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STRONG DEMAND FOR HOTEL WORKERS

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THE WORKFORCE OF THE HOTEL INDUSTRY ROSE BY ALMOST 20 PER CENT IN TWO YEARS FROM 19,000 IN 1985 TO 23,000 IN 1987, ACCORDING TO A VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL SURVEY.

THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED BY THE COUNCIL'S HOTEL, CATERING AND TOURISM TRAINING BOARD, ALSO FOUND THAT IN APRIL 1987, THERE WERE 700 VACANCIES IN THE HOTEL INDUSTRY COMPARED WITH 580 IN 1985.

THE REASONS FOR THE GROWTH IN MANPOWER DEMAND IN THE INDUSTRY WERE THE OPENING OF FIVE NEW HOTELS AND THE EXPANSION OF OLDER ONES WITHIN THAT PERIOD.

GIVEN THAT MORE HOTELS WERE BEING BUILT AND WOULD BE COMING INTO OPERATION IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS, THE BOARD ENVISAGED IN THE REPORT THAT THE MANPOWER DEMAND WOULD CONTINUE TO GROW WITH THE BULK AT OPERATIVE LEVEL.

PUTTING THE RATIO OF ROOM TO EMPLOYEE AT 1:1.4, THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES REQUIRED BY NEW HOTELS WOULD BE AROUND 5,000 IN 1988, 5,700 IN 1989 AND 1,700 IN 1990, THE BOARD NOTED.

TRAINING SCHEMES MODELLED ON SUCCESSFUL COURSES FOR THE TOURISM SECTOR WERE BEING PLANNED BY THE COUNCIL TO COMPLEMENT THE EXISTING TRAINING PROVISIONS, WHICH WERE APPARENTLY INADEQUATE IN MEETING THE GROWING TRAINING NEEDS, THE BOARD SAID.

DETAILED STATISTICS ON THE MANPOWER SITUATION ARE GIVEN IN THE 1987 MANPOWER SURVEY REPORT ON THE HOTEL INDUSTRY, WHICH IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL, AT \$45.50 A COPY.

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UK RAILWAY INSPECTING OFFICER ARRIVES

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A UK RAILWAY INSPECTING OFFICER INVITED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO EXAMINE THE SAFETY OF THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM FOR TUEN MUN AND YUEN LONG, HAS ARRIVED IN HONG KONG THIS (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON.

HE IS MR ALAN COOKSEY, DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTING OFFICER FROM THE UK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

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UNDER THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION ORDINANCE, WHICH ALSO GOVERNS THE OPERATION OF THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM, A CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED TO BE ISSUED BY THE RAILWAY INSPECTING OFFICER BEFORE THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM CAN BE ALLOWED TO CARRY GOODS AND PASSENGERS.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A PRESS BRIEFING WOULD BE ORGANISED AFTER THE RAILWAY INSPECTING OFFICER HAS COMPLETED HIS WORK.

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HK ORCHESTRA'S PERFORMANCE IN AUSTRALIA APPLAUDED

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A MATINEE BY THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA OF THE MUSIC OFFICE WON APPLAUSE FROM VISITORS TO THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA IN MELBOURNE TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE ORCHESTRA, IN AUSTRALIA ON AN 18-DAY CONCERT TOUR, ENTHRALLED THE AUDIENCE WITH RENDITIONS OF CLASSICAL AND MODERN COMPOSITIONS.

EARLIER, IN CANBERRA, THE ORCHESTRA PARTICIPATED IN THE 18TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF MUSIC EDUCATION. IT GAVE TWO CONCERTS WHICH WERE ATTENDED BY OVER 1,000 DELEGATES TO THE CONFERENCE.

THE ITINERARY FOR THE ORCHESTRA IN MELBOURNE INCLUDES TWO MORE CONCERTS, ONE OF WHICH WILL BE A JOINT PERFORMANCE WITH ORCHESTRAS OF TWO RENOWNED LOCAL SCHOOLS - PRESBYTERIAN LADIES COLLEGE (PLC) AND SCOTCH SCHOOL FOR BOYS - AT THE ROBERT BLACKWOOD HALL OF MONASH UNIVERSITY TOMORROW (MONDAY) AT 8 PM.

AN ENSEMBLE OF THE ORCHESTRA WILL ALSO PERFORM AT PLC ON TUESDAY (JULY 26).

THE ORCHESTRA WILL DEPART FOR SYDNEY ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 27). BESIDES HAVING MUSIC EXCHANGES WITH STUDENTS OF THE TURRAMURRA PUBLIC SCHOOL, KNOX GRAMMAR SCHOOL AND BARKER COLLEGE, IT WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL PRESENTED BY THE NEW SOUTH WALES STATE CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC.

SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN 1916, THE CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC HAS ESTABLISHED ITSELF AS A PREMIER MUSIC SCHOOL IN AUSTRALIA WITH A FINE INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION. THE CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL IS ORGANISED AS A BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ACTIVITY.

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ANOTHER HIGHLIGHT IS A JOINT PERFORMANCE WITH THE HONG KONG CHILDREN'S CHOIR AT THE SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE ON AUGUST 1.

THE FINAL STOP FOR THE ORCHESTRA IS BRISBANE WHERE IT WILL TAKE PART IN A SERIES OF MUSIC ACTIVITIES IN THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH ORCHESTRAS AND WORLD EXPO 88.

THE FESTIVAL ORGANISED BY THE QUEENSLAND YOUTH ORCHESTRA WILL BRING TOGETHER HUNDREDS OF YOUNG MUSICIANS FROM AROUND THE WORLD. THE FINEST YOUTH ORCHESTRAS FROM AUSTRALIA, HONG KONG, USA, GERMANY, NEW ZEALAND AND JAPAN WILL PARTICIPATE.

EACH ORCHESTRA WILL PRESENT A MAJOR CONCERT IN THE CONCERT HALL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS COMPLEX IN BRISBANE.

THE ORCHESTRA WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG ON AUGUST 5.

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12 MAJOR SPONSORS FOR 'CONSTABLE CARE' CAMPAIGN

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CONSTABLE CARE, A POLICE ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN FUNDED BY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, HAS REACHED ITS TARGET OF 12 MAJOR SPONSORS.

THE MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR CAMPAIGN SIGNED ITS LAST MAJOR SPONSOR THIS WEEK.

MAJOR SPONSORS FOR THE PROGRAMME ARE CATHAY PACIFIC, DHL, TOYOTA, CITIBANK, TOWNGAS, HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO., ESSILOR, CHUBB, AGFA, MOBIL, 7-ELEVEN AND DOW CHEMICALS.

EACH MAJOR SPONSOR HAS SUPPORTED THE CAMPAIGN TO THE TUNE OF \$125,000.

CONSTABLE CARE, A FRIENDLY CARTOON CHARACTER, WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR LI KWAN-HA, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON MAY 25 THIS YEAR.

THE CONSTABLE CARE CHARACTER HAS BEEN DEVELOPED WITH ASSISTANCE OF GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND JUNIOR POLICE CALL MEMBERS, AND WILL BE USED TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY.

THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE LAUNCHED IN SEPTEMBER INCORPORATING ALL THE TIME-TESTED PROMOTIONAL INGREDIENTS, INCLUDING POSTERS, BOARD GAMES, CALENDARS, STICKERS, COMPETITIONS, T-SHIRTS, CAPS AND SPECIAL EVENTS INVOLVING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

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"IN THE FIRST PHASE, THOUSANDS OF POSTERS, BOARD GAMES, BAGS AND COMPETITION ENTRY FORMS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG 890 SCHOOLS," SAID SPONSORSHIP SUPERVISOR, MISS DEBBIE PURDY.

"THE POSTERS WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYED AT POLICE STATIONS, GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND GOVERNMENT POSTER SITES TO CREATE HIGH AWARENESS.

"THIS EXTENSIVE, NON-STOP PROGRAMME WILL ENSURE CONTINUING INTEREST FROM THE CHILDREN AND SCHOOLS," SHE SAID.

"THE AIM IS TO GET ALL THE HALF MILLION PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN IN HONG KONG ENTERING ROAD SAFETY COMPETITIONS, USING ROAD SAFETY POSTER-CALENDARS, WEARING ROAD SAFETY T-SHIRTS AND CAPS AND PLAYING ROAD SAFETY GAMES AND, THEREFORE, THINKING ROAD SAFETY."

THESE PROMOTIONAL "GOODIES" ARE BEING FINANCED BY THE 12 MAJOR SPONSORS. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE CAMPAIGN WILL BE FUNDED BY OBTAINING SUPPORT FROM AS MANY LOCAL BUSINESSSES AS NECESSARY IN THE FORM OF MINOR SPONSORSHIPS.

"CHILDREN LOVE THESE KIND OF GIVE-AWAYS AND THE MORE WE CAN PROVIDE THE MORE OFTEN WE CAN GET ACROSS OUR SAFETY MESSAGE," SAID MISS PURDY.

"THE PROGRAMME WILL GET UNDERWAY LATER THIS YEAR WITH AN ONGOING SERIES OF SCHOOL VISITS BY POLICE ROAD SAFETY TEAMS USING A RANGE OF THE CONSTABLE CARE MATERIALS.

"WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR A SUITABLE VENUE - STADIUM OR LARGE OUTDOOR SPACE - TO STAGE A CONSTABLE CARE CARNIVAL. OUR AIM WILL BE TO INVITE, FREE OF CHARGE OF COURSE, THOUSANDS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN TO A DAY PACKED WITH FUN, ENTERTAINMENTS, GIVE-AWAYS AND LOTS OF ROAD SAFETY MESSAGES."

THERE ARE MORE THAN HALF A MILLION CHILDREN IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN HONG KONG. EVERY YEAR MORE THAN 3,000 ARE KILLED OR SERIOUSLY INJURED ON THE ROADS, SHE ADDED.

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CLEAN BEACH CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED TODAY

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CLEAN BEACH MESSAGES WERE BROADCAST TO MORE THAN A MILLION RADIO LISTENERS AND DISSEMINATED TO HUNDREDS OF BEACH-GOERS AT THE REPULSE BAY WHEN A SPECTACULAR CLEAN BEACH FUNCTION WAS HELD THERE TODAY (SUNDAY).

THE EVENT, ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, INCLUDED A MAGIC SHOW, A CONCERT, WHICH WAS BROADCAST LIVE BY THE COMMERCIAL RADIO, AND A CLEAN-UP BEACH OPERATION.

"SINCE THE AVERAGE AGE ON THIS BEACH IS WELL BELOW 30, EVERYBODY HERE HAS BEEN EXPOSED TO OUR EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS, BUT THEY STILL HAVE NOT TAKEN HOLD," SAID MR WALTER SULKE, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THERE WERE RUBBISH BINS EVERY NINE METRES ON THE BEACH, BEACH-GOERS WERE STILL TOO LAZY TO USE THEM, BUT JUST DUMPED THE RUBBISH ON THE BEACH.

"I DO HOPE THAT OUR NEW APPROACH ASKING EVERYONE TO PITCH-IN WILL HAVE BETTER RESULTS SO THAT IN A FEW YEARS WE MAY STILL HAVE A BEACH SHOW, BUT ONLY FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSE, AND NOT ONE TO EXHORT PEOPLE TO KEEP THEIR OWN BEACH CLEAN," MR SULKE ADDED.

TO ENCOURAGE MORE PARTICIPATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE EVENT, A CLEAN-UP OPERATION WAS ORGANISED.

AUXILIARY LITTER WARDENS OF THE URBAN COUNCIL JOINED HANDS WITH A TEAM OF THE MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT AND HUNDREDS OF BEACH-GOERS IN THE EXERCISE.

THE PARTICIPANTS WERE GIVEN GARBAGE BAGS TO PICK UP RUBBISH AND WERE AWARDED KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN T-SHIRTS AND ICE-CREAM CONES IN RETURN FOR THEIR EFFORT.

THE EVENT STARTED AT 1.15 PM WITH AN HOUR LIVE BROADCAST FROM 2 PM TO 3 PM. THE CONCERT FEATURED POPULAR ARTISTES AND DISC JOCKEYS IN VARIOUS MUSICAL PERFORMANCE.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED REGIONAL COUNCILLOR AND MEMBER OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, MR CARLOS CHEUNG; CHAIRMAN OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD, MR HUI YUNG-CHUNG; DISTRICT OFFICER (SOUTHERN), MRS MAUREEN CHAN; ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (LEISURE SERVICES) OF URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR I.B.I. PETERSEN; ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (PUBLICITY) OF GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES, MR PETER MOSS; AND EXECUTIVE PRODUCER OF COMMERCIAL RADIO, MISS BRENDA LO.

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PUBLIC URGED TO REPORT TRIAD ACTIVITIES

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TRIADS CAN ONLY BE ERADICATED WHEN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REPORT THEIR ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES TO THE POLICE, A MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER SAID TODAY (SUNDAY).

ADDRESSING THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ANTI-TRIAD CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MRS GRACE TAM, CHAIRMAN OF THE CAMPAIGN, SAID THAT COMBATTING TRIADS WAS A LONG AND DIFFICULT BATTLE.

"IT IS NOT ENOUGH JUST TO RELY ON THE POLICE ALONE TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS; MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN FIGHTING CRIME BY REPORTING TRIAD ACTIVITIES," SHE SAID.

"I BELIEVE THAT BY JOINING HANDS WE CAN BEAT THE TRIADS."

MRS TAM POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE HARM CAUSED BY TRIADS AND HAD BEEN MAKING USE OF ALL AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO COUNTERACT THE THREAT.

THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE HAD MADE "ANTI-TRIAD" THE MAIN THEME OF THIS YEAR'S PUBLICITY PROGRAMME, AND THE MONG KOK DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE HAD ORGANISED A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES TO PUT THE IDEA ACROSS.

AFTER HER SPEECH, MRS TAM AND THREE OTHER GUESTS, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG (MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER), MR LEUNG FUNG-SHUN (ACTING POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER) AND MR JACOB CHAN (CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE), PRICKED A BUNDLE OF BLACK BALLOONS TO SYMBOLISE THE ERADICATION OF TRIADS.

TO DRIVE HOME THE ANTI-TRIAD MESSAGE, JUNIOR POLICE CALL MEMBERS GAVE AWAY BALLOONS TO PEOPLE IN THE CROWD WATCHING THE OPENING CEREMONY WHICH WAS HELD AT THE JUNCTION OF SOY STREET AND SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET.

THEY THEN DISTRIBUTED ANTI-TRIAD STICKERS TO THE DISTRICT'S SHOP OWNERS TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO REPORT TRIAD NUISANCES OR BLACKMAIL.

A DISCO-NIGHT WILL BE HELD IN MONG KOK IN NOVEMBER TO FURTHER PUBLICISE THE ANTI-TRIAD MESSAGE.

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BUILDING MANAGEMENT AND FIRE SAFETY CAMPAIGN STARTS

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THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BUILDING MANAGEMENT AND FIRE SAFETY CAMPAIGN WAS LAUNCHED TODAY (SUNDAY).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY HELD IN THE HENRY G. LEONG YAU MA TEI COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS ALWAYS CONCERNED WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF PRIVATE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS.

"APART FROM REVIEWING AND AMENDING RELEVANT LEGISLATION, SUCH AS THE CRIMES ORDINANCE, TO REDUCE NUISANCE CAUSED BY PORNOGRAPHIC SIGNS AND VICE ESTABLISHMENTS, THE GOVERNMENT ALSO STRIVES TO PROMOTE RESIDENTS' PARTICIPATION IN MANAGING THEIR BUILDINGS."

"THE PRESENT CAMPAIGN, SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, AIMS AT PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE IN THE WORK AND MERITS OF GOOD BUILDING MANAGEMENT AS WELL AS FIRE SAFETY," MR CHENG ADDED.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WAS FOLLOWED BY AN EXHIBITION OF FIRE PREVENTION MEASURES AND FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT.

THE SECOND PART OF THE CAMPAIGN IS A SERIES OF TRAINING COURSES ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT STARTING NEXT MONTH. REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, BUILDING SURVEYORS, LAWYERS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS WILL SPEAK ON MANAGEMENT SKILLS AND RELEVANT LEGISLATION.

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S DIVISIONAL COMMANDER (SOUTH KOWLOON), MR AU BIG-LEUNG, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CAMPAIGN'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHAN YUK-MING.

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CLEAN BUILDING CAMPAIGN STARTS TOMORROW

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A TERRITORY-WIDE MULTI-STOREY BUILDING CLEAN-UP OPERATION WILL BE LAUNCHED TOMORROW (MONDAY) TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS OF MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS TO EXERCISE A NEIGHBOURHOODLY SPIRIT IN KEEPING THEIR RESIDENCE CLEAN.

THIS CLEAN-UP OPERATION IS ONE OF THE MAJOR OPERATIONAL PHASES OF THE 1988-89 KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN, ORGANISED BY THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE.

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE JOINT COUNCIL COMMITTEE SAID: "IT IS THE NEIGHBOURHOODLY SPIRIT THAT IS MOST ESSENTIAL TO THE EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF A MULTI-STOREY BUILDING'S CLEANLINESS AND MAINTENANCE.

"WE DO BELIEVE THAT IF PEOPLE WITHIN THE SAME BUILDING COMPLEX COULD TEAM UP AND SHOULDER THE RESPONSIBILITY ON A COLLABORATED BASIS, THE PROBLEM WOULD BE TOTALLY SOLVED."

HE ADDED THAT INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS SHOULD CONSIDER THE BUILDING'S COMMON AREAS, SUCH AS CORRIDORS, LIFT LOBBIES, STAIRCASES, CANOPIES, ROOFS, ETC AS PART OF THEIR HOME, SO THAT THEY WOULD FEEL OBLIGED TO MAINTAIN THESE AREAS IN GOOD ORDER.

DURING THE CLEAN-UP PERIOD, BOTH THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL DEPLOY ADDITIONAL STAFF TO ASSIST PEOPLE IN THE CLEAN-UP AND PROVIDE SPECIAL TRANSPORT TO FACILITATE HOUSEHOLDS IN DISCARDING JUNK AND REFUSE.

A SPECIAL TEAM OF HEALTH INSPECTORS WILL ALSO PAY VISITS TO SELECTED MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS, WHICH HAVE BEEN LISTED BY BOTH DEPARTMENTS AS PROBLEMATIC IN REGARD TO THEIR STATE OF CLEANLINESS.

THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN PHASES, STARTING WITH SIX KOWLOON DISTRICTS - KOWLOON CITY, KWUN TONG, MONG KOK, YAU MA TEI, WONG TAI SIN, AND SHAM SHUI PO.

THE HONG KONG PHASE WILL START IN OCTOBER TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES PHASE IN DECEMBER AND JANUARY.

RESIDENTS OF INDIVIDUAL DISTRICTS MAY CONTACT THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICES FOR DETAILS ABOUT THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION OR CALL THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS ON 5-8680000.

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INDUSTRIAL SURVEY IN WO HOP SHEK, ON LOK TSUEN

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A SURVEY ON INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN ON LOK TSUEN AND WO HOP SHEK, FANLING IS NOW BEING JOINTLY CONDUCTED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE NEW TERRITORIES NORTH EAST DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.

"THE QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY, WHICH STARTED IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS MONTH, WILL BE COMPLETED IN A MONTH," A NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IT IS INTENDED TO ASSESS THE EXISTING LAND USE AND TO IDENTIFY THE OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS, PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE AREA.

/A TEAM

A TEAM OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HAS BEEN EMPLOYED TO INTERVIEW OPERATORS OF SOME 200 INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

THE FINDINGS WOULD HELP THE GOVERNMENT FORMULATE MEASURES TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE NORTH DISTRICT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THE FINDINGS ARE EXPECTED TO BE READY IN SEPTEMBER, AND WILL BE DISCUSSED AT A MEETING OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE, INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE," HE ADDED.

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SOUTHERN DB COMMITTEE TO VET APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS
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THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD WILL FORM A VETTING GROUP TO HANDLE APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WISHING TO ORGANISE COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (MONDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR PUBLISHING THE DISTRICT BOARD REPORT, PRINTING POSTGRAMMES FOR THE BOARD'S "MY SUGGESTIONS TO SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD" SCHEME AND IMPLEMENTING THE DISTRICT'S ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO PROCESS A NUMBER OF OTHER APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY) IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, ABERDEEN CENTRE, 7-11 NAM NING STREET, ABERDEEN.

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL BLACK SPOTS TO BE ANNOUNCED

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FIVE ENVIRONMENTAL BLACK SPOTS AND FIVE MODEL PLACES OF GOOD ENVIRONMENT IN THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT IDENTIFIED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON TUESDAY (JULY 26) AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE DISTRICT'S WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY (WED) ACTIVITIES.

THE DISTRICT'S WED ACTIVITIES, ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD WERE AIMED AT PROMOTING THE CONCEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION THROUGH TWO COMPETITIONS - "SELECTION OF FIVE BLACK SPOTS AND FIVE MODEL PLACES" AND "ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME DESIGN COMPETITION" - WHICH HAD ATTRACTED MORE THAN 250 PARTICIPANTS.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT AND WORKS COMMITTEE, MISS ESTHER CHAN, WILL PRESENT MEMORIAL PLAQUES TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIVE MODEL PLACES AT THE CEREMONY.

MEANWHILE, WINNERS OF THE DESIGN COMPETITION WILL BE AWARDED PRIZES AND TROPHIES BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER.

ADJUDICATORS OF THIS COMPETITION WERE THE CHIEF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER OF THE URBAN AREA DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, MR DANNY MOK; A SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER, MR CHAU CHI-MING; AND MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WORKS COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT'S WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM ON TUESDAY (JULY 26) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 14TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

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NEW IDENTITY CARDS FOR WOMEN BORN IN 1967-69

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WOMEN BORN IN 1967, 1968 AND 1969 ARE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR NEW IDENTITY CARDS BETWEEN TOMORROW (MONDAY) AND AUGUST 26.

WOMEN OF THE ABOVE AGE GROUP SHOULD CALL AT ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT NEW IDENTITY CARD ISSUE OFFICES DURING THIS PERIOD.

THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ISSUED WITH THE NEW CARD SINCE JULY 1, 1987 NEED NOT APPLY AGAIN.

"ABOUT HALF OF THE FEMALE POPULATION BORN IN 1969 SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN ISSUED WITH THE NEW CARD WHEN THEY REACHED THE AGE OF 18 LAST YEAR. ONLY THOSE WHO ARE STILL HOLDING AN OLD TYPE CARD ARE REQUIRED TO RESPOND TO THIS CALL," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

"ONE OF THE MOST NOTICEABLE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE OLD AND THE NEW CARDS IS THAT THE ID CARD NUMBER IS PRINTED IN THE TOP RIGHT CORNER IN THE OLD ONE, BUT IN THE BOTTOM RIGHT CORNER OF THE NEW ONE."

THE NEW ID CARD ISSUE OFFICES ARE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 9.30 PM DAILY, EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

"IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE ISSUE OFFICES WILL BE VERY CROWDED IN THE EVENINGS.

"TO AVOID HAVING TO QUEUE UP AT THE ISSUE OFFICES OR TO COME BACK ON ANOTHER DAY, APPLICANTS ARE ADVISED TO GO TO THESE OFFICES IN THE MORNINGS AND AFTERNOONS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

APPLICANTS MAY ALSO MAKE USE OF THE PHONE-IN SERVICE TO ARRANGE FOR AN APPOINTMENT BY CALLING THE OFFICE OF THEIR CHOICE.

THE ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE ISSUE OFFICES ARE:

HONG KONG : BASEMENT, 151 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI.
TEL. NO. 5-747070

EAST KOWLOON : AMOY PLAZA, SECOND FLOOR, 77 NGÀU TAU
KOK ROAD.
TEL. NO. 3-7553679

WEST KOWLOON : CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SECOND FLOOR,
393 CANTON ROAD, YAU MA TEI.
TEL. NO. 3-7232424

TSUEN WAN : EAST ASIA COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,
29-37 TSUEN FU STREET.
TEL. NO. 0-4981259

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SHA TIN : SHATIN CENTRE, PODIUM FLOOR, 2-16 WANG POK STREET.
TEL. NO. 0-6059108

YUEN LONG : HOP YICK CENTRE, SECOND FLOOR, 31 HOP YICK ROAD.
TEL. NO. 0-793291

TUEN MUN : CHI LOK COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, CHI LOK FA YUEN.
TEL. NO. 0-4580862

SHEUNG SHUI : TSUEN WO TAI LAU, GROUND FLOOR, 82-84 SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEK WU HUI.
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"APPLICANTS NORMALLY NEED TO BRING ALONG THEIR EXISTING ID CARDS IF THEIR CARDS WERE FIRST REGISTERED NOT LESS THAN SEVEN YEARS AGO AND BEAR THE *** SYMBOL," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"HOWEVER, IF THE APPLICANT'S ID CARD WAS FIRST REGISTERED LESS THAN SEVEN YEARS AGO OR DOES NOT HAVE THE *** SYMBOL, SHE IS REQUIRED TO FURNISH MORE DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE ASSESSMENT OF HER RIGHT OF ABODE IN HONG KONG AND SUBSEQUENTLY HER ELIGIBILITY FOR A PERMANENT ID CARD.

"THE DOCUMENT MAY TAKE THE FORM OF TRAVEL DOCUMENT, HONG KONG BIRTH CERTIFICATE, HONG KONG NATURALISATION CERTIFICATE OR HONG KONG REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE, ETC."

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.