



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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LIBERATION DAY REMEMBERED

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The 28th anniversary of Hong Kong's Liberation Day will be observed next Monday (August 27).

At a brief ceremony to be held at the City Hall Garden of Remembrance at 11 a.m., representatives of the Hong Kong Prisoners of War Association and the Royal Hong Kong Regiment (The Volunteers) will lay wreaths at the Shrine in memory of members of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps who died during the battle of December 1941 or later as prisoners of war.

This will be followed by the sounding of the Last Post by a regimental trumpeter, a two-minute silence and reveille, and the firing of three volleys of salute.

The ceremony will last about 10 minutes.

In the evening, a cocktail party will be given by warrant officers and sergeants of the Royal Hong Kong Regiment (The Volunteers) in Beaconsfield House for their officers and members of the Prisoners of War Association.

The acting Governor, Sir Hugh Norman-Walker, will attend.

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RISE IN IMMIGRATION TRAFFIC

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A total of 3,036,863 travellers entered or left Hong Kong during the first four months of the current financial year (April to July).

This was more than half a million over last year's corresponding figure of 2,498,685 and represents an increase of 21.8 per cent in land, air and sea traffic.

These figures do not include transients or people refused permission to land.

Commenting on the increase, a spokesman for the Immigration Department said that it was part of a general worldwide trend which had been noted in recent years.

The fact that more and more people are travelling, he said, pointed to greater affluence.

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PRINCIPALS OF TWO COLLEGES TO RETIRE

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The Principals of Queen's College and Grantham College of Education, Mr. Raymond Huang and Mr. Kwok Wai-man are retiring shortly.

They will each be presented with a gift from their colleagues. The Director of Education, Mr. J. Canning, will make the presentations next Wednesday.

Mr. Huang started his career in the Education Department 20 years ago when he was appointed an Assistant Education Officer.

After teaching in a government school in Yau Ma Tei, Mr. Huang was transferred to Queen's College and was promoted to Education Officer in September 1956.

He remained at Queen's College for five years before being posted to Sir Robert Black College of Education in September 1961.

Mr. Huang became Acting Principal in July 1967 and was confirmed to the grade of Senior Education Officer in September the same year.

He went to Queen's College as the Principal in August 1970.

Mr. Kwok, who has nearly 24 years service, joined the Department as an Assistant Education Officer and taught for two years in a government school in Wanchai.

In 1951 he was posted to King's College where he stayed for three and a half years before being transferred to Grantham College of Education.

Mr. Kwok became an Inspector of Schools in May 1962 and went to Leeds University in September 1964 to attend a one-year course on the Teaching of Mathematics at Upper Secondary Level.

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In July 1968 Mr. Kwok was transferred from the Inspectorate to Grantham College of Education as Acting Principal. He was promoted to Senior Education Officer in September 1968.

Mr. Kwok has been Principal of the College for the last five years.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to have the presentation ceremony covered. The ceremony will be held at 11:30 a.m. on August 29 in the Education Department's Conference Room, Lee Gardens, 3rd floor, Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

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HOLIDAY D.I.B.

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There will be a special holiday issue of the Daily Information Bulletin on Monday (August 27). Copies may be collected from the G.I.S. press room at 2.15 p.m. on that day.

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NEW ADDRESS FOR LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT

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The Legal Aid Department is moving to new premises in the Sincere Company Building in Central from where it will operate as from Tuesday (August 28).

Part of the department's headquarters on the top floor of Victoria District Court were transferred to the new premises early this month together with the branch office at D'Aguilar Place.

The remaining offices of the department will be moved over the weekend. The new address is Sincere Company Building, 18th and 19th floors, 173 Des Voeux Road Central.

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PAY RISE FOR SENIOR OFFICERS

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A flat \$500 pay rise for senior government officers, who were not covered by the recent eight per cent salary increase for the majority of the public service, has been approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council.

The adjustment was recommended by the Standing Committee on Superscale Salaries and in terms of percentage ranges from 6.9 per cent for the lowest paid superscale officers to 2.9 per cent for the highest paid.

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CITY HALL HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS

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Public facilities in the City Hall will remain open on Monday (August 27) which is a general holiday.

The City Museum and Art Gallery will be open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., and the Lei Cheng Uk Museum from 12 noon to 7 p.m.

The restaurants will open for business as usual on that day.

The City Hall Library and the branch libraries at Waterloo Road and Ping Shek will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the Kowloon Park students' study room from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

However, the branch libraries at Yau Ma Tei and Aberdeen/Pokfulam will be closed on Monday.

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BIRTHDAY PARTIES FOR ELDERLY

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The first of a series of birthday parties for old people living in Wong Tai Sin district will be held tomorrow (Sunday).

Seven elderly members of the Ki Lin Centre, a club organised by the Wong Tai Sin District Federation of Welfare Services for the Aged, will be entertained along with other friends and members.

The party will be held from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. in the club premises at 13 Muk Lun Street in Wong Tai Sin. It will be run by volunteers.

Mr. Basil Leung, Warden of the Wong Tai Sin Community Centre, which is sponsoring the Federation and its activities, said similar parties will be held on the last Sunday of each month for members whose birthdays fall within that month.

"It gives the elderly people in the district a chance to celebrate their birthdays, demonstrating at the same time that we do care about them," he said.

Apart from these parties, the club provides a friendly atmosphere where the elderly can meet to enjoy television, play chess, or just talk with friends.

Other activities which are arranged for them include outings, indoor activities and social gatherings.

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Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to cover the celebration party tomorrow at the Ki Lin Centre at 13 Muk Lun Street, Wong Tai Sin.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KOWLOON TONG

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Temporary traffic re-routing will be introduced in Kowloon Tong on Tuesday (August 28) to enable resurfacing work to be carried out.

The southbound lanes of Waterloo Road, between Flint Road and Boundary Street will be closed from 8 p.m. to midnight on that day.

During the four-hour period, traffic will be diverted along the existing alternative route of Durham Road, La Salle Road and Prince Edward Road.

Kowloon Motor Bus routes Nos. 3C, 7, 7A and 7B and 70 will be diverted along Junction Road, Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road.

The resurfacing work to be carried out is a part of the Waterloo Road flyover project.

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SPEED CURB ON SPEEDBOATS

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A new speed limit has been imposed on speedboats and other craft using the narrow passage between Repulse Bay and Deep Water Bay at Middle Island.

With immediate effect, all craft proceeding through the passage will be required to reduce their speed to not more than five knots and to navigate with caution.

The restriction follows complaints to the Marine Department that speedboats, some towing water skiers, travelled at high speeds thereby posing a danger to swimmers and other craft in the area.

A spokesman for the department reminded owners and operators of speedboats of their obligation to exercise caution and to restrict their speed when proceeding through a narrow passage anywhere in the waters of Hong Kong.

Under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, any speedboat owner or operator who wilfully disobeys or fails to comply with the provision shall be liable to a fine of \$2,000.

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Release Time: 3.00 p.m.