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TAI TAM AND ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARKS PROPOSED

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TWO MORE COUNTRY PARKS, WHICH WILL BE PARTICULARLY ACCESSIBLE FOR ENJOYMENT TO RESIDENTS ON HONG KONG ISLAND, ARE PROPOSED AND SET OUT IN A NOTICE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

THEY ARE THE TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK WHICH IS ON THE URBAN FRINGE IN THE EASTERN HALF OF THE ISLAND, AND THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK WHICH LIES IMMEDIATELY TO THE NORTH OF THE HOUSING ESTATES IN ABERDEEN AND WONG CHUK HANG.

THE TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 1,315 HECTARES, WITHIN WHICH ARE THE TAI TAM GROUP OF RESERVOIRS AND ITS CATCHMENT AREA AND SCENIC HILL LANDS AND WOODLANDS.

THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK TO ITS WEST IS SMALLER, WITH ABOUT 423 HECTARES, BUT IS ALSO ENDOWED WITH THE SCENIC BEAUTY OF AN ABERDEEN RESERVOIR.

THE COUNTRY PARKS AUTHORITY HAS PREPARED A DRAFT MAP AND EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR BOTH PARKS WHICH MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS:

*LANDS REGISTRY	INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, 9TH FLOOR, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG
*AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT	393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON
*NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION	HK HOUSING AUTHORITY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD, KOWLOON
*CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT	MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG
*CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, HONG KONG	LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG
*CDO (CENTRAL AND WESTERN)	205A DES VOEUX ROAD WEST, HONG KONG
*CDO (EASTERN)	28-32 KING'S ROAD, HONG KONG
*CDO (SOUTHERN)	22 ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD, HONG KONG
*CDO (WAN CHAI)	TUNG WAH MANSION, 201 HENNESSY ROAD, HONG KONG

COPIES OF THE DRAFT MAPS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT \$6 A COPY FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

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UNDER THE COUNTRY PARKS ORDINANCE, NO NEW DEVELOPMENT IS ALLOWED IN THE AREA OF THE PROPOSED COUNTRY PARKS SHOWN IN THE DRAFT MAPS WITHOUT FIRST HAVING APPROVAL FROM THE AUTHORITY.

ANYONE WHO IS AGGRIEVED BY THE MAPS MAY WITHIN THE 60 DAYS SEND A WRITTEN STATEMENT OF HIS OBJECTIONS TO THE AUTHORITY AND TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNTRY PARKS BOARD AT THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS FOR APRIL 1977

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THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1977 SHOW A SURPLUS OF \$133.7 MILLION AS COMPARED WITH A SURPLUS OF \$105.6 MILLION IN APRIL LAST YEAR.

TOTAL EXPENDITURE AT \$441 MILLION WAS \$34.5 MILLION MORE THAN IN APRIL 1976.

TOTAL REVENUE AND RECEIPTS AT \$574.7 MILLION WAS \$62.6 MILLION MORE THAN THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR.

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ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK

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A FAVOURITE SOJOURN OF THE BLACK-EARED KITE AS WELL AS ONE FOR HIKERS AND MORNING WALKERS HAS BEEN PROPOSED AS A COUNTRY PARK.

THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK WHICH IS GAZETTED TODAY COMPRISES 410 HECTARES (1,012 ACRES) OF NATURAL WOODLAND, FORESTRY PLANTATION, SHRUBLAND, AND 13 HECTARES (33 ACRES) OF WATER.

IT LIES ON THE SOUTHERN SLOPES OF HONG KONG ISLAND BETWEEN THE ABERDEEN AND WONG CHUK HANG HOUSING ESTATES TO THE IMMEDIATE SOUTH AND WAN CHAI GAP TO THE NORTH.

IT WILL BE A 'BACK GARDEN' TO THE TWO BELTS OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT ON THE TWO SIDES OF THE ISLAND.

THE PARK IS READILY ACCESSIBLE FROM MANY DIRECTIONS BECAUSE OF ITS CLOSENESS TO INHABITED AREAS: FROM ABERDEEN, MAGAZINE GAP AND WAN CHAI GAP VIA ABERDEEN RESERVOIR ROAD, FROM WONG NEI CHUNG GAP AND WAN CHAI GAP VIA BLACK'S LINK, AND FROM THE PEAK AREA AND ABERDEEN VIA PEEL RISE.

IT HAS ALREADY BEEN UNDER RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SOME YEARS AND NOW HAS 13 PICNIC SPOTS WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES. THESE ARE EQUIPPED WITH BARBECUE PITS, TABLES AND BENCHES, RAIN SHELTERS, INFORMATION BOARDS AND CHILDREN'S PLAY EQUIPMENT.

A NEW MANAGEMENT CENTRE HAS OPENED EARLIER THIS YEAR, PROVIDING A BASE FOR FORESTRY AND CONSERVATION WORKERS OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

AS IN TAI TAM COUNTRY PARK TO THE EAST, MOST OF THE TREES IN THE AREA SUFFERED RAVAGES DURING THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION WHEN THEY WERE CUT DOWN FOR FUEL.

THE WELL-SHADED WOODS PICNICKERS NOW ENJOY ARE THE RESULT OF REAFFORESTATION AFTER THE WAR AS WELL AS NATURAL REGENERATION OF MANY OF THE BROADLEAVED SPECIES. THE MORE COMMON OF THE TREES SEEN ARE THE CHINA RED PINE, BRISBANE BOX, SCHIMA, GORDONIA, IVY TREE AND ROSE MYRTLE.

THESE WOODS ARE FREQUENTED BY BIRDS SUCH AS THE GREATER CONCAL, HWAMEI, MAGPIE-ROBIN, MAGPIE, CRESTED MYNAH AND KINGFISHER, BESIDES THE BLACK-EARED KITE WHICH ARE OFTEN SEEN FLYING AROUND THE ABERDEEN UPPER AND LOWER RESERVOIRS.

OCCASIONALLY, THE UNOBTRUSIVE VISITOR MAY ALSO CATCH A GLIMPSE OF THE BARKING DEER, FERRET-BADGER, PANGOLIN, OR SQUIRREL, OR EVEN ENCOUNTER A PYTHON.

THE AREA IS PLEASANT FOR WALKING AND HIKING, PARTICULARLY DURING SPRING WHEN THE HILLSIDES ARE FLUSH WITH RED AND BRIGHT GREEN FOLIAGE.

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A WIDE VARIETY OF PLANTS AND WILD LIFE AND MANY FINE VIEWS CAN BE SEEN ALONG THE WALKS AROUND THE RESERVOIRS. THE SHORTEST OF THESE WALKS IS ABOUT 1.9 KM (1.2 MILES) AND THE LONGEST 5.3 KM (3.3 MILES).

ACCESS TO THE PARK WILL BE FURTHER IMPROVED TO ENCOURAGE MORE PEOPLE TO GO TO ENJOY THE COUNTRYSIDE THERE= AND MORE FACILITIES, INCLUDING A NATURE TRAIL, WILL BE PROVIDED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE INCREASING NUMBER OF VISITORS.

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LIST OF TOWN PLANS PUBLISHED

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A LIST OF PLANS PREPARED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD IS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE FOR GENERAL INFORMATION.

THE LIST, IN THREE CATEGORIES, INCLUDE PLANS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL, PLANS REFERRED BACK TO THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD FOR AMENDMENT OR REPLACEMENT, AND DRAFT PLANS EXHIBITED BY THE BOARD FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.

CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE APPROVED PLANS ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION FREE OF CHARGE AT THE LAND OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING).

COPIES OF THE APPROVED AND DRAFT PLANS MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED FROM THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD.

THE LIST OF PLANS IS PUBLISHED TWICE YEARLY IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

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GOVERNOR VISITS SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE FAMILY

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, THIS AFTERNOON PAID A VISIT TO A FAMILY LIVING IN A CONVERTED FLAT AT BLOCK 16 OF THE RE-DEVELOPED LOWER SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE DURING A TOUR OF SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT.

THE OCCUPANTS OF THE FLAT, MR. LAM AND HIS MOTHER, FORMERLY LIVED IN AN OLD MARK I UNIT NEARBY WHICH IS BEING RE-DEVELOPED. THEIR PRESENT 120 SQ. FT. FLAT, AT A MONTHLY INCLUSIVE RENT OF \$75, IS SELF-CONTAINED WITH PRIVATE KITCHEN AND TOILET FACILITIES.

DURING HIS VISIT SIR MURRAY ENQUIRED ABOUT THE WORK AND LIVING CONDITIONS OF MR. LAM, AND THE TIME HE TAKES TO GET TO HIS CARTON FACTORY ON TSING YI ISLAND.

EARLIER WHILE ON HIS WAY TO THE FLAT, SIR MURRAY MET SOME OF THE SHOP KEEPERS ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE BLOCK AND ASKED THEM ABOUT THEIR BUSINESSES.

HE ALSO HAD AN ON-THE-SPOT BRIEFING BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HOUSING (WEST), MR. D.I. MCINTOSH, ON THE SHEK KIP MEI CONVERSION AND REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME, WHILE THEY STOOD IN THE CORRIDOR OF THE FLAT LOOKING ACROSS TO THE CONSTRUCTION WORKS.

WHEN THE FINAL PHASES OF THE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME ARE COMPLETED, THERE WILL BE SIX NEW DOMESTIC BLOCKS FOR 12,000 PEOPLE, A LARGE COMMERCIAL COMPLEX, PARKING FOR MORE THAN 500 CARS, A WELFARE HALL, A PRIMARY SCHOOL, A KINDERGARTEN, AND RECREATION AREAS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A NINE STOREY WORKSHOP WITH 390 UNITS FOR THE OPERATION OF SUITABLE TRADES, AND A CITY DISTRICT SUB-OFFICE IN ONE OF THE NEW BLOCKS.

BEFORE VISITING THE ESTATE, THE GOVERNOR WENT UP TO THE ROOFTOP OF CHEUNG YUEN BUILDING IN YEN CHOW STREET, IN THE COMPANY OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS, MR. GUS CHUI, TO SURVEY THE MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS TAKING PLACE OR BEING PLANNED IN THE DISTRICT, AND TO NOTE THEIR PROGRESS AND ANY DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED.

SIR MURRAY WAS BRIEFED BY THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. CANICE MAK, ON THE RECLAMATIONS ALONG THE SEA FRONT, BETWEEN PEI HO STREET AND KIU KIANG STREET IN SHAM SHUI PO, AND BETWEEN FAT TSEUNG STREET AND HING WAH STREET, IN CHEUNG SHA WAN.

BOTH PROJECTS ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO STAGES. STAGE ONE OF THE RECLAMATION AT SHAM SHUI PO IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY NEXT YEAR AND WILL PROVIDE SITES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS, A FERRY PIER AND CONCOURSE, A CIVIC CENTRE, A SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND A COMMUNITY CENTRE. THE FERRY PIER AND CONCOURSE ARE ALREADY TAKING SHAPE ON THE RECLAMATION.

AT CHEUNG SHA WAN, SEA BED FOUNDATION WILL BE COMPLETED BY THIS MONTH AND THE NEW LAND TO BE FORMED FOR STAGE I HAS BEEN RESERVED FOR A WHOLESALE MARKET, REFUSE COLLECTION POINT, LORRY PARKING SPACES, COOKED FOOD STALLS, GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND A HOUSING ESTATE WITH RECREATIONAL AREAS ON ITS PODIUM.

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A PROPOSED WEST KOWLOON ROAD CORRIDOR, LINKING KOWLOON AND TSUEN WAN, WILL RUN THROUGH THE RECLAMATIONS.

THE GOVERNOR WAS ALSO EXPLAINED THE PROJECTED USES OF THE SHAM SHUI PO ARMY CAMPS WHICH ARE TO BE REVERTED TO THE GOVERNMENT. THE SEGMENT NORTH OF LAI CHI KOK ROAD IS PLANNED FOR A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE, OR POSSIBLY FOR A TIME, MTR WORKS, IN CASE THE TSUEN WAN MTR EXTENSION PROJECT IS APPROVED AND GIVEN PRIORITY. THE AREA TO THE SOUTH OF THE ROAD WILL BE USED FOR TWO NEW SCHOOLS, A SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX AND OPEN SPACE AND GAMES AREA.

BEFORE ENDING THE AFTERNOON'S VISIT, SIR MURRAY MET A GROUP OF LOCAL KAIFONG, AREA COMMITTEE AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES AT THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, AND HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM ON PROBLEMS IN THE AREA.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

EXHIBITION ON TEACHING METHODS

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AN EXHIBITION AIMED AT INTRODUCING THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE APPROACH AND PROCESS OF LEARNING WILL BE HELD FOR THREE DAYS BEGINNING ON MONDAY (JULY 18) AT THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, GASCOIGNE ROAD, FROM 9.30 A.M. TO 4.30 P.M. DAILY.

THE EXHIBITION IS ORGANISED BY THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WITH THE HELP OF VARIOUS SCHOOLS THAT USE THE +ACTIVITY APPROACH+ IN TEACHING.

MRS. MAGDALEN CHOW, PRINCIPAL OF THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND FORMALLY OPEN THE EXHIBITION, WHICH WILL FEATURE TEACHING MATERIALS AND AIDS, PUPILS' WORKS AND REFERENCE MATERIALS.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 A.M. ON MONDAY.

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RECLAMATION FOR CULTURAL CENTRE AT TSIM SHA TSUI

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS TO BEGIN WORK EARLY NEXT YEAR TO RECLAIM ONE HECTARE OF LAND AT TSIM SHA TSUI WHICH WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE SITE OF THE KOWLOON CULTURAL CENTRE.

AUTHORITY IS NOW BEING SOUGHT FOR RECLAIMING NEW LAND EAST OF KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER, WHICH WILL TIE IN WITH RECLAMATION TO THE EAST, PROVIDING A CONTINUOUS BELT OF RECLAMATION ALONG THE OLD WATERFRONT UP TO THE NEW DEVELOPMENT NOW BEING CONSTRUCTED AT THE SITE OF THE OLD HOLTS WHARF.

NOTICES TO THIS EFFECT ARE PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE, WHICH STIPULATE THAT OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM TODAY.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED IS ALSO DESCRIBED IN THE NOTICE (IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE).

ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE. THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

WORK ON THE RECLAMATION WILL COMMENCE EARLY NEXT YEAR, AND IT WILL TAKE BETWEEN 12 AND 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURAL CENTRE, WHICH IS BEING BUILT BY THE P.W.D. ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE, WILL COVER A 4.37 HECTARES SITE ON KOWLOON PENINSULA.

WORK ON SOME STAGES OF THE CULTURAL CENTRE HAS ALREADY BEGUN.

THE MAIN BUILDING WORKS FOR THE NEW PLANETARIUM ARE DUE TO BE COMPLETED TOWARDS THE END OF NEXT YEAR.

CHIEF P.W.D. ARCHITECT, MR. JOSEPH LEI, SAID TODAY THAT FOUNDATION WORKS COSTING NEARLY \$2 MILLION HAD ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED ON THE 7,600 SQUARE METRE PLANETARIUM SITE WHICH IS ON PART OF THE FORMER KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY TERMINUS.

THE DOMINANT FEATURE OF THE PLANETARIUM BUILDING WILL BE THE LARGE, EGG-SHAPED DOME STRUCTURE HOUSING THE SKY THEATRE, WHERE AUDIENCES OF BETWEEN 350 AND 400 WOULD MAKE IMAGINERY TRIPS INTO SPACE.

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NEW QUARRY AT PICNIC BAY
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TENDERS WILL BE INVITED NEXT YEAR FOR THE OPERATION OF A NEW QUARRY AT PICNIC BAY ON LAMMA ISLAND.

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY ITS INTENTION TO BUILD A SEAWALL AT KOK TUNG WAN ON THE NORTHERN SHORE OF THE BAY, AND RECLAIM ABOUT 7.3 HECTARES OF LAND WHICH, INITIALLY, WILL BE USED AS A WORKS SITE FOR THE NEW QUARRY.

THE SENIOR ENGINEER OF THE QUARRIES SECTION OF THE P.W.D.'S CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE, MR. DICK PILLING, SAID TODAY THAT THE MATERIAL USED FOR RECLAMATION WOULD BE THE OVERBURDEN FROM THE SITE AND UNSUITABLE MATERIAL FROM THE QUARRY.

THE CONTRACT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE QUARRY WOULD BE FOR TEN YEARS AND WHEN IT EXPIRES, THE LAND WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR GOVERNMENT USE.

MR. PILLING EMPHASISED THAT STRICT CONDITIONS WOULD BE LAID DOWN FOR THE OPERATION OF THE QUARRY AND THE REHABILITATION OF THE SITE.

+NO WORK AT ALL WILL BE PERMITTED ON SUNDAYS OR PUBLIC HOLIDAYS,+ MR. PILLING SAID,+AND STRINGENT CONTROLS WILL BE PLACED ON BLASTING AND DUST EMISSION FROM THE QUARRY WHEN IT IS OPERATING.+

WHEN THE EXCAVATION IS COMPLETED, THE AREA WILL BE LANDSCAPED, TREES AND OTHER VEGETATION PLANTED, AND ALL SIGNS OF THE INDUSTRY REMOVED.

STONES FROM THE QUARRY WILL BE TRANSPORTED BY BARGE FROM LAMMA ISLAND.

MR. PILLING SAID THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT THE SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR WOULD ALSO DECIDE TO PRODUCE MANUFACTURED SAND AT PICNIC BAY BECAUSE THE GRANITE FOUND THERE WAS SUITABLE FOR THE PURPOSE.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTIFICATION IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE WHICH CALLS UPON ALL PERSONS HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR ANY CLAIM OR PRIVATE RIGHT TO SUBMIT SUCH OBJECTIONS AND/OR CLAIMS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS, FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTIFICATION.

THE NOTICE (IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE) WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE. THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE, ISLANDS, 4TH FLOOR, INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, 141 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

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WORK TO ABATE RIVER FLOODING HAZARDS IN TUEN MUN
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WORK ON TRAINING ANOTHER SECTION OF THE RIVER IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN TO REDUCE FLOODING HAZARDS IS TO START SOON ALONG WITH LAND FORMATION WORK THERE TO PROVIDE SITES FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FOR 7,000 PEOPLE.

THESE ENGINEERING WORKS FORM PART OF A SERIES OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS TO IMPROVE THE EXISTING RIVER THAT RUNS THROUGH THE NEW TOWN AND TO PROVIDE DEVELOPMENT SITES FOR PRIVATE HOUSING THAT WILL EVENTUALLY ACCOMMODATE SOME 20,900 PEOPLE BY 1984.

A NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THE TWO PROJECTS WOULD BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AND WOULD TAKE ABOUT TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

HE SAID THE RIVER TRAINING WORKS WOULD COVER THAT SECTION OF THE RIVER FROM TUEN MUN SAN HUI TO THE NORTHERN END OF THE NEW TOWN TO PROTECT THE LOW-LYING AREAS ALONG THE RIVER BANKS FROM FLOODING.

THE PROJECTS WILL INVOLVE THE RESUMPTION OF ABOUT 210,694 SQUARE METRES OF PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL LAND AND 334 SQUARE METRES OF PRIVATE BUILDING LAND.

A ONE MONTH'S NOTICE OF THE RESUMPTION IS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID OWNERS OF PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL LAND WOULD BE OFFERED THE ALTERNATIVE OF CASH COMPENSATION OR LAND EXCHANGE ENTITLEMENT DOCUMENTS.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL PAY COMPENSATION FOR CROPS, FRUIT TREES, BEEHIVES, FISHPONDS AND WELLS, ALONG WITH EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCE TO CULTIVATORS.

EX-GRATIA 'DISTURBANCE ALLOWANCE' FOR DISPLACED PIGBREEDERS COULD ALSO BE PAID, HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID 191 TEMPORARY DOMESTIC STRUCTURES, MOSTLY ON CROWN LAND AND OCCUPIED BY 132 FAMILIES, WOULD HAVE TO BE CLEARED.

+THESE FAMILIES, IF FOUND ELIGIBLE, WILL BE OFFERED PUBLIC HOUSING IN TUEN MUN, AND THOSE INELIGIBLE FOR PUBLIC HOUSING WILL BE OFFERED TEMPORARY HOUSING,+ HE SAID.

THE CLEARANCE WOULD ALSO INVOLVE 646 ANCILLARY TEMPORARY STRUCTURES, HE ADDED.

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112 PASS LICENTATE EXAM PART III

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THE LICENTATE COMMITTEE OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT 112 CANDIDATES HAVE PASSED THE FINAL PART OF THE LICENTATE EXAMINATION FOR UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS WHILE 30 OTHERS HAVE FAILED.

THIS PART OF THE EXAMINATION, HELD BETWEEN JULY 4 AND 8, WAS AN ORAL EXAMINATION OF ABILITY TO APPLY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE TO CLINICAL PROBLEMS. CANDIDATES WERE GIVEN A 30 MINUTE EXAMINATION BY TWO PANELS OF EXAMINERS IN EACH OF THE THREE DISCIPLINES -- MEDICINE, SURGERY AND OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY.

THE 30 CANDIDATES WHO FAILED MAY RESIT THE EXAMINATION NEXT YEAR AND ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXAMINATION BOARD, THOSE WHO FAILED IN ONE SUBJECT WILL BE REQUIRED TO RESIT ONLY THAT SUBJECT. CANDIDATES FAILING IN TWO SUBJECTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RESIT THE WHOLE OF THIS PART OF THE EXAMINATION.

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WILL NOW BE REQUIRED TO UNDERGO A PERIOD OF ASSESSMENT AND TRAINING OR EXTERNSHIP IN HOSPITALS APPROVED BY THE MEDICAL COUNCIL.

AN EXTERNSHIP WILL NOT NORMALLY EXCEED 18 MONTHS AND WILL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE SIX-MONTHLY PERIODS DEVOTED TO THE VARIOUS MEDICAL SPECIALTIES. EXTERNSHIPS ARE DUE TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR IN HOSPITALS APPROVED BY THE MEDICAL COUNCIL.

AFTER COMPLETING THEIR EXTERNSHIPS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE LICENTATE COMMITTEE, CANDIDATES WILL BE GRANTED THE LICENCE OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG WHICH WILL ENTITLE THEM, SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS OF THE MEDICAL REGISTRATION ORDINANCE, TO APPLY FOR FULL REGISTRATION TO PRACTISE MEDICINE IN HONG KONG.

REGISTRATION WILL CONFER ON THEM THE SAME RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN HONG KONG AS OTHER QUALIFIED DOCTORS HERE BUT WILL NOT CONFER ANY RIGHT TO REGISTER OR SEEK REGISTRATION ELSEWHERE. CANDIDATES WHO PASSED IN THE RECENT EXAMINATION WILL BE ADVISED SHORTLY OF THE PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING, AND DETAILS OF, THEIR EXTERNSHIPS.

THE PASS LIST OF CANDIDATES SUCCESSFUL IN ALL PARTS OF THE LICENTATE EXAMINATION THIS YEAR IS:-

CHAN HING KIN, ANDREW	CHAN KIT CHING	CHAN KWOK YAN
CHAN SHEK HOI	CHAN TSE PUI	CHAU PAK YIN
CHEN MING YUN	CHEN WING MING	CHENG CHAK TAK
CHENG KIM TO	CHENG YIN HONG	CHEUNG KWAN SING
CHEUNG LOK MAN	CHEUNG TZE LAM	CHIANG CHAY KUNG
CHING YUEN	CHOI CHUN WAH	CHOU WHA SAN, VALIANT
CHOW MO PING	CHOW YAM CHUNG	CHU CHUN HEE

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CHUNG QUIN YUEN	DAI SOTER	ESPEGREN, OLAV
FANG HUA	FANG YUNG DA	HO CHAO HUNG
HO CHIH KUAN	HO HING LAN	HO KIN CHUNG
HUANG CHUNG HSIAN	HUANG CHUNG MING	HUI KAM WAH
HUI WEI LEE	IO SIO HONG	KING YEE MING
KWAN YUEN YING	KWOK PING SUM	LAI LAP TUNG
LAM TIEN FU	LAU CHO YEE	LAU TEH SHAN
LAU TUEN YEE	LAW KWONG WAI	LEE CHEOW SENG
LEE KAI LAM	LEE KWOK MAN	LEE MAY CHU
LEE TSING, DAVID	LEE YUEN SIN	LEONG KWAI FONG
LEUNG KING YUK	LI CHI KAN	LEUNG YAT WAI, JOHN
LI WAI LANG	LIANG TUNG SIANG	LIEOU PEI TCHENG
LIM LONG KIAT	LIN SHU KUEI	LO GAU MAN
LO WOON YIN	LO YUN YEE	LUK CHEUNG KAN
LUK SHING ON	MA SZE	MA, WILSON
MU LIE LIAN	NG CHIU HUNG	NG HON CHUN
NG TO KA	NGAI HING LUN	NGAN PANG
PANG CHI SHING, FREDERICK		PHANG SHU SUM
POON WAI CHU	PUI YAU MING	SHEUNG KWONG WAH
SHIAO KUO CHIANG	SIU TIN KAN	SUEN WAI WAI
TAM KWOK WAH	TAN TEE HUAH	TEOH CHAN CHING HAAN
TSO SIU CHING	TSUI CHOR LUEN	TSUI MAN SHING
WAN TIN YIM	WOO CHIH HSIANG	WONG BAN CHO
WONG CHI YAN	WONG SHING CHUNG	WANG SIU CHEN
WONG SO YUEN	WONG WING KEUNG	WONG WING YAU
WU BUN FAI	WU JEIT PAN	YAN BING KUEN
YAN KIN WING	YAU CHI WANG	YAU KWOK FAI
YAU PAK WAI	YAU PUI SHING	YAU SHUI CHEONG
YEH SAW CHING	YEUNG KAI HEI	YEUNG SHING HONG
YONG LIEW YIN	YUE JANG SWIE	YU KWOK YIN, SAMUEL
YUNG KA PING	YUNG KIN SING	

PESTICIDES ORDINANCE IN FORCE TODAY

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THE AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES ORDINANCE 1977 WHICH COMES INTO OPERATION TODAY STRENGTHENS CERTAIN CONTROL MEASURES REGARDING THE IMPORT, SALE AND SUPPLY OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES.

UNDER THE NEW ORDINANCE, WHICH IS BASICALLY AN EXTENSION OF THE PHARMACY AND POISONS (AGRICULTURAL POISONS) REGULATIONS, ANY PERSON WHO IMPORTS A PESTICIDE MUST APPLY FOR A LICENCE FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, AND ALSO APPLY FOR REGISTRATION OF THE PESTICIDE IF IT IS NOT YET REGISTERED, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED.

A REGISTER OF AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES WILL BE MAINTAINED IN TWO PARTS. PART I CONTAINS PESTICIDES OF LOW TOXICITY WHICH MAY BE SOLD FREELY. PART II CONTAINS MORE TOXIC PESTICIDES WHICH WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS. EXTREMELY TOXIC PESTICIDES WILL NOT BE REGISTERED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IN ORDER TO ASSIST WITH ROUTINE IMPORTATION OF PESTICIDES WHICH ARE CONSIDERED RELATIVELY SAFE, THE DEPARTMENT HAD REGISTERED 26 PART I PESTICIDES, WHICH MAY BE IMPORTED FREELY BY LICENSEES.

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION OF PESTICIDES, ISSUE OF LICENCES AND PERMITS AND CONDITIONS FOR STORAGE, LABELLING AND PACKAGING OF PESTICIDES ARE, HOWEVER, LAID DOWN IN THE AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDES REGULATIONS.

UNDER THE REGULATIONS CONTAINERS FOR PESTICIDES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, AND MAY BE OF METAL, GLASS OR PLASTIC.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID: +IF THEY ARE MADE OF GLASS OR PLASTIC, THEY MUST BE FLUTED VERTICALLY WITH RIBS OR GROOVES. THIS IS SO THAT, EVEN IN POOR LIGHT, THEY CAN BE IMMEDIATELY DISTINGUISHED FROM CONTAINERS FOR FOOD AND DRINK SUCH AS SOY SAUCE AND BEER. THE LABELS ON PESTICIDES MUST CONTAIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF INFORMATION BOTH IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE.

+THE INFORMATION REQUIRED INCLUDES, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE COMMON AND CHEMICAL NAMES OF THE PESTICIDE AND ITS PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION, THE NET WEIGHT OR VOLUME OF THE CONTENTS, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SELLER, AND DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS ON THE USE OF THE PESTICIDE, PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN AND ANTIDOTE OR FIRST AID TREATMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT IN CASES OF POISONING.+

THESE REQUIREMENTS WOULD GREATLY IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF LABELLING OF MANY PESTICIDES AND WOULD BE OF CONSIDERABLE BENEFIT TO THE USERS, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

TRADERS IN PESTICIDES WILL BE GIVEN SIX MONTHS FROM TODAY TO APPLY FOR THEIR LICENCES, AND TO PREPARE SUITABLE CONTAINERS AND PROPER LABELS.

ALL ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 393 CANTON ROAD, KOWLOON, OR BY TELEPHONE TO THE PLANT AND PESTICIDE REGULATORY UNIT AT TEL. 3-688111 EXT. 209.

FRIDAY, JULY 15, 1977

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PLB STAND IN EDINBURGH PLACE (EAST)

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ANOTHER PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT EDINBURGH PLACE (EAST) IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING STAND WITH EFFECT FROM 10 A.M. ON MONDAY (JULY 18).

THE EXTENT OF THE NEW STAND WILL BE INDICATED BY APPROPRIATE SIGNS AND ROAD MARKINGS.

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