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SCHOOLS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN ASSESSMENT SYSTEM
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SCHOOLS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 1985 JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT SYSTEM SHOULD APPLY TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE MARCH 30 THIS YEAR, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

+PRIVATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS WHICH ARE NOT IN THE BOUGHT PLACE SCHEME AND WHICH CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE ARE REMINDED THEY MUST NOTIFY PARENTS THAT THEIR CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ALLOCATION TO SUBSIDISED FORM 4 PLACES,+ HE SAID.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT ALL GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS, AIDED SCHOOLS, NON-PROFIT-MAKING PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE BOUGHT PLACE SCHEME WILL PARTICIPATE NEXT YEAR.

SCHOOLS WHICH PARTICIPATED THIS YEAR ARE REQUESTED TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT IF THEY WISH TO CONTINUE TO DO SO IN 1985.

STUDENTS WHO WISH TO TAKE THE +SCALING TEST+ UNDER THE SCHEME MUST MAKE SURE THEY HAVE THEIR IDENTITY CARDS BEFORE SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AS THEIR I.D. NUMBERS WILL BE PRINTED ON THEIR JUNIOR CERTIFICATES OF EDUCATION.

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PARENTS URGED TO HAVE MORE CONTACTS WITH CHILDREN
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THE OBJECTIVE OF A CHILD CARE CENTRE IS TO HELP PARENTS BRING UP THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN AND NOT TO TAKE OVER THE RESPONSIBILITY OF FAMILY EDUCATION, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE (OPERATIONS), MRS EVELYN DOE, STRESSED TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE'S CHAK ON CHILD CARE CENTRE IN SHAM SHUI PO, SHE SAID THAT IT WOULD BE THE PARENTS AND THE FAMILY WHO WOULD HAVE THE MOST PROFOUND INFLUENCE ON YOUNG CHILDREN.

SHE URGED PARENTS TO HAVE MORE PERSONAL CONTACTS WITH THEIR CHILDREN TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR PROGRESS IN THE CHILD CARE CENTRE AND THEIR INTERESTS.

+CLOSE LIAISON AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PARENTS AND CHILD CARE WORKERS WILL ALSO HAVE POSITIVE EFFECT ON THE HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT OF A CHILD,+ SHE SAID.

THERE ARE 14 SUBVENTED DAY NURSERIES IN SHAM SHUI PO, PROVIDING A TOTAL OF 1 650 PLACES.

ANOTHER FOUR WITH 290 PLACES ARE PLANNED TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR SUCH SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT.

MRS DOE SAID THAT OVER THE PAST 20 YEARS, THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE HAD BEEN PROVIDING A VARIETY OF WELFARE SERVICES FOR THE LOCAL PEOPLE, INCLUDING SCHOOLS, YOUTH CENTRES, SOCIAL CENTRES FOR THE ELDERLY, STUDY ROOMS AND NURSERIES.

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PARKING METERS FOR MID-LEVELS

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A TOTAL OF 103 PARKING METERS ARE BEING INSTALLED AT MID-LEVELS TO REGULATE THE USE OF ON-STREET PARKING SPACES THERE.

THE NEW METERS AT BOWEN ROAD, MACDONNELL ROAD, HORNSEY ROAD, MAY ROAD, CASTLE ROAD AND COOMBE ROAD WILL BE OPERATIONAL FROM 8 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 5).

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DRIVERS GET ACCIDENT-FREE CERTIFICATES

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THIRTY-FOUR DRIVERS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) RECEIVED ACCIDENT-FREE CERTIFICATES FOR DRIVING.

PRESENTING THE CERTIFICATES AT KO SHAN THEATRE, THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, SAID THAT FRUSTRATION CAUSED BY SLOW-MOVING TRAFFIC WAS A MAJOR PROBLEM WHICH COULD LEAD TO AGGRESSIVE DRIVING AND THUS TO TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

THIRTY OF THE RECIPIENTS HAD AN ACCIDENT-FREE RECORD FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS AND FOUR FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

URGING DRIVERS TO BE DEFENSIVE IN THEIR DRIVING TO AVOID ACCIDENTS, HE SAID, +I AM REMINDED OF A NOTICE TO DRIVERS WHICH WAS DISPLAYED NEAR THE EXIT OF THE ARMY BARRACKS AT SEK KONG WHERE I ONCE LIVED. IT READ 'IT IS BETTER TO BE 30 MINUTES LATE IN THIS WORLD THAN 30 YEARS EARLY IN THE NEXT'.+

THE DEPARTMENT HAS A FLEET OF 400 VEHICLES OF VARIOUS TYPES, RANGING FROM REFUSE COLLECTION AND STREET-WASHING VEHICLES TO GULLY EMPTIERS AND MECHANICAL SUCTION SWEEPERS.

ON THIS FLEET OF EXPENSIVE VEHICLES, MR HEYWOOD SAID THAT THEIR USE WAS REGULARLY REVIEWED TO ENSURE THAT THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY WAS EFFICIENTLY EMPLOYED.

+IN THESE TIMES WHEN THE TERRITORY'S BUDGET IS IN DEFICIT, IT IS IN ALL OUR INTERESTS TO USE EXPENSIVE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT IN THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE MANNER.

+I THEREFORE APPEAL TO THE DRIVERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED GOOD COOPERATION IN HELPING MANAGEMENT TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES WHICH ARE BEING PROPOSED FOR THIS PURPOSE,+ HE SAID.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES MAKES DONATIONS

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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS RECENTLY DONATED PART OF THE PROCEEDS OF ITS 31ST AUTUMN FAIR TO VARIOUS CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS.

THE RECIPIENTS INCLUDED THE HONG KONG DISCHARGED PRISONERS AID SOCIETY, FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG, THE SALVATION ARMY, HONG KONG SEA SCHOOL, WORLD RELIEF, PRISONERS' FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION AND HONG KONG ARMY DOG UNIT.

THE DONATION WAS PART OF THE DEPARTMENT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS COMMUNITY SERVICES IN HONG KONG.

THE CHAIRMAN AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S SPORTS ASSOCIATION WHICH ORGANISED THE FAIR, OFFICIATED AT THE CHEQUE PRESENTATION CEREMONY HELD RECENTLY AT THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS.

DURING THE CEREMONY, THE RECIPIENTS THANKED THE DEPARTMENT FOR ITS DONATION AND SUPPORT.

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NOODLES AND EDIBLE OIL GO METRIC

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THE METRICATION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT INSTANT NOODLES WILL BE SOLD IN METRIC UNIT PACKAGES FROM NOW ON.

THE WEIGHT OF EACH NOODLE PACKAGE WILL BE MEASURED BY 'GRAM' INSTEAD OF CATTY OR POUND.

+AT THE SAME TIME, MANUFACTURERS OF EDIBLE OIL ARE ACTIVELY SUPPORTING THE METRICATION CAMPAIGN. THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PRODUCING 'KILOGRAM' CONTAINERS TO REPLACE THE NON-METRIC ONES,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMITTEE.

TO REMIND CONSUMERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PREPACKAGED FOODS AND DRINKS TRADE OF THE CHANGE-OVER FOR THESE TWO ITEMS, POSTERS HAVE BEEN PRODUCED FOR DISPLAY AT PROMINENT POSITIONS IN SUPERMARKETS, HOUSING ESTATES, DISTRICT OFFICES AND GOVERNMENT POSTER SITES.

THE PREPACKAGED FOODS AND DRINKS WORKING GROUP, FORMED IN SEPTEMBER 1981 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE CONSUMER GOODS AND SERVICES SECTOR COMMITTEE OF THE METRICATION COMMITTEE, HAS BEEN PROMOTING AND COORDINATING THE METRIC CONVERSION PROGRAMME OF THE FOODS AND DRINKS TRADE IN HONG KONG.

+WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE TRADE, IT IS HOPED THAT THE FOUR MAJOR TYPES OF PREPACKAGED FOODS, NAMELY RICE, EDIBLE OIL, NOODLES AND SUGAR, WILL COMPLETE THE 'GO METRIC' PROGRAMME BY THE END OF THIS YEAR,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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FIRING PRACTICE AT HA TSUEN - CASTLE PEAK
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN - CASTLE PEAK RANGE FOR FOUR DAYS NEXT WEEK.

THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE HOISTED.

THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE PRACTICE ARE:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
MARCH 5 (MONDAY)	8 AM - 11 PM
MARCH 6 (TUESDAY)	8 AM - 11 PM
MARCH 7 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 9 (FRIDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM

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POTTED PLANTS EXHIBITION IN TSUEN WAN
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A THREE-DAY EXHIBITION ON POTTED PLANTS WILL BE HELD IN THE TSUEN WAN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL FROM FRIDAY (MARCH 9).

ON DISPLAY WILL BE ALL ENTRIES FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES STUDENTS POTTED PLANT COMPETITION 1984. RESULTS OF THE CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND PRIZES PRESENTED AT THE SCHOOL ON THE SAME DAY.

BOTH THE COMPETITION AND THE EXHIBITION ARE JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CLEAN HONG KONG COMMITTEE'S MEI FA (BEAUTIFICATION) GROUP, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WITH THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES AS THE SPONSOR.

SOME 400 PLANTS HAVE BEEN ENTERED FOR THE COMPETITION BY 26 PRIMARY AND 25 SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO SEVEN SECTIONS. THERE IS ALSO A FLOWER ARRANGEMENT CONTEST FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS.

BOOK COUPONS WORTH A TOTAL OF \$10 000 WILL BE AWARDED TO THE TOP THREE WINNERS FOR EACH CATEGORY. IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE 10 MERIT PRIZES.

AN OPENING CEREMONY FOR THE EXHIBITION, ACCOMPANIED BY PRIZE PRESENTATION, WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY.

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OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE MR CHARLES YEUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG COMMITTEE'S NEW TERRITORIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE; MR WISDOM KWOK, PRESIDENT OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE NEW TERRITORIES; MR JOHN HEYWOOD, DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES; MR PETER NG KWOK-TAI, DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY (NEW TERRITORIES); MR J.W. WHOLEY, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT; AND MRS RUBY LAU, DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CEREMONY WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL AT HOI PA STREET, TSUEN WAN, STARTING AT 2.30 PM ON FRIDAY (MARCH 9).

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DB TO DISCUSS HARBOUR RECLAMATION STUDY
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TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE HARBOUR RECLAMATIONS AND URBAN GROWTH STUDY AT THEIR MEETING ON TUESDAY (MARCH 6) AFTERNOON.

THE BRIEFING WILL BE MADE BY A GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER OF THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, DR K.S. PUN.

THE STUDY ON THE POTENTIAL OF FURTHER RECLAMATIONS ALONG THE HARBOUR AREA WAS CONDUCTED IN LATE 1982.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE PRIORITIES OF PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS DUE TO COMMENCE IN THE DISTRICT IN 1985 - 1986.

MEMBERS WILL STUDY THE PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY RECENTLY.

THE PROPOSALS WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AT THEIR MEETING ON MONDAY (MARCH 5) MORNING.

NOTE TO EDITORS,

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COVER:

(1) THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 10 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 5) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF AMOY PLAZA, 77 NGAU TAU KOK ROAD; AND

(2) THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 2.30 PM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 6) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KWAI CHUNG SUB-DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ON THE 10TH FLOOR OF KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 166-174 HING FONG ROAD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

NORTH DISTRICT BOARD TO HOLD MEETING

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THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY (MARCH 5) TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSALS FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY RECENTLY.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE IN KWONG FUK ROAD.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE MEETING.

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LOCAL OPEN SPACE FOR KWAI CHUNG SOUTH

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WORK WILL START IN MAY ON BUILDING AN OPEN SPACE AT KWAI CHUNG SOUTH.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED BY THE TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE OPEN SPACE WILL BE READY BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

IT WILL OCCUPY AN AREA OF ABOUT 7 700 SQUARE METRES AT THE JUNCTION OF KWAI HOP STREET AND KWAI SHING CIRCUIT, A LOCATION WITHIN EASY REACH OF KWAI SHING, KWAI CHUNG AND KWAI HING ESTATE WHERE 110 000 PEOPLE LIVE.

FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED INCLUDE TWO SITTING-OUT AREAS, A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, A BASKETBALL-CUM-VOLLEYBALL COURT, AND SEATING AND PLANTS.

THE WHOLE SITE WILL BE LANDSCAPED.

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LIFT TENDERS FOR KWU TUNG MARKET
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR INSTALLING A GOODS LIFT AND TWO ESCALATORS AT A NEW MARKET BUILDING AT KWU TUNG IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE TWO-STOREY MARKET WILL ACCOMMODATE SHOP OPERATORS WHOSE PREMISES ARE ON LAND REQUIRED FOR IMPROVEMENT WORK TO THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD BETWEEN AU TAU AND FAN KAM.

IT WILL BE BUILT ON A 5 000-SQUARE-METRE SITE ON THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE EXISTING OI WAH SCHOOL.

WORK ON THE MARKET IS EXPECTED TO START IN EARLY APRIL AND TAKE ONE YEAR TO COMPLETE.

THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS CALLING FOR THE TENDERS.

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AVIATION OFFICIAL IN U.K. COURSE
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MR P. J. BIRKETT, DEPUTY CONTROLLER (OPERATIONS) OF THE AVIATION SAFETY DIVISION, CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, WILL BE ATTENDING AN AVIATION SAFETY COURSE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM ORGANISED BY THE CRANFIELD COLLEGE OF AERONAUTICS.

THE FIVE-DAY COURSE WHICH PLACES EMPHASIS ON AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT PREVENTION IS BEING ATTENDED BY DELEGATES FROM ALL AREAS OF AVIATION ACTIVITY.

AREAS COVERED WILL INCLUDE SAFETY REGULATIONS, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT, FLIGHT RECORDERS, DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS, THE OPERATIONS MANUAL, THE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE, HUMAN ERRORS, CLASSIC FAILURES AND OTHERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

SEMINAR FOR SPORTS INSTRUCTORS
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THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOLDING A SEMINAR FOR INSTRUCTORS AT THE HARBOUR VIEW HOLIDAY INN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND SPORTS, MR DICKEN YUNG, AND TWO OTHER SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS WILL SPEAK AT THE SEMINAR.

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ABOUT 300 INSTRUCTORS IN RECREATION AND SPORTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

FOLLOWING AN OPEN FORUM, RSS SERVICE AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED TO OUTSTANDING VOLUNTARY INSTRUCTORS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR SERVICES.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SEMINAR WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE ACADEMY HALL OF THE HOTEL STARTING AT 9 AM.

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URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION

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FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 5), THE NEWLY OPENED SECTION OF ROAD D5 BETWEEN ROAD D1 AND ROAD L2 IN FANLING WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTED ZONE FROM 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY.

WITHIN THIS ZONE, ALL VEHICLES OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES AND THOSE AUTHORISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS, OR FROM LOADING OR UNLOADING OF GOODS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

TRADE MINISTER LEAVING TOMORROW

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THE MINISTER FOR TRADE, MR PAUL CHANNON, WILL LEAVE HONG KONG FOR SEOUL TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTER A THREE-DAY VISIT.

HE WILL BE TRAVELLING ON FLIGHT KE 618, ETD 1 PM.

A FACILITY HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS AND CAMERAMEN TO COVER HIS DEPARTURE. THOSE ASSIGNED TO COVER THE EVENT SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN THE AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM NOT LATER THAN 12 NOON.

GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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