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MORE NEW VOTERS REGISTERED

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A TOTAL OF 9,294 PEOPLE WERE REGISTERED AS NEW VOTERS IN THE 1978 URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION REGISTRATION AND SEXENNIAL INQUIRY, NEARLY THREE TIMES THAT OF THE PREVIOUS REGISTRATION CYCLE IN 1976.

ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED BY THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE TODAY, THE NUMBER OF RE-REGISTERED VOTERS IN THIS YEAR'S REGISTRATION EXERCISE STOOD AT 22,112, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE PROVISIONAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS TO 31,406.

THE REGISTRATION OFFICER FOR THE ELECTION, MR. KUO KET-CHEN, SAID THE NUMBER OF NEW VOTERS WHO WANT TO TAKE PART IN THE NEXT URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION IS ENCOURAGING.

HE SAID THAT CIVIL SERVANTS, TEACHERS AND RATE-PAYERS ARE THE LARGEST GROUPS OF REGISTRANTS, WHILE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF SCHOOL CERTIFICATE HOLDERS ALSO REGISTERED THIS YEAR.

MR. KUO ALSO URGED POTENTIAL ELECTORS WHO HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED TO APPLY FOR REGISTRATION FROM AUGUST 16 TO 31 WHEN THE PROVISIONAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS WILL BE OPEN FOR INSPECTION.

APPLICATIONS HAVE TO BE MADE IN PERSON DURING OFFICE HOURS AT THE ELECTORAL AND JURY SECTION OF THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE AT 4 SUNNING ROAD, KA CHEONG BUILDING, 7TH FLOOR, CAUSEWAY BAY.

DURING THIS PERIOD, PEOPLE MAY ALSO OBJECT TO THE INCLUSION OF ANOTHER PERSON'S NAME IN THE REGISTER OR APPLY TO CHANGE THEIR POLLING STATIONS, MR. KUO SAID.

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\$32 MILLION SHING MUN BRIDGE

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED A \$32 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DUAL 3-LANE, 190-METRE LONG, BRIDGE OVER SHING MUN RIVER TO GAMMON (H.K.) LTD.

THE CONTRACT, WHICH IS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ASSOCIATED SUBWAY, FOOT-PATHS AND CYCLE TRACKS.

THE SEVEN-SPAN SUPER-STRUCTURE WILL BE CARRIED BY A TOTAL OF SIX SUPPORTING PIERS, FOUR OF WHICH WILL BE LOCATED IN THE RIVER, AND TWO ABUTMENTS. THE PIERS WILL BE SUPPORTED BY A TOTAL OF 287 TUBULAR PILES, WHICH WILL BE DRIVEN TO DEPTHS OF UP TO 35 METRES INTO THE UNDERLYING STRATA.

THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS ARE MAUNSELL CONSULTANTS ASIA.

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SIR DENYS TO VISIT YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP

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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, WILL PAY A VISIT TO THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP 1978 AT ERSKINE CAMP, SAI KUNG, TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE CAMP, WHICH HAS A TOTAL OF 240 PARTICIPANTS, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE BRITISH FORCES.

SIR DENYS' VISIT WILL LAST FOR ONE HOUR FROM 10 A.M.

ON ARRIVAL, SIR DENYS WILL BE MET BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR YOUTH RECREATION, MR. NORMAN OEI- THE CAMP DIRECTOR, MAJOR W.B. DAVIS- AND THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICER, CAPTAIN R.G.A. BLAMIRE, OF ERSKINE CAMP.

DURING THE VISIT, SIR DENYS WILL TOUR THE CAMP AND WATCH A DEMONSTRATION OF A 14-FOOT-HIGH WALL CLIMBING BY THE GURKHAS.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE CAMP DIRECTOR, HE WILL ALSO WATCH AN ORIENTEERING BRIEFING DURING WHICH PARTICIPANTS OF THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP WILL BE TAUGHT BASIC MAP READING AND A NUMBER OF FILMS ON ORIENTEERING WILL BE SHOWN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE ACTING GOVERNOR'S VISIT TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT ERSKINE CAMP, SAI KUNG. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. A GOVERNMENT VAN WILL LEAVE BATTERY PATH OUTSIDE THE SUPREME COURT (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE VICTORIA DISTRICT COURT) CENTRAL AT 8.15 A.M. SHARP.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

CONTRACT FOR CONNAUGHT ROAD FOOTBRIDGE SYSTEM
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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WILL SIGN A \$14.4 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COVERED FOOTBRIDGE SYSTEM IN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

THE SIGNING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, 21ST FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, AT 2.30 P.M.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT.

TELEVISION CREWS ARE ASKED TO ARRIVE AT 2.15 P.M. SO THAT THEY WILL HAVE AMPLE TIME TO SET UP THEIR EQUIPMENT.

MR. L.K. HO, SENIOR ENGINEER, AND MR. PETER PEARSON, PROJECT ENGINEER, BOTH OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE'S CONSULTANTS MANAGEMENT DIVISION, WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH AFTER THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

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LEGO MEETING TOMORROW
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FOUR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL RAISE A TOTAL OF FIVE QUESTIONS ON VARIOUS MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST AT TOMORROW'S (WEDNESDAY) COUNCIL MEETING.

THE HON. LYDIA DUNN WILL ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT WILL INSTITUTE REGULAR CHECKS ON OLD AND ESPECIALLY PRE-WAR BUILDINGS TO MINIMISE THE DANGER TO RESIDENTS, IN THE LIGHT OF THE COLLAPSE OF SEVERAL OLD BUILDINGS DURING TROPICAL STORM AGNES.

THE HON. PETER C. WONG WILL ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE THAT THE PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY LEADING TO THE STAR FERRY PIER ON HONG KONG ISLAND HAS BECOME A FAVOURITE HAUNT FOR BEGGARS AND IF SO, WHAT ACTION IT WILL TAKE.

CONCERNING THE CLOSURE OF THE HUNG HOM MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK, THE HON. WONG LAM WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO STATE THE REASONS FOR THE CLOSURE AND WHETHER THERE ARE ANY PLANS TO PUT IT TO GOOD USE.

IN A SEPARATE QUESTION, MR. WONG LAM WILL ALSO ASK IF THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THE RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY VARIOUS COMMUNITY CENTRES ARE ADEQUATE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF NOT ONLY THE YOUNG BUT ALSO OF THOSE BELONGING TO THE OLDER AGE GROUPS.

DR. THE HON. HENRY HU WILL ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO CONSIDER STRENGTHENING ITS CONTROL OVER INDUSTRIAL NOISE.

ALSO ON THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA WILL BE THE RESUMED DEBATE ON TWO BILLS -- INLAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978 AND PROBATE AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978.

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VIEWS OF HONG KONG ON SALE
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AERIAL VIEWS OF HONG KONG ARE AMONG PHOTOGRAPHS ON VIEW TO THE PUBLIC IN A DISPLAY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE.

THE SELECTION OF BLACK AND WHITE PRINTS ALSO INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING FEATURES OF BOTH THE BUSY URBAN SCENE AND THE MORE TRANQUIL OUTLYING AREAS.

+THE AIM OF THE DISPLAY IS TO LET PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THE WIDE RANGE OF PICTURES WE CAN SUPPLY FROM OUR PHOTOGRAPHIC LIBRARY,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

ORDERS FOR ANY OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS ON SHOW CAN BE PLACED AT THE SALES COUNTER OF THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE WHICH IS ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE.

CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO TAKE THEIR PICK FROM A COMPREHENSIVE STOCK OF CONTACT PRINTS BY VISITING THE PHOTOGRAPHIC LIBRARY AT INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, GROUND FLOOR, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. PRINTS WILL THEN BE MADE TO ORDER.

THE PRICE RANGES FROM \$6 TO \$40, DEPENDING ON THE SIZE OF PRINT REQUIRED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT LOCAL PUBLISHING FIRMS, THE MEDIA, SCHOOLS, AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS ALREADY MAKE FREQUENT USE OF PICTURES OBTAINED FROM THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

+HOWEVER, WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC AT LARGE IS ALSO AWARE OF OUR PHOTO SUPPLY SERVICE,+ HE ADDED. +WE CAN SUPPLY PICTURES ON JUST ABOUT EVERY ASPECT OF LIFE IN HONG KONG, INCLUDING OFFICIAL VISITS BY MANY PROMINENT PEOPLE.

+WE CAN MAKE PHOTOGRAPHS LARGE ENOUGH FOR HANGING IN OFFICES OR FOR EXHIBITIONS AS WELL AS PRODUCING SMALLER PRINTS FOR FAMILY ALBUMS.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS, FOR WHICH THERE IS NO EXTRA CHARGE, ARE A PARTICULARLY GOOD BUY AS PEOPLE WOULD NEED THE USE OF A HELICOPTER TO TAKE THESE PICTURES FOR THEMSELVES.

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COLLECTION OF REGISTERED LETTERS
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THE POST OFFICE HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE MAXIMUM TIME ALLOWED FOR THE COLLECTION OF UNDELIVERABLE REGISTERED LETTERS FROM POST OFFICES HAD BEEN EXTENDED FROM SEVEN DAYS TO 14 DAYS AT THE END OF LAST MONTH.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POST OFFICE EXPLAINED THAT THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL TO CUSTOMERS AND RESULT IN FEWER REGISTERED ITEMS BEING RETURNED TO SENDERS.

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WATER CUT IN SHAM SHUI PO
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SIX HOURS FROM MIDNIGHT ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 10) TO 6 A.M. ON FRIDAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS IN THE AREA.

THE PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE BOUNDED BY CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD, BUTTERFLY VALLEY ROAD, KING LAM STREET, YEE KUK STREET, WING HONG STREET, YU CHAU STREET, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TAI NAN STREET AND TUNG CHAU STREET.

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REGISTRATION TEAM TO OPERATE IN STANLEY
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A TEAM FROM THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE WILL CONDUCT REGISTRATIONS IN STANLEY AT C.A.S. SUB-AREA HEADQUARTERS FOR THREE DAYS FROM AUGUST 16.

REGISTRATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN 9.30 A.M. AND 4.30 P.M. ON THESE DAYS.

THE VISIT IS TO ENABLE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN AND WARDS BETWEEN 11 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE FOR JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS AND HOLDERS OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS TO REGISTER FOR ADULT IDENTITY CARDS ON REACHING 18 YEARS OF AGE.

ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THE AREA ARE REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN FOR IDENTITY CARDS AND TO REPORT CHANGES OF EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES, MARITAL STATUS, OR ANY OTHER PARTICULARS WHICH HAVE CHANGED SINCE REGISTERING FOR THEIR IDENTITY CARDS.

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