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GOVERNOR RETURNS FROM PEKING

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, RETURNED FROM PEKING THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON AFTER ATTENDING THE SIXTH ROUND OF THE SINO-BRITISH TALKS ON THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG.

+I THINK YOU WILL HAVE SEEN THE COMMUNIQUE -- AGAIN BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT THE TALKS HAD BEEN USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE,+ HE TOLD REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT.

SIR EDWARD SAID HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING MR RICHARD EVANS, BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO PEKING (DESIGNATE), WHO ARRIVED IN HONG KONG YESTERDAY.

+HE WILL BE MEETING QUITE A LOT OF PEOPLE, INCLUDING THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, AND OF COURSE I WILL TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO GO OVER THE SITUATION VERY FULLY WITH HIM,+ HE SAID.

+SIR PERCY CRADOCK COMES NEXT WEEK TO SAY HIS FAREWELLS, AND I AM SURE WE WILL HAVE ANOTHER TALK THEN.

+THEN THERE IS ANOTHER WEEK BEFORE THE TALKS RESUME ON DECEMBER 7 AND 8, AND OF COURSE WE SHALL BE MAKING THE USUAL CAREFUL PREPARATION FOR THAT ROUND,+ HE SAID.

SIR EDWARD WAS MET AT THE AIRPORT BY THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY, MR DENIS BRAY, THE SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG, THE SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR ROGER LOBO, AND THE VICE-CHIEF EDITOR OF THE XINHUA NEWS AGENCY (HONG KONG BRANCH), MR TAN GAN.

ACCOMPANYING THE GOVERNOR ON HIS RETURN TRIP WERE THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR ROBIN MCLAREN, AND THE GOVERNMENT CHIEF INTERPRETER, MR Y.P. CHENG.

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\$58M WATER TREATMENT CONTRACT SIGNED

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WATER SUPPLY TO TSUEN WAN WILL BE INCREASED BY UP TO 160 000 CUBIC METRES A DAY WHEN THE FIRST STAGE OF A TREATMENT WORKS CLOSE TO THE NEW TOWN IS COMPLETED IN 18 MONTHS, THE DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR TOM TOMLINSON, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

MR TOMLINSON WAS SPEAKING AT THE SIGNING OF A \$56.8-MILLION CONTRACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE WORKS WHICH WILL PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 250 000 CUBIC METRES OF WATER DAILY WHEN THE SCHEME IS COMPLETED.

/THE CONTRACT, .....

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THE CONTRACT, THE SIXTH AND LARGEST, HAS BEEN AWARDED TO NISHIMATSU CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD. BESIDES BUILDING THE TREATMENT WORKS, THE COMPANY WILL ALSO CONSTRUCT A SERVICE RESERVOIR AND PUMPING STATION.

WORK WILL START NEXT MONTH AND BE COMPLETED IN MAY 1985.

THE FIRST CONTRACT FOR SITE FORMATION WORK WAS AWARDED JUST OVER TWO YEARS AGO.

MR TOMLINSON SAID THE NEW TREATMENT WORKS WOULD ENABLE A 40 PER CENT INCREASE OVER CURRENT DEMAND TO BE MET.

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE MR Y. YANAGISAWA, WHO SIGNED THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY, AND MR ROBERT ARMISTEAD FROM BINNIE AND PARTNERS (HK), CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE PROJECT.

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SCHOOL LEAVERS URGED TO HELP BUILD COMMUNITY  
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THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) URGED SCHOOL LEAVERS TO SHARE AND SHOULDER THE BURDEN AND PRESSURE OF DAILY LIVING IN +THIS EXCITING CITY+ OF HONG KONG.

SPEAKING AT THE SPEECH DAY OF DIOCESAN GIRLS' SCHOOL, HE TOLD THE GRADUATES THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO CHOOSE WHETHER TO LEAD A MATERIALISTIC, SELF-CENTRED LIFE OR TO JOIN THOSE WHO ARE WORKING TO BUILD A NEW COMMUNITY.

+FOR YOU THERE IS NO QUESTION OF DEPARTURE, YOUR HOMES ARE HERE, YOUR FUTURE IS HERE,+ HE SAID.

+WE MUST NOT, WE WILL NOT, FALTER IN OUR RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO BUILD A FULL AND HAPPY LIFE FOR OUR PEOPLE BY USING THE IMAGINATION, ENTERPRISE AND DETERMINATION WHICH HAS BROUGHT US TO THE PROMINENT POSITION WE ENJOY TODAY.

+WE WILL SUCCEED TOMORROW AS WE DID YESTERDAY.+

NOTING THAT HONG KONG IS NOT THE ONLY PLACE IN THE WORLD FACED WITH A POPULATION EXPLOSION, MR AKERS-JONES SAID: +WE MUST NOT LET THAT ASPECT OF CHANGE IN HONG KONG DOMINATE OUR THOUGHTS.

+BUT I BELIEVE WE HAVE COPEd WITH THE PRESSURES BETTER THAN MOST SOCIETIES.

/+WE HAVE .....

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+WE HAVE DONE SO DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE HAD TO ADAPT TO THE REPETITIVE PROCESS OF MASS PRODUCTION AND WORK IN INDUSTRY.

+WE HAVE SUCCEEDED BEYOND BELIEF, HAVE FOUND MARKETS FOR OUR PRODUCTS AND IN DOING SO, HAVE ACHIEVED A STANDARD OF LIVING WHICH IS HIGHER THAN MOST PLACES IN ASIA.

+OUR COMMUNITY IS STRONG AND HAS WITHSTOOD THE IMPACT OF ACCELERATED, ALMOST VIOLENT CHANGE FOR A MIXTURE OF REASONS: THE STRENGTH OF TRADITION, ATTITUDES TO ONE ANOTHER, OUR METHOD OF CONFRONTING DIFFICULTIES AND RESOLVING PROBLEMS BY DISCUSSION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION, OUR UNIQUE SYSTEMS OF CONSULTATION, A CONFIDENCE IN OUR ABILITY TO MASTER NEW SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES NECESSARY FOR SURVIVAL AND TO SUCCEED WHERE OTHERS HAVE FAILED, AND A THIRST ALMOST AN OBSESSION, FOR EDUCATION.+

LOOKING BACK AT THE COMMUNITY HONG KONG PEOPLE HAVE BUILT, HE ADDED: +WE HAVE PROVIDED HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS AND WORK FOR THE WORKLESS.

+WE HAVE FACED HARDSHIPS TOGETHER : HOUSING SHORTAGES, DROUGHT AND FLOOD, TYPHOON, FIRE AND SICKNESS.

+WITHOUT NATURAL RESOURCES WE HAVE CREATED WITH HUMAN INGENUITY AND ENTERPRISE A COMPLEX, MODERN SOCIETY AND ONE OF THE GREAT TRADING AND FINANCIAL CENTRES OF THE WORLD.+

MR AKERS-JONES ALSO REFERRED TO THE LLEWELLYN REPORT AND SAID: +I WOULD LIKE TO RE-ASSURE YOU ALL THAT IT IS NOT A REPORT WHICH WILL BE FORGOTTEN.+

+IT ASKS A SERIES OF QUESTIONS AND ERECTS SOME GUIDE POSTS, BUT WE, THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG, HAVE TO FIND SENSIBLE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS AND FIND OUR WAY FROM GUIDE POST TO GUIDE POST.

+OUR TASK WHEN LOOKING AT THE LLEWELLYN REPORT IS TWO-FOLD: WE HAVE TO DECIDE HOW TO GIVE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE THE BEST EDUCATION WE CAN AND WE HAVE TO BUILD THE BRIDGE TO THE WORLD AS STRONGLY AS WE CAN.

+BY DOING SO, WE RETAIN AND STRENGTHEN THE CONTRIBUTION WE CAN MAKE AS A PLACE, AS A PEOPLE, AS A COMMUNITY, TO THE MEETING OF EAST AND WEST AND TO THE WIDER WORLD COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

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HK EDUCATION PRODUCES WORLD BEATERS: HAYE  
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THERE CANNOT BE TOO MUCH WRONG WITH AN EDUCATION SYSTEM WHICH CONSTANTLY PRODUCES WORLD BEATERS, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR COLVYN HAYE, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE SPEECH DAY OF ST. MARK'S COLLEGE, MR HAYE ADDED THAT BY WORLD BEATERS HE MEANT BOYS AND GIRLS WHO COULD +HOLD THEIR OWN IN INTERNATIONAL COMPANY.+

+THIS HAS NOT COME ABOUT THROUGH CHANCE OR LUCK,+ HE SAID. +IT HAS HAPPENED BECAUSE WE HAVE DEDICATED TEACHERS, LIVELY AND HARD-WORKING CHILDREN AND A FUNDAMENTALLY SOUND EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.+

TALKING ABOUT THE EDUCATION SYSTEM, MR HAYE SAID THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG HAD DONE MUCH OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS OF WHICH THEY COULD BE PROUD.

NOTING THAT THE SCHOOL SYSTEM WAS IN A SHAMBLES AFTER WORLD WAR II, MR HAYE SAID HONG KONG HAD TO START FROM SCRATCH TO BUILD IT UP AGAIN.

+WE HAD HARDLY STARTED WHEN WE WERE SUBJECTED TO THE FIRST OF MANY GIANT WAVES OF IMMIGRATION.

+EDUCATIONAL PLANNING BECAME A NIGHTMARE,+ HE RECALLED.

+THE SHEER VOLUME OF YOUNG PEOPLE DEMANDING THE MOST ELEMENTARY EDUCATION LED TO MASSIVE SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAMMES AND IT WAS TO OUR IMMENSE CREDIT THAT WE WERE ABLE TO SAY BY 1971 THAT EVERY PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILD WHO WANTED AT LEAST SIX YEARS' EDUCATION COULD GET IT FREE.+

+THEN BY 1978, WE WERE ABLE TO SAY THE SAME THING OF EVERY CHILD WHO WANTED JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION,+ MR HAYE SAID.

MR HAYE STRESSED THAT THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION WAS HOWEVER, NOT FORGOTTEN.

+SCHOOLS TODAY HAVE MORE TEACHERS, BETTER TRAINED TEACHERS, A WIDE AND LIBERAL CURRICULUM, THE BENEFIT OF SPECIALIST ADVICE AND SERVICES, A VARIETY OF AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS INCLUDING A WORLD FAMOUS EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION SERVICE, AND THEY PRODUCE BOYS AND GIRLS WHO ARE WORLD BEATERS,+ HE ADDED.

MR HAYE ALSO NOTED THAT MUCH OF THE SUCCESS ACHIEVED IN OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM HAD BEEN THE RESULT OF TRULY EFFECTIVE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE SCHOOLS, THEIR MANAGEMENT AND SPONSORING ORGANISATIONS, AND THE GOVERNMENT, IN PARTICULAR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

+IT IS A SYSTEM WE BELIEVE MUST BE MAINTAINED AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE IMPROVED. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT IT CAN BE, GIVEN CONTINUING UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION BY ALL OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ROLES OF THE COMPONENTS OF THE SYSTEM.+

HE EMPHASISED THAT +THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL CERTAINLY CONTINUE TO PLAY ITS PART BY PROVIDING AS MUCH SUPPORT AS IT CAN, NOT ONLY TO ST. MARK'S BUT TO ALL THE SCHOOLS WITHIN THE AREA OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY.+

SHIPPING STATISTICS SYSTEM EXPLAINED  
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A SPECIAL REVIEW ARTICLE ON +SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS OF HONG KONG+ IS PUBLISHED IN THE SEPTEMBER 1983 ISSUE OF THE HONG KONG MONTHLY DIGEST OF STATISTICS, NOW ON SALE.

IT DEALS WITH THE SYSTEM FOR COMPILING SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS DEVELOPED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT EARLY THIS YEAR.

THE STATISTICS ARE COMPILED ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN GENERAL DECLARATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT AND OCEAN CARGO MANIFESTS. THEY ARE USEFUL FOR ANALYSING VESSEL UTILISATION, PORT UTILISATION, MOVEMENT OF COMMODITIES BETWEEN HONG KONG AND OTHER PORTS, FREQUENCY OF SERVICES RENDERED BY VARIOUS SHIP TYPES, TYPES OF SHIPPING SERVICE, AS WELL AS TYPE AND VOLUME OF CARGO TRANSHIPPED IN HONG KONG.

THE SYSTEM CONTAINS THREE BASIC FILES TO STORE INFORMATION ON SHIP CHARACTERISTICS, VOYAGE AND COMMODITY MOVEMENT, LINKED TOGETHER BY SOME VOYAGE IDENTIFICATION KEYS. FOUR SERIES OF TABULATIONS ARE PRODUCED BY THIS SYSTEM, NAMELY, SHIPPING STATISTICS, PORT-BY-CARGO STATISTICS, CARGO-BY-PORT STATISTICS AND TRANSHIPMENT STATISTICS.

DETAILED SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE +HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS+ QUARTERLY REPORT.

FURTHER DETAILS ON THE HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS SYSTEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE REVIEW ARTICLE.

THE HONG KONG MONTHLY DIGEST OF STATISTICS MAY BE PURCHASED FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG AT \$25 PER COPY.

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TEACHERS TO HEAR LATEST ON SMOKING HEALTH HAZARD  
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MORE THAN 380 TEACHERS FROM SECONDARY SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG WILL BE ATTENDING A SEMINAR ON THE HEALTH HAZARDS OF SMOKING AT THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 19).

THE SEMINAR IS AMONG SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE ANTI-SMOKING PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN STEERING COMMITTEE TO DISCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY SCHOOL CHILDREN, FROM SMOKING.

IT IS THE SECOND SEMINAR ORGANISED SPECIFICALLY FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

THE HALF-DAY SEMINAR AIMS AT IMPARTING THE LATEST ANTI-SMOKING INFORMATION TO TEACHERS TO HELP THEM COMMUNICATE MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH STUDENTS.

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IT WILL BE OPENED BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR GEOFFREY BARNES, IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE.

AT THE SEMINAR, A NEW ANTI-SMOKING KIT WILL BE FORMALLY INTRODUCED TO THE TEACHERS AS AN IMPORTANT TEACHING AID.

THE SEMINAR WILL INCLUDE TALKS BY MEDICAL EXPERTS ON +SMOKING AND HEALTH+, +SMOKING AND WOMEN+, +SMOKING AND CANCER+ AND +HOW TO TEACH CHILDREN ABOUT SMOKING AND HEALTH+. THE TALKS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY PANEL DISCUSSIONS.

AMONG THE SPEAKERS WILL BE DR S.M. KONG OF THE HONG KONG HEART FOUNDATION, DR JUDITH MACKAY OF THE UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL, DR RUDY KHOO OF THE HONG KONG ANTI-CANCER SOCIETY AND DR ANNE CHARLTON OF THE MANCHESTER REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR CANCER EDUCATION.

DR CHARLTON HAS VAST EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH CHILDREN ON CANCER EDUCATION, AND IS COMING TO HONG KONG SPECIALLY FOR THE SEMINAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ANTI-SMOKING SEMINAR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE HELD AT KESWICK HALL, HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC AT 9 AM ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 19).

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF KESWICK HALL AT 8.50 AM. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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SHA TIN ARTS FORTNIGHT TO START NEXT MONTH  
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THIS YEAR'S SHA TIN ARTS FORTNIGHT, FEATURING 23 ITEMS OF CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, WILL BEGIN ON DECEMBER 17.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE VARIETY SHOWS, DRAMAS, DANCES, CANTONESE OPERAS, PUPPET SHOWS, ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS, A CAROL PARADE, A CELEBRITY POP CONCERT AND AN EXHIBITION ON CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY.

THE ARTS FORTNIGHT, NOW IN ITS THIRD YEAR, WILL COST \$500 000, OF WHICH \$300 000 COMES FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (WEDNESDAY), THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ARTS FORTNIGHT'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR BENJAMIN NG, SAID THE EVENT WAS TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL GROUPS, PROMOTE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AMONG RESIDENTS AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, AND ENHANCE THE SENSE OF DISTRICT IDENTITY.

/LOCAL ORGANISATIONS .....

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS TAKING PART WILL INCLUDE THE DISTRICT BOARD CHILDREN'S CHOIR, THE SHA TIN CHINESE ORCHESTRA, THE CANTONESE OPERA TRAINING CLASS AND DANCE AND DRAMA GROUPS.

OTHER PERFORMING GROUPS WILL BE THE POP ORCHESTRA, THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, THE HONG KONG DANCE COMPANY, THE HONG KONG REPERTORY THEATRE, THE HONG KONG ACADEMY OF BALLET, AND THE PAN-ASIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.

POSTAL BOOKING FORMS FOR SOME PROGRAMMES AND BROCHURES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE AT THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY HOUSE AND ITS SUB-OFFICE AT LEK YUEN ESTATE.

TICKETS RANGING FROM \$8 TO \$80 WILL BE ON SALE FROM DECEMBER 1.

ADMISSION TO MOST OF THE ARTS FORTNIGHT PROGRAMMES IS FREE AND TICKETS FOR EACH SHOW WILL BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS FROM DECEMBER 1 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE SUB-OFFICE.

ENQUIRIES ON THE FESTIVAL CAN BE MADE AT 0-6065456.

THE ARTS FORTNIGHT IS BEING ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE SHA TIN ARTS ASSOCIATION, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MUSIC OFFICE, RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE, AND SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

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FIRST NT SLAUGHTER HOUSE TO BE OPENED  
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THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING OF THE FIRST MODERN PRIVATE ABATTOIR IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 18).

THE TSUEN WAN SLAUGHTER HOUSE, LOCATED ON A 10 000 SQUARE-METRE SITE AT WING SHUN STREET, KWAI CHUNG, WILL BE OPERATIONAL SHORTLY AFTER THE OFFICIAL OPENING.

IT HAS AN INITIAL SLAUGHTERING CAPACITY OF 2 000 PIGS PER DAY, AND IS EXPECTED TO MEET IN FULL THE DEMAND OF THE RAPIDLY-GROWING POPULATION OF KWAI CHUNG, TSUEN WAN AND TUEN MUN.

MODERN MECHANISED EQUIPMENT WILL BE USED FOR THE HYGIENIC SLAUGHTERING AND DRESSING OF ANIMALS.

A TEAM OF SPECIALLY TRAINED NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT HEALTH INSPECTORS WILL BE PERMANENTLY STATIONED AT THE PRIVATE ABATTOIR AFTER THE OPENING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE TSUEN WAN SLAUGHTER HOUSE AT 3 PM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 18).

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DB TO DISCUSS ELECTRONIC ROAD PRICING SYSTEM  
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KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE ELECTRONIC ROAD PRICING SYSTEM AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON.

A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY FROM THE TRANSPORT BRANCH MR M. J. CLANCY, WILL BRIEF MEMBERS ON THE OBJECTIVE, CHARACTERISTICS, ENFORCEMENT ASPECTS AND PROGRESS ON THE PILOT STAGE OF THE SYSTEM.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ENDORSE THE ALLOCATION OF \$100 000 TO CONSTRUCT A TEMPORARY MULTI-PURPOSE PLAYGROUND ON THE VACANT SITE AT THE JUNCTION OF CHUNG HAU STREET AND CARMEL VILLAGE STREET.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE HAWKER CONTROL PROBLEMS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE NEW TO KWA WAN MARKET AND THE BUILDING OF A TEMPORARY PUBLIC CAR-PARK AT THE JUNCTION OF LOK SIN ROAD AND CARPENTER ROAD.

TEN SEATS HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THOSE INTERESTED SHOULD TELEPHONE 3-7110171 EXT 24 FOR SEATING ARRANGEMENTS.

ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 18), THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE DISTRICT STRATEGY AT THEIR MEETING.

THEY WILL ALSO REVIEW THE BOARD'S +MEET THE PUBLIC+ SCHEME.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PUBLICITY DRIVE AGAINST FIRE HAZARDS  
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A MAJOR PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF FIRE HAZARDS WILL BE LAUNCHED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 18) AT 11 AM, IN THE GIS THEATRE, 5TH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

SPEAKERS AT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR T.D.C. GARDINER- DEPUTY CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR YIP YUK-LUN AND SENIOR HOUSING MANAGER OF THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, MR CHU CHAI-KUEN.

A DEMONSTRATION OF THE DANGERS OF FAULTY ELECTRICAL WIRING, WHICH IS THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN, WILL BE STAGED.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CONFERENCE.

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LABOUR SERVICES EXTENDED

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THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS DIVISION OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS SET UP A BRANCH OFFICE IN SHA TIN TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO INDUSTRIAL AND NON-INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS IN THE AREA AND THE ADJACENT AREAS.

SITUATED IN ROOM 212 KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY HOUSE, LEVEL 2, SHATIN STATION, THE OFFICE WILL START OPERATION TOMORROW (THURSDAY). THE OFFICE'S TELEPHONES ARE 0-6065523 (FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES) AND 0-6065564 (FOR SENIOR LABOUR INSPECTOR).

BESIDES SHA TIN, THE OFFICE ALSO SERVES TAI WAI, FO TAN, MA LIU SHUI, SIU LEK YUEN AND MA ON SHAN.

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LARGE-SCALE CLEAN-UP OF ISLANDS STARTING

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A LARGE-SCALE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT EXERCISE LASTING MORE THAN 18 MONTHS WILL BE LAUNCHED FOR THE FIRST TIME NEXT WEEK ON CHEUNG CHAU, PENG CHAU, LAMMA AND LANTAO ISLANDS.

INITIATED BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT'S STREET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND ENDORSED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE OPERATION WILL INVOLVE THE REMOVAL OF ILLEGAL CANOPIES, DEBRIS, REFUSE, GOODS AND ARTICLES WHICH ARE CAUSING OBSTRUCTIONS ON THE STREETS.

THE ISLANDS DISTRICT STREET OBSTRUCTION CLEARANCE PROJECT IS AIMED AT IMPROVING THE OVERALL ENVIRONMENT ON THESE ISLANDS. IT WILL BE CO-ORDINATED BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE AND INVOLVE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

THE FIRST CLEARANCE WILL BE CONDUCTED NEXT WEEK ON THE FIRST SELECTED ZONE ON CHEUNG CHAU, FROM THE FERRY PIER UP TO TAI SHEK HAU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

DETAILS OF THE PROJECT WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RAYMOND WONG, DURING A PRESS VISIT TO CHEUNG CHAU TOMORROW (THURSDAY) TO SEE THE CLEARANCE SITE.

PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO THE VISIT. A MARINE LAUNCH WILL LEAVE FOR CHEUNG CHAU AT 9.30 AM SHARP FROM THE MARINE DEPARTMENT PIER ON CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, NEXT TO THE OUTLYING ISLANDS FERRY PIER.

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FLYOVER TO BE CLOSED FOR RESURFACING

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THE SLIP ROAD LEADING FROM THE CANAL ROAD WEST FLYOVER TO GLOUCESTER ROAD WESTBOUND WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 11.30 PM TOMORROW (NOVEMBER 17) AND 6.30 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR ROAD RESURFACING.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE SLIP ROAD LEADING TO NORTH POINT, GLOUCESTER ROAD EASTBOUND, THE VICTORIA PARK ROAD FLYOVER AND GLOUCESTER ROAD WESTBOUND.

THESE MEASURES WILL BE REPEATED ON THE EVENINGS OF NOVEMBER 18, 19, 20 AND 21.

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TEMPORARY ROAD JUNCTION CLOSURE

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THE ROAD JUNCTION J-7 CONNECTING SOUTHBOUND TAI PO ROAD AND YUEN WO ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FROM 9.30 PM TO 5 AM DAILY FROM THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 17) FOR ABOUT THREE DAYS TO FACILITATE REPAIR WORK.

TRAFFIC HEADING FOR YUEN WO ROAD FROM TAI PO ROAD ARE ADVISED TO USE TAI PO ROAD AND SHA TIN RURAL COMMITTEE ROAD.

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