



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

Sunday, October 22, 1972

PRINCESS TO OPEN BRITISH INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION TOMORROW

Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra will tomorrow (Monday) open the first British Industrial Exhibition ever to be held in Hong Kong.

The Princess, accompanied by her husband, the Hon. Angus Ogilvy, will arrive at the Exhibition ground on the Wanchai reclamation at 3 p.m.

She will be greeted by the Senior British Trade Commissioner, Mr. T.W. Aston, and industrial and trade leaders in Hong Kong.

There are 60 stands of varying sizes, displaying a wide variety of British industrial products and services.

The Princess will make a tour of the stands after she has declared the exhibition open.

Earlier in the day, the Princess will pay a visit to Police Headquarters in Arsenal Street, where she will meet senior Police officials.

She will unveil a plaque at a newly-completed extension to Police Headquarters.

After the unveiling ceremony, she will go to the Arsenal Street Rank and File Married Quarters where she will visit one of the families living there.

From there, she will proceed to the Police Primary School on the ground floor where she will visit the classrooms and see children at play.

She will conclude her police visit by touring Wanchai Police Station, where she will meet officers and rank and file of the station.

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Note to Editors: Full details of the programme for the Princess' visit tomorrow (Monday) will be available for collection from 3 p.m. this afternoon at the G.I.S. Press Room, 6th floor, Beaconsfield House.

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PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR TOMORROW

Note to Editors: H.R.H. Princess Alexandra will visit Police Headquarters tomorrow morning and in the afternoon she will open the British Industrial Exhibition.

For the morning visit, Press representatives are asked to assemble at the Arsenal Street entrance to the Police Headquarters by 10.30 a.m. For the exhibition opening, they must be in position NOT LATER THAN 2.30 p.m. Photographers will be briefed regarding the tour of the exhibition stands.

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IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT OFFERS TELEPHONE REQUEST SERVICE

The enquiries section of the Immigration Department has recently introduced a telephone request service for those too busy to call personally at their offices to obtain various kinds of application forms.

The service, which began a few weeks ago, is already showing signs of growing popularity with members of the public.

Previously, requests for various types of application forms had to be made personally by intending applicants or their friends or relatives.

By taking advantage of the easy communication link provided by the telephone, it is now possible for busy working people to have the forms they want mailed to their homes or offices, at no expense to themselves.

All they have to do is to reach for the telephone, call 5-456065, ask for the enquiries section, and tell the enquiry officer their name and address and the form they have in mind.

The rest will be done by the staff of the department. It normally takes only a day or two for the forms to reach the address supplied by the applicant.

But a spokesman for the department warned those who wish to avail themselves of the service that they must tell the enquiry officer exactly and clearly what they want.

"This is to avoid misunderstanding and the consequent delay and frustration," he explained.

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He pointed out for example that application forms for the renewal of a passport are quite different from those for the replacement of a passport which has expired.

This new arrangement is part of a series of changes the department is making in an attempt to improve services to members of the public.

"Our ultimate aim is to make our service as simple, convenient and quick for the people as possible," the spokesman said.

The enquiries section, established in 1969, also provides as part of its daily routine a form filling service to those who find this undertaking forbidding.

At present, it is manned by six persons at the Immigration Department headquarters in International Building and by one person at each branch office.

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