, HE SAID, THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

THIS COMMITTEE, WHICH MEETS MONTHLY, IS CHAIRED BY AN UNOFFICIAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER AND HAS A WIDE-RANGING UNOFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, URBAN COUNCIL AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS (ELECTED AND APPOINTED) AS WELL AS TRANSPORT EXPERTS.

+THE INTERESTS OF A WIDE SPECTRUM OF THE COMMUNITY ARE THUS REPRESENTED ON THIS IMPORTANT BODY,+ HE SAID.

THE TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS UNIT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED UNDER THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO HANDLE AND MONITOR COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON TRANSPORT MATTERS. IT HAS A WIDELY PUBLICISED HOTLINE WHICH IS OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY.

IN ADDITION, MR LAN SAID THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WAS REPRESENTED ON THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEES OF ALL THE DISTRICT BOARDS.

+INDEED, IT IS A MEASURE OF THE IMPORTANCE TO WHICH BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PUBLIC ALIKE ATTACH TO THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT THAT EACH DB SHOULD HAVE SET UP A COMMITTEE TO DEAL EXCLUSIVELY WITH TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ISSUES,+ HE SAID.

MR LAN ASSURED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS COMMITTED TO FURTHER IMPROVING THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORY'S ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND HOUSING PROGRAMMES AND THE RISING EXPECTATIONS OF THE PEOPLE.

HE APPEALED TO THE PUBLIC TO MAKE THE BEST USE OF EXISTING CHANNELS TO PUT FORWARD THEIR VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS TO IMPROVE THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM.

TURNING TO PRESENT AND FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR TRANSPORT SYSTEM, MR LAN SAID THERE WERE ABOUT 40 HIGHWAYS PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND ANOTHER 88 PROJECTS BEING PLANNED WITHIN THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT.

+THE TOTAL VALUE OF WORKS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION IS ESTIMATED AT \$3.1 BILLION,+ HE SAID.

/+MAJOR HIGHWAYS

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+MAJOR HIGHWAYS PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE INCLUDE THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING, THE UPGRADING OF CONNAUGHT ROAD, STAGE III OF THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, RECONSTRUCTION OF THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER AND MANY OTHERS.

+FURTHERMORE, THE KCRC IS PROCEEDING WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE I OF THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM WHICH WHEN COMPLETED IN 1988 WILL PROVIDE A HIGHLY EFFICIENT LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM FOR THE RESIDENTS IN NORTHWESTERN NEW TERRITORIES,+ HE SAID.

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LIAO PRAISES DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME

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THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, SAID THAT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME WAS AN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE HISTORY OF YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING.

SPEAKING AT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH SILVER AWARD PRESENTATION CEREMONY TODAY (MONDAY), MR LIAO SAID THE PROJECT WAS MEANINGFUL AND THOSE WHO HAD TAKEN PART HAD GAINED INVALUABLE EXPERIENCE.

THE AWARD SCHEME HAS ENABLED STUDENTS AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN 14 AND 25 TO JOIN VARIOUS TRAINING COURSES ACCORDING TO THEIR INTERESTS, POTENTIALS AND ABILITIES.

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE GOLD, SILVER OR BRONZE AWARDS DEPENDING ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS.

ADDRESSING MORE THAN 100 SILVER AWARD WINNERS, MR LIAO SAID THAT THEY SHOULD TREASURE THE LEADERSHIP SKILLS ACQUIRED FROM THE SCHEME, WHICH WOULD BENEFIT THEIR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT.

+THIS YEAR IS THE SILVER JUBILEE YEAR OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME, WHICH MAKES TODAY'S GATHERING ALL THE MORE MEMORABLE,+ HE SAID.

+THERE WILL BE ANOTHER MEMORABLE DAY NEXT MONTH WHEN THE FOUNDER OF THE SCHEME, THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH HIMSELF OPENS THE TRAINING CAMP NAMED AFTER HIM.

+THE NEW TRAINING CAMP WILL PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME,+ HE ADDED.

THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS HAD GROWN FROM A MERE THOUSAND DURING ITS INCEPTION IN 1961 TO OVER 40 000 NOW, MR LIAO NOTED.

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STUDENT TRAVEL CARD INVALID ON SUNDAYS, HOLIDAYS

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY) REMINDED HOLDERS OF STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS THAT FROM OCTOBER 5 THEY WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO TRAVEL ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT AT CONCESSIONARY FARES ON SUNDAYS, AND DURING THE SUMMER, CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THIS IS IN LINE WITH AN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DECISION MADE IN MAY TO REDUCE GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY FOR RECREATION TRAVEL BY STUDENTS.

+TO AVOID THE CONFUSION CAUSED BY VARIATIONS IN HOLIDAYS FOR DIFFERENT SCHOOLS, THE STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME DEFINES CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS AS THE PERIOD BETWEEN DECEMBER 25 AND JANUARY 1 INCLUSIVE, AND THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS AS JULY 16 TO AUGUST 31 INCLUSIVE,+ A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO POINTED OUT THAT FROM WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1), THE 1986-87 STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS SHOULD BE USED AS THE CARDS FOR THE PREVIOUS ACADEMIC YEAR WILL EXPIRE TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME, INTRODUCED FROM 1981, ALLOWS FULL-TIME STUDENTS, EXCEPT POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS, AGED OVER 12 AND UNDER 26 TO TRAVEL AT CONCESSIONARY FARES ON ALL MAJOR FORMS OF FRANCHISED PUBLIC TRANSPORT, THE MTR AND THE KCR.

IN THE 1985-86 ACADEMIC YEAR, 487 000 STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS WERE ISSUED, COVERING 37 000 POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS, 439 000 SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS AND 11 000 PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS.

ARISING FROM THE REDUCTION IN SUBSIDY, GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON THE SCHEME WILL BE REDUCED TO ABOUT \$240 MILLION THIS ACADEMIC YEAR -- A SAVING OF ABOUT \$80 MILLION.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT A LEAFLET EXPLAINING THE REVISED SCHEME CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, LOW BLOCK, QUEENSWAY GOVERNMENT OFFICES, AND AT LICENSING OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

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ILLEGAL PARKING SITUATION IMPROVED

ILLEGAL PARKING ALONG TIN WAN NEW STREET IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT WAS CURBED AFTER A CIVIC-MINDED RESIDENT WROTE TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD.

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USING THE +MY SUGGESTIONS TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD+ POSTGRAMME SCHEME, THE TIN WAN RESIDENT SAID PRIVATE VEHICLES WERE ILLEGALLY PARKED ON THE PAVEMENT OF TIN WAN NEW STREET AND CAUSED GREAT INCONVENIENCE TO PEDESTRIANS WHO WERE FORCED TO WALK ON THE ROAD INSTEAD.

SHE SAID THE SITUATION WAS PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS IN THE EARLY MORNING WHEN MANY STUDENTS WENT TO SCHOOL.

THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE REFLECTED HER VIEWS TO THE POLICE WHO PAID SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE AREA AND STEPPED UP APPROPRIATE ENFORCEMENT ACTION. THE SITUATION HAS NOW GREATLY IMPROVED.

A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE POSTGRAMME SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED IN 1983 FOR RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE LIVING IN REMOTE PARTS OF THE DISTRICT SUCH AS THE BAYS AREA, STANLEY AND SHEK O, TO CONVENIENTLY EXPRESS VIEWS TO THE BOARD.

BETWEEN JANUARY 1984 AND NOVEMBER 1985, THE BOARD RECEIVED 292 POSTGRAMMES FROM RESIDENTS GIVING SUGGESTIONS OR LODGING COMPLAINTS ON TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AND LAW AND ORDER MATTERS.

+THE POSTAGE-FREE POSTGRAMMES, PUBLISHED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, ARE OBTAINABLE AT 72 DISTRIBUTION POINTS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT,+ HE SAID.

+THESE INCLUDE THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES, POST OFFICES, GOVERNMENT OFFICES, COMMUNITY HALLS, MAJOR BANKS, PETROL STATIONS AND VARIOUS KAIFONG AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATIONS,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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LANTAU-CHEUNG CHAU SUBMARINE CABLE TO BE LAID
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A 33-KILOVOLT ELECTRICAL CABLE IS TO BE LAID BETWEEN CHI MA WAN PENINSULA ON LANTAU ISLAND AND TAI KWAI WAN ON CHEUNG CHAU.

THE 120-MILLIMETRE DIAMETER CABLE, TO BE LAID BY CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, IS TO PROVIDE VOLTAGE STABILITY FOR THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SYSTEM ON CHEUNG CHAU.

IT WILL BE LAID ON THE FORESHORE AND SEABED BETWEEN THE TWO POINTS OVER AN AREA OF 20.9 HECTARES.

WORK IS SCHEDULED TO START NEXT FEBRUARY AND TAKE ABOUT A MONTH TO COMPLETE.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED WORK SHOULD BE SENT IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS BY NOVEMBER 25.

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PART OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD TO BE RE-BUILT
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A SECTION OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD IN MONG KOK IS TO BE RECONSTRUCTED.

THE SECTION IS THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN YUEN NGAI STREET AND EMBANKMENT ROAD.

THE WORK COMPRISES RECONSTRUCTING THE DAMAGED CARRIAGEWAY AND FOOTWAY IN CONCRETE, AND CONSTRUCTING THE ASSOCIATED BARRIER AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES.

THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS BY OCTOBER 17 FOR THE WORK, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN EIGHT MONTHS.

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RESCUE EXERCISE TO TEST EFFICIENCY
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AN AIRCRAFT CRASH-RESCUE EXERCISE WILL BE HELD IN THE TERRITORY THIS WEEK TO PROVIDE CONTINUATION TRAINING AND FAMILIARISATION IN AIRCRAFT CRASH-RESCUE TECHNIQUES FOR ALL PARTIES WHICH WOULD BE INVOLVED IN SUCH OPERATIONS.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE EXERCISE ARE BEING WITHHELD IN ORDER TO TEST THE ALERTNESS OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED IN DEALING WITH SIMILAR EMERGENCIES.

TAKING PART IN THE EXERCISE WILL BE STAFF OF THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE, CIVIL AID SERVICES, AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AIRLINE OPERATORS' COMMITTEE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT SAID INCONVENIENCE TO THE PUBLIC WOULD BE KEPT TO A MINIMUM DURING THE EXERCISE.

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EVENING CLINIC TO OPEN IN TAI PO
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AN EVENING CLINIC SERVICE WILL BE INTRODUCED AT THE TAI PO JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC FROM WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1), THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY).

THERE WILL BE TWO DOCTORS IN ATTENDANCE BETWEEN 6 PM AND 10 PM DAILY EXCEPT ON SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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THIS WILL BRING TO 18 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF EVENING CLINICS OPERATING IN THE TERRITORY - FIVE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, SEVEN IN KOWLOON AND SIX IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE AIM OF EVENING CLINICS IS TO RELIEVE EXCESSIVE PRESSURE ON DAY CLINICS AND ON ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS.

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SPAIN JOINS SPEEDPOST NETWORK
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SPEEDPOST SERVICE WILL BE EXTENDED TO SPAIN FROM WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1), BRINGING TO 44 THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN THE SPEEDPOST NETWORK SERVED FROM HONG KONG.

SPEEDPOST ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR TRANSMISSION TO MADRID AND ALL OTHER CITIES AND LARGER TOWNS IN SPAIN, A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

+ITEMS POSTED IN HONG KONG WILL BE DELIVERED TO ADDRESSEES AT ALICANTE, BARCELONA, BILBAO, LAS PALMAS, MADRID, MALAGA, PALMA DE MALLORCA, SANTA CRUZ DE TENERIFE, SEVILLA, VALENCIA AND ZARAGOZA ON THE SECOND WORKING DAY WHILE ITEMS FOR OTHER PARTS OF SPAIN WILL BE DELIVERED ON THE THIRD WORKING DAY,+ HE ADDED.

BOTH +CONTRACT+ AND +ON DEMAND+ SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE.

THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT PER ITEM IS 15 KILOGRAMMES AND POSTAGE RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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| * ITEMS WEIGHING UNDER 250G | \$85= |
| * ITEMS WEIGHING BETWEEN 250G AND 500G | \$95= AND |
| * EACH EXTRA 500G | \$25 |

CUSTOMERS REQUIRING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE, INCLUDING THE FULL LIST OF TOWNS TO WHICH THE SERVICE IS AVAILABLE, SHOULD CONTACT THE POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES ON 5-2671108.

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TUEN MUN DB TO DISCUSS HOUSING ISSUES
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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE RECENTLY RELEASED REPORTS ON DOMESTIC RENT POLICY AND THE HOUSING SUBSIDY TO TENANTS OF PUBLIC HOUSING.

BOARD MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHEAST CONSTITUENCY OF TUEN MUN, WHICH MAINLY INVOLVE VILLAGERS OF WO PING SAN CHUEN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S SPECIAL MEETING AT 9.30 AM TOMORROW IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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YUEN LONG WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN YUEN LONG WILL BE TURNED OFF BETWEEN 9 AM AND 5 PM ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 2) FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ALONG KAM SHEUNG ROAD FROM SHUI TSAN TIN TO SHEUNG TSUEN, INCLUDING SHUI LAU TIN, LIN FA TEI, NGAU KENG, MA PAU LING, SHEUNG TSUEN LAI KA WAI AND SHEK TAU WAI.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 70.0 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 410.553 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 466.586 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 79.6 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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