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HONG KONG REVIEW BY GOVERNOR NEXT WEEK

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WILL REVIEW THE AFFAIRS OF HONG KONG WHEN HE OPENS THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION FOR 1980/81 ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 1).

THE PROCEEDINGS, WHICH WILL START AT 2.30 PM IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG CHANNEL 2 (CHINESE) AND CHANNEL 3 (ENGLISH).

THE TWO TELEVISION STATIONS AND COMMERCIAL RADIO WILL GIVE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOVERNOR'S REVIEW IN THEIR REGULAR NEWS PROGRAMMES.

ON OCTOBER 22, THE CHIEF SECRETARY WILL MOVE A MOTION TO THANK THE GOVERNOR FOR HIS ADDRESS AND UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL SPEAK ON THE MOTION THE SAME DAY AND THE FOLLOWING DAY (OCTOBER 23).

OFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE SCHEDULED TO REPLY ON NOVEMBER 12, AND IF NECESSARY, NOVEMBER 13 TO THE POINTS RAISED BY THE UNOFFICIALS.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL BE JOINED BY THEIR TWO NEWLY APPOINTED UNOFFICIAL COLLEAGUES IN THE NEW SESSION. THEY ARE THE HON. CHAN KAM-CHUEN AND THE HON. J.J. SWAINE.

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ROYAL NEW TERRITORIES TOUR

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HRH PRINCESS ALEXANDRA AND THE HON. ANGUS OGILVY, WHO ARRIVED IN HONG KONG LAST MONDAY FOR A PRIVATE VISIT, TOURED A NUMBER OF PLACES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES TODAY (SATURDAY) BEFORE DEPARTING FOR AUSTRALIA.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE GOVERNOR AND LADY MACLEHOSE, THE ROYAL COUPLE VISITED THE KOWLOON ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY'S POWER STATION AT TAP SHEK KOK IN TUEN MUN.

THEY WERE GREETED BY SIR LAWRENCE KADOORIE AND SIR SIDNEY GORDON, DIRECTORS OF THE KOWLOON ELECTRICITY SUPPLY CO. LTD. AND WERE BRIEFED BY THE SITE MANAGER, MR JACK WOODS, ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY WHILE ESCORTING THEM THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTION WORK OF THE POWER STATION.

THE NEW POWER STATION CONSISTS OF FOUR MAIN DUAL-PURPOSE (COAL/OIL-FIRED) UNITS, ONE OF WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE FINISHED IN 1982. WHEN COMPLETED ITS SERVICE WILL COVER KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES. THE GENERATING PLANTS ARE BRITISH MADE AND WILL FIRE COAL IMPORTED FROM CHINA.

AFTER LUNCH AT TAP SHEK KOK THEY FLEW BY HELICOPTER OVER TUEN MUN, TO SEE THE RAPID DEVELOPMENTS OF THE NEW TOWN.

/AT TOUCH

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AT TOUCH DOWN AT THE TSIM BEI TSUI POLICE POST, THE PRINCESS WAS MET BY THE ACTING DISTRICT COMMANDER OF POLICE (MARINE), MR DAVID HOLROYD WHO SHOWED HER HOW A POLICE SMALL BOAT UNIT WORKED IN ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION OPERATIONS.

THE PARTY THEN FLEW OVER THE MAI PO MARSHES TO MAN KAM TO.

THEY WERE MET BY THE COMMANDER GURKHA FIELD FORCE, BRIGADIER IAN CHRISTIE, THE NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER, MR MICHAEL ILLINGWORTH, THE OFFICER COMMANDING THE 6TH QUEEN ELIZABETH'S OWN GURKHA RIFLES, LT. COL. CHRIS BULLOCK AND THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE (FRONTIER), MR JOHN GREENE. THE ROYAL COUPLE WAS GIVEN A DETAILED BRIEFING ON THE BORDER OPERATIONS AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS BY THESE OFFICERS.

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SIR MURRAY TO MEET LORD CARRINGTON IN TOKYO
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WILL LEAVE FOR TOKYO ON MONDAY FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, THE RT. HON. LORD CARRINGTON.

SIR MURRAY WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG THE FOLLOWING DAY (TUESDAY).

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MORE RESETTLEMENT PLEDGES NEEDED
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, TODAY CALLED FOR FIRM PLEDGES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY FOR RESETTLEMENT PLACES FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES STILL IN HONG KONG.

SPEAKING AFTER A TOUR OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS REFUGEE TRANSIT CENTRE AT KAI TAK, SIR MURRAY STRESSED THAT THE PROBLEM OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES WAS AN INTERNATIONAL ONE AND IT WAS UP TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO SOLVE IT.

AT PRESENT, HE NOTED, HONG KONG HAD FAR MORE BOAT REFUGEES THAN ANY OTHER PLACE OF FIRST ASYLUM.

+THIS IS QUITE WRONG. MORE SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE FOR US,+ SIR MURRAY SAID.

HE SAID HONG KONG WAS EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO THE HOST COUNTRIES WHO HAD RESETTLED VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FROM HONG KONG-- THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND A WHOLE HOST OF OTHERS WHO HAD TAKEN SMALLER NUMBERS.

+BUT EXCEPT FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM WHO HAVE TAKEN THEIR REFUGEES ENTIRELY FROM HONG KONG, OTHERS HAVE PREFERRED TO TAKE FAR MORE FROM OTHER COUNTRIES,+ HE SAID.

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SIR MURRAY SAID THAT AT THE PRESENT RATE OF OFF-TAKE THE NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN HONG KONG BY THE END OF THE YEAR SHOULD BE DOWN TO ABOUT 20 000.

AT THE MOMENT, HE ADDED, WE HAVEN'T GOT FIRM PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR, AND THAT IS WHAT WE ARE AFTER AT THE MOMENT, HE ADDED.

DURING HIS TOUR OF THE TRANSIT CENTRE WITH LADY MACLEHOSE, SIR MURRAY NOTED THAT CONDITIONS IN THE CENTRE HAD GREATLY IMPROVED ALTHOUGH THERE WAS STILL SOME CROWDING.

SIR MURRAY AND LADY MACLEHOSE SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN THE CENTRE'S MEDICAL FACILITIES AND THE WORK BEING DONE IN THE NURSERY.

THE MEDICAL CENTRE, WHICH OPENED LAST DECEMBER, OFFERS A WIDE RANGE OF MEDICAL FACILITIES INCLUDING OUT-PATIENT, POST-NATAL AND DENTAL CARE.

SIR MURRAY AND LADY MACLEHOSE WERE ACCOMPANIED DURING THEIR TOUR BY THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR GEOFFREY BARNES, THE UNHCR CHARGE DE MISSION, MR JACQUES TERLIN, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS, MR CHENG TUNG-CHOY, THE SECRETARY OF THE HONG KONG RED CROSS, MR THOMAS SIN, AND MR HENRY LOKE, MANAGER OF THE TRANSIT CENTRE.

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SIR EDWARD YOUDE TO VISIT HONG KONG

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DEPUTY TO THE PERMANENT UNDER-SECRETARY AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE AND FORMER AMBASSADOR TO PEKING, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WHO IS ACCOMPANYING LORD CARRINGTON TO CHINA, WILL SPEND A FEW DAYS IN HONG KONG AFTER THE CHINA VISIT.

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CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTOR TO ATTEND MEXICO CITY CONFERENCE

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MR BRIAN KEEP, DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION, LEFT TODAY (SATURDAY) FOR MEXICO CITY TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE AIRPORT OPERATORS COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL (AOCI) OPENING ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 29).

AIRPORT AND AIRLINE OPERATORS AND THOSE IN THE AVIATION INDUSTRY WILL BE ATTENDING THE FIVE-DAY CONFERENCE.

VARIOUS ASPECTS OF AIRPORT AND AVIATION ECONOMIES AND POLICIES, AIR SERVICES AND AIR CAPACITY, AND AIRPORT ENERGY AND FUEL PROBLEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

MR KEEP WILL ADDRESS THE CONFERENCE ON AIR TRANSPORT MARKETING AND DEVELOPMENT, WITH THE EMPHASIS ON POLICIES AND PLANS FOR MARKETING THE AIRPORT AND DEVELOPING IT TO FULFIL TARGETS.

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\$6 MILLION FOR N.T. STUDY

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS COMMISSIONED A \$6 MILLION STUDY ON THE DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL OF THE NORTH WESTERN NEW TERRITORIES.

THE STUDY WILL COVER YUEN LONG DISTRICT AND THE AREA BETWEEN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN AND YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOUNDARY.

AN AGREEMENT ON THE STUDY, WHICH WILL TAKE NINE MONTHS TO COMPLETE, HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT ENGINEER OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT BRANCH OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MR C.R. SAUNDERS AND THE PROJECT DIRECTOR OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS, MR DUNCAN THOMAS.

ALL RELEVANT SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING FACTORS INCLUDING AGRICULTURE, FISHING, COUNTRY PARKS AND CONSERVATION AREAS, DISTRIBUTION AND FORM OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOUSING AND DIFFERENT TYPES OF URBAN AND RURAL CONCEPTS WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.

THE METHOD OF LAND ADMINISTRATION AND PRODUCTION OF LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT AND REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORT WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED.

AT THE END OF THE STUDY, THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS -- A CONSORTIUM OF OVE ARUP AND PARTNERS HONG KONG LIMITED, KAMPSAX KRUGER HONG KONG, KAMPSAX PERHALL LIMITED, MARTIN AND VOORHEES ASSOCIATES AND URBIS PLANNING DESIGN GROUP -- WILL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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FULL RANGE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR TUEN MUN

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TUEN MUN RESIDENTS WILL ENJOY A WIDE RANGE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES WHEN ALL FACILITIES IN THE NEW TOWN ARE COMPLETED IN 1985-86, TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BILLY LAM, SAID TODAY.

MR LAM WAS SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION OF SECOND TERM OFFICE-BEARERS OF THE TUEN MUN ARTS PROMOTION ASSOCIATION.

HE SAID TO COPE WITH THE POPULATION INCREASE, WORK ON VARIOUS MAJOR PROJECTS IN TUEN MUN HAD STARTED AND WAS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

A PROJECT CLOSELY RELATED TO THE ASSOCIATION'S WORK IS THE CIVIC AND CULTURAL CENTRE TO BE BUILT IN THE TOWN CENTRE.

WORK ON THE CENTRE WILL START NEXT YEAR. WHEN COMPLETED, THE AUDITORIUM WILL ACCOMMODATE 1 500 PEOPLE. IT WILL HAVE MUSIC PRACTISING ROOMS, CONFERENCE ROOMS, LECTURE ROOMS, AN EXHIBITION AREA AND A RESTAURANT.

IT WILL ALSO HOUSE GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND A LIBRARY, AND INCLUDE A CAR PARK, A BUS TERMINUS AND A MAGISTRACY.

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ON SPORTS, MR LAM SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD SOON BUILD A STANDARD SPORTS GROUND NEAR TAI HING ESTATE. IT WOULD INCLUDE A 400-METRE RUNNING TRACK, A SOCCER PITCH, TEMPORARY SPECTATORS' STANDS AND A CAR PARK, AND WAS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF 1981.

THE YAN OI TONG SPORTS AND COMMUNITY CENTRE NEAR TUEN MUN SAN HUI WAS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY 1982.

MR LAM SAID TENNIS COURTS AND BASKETBALL COURTS HAD BEEN COMPLETED RECENTLY IN TUEN MUN. THEY WERE BUILT TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL PEOPLE HAD ADEQUATE FACILITIES TO TAKE PART IN VARIOUS KINDS OF CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, HE SAID.

+I HOPE THE ASSOCIATION WILL CONTINUE TO SHOULDER THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROMOTING LOCAL ACTIVITIES AND INTRODUCE NEW ACTIVITIES,+ HE SAID. +I ALSO HOPE THAT THE ASSOCIATION WILL MEET THE NEED OF ALL PEOPLE, INCLUDING THE INDIGENOUS AND NEW RESIDENTS, AS WELL AS THE YOUNG AND THE OLD.+

MR LAM SAID THE ASSOCIATION, WITH THE SUPPORT OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, HAD ORGANISED DRAMA, DANCE, MUSIC, EDUCATION, RECREATIONAL AND TRAINING CLASSES SO THAT A SENSE OF BELONGING COULD BE PROMOTED AMONG LOCAL RESIDENTS.

THE ASSOCIATION, WHOSE WORK IS WELL WORTH SUPPORTING, IS NON-PROFIT MAKING. IT WAS SET UP IN 1978 UNDER THE AUSPICES OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE.

ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE ASSOCIATION ARE MAINLY FINANCED BY TUEN MUN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD WHICH HAS ALLOCATED MORE THAN \$182 000 FOR 1980/81.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION COMPRISE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS, PLUS LEADERS OF LOCAL CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS. STAFF FROM TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE ALSO HOLD HONORARY POSTS.

MR LAU WONG-FAT IS PRESIDENT AND MR CHOW MAN-PING CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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FARM WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE PROVES A SUCCESS

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POULTRY AND PIG FARMERS AT HUNG SHUI KIU RIVER IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ARE MAKING USE OF THE FARM WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS COULD PREVENT A RECURRENCE OF POLLUTION TO THE RIVER WHICH FLOWS THROUGH YUEN LONG AND TUEN MUN DISTRICTS.

HE SAID A DAILY AVERAGE COLLECTION OF ABOUT 4 550 CUBIC METRES OF FARM WASTE HAD BEEN RECORDED DURING THE LAST THREE WEEKS.

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THE FARM WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE WAS STARTED WITH AN INITIAL CLEAN-UP OF THE POLLUTED RIVER AND ITS CATCHMENT AREA ON SEPTEMBER 8.

ABOUT 100 PLASTIC CONTAINERS HAVE BEEN PLACED AT BIN SITES AND COLLECTION POINTS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF FARM WASTE WHICH IS COLLECTED DAILY BY NTSD VEHICLES.

HOWEVER, THE SPOKESMAN URGED FARMERS WHO HAVE FAILED TO HEED THE ADVICE FOR THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF POULTRY AND PIG WASTE TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE COLLECTION SERVICE TO IMPROVE THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE.

ON THE CLEAN-UP OF THE HUNG SHUI KIU RIVER, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT MORE THAN 100 LOADS (TOTALLING 300 TONNES) OF REFUSE, JUNK AND SOLID WASTE HAVE BEEN COLLECTED.

OF THE 4.7-KILOMETRE LONG RIVER, FOUR KILOMETRES HAVE BEEN CLEANED AND WATER IS NOW FLOWING SMOOTHLY AGAIN, HE SAID.

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ISSUE OF TAXI FARES CONVERSION TABLES

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT CONVERSION TABLES SHOWING THE EXISTING AND NEW METRIC FARES FOR TAXIS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE HONG KONG LICENSING OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, 2 MURRAY ROAD, HONG KONG FROM OCTOBER 13.

TAXI OWNERS SHOULD PRODUCE THEIR VEHICLE REGISTRATION BOOKS TO COLLECT THE TABLES AND OPERATORS WHOSE VEHICLES ARE ON HIRE-PURCHASE FROM FINANCE COMPANIES OR BANKS, SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THEIR PRINCIPALS FOR COLLECTION.

FINANCE COMPANIES OR BANKS COLLECTING CONVERSION TABLES ON BEHALF OF THEIR CLIENTS, OR TAXI ASSOCIATIONS COLLECTING ON BEHALF OF THEIR MEMBERS, SHOULD PRODUCE ORIGINALS OR CERTIFIED COPIES OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION BOOKS.

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT EMPHASISED THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION DATE OF THE NEW TAXI FARES WILL NOT BE UNTIL SUNDAY OCTOBER 19.

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SPECIAL CAR NOS. SALE BY AUCTION

THIRTY-FOUR SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING FOR \$921 200 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION AT CITY HALL SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER CH 8 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$200 000.

ANOTHER NUMBER CC 666 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$142 000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1 000 FOR AY 8773, CF 9960, CF 6168, CF 6138, CF 3001.

THE OTHER SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

CF 320	\$ 3 200	CG 38	\$ 9 000	CC 707	\$ 14 000
AS8838	12 000	CG1668	20 000	CG 1	73 000
AN1132	2 000	CF8328	6 000	CG8888	100 000
CE9088	3 000	HK 323	80 000	CF8168	3 000
CF 670	5 000	CF 83	12 000	CF3111	4 000
CG 448	6 000	8092	42 000	CF2899	4 000
CG 688	14 000	CF3268	4 000	CH 47	WITHDRAWN
CF1838	3 000	CF8833	19 000	CF 120	5 000
CH 10	57 000	CF 345	11 000	AA6446	6 000
4949	40 000				

THE NUMBER AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 57TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL MONEY FOR CHARITY SO FAR TO MORE THAN \$10 MILLION.

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TENDERS FOR DOUBLE TRACKING INVITED

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE DOUBLE TRACKING OF ANOTHER SECTION OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY BETWEEN TAI PO MARKET AND SHEUNG SHUI STATIONS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE PROJECT WAS AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE KCR MODERNISATION AND ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME.

IT CONSISTS OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WIDENED EMBANKMENT AND A SECOND TRACK OF ABOUT SEVEN KILOMETRES, AND THE WIDENING OF THREE EXISTING BRIDGES.

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ON COMPLETION, THERE WILL BE MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS TO BOTH PASSENGER AND FREIGHT CAPACITY TO MEET THE NEW REQUIREMENTS OF THE MODERN AND ELECTRIFIED RAILWAY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT IS THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS AND THE ERECTION OF A FENCE ALONG EACH SIDE OF THE TRACKS. THIS WILL ENSURE THE SAFE OPERATION OF THE ELECTRIFIED TRAIN SERVICE AND SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC IN VIEW OF INCREASED TRAIN SPEED AND FREQUENCY.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN NOVEMBER AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY LATE 1982.

THE WORK HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE PWD'S RAILWAY DIVISION ON BEHALF OF THE KCR.

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CANOEING COURSE FOR TEACHERS
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SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS HOLDING LIFE-SAVING BRONZE MEDALLIONS ARE INVITED TO JOIN A CANOEING PROFICIENCY COURSE TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.

THE COURSE, ORGANISED BY THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, IS TO ENABLE TEACHERS TO CONDUCT CANOEING CLASSES FOR SCHOOLS.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE TAUGHT CANOE HANDLING, SAFETY PRECAUTIONS, BASIC STROKES, CANOE REPAIRING, RESCUE PROCEDURE AND DRILL, AND WILL GO ON CANOEING EXPEDITIONS.

THE COURSE WILL BE HELD ON FOUR CONSECUTIVE WEEKENDS, FROM OCTOBER 18 AND 19 TO NOVEMBER 8 AND 9, AT THE TAI MEI TUK SCHOOLS SAILING AND CANOEING CENTRE, TAI PO.

CLASSES WILL BE HELD DAILY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM.

PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND ALL THE SESSIONS TO QUALIFY.

TEACHERS WISHING TO JOIN THE COURSE SHOULD APPLY TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (ATTN MR CHOY WING-CHEUNG), EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SEVENTH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON, ON OCTOBER 10.

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FIRING PRACTICE
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN/CASTLE PEAK RANGE NEXT WEEK FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 3).

PRACTICE WILL START AT 8 AM DAILY AND END AT 6 PM EXCEPT MONDAY AND TUESDAY WHEN IT STOPS AT 5 PM.

THE PUBLIC ARE REMINDED IT IS DANGEROUS TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING DURING PRACTICE TIMES.

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