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SEPTEMBER JOB, PAYROLL FIGURES RELEASED
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THERE WERE 848 900 PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, REPRESENTING A DECREASE OF 6.2 PER CENT OVER SEPTEMBER 1984, ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IN SEPTEMBER 1985, EMPLOYMENT IN THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, AT 589 700, WAS 6.1 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN SEPTEMBER 1984.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR, AT 179 200, WAS UP BY 6.9 PER CENT.

BUT EMPLOYMENT ON BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION SITES DROPPED BY 4.9 PER CENT COMPARED WITH SEPTEMBER 1984, MAINLY DUE TO THE COMPLETION OF THE MAJOR PART OF THE MTR ISLAND LINE AND A NUMBER OF MAJOR BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

A DEPARTMENTAL SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE STATISTICS FOR MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY IN SEPTEMBER 1985 WERE DERIVED FROM THE SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL CONDUCTED EVERY QUARTER BY THE DEPARTMENT, COVERING THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, AND THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR.

THERE IS A SEPARATE EMPLOYMENT SURVEY COVERING BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION SITES.

THE OVERALL EMPLOYMENT FIGURES BY MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS, TOGETHER WITH A COMPARISON WITH THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR SEPTEMBER 1984 AND JUNE 1985, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SELECTED MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY	PERSONS ENGAGED (EMPLOYMENT) IN			PERCENTAGE CHANGE*	
	SEPT 84	JUNE 85	SEPT 85	SEPT 85 ON SEPT 84	SEPT 85 ON JUNE 85
MANUFACTURING	904 700	874 200	848 900	-6.2	-2.9
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (MANUAL WORKERS ON SITES ONLY)	67 700	64 300	64 400	-4.9	+0.3

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	555 800	588 700	589 700	+6.1	+0.2
FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES	167 700	177 700	179 200	+6.9	+0.9

* BASED ON UNROUNDED EMPLOYMENT FIGURES.

COMPARED WITH JUNE 1985, EMPLOYMENT IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR DECREASED BY 2.9 PER CENT. ON THE OTHER HAND, EMPLOYMENT IN THE WHOLESALE, RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR AND THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR INCREASED BY 0.2 PER CENT AND 0.9 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, EMPLOYMENT AT BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION SITES INCREASED BY 0.3 PER CENT.

THE SURVEY ALSO PROVIDES VACANCY STATISTICS FOR THESE MAJOR SECTORS, OTHER THAN FOR BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION. THE OVERALL FIGURES BY MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS, TOGETHER WITH A COMPARISON WITH THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR SEPTEMBER 1984 AND JUNE 1985, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SELECTED MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY	NUMBER OF REPORTED VACANCIES IN			PERCENTAGE CHANGE*	
	SEPT 84	JUNE 85	SEPT 85	SEPT 85 ON SEPT 84	SEPT 85 ON JUNE 85
MANUFACTURING	37 740	19 120	20 120	-46.7	+5.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	6 450	5 520	5 680	-12.0	+2.3

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FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES	2 230	2 320	2 580	+15.6	+11.5
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* BASED ON UNROUNDED VACANCY FIGURES.

RELATIVE TO SEPTEMBER 1984, THE NUMBER OF REPORTED VACANCIES FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AND THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR DECREASED RESPECTIVELY BY 46.7 PER CENT AND 12.0 PER CENT IN SEPTEMBER 1985. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE NUMBER OF REPORTED VACANCIES INCREASED BY 15.6 PER CENT FOR THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR.

COMPARED WITH JUNE 1985, THE NUMBER OF REPORTED VACANCIES INCREASED BY 5.2 PER CENT, 2.9 PER CENT AND 11.5 PER CENT FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, AND THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR RESPECTIVELY.

ALSO AVAILABLE FROM THE SURVEY ARE STATISTICS ON MONTHLY PAYROLL OUTLAYS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR, AND THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR. QUARTERLY TOTALS FOR EACH OF THESE SECTORS ARE SHOWN IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE :

SELECTED MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY	TOTAL QUARTERLY PAYROLL IN		% CHANGE
	3RD QTR. 1984	3RD QTR. 1985	3RD QTR. 1985 ON 3RD QTR. 1984
	HK\$ MN	HK\$ MN	
MANUFACTURING	7 038	7 091	+0.7
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	4 283	5 184	+21.0

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2 547

+11.5

* BASED ON UNROUNDED PAYROLL FIGURES.

COMPARED WITH THE SAME QUARTER A YEAR AGO, PAYROLL OUTLAYS IN THE ABOVE THREE SECTORS INCREASED BY 0.7 PER CENT, 21.0 PER CENT AND 11.5 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1985.

AFTER ADJUSTMENT FOR VARIATIONS IN TOTAL MONTHLY PAYROLL OUTLAYS IN SEPTEMBER 1984 AND SEPTEMBER 1985 ARISING FROM CHANGES IN THE LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT, A NOMINAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED IS OBTAINED. TO ALLOW FOR THE EFFECTS OF PRICE CHANGES, THE NOMINAL INDEX IS DEFLATED BY THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A) TO GIVE THE REAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED.

THE INDICES FOR SEPTEMBER 1984 AND SEPTEMBER 1985 ARE GIVEN IN THE TABLES BELOW:

SELECTED MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY	NOMINAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED (JUNE 1980 = 100)		% CHANGE ON SEPT 84
	SEPT 84	SEPT 85	
MANUFACTURING	176.8	192.0	+8.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	169.6	194.1	+14.4
FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES	176.4	183.7	+4.1

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SELECTED MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY	REAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED (JUNE 1980 = 100)		% CHANGE
	SEPT 84	SEPT 85	SEPT 85 ON SEPT 84
MANUFACTURING	114.1	119.4	+4.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	109.4	120.7	+10.3
FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES	113.8	114.2	+0.4

BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 1984 AND SEPTEMBER 1985, INCREASES OF 8.6 PER CENT, 14.4 PER CENT AND 4.1 PER CENT WERE REGISTERED IN THE NOMINAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, AND RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR AND THE FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES SECTOR RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE CORRESPONDING INCREASES IN THE REAL INDEX OF PAYROLL PER PERSON ENGAGED WERE 4.6 PER CENT, 10.3 PER CENT AND 0.4 PER CENT.

DETAILED BREAKDOWNS OF THE ABOVE STATISTICS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL STATISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1985, AVAILABLE AT HK\$11 PER COPY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG, AND AT THE SALES COUNTER OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT ROOM 1904, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTREL, HONG KONG.

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GOVERNMENT TUNNEL TICKETS ON SALE NEXT MONTH
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MOTORISTS USING THE LION ROCK TUNNEL AND ABERDEEN TUNNEL WILL BE ABLE TO PAY TOLLS IN THE FORM OF PRE-PAID TICKETS FROM FEBRUARY 1.

THIS FOLLOWED AN AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND WILSON PARKING (HONG KONG) PTY LTD. TODAY (SATURDAY).

UNDER THE CONTRACT, WILSON PARKING WILL PRODUCE, MARKET AND SELL PRE-PAID TICKETS FOR ALL GOVERNMENT ROAD TUNNELS.

SPEAKING AFTER CONTRACT SIGNING, THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR PETER LEEDS, SAID PRE-PAID TICKETS WOULD BE AVAILABLE AT GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS PRIVATE CARPARKS MANAGED BY WILSON PARKING.

THE AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC AT THE LION ROCK TUNNEL WAS 69 000 VEHICLES AND FOR THE ABERDEEN TUNNEL 34 000 LAST YEAR, HE NOTED.

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GOOD START FOR A CLEANER SAI KUNG
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EFFORTS TO TACKLE LONG-STANDING POLLUTION PROBLEMS IN SAI KUNG WILL BE GIVEN A BOOST THIS MONTH WHEN MAJOR CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGNS ARE LAUNCHED IN TWO ENVIRONMENTAL BLACKSPOTS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE TARGETS OF THE CAMPAIGNS ARE THE SEAFRONTS OF RENNIE'S MILL AND CHUNG MEI TUK.

WITH A SPONSORSHIP OF \$47 650 FROM THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ORGANISED CLEAN-UP TEAMS, CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY, AND ARRANGED ACTIVITIES TO EDUCATE RESIDENTS ON WAYS TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN A CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS SUCH AS REGIONAL SERVICES, HOUSING, MARINE AND NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT ARE ALSO INVOLVED IN THE CAMPAIGNS.

A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CAMPAIGNS WILL BE LAUNCHED NEXT WEEK IN RENNIE'S MILL FIRST AND THEN IN CHUNG MEI TUK.

+THE REFUSE ACCUMULATED, ABOUT ONE FOOT DEEP, ALONG THE SHORELINE OF RENNIE'S MILL HAS LONG BEEN AN EYESORE,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

/+MOST OF

+MOST OF THE RUBBISH IS CARRIED DOWN STREAMS FROM RENNIE'S MILL DURING THE RAINY SEASON AND AS THE AREA IS LOCATED ON A HILLSLOPE, REFUSE FLOWING INTO THE BAY CANNOT BE CARRIED OUT TO SEA BECAUSE THE WINDS OFTEN BLOW FROM THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION,+ HE ADDED.

THE RENNIE'S MILL CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN WILL START FROM TUESDAY (JANUARY 14) AND LAST ABOUT TWO WEEKS. BOTH THE ACTUAL CLEAN-UP AND PUBLICITY DRIVE WILL BE CARRIED OUT SIMULTANEOUSLY.

+IN ADDITION TO WORKERS FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, 20 EXTRA WORKERS HAVE BEEN RECRUITED TO CLEAN UP THE REFUSE,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

STUDENT CLEAN-UP TEAMS HAVE ALSO BEEN ORGANISED AND WILL BE MOBILISED THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, HE ADDED.

CONSIDERATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO SETTING UP AN ENCLOSING NET ACROSS THE BAY TO PREVENT REFUSE FROM DRIFTING TOWARDS THE SEASHORE, HE SAID, ADDING THAT THE PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED WHEN A DAM ENCLOSING THE JUNK BAY CONTROLLED TIP WAS COMPLETED.

ACTIVITIES ORGANISED TO PUBLICISE THE CAMPAIGN INCLUDE A CEREMONY TO LAUNCH THE EVENT, A SCHEME TO REPORT REFUSE BLACKSPOTS, AND PROGRAMMES TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN KEEPING THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT CLEAN AND HEALTHY.

PAMPHLETS WILL ALSO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE 6 000 PEOPLE LIVING IN RENNIE'S MILL REMINDING THEM OF THE IMPORTANCE OF A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT, FOOD HYGIENE AND PERSONAL CLEANINESS.

THE CHUNG MEI TUK CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN WILL START ON JANUARY 20 AND LAST UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH.

CHUNG MEI TUK IS A BOAT ANCHORAGE AREA WITH A POPULATION OF ABOUT 1 000. SINCE IT IS INCONVENIENT FOR THE BOAT PEOPLE TO CARRY THEIR RUBBISH ASHORE TO THE REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS, MOST OF THEM DUMP THEIR RUBBISH INTO THE STAGNANT WATER, MAKING THE AREA A POLLUTION BLACKSPOT.

THE MAIN THEME FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF THE CAMPAIGN IS TO EDUCATE THE BOAT PEOPLE AND PROMOTE THE IDEA OF MAINTAINING A CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

A CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 10 AM ON JANUARY 24 IN CHUNG MEI TUK DURING WHICH MEMBERS OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, AND THE CHUNG MEI TUK MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE WILL DISTRIBUTE REFUSE BAGS AND PROMOTIONAL CALENDARS.

THE SECOND WEEK'S CAMPAIGN WILL AIM AT ENCOURAGING THE BOAT PEOPLE TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN CLEAN-UP OPERATIONS.

STARTING FROM JANUARY 27 UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH, TEMPORARY REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS WILL BE PROVIDED NEAR THE KAITO PIER.

SOUVENIRS WILL BE PRESENTED TO BOAT DWELLERS WHO CARRY FIVE BAGS OF REFUSE TO THE COLLECTION POINTS WITHIN THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD.

THE MARINE DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO STEP UP THEIR PATROL DUTY AT CHUNG MEI TUK, AND WILL TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THOSE WHO LITTER THE WATER.

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VR GIRLS JOIN BROWNIE PACK
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TWENTY-FOUR VIETNAMESE GIRLS AT CAPE COLLINSON CLOSED CENTRE TODAY (SATURDAY) ENROLLED IN THE 130TH ISLAND PACK OF THE HONG KONG GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION.

SPEAKING AT THE ENROLMENT CEREMONY, THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, MR CHAN WA-SHEK, SAID THE SETTING UP OF BROWNIE UNITS IN THE CLOSED CENTRES FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES WAS AN +ACHIEVEMENT OF THE GIRL GUIDES MOVEMENT WHICH IS CONTINUALLY REACHING OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE IN HONG KONG+.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THIS WAS THE SECOND BROWNIE UNIT WHICH THE ASSOCIATION HAD ASSISTED IN FORMING FOR GIRLS IN CLOSED CENTRES.

THE ASSOCIATION HAS ORGANISED A PROGRAMME OF GUIDE TRAINING FOR GIRLS BETWEEN SIX TO 12 YEARS OF AGE, TRAINING THEM IN SELF-RELIANCE AND CITIZENSHIP, AND TO ENCOURAGE THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT.

HE TOLD THE NEW BROWNIES THAT THEY WOULD BENEFIT FROM THIS HEALTHY ACTIVITY AND BY FOLLOWING THE MOTTO +LEND A HAND+, THEY WOULD BE READY TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES WHICH LAY AHEAD.

MR CHAN ALSO THANKED THE COMMISSIONERS, GUIDERS AND MEMBERS CONCERNED IN THE GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE EASTERN, WAN CHAI, NORTH POINT AND ISLANDS REGION, FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BROWNIE UNIT AT CAPE COLLINSON.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE ENROLMENT CEREMONY WERE THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF THE HONG KONG GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION, LADY AKERS-JONES, AND OFFICIALS FROM VARIOUS DISTRICTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY, CHILDREN AT THE CLOSED CENTRE WERE TREATED TO FUN AT GAME STALLS SET UP BY THE GIRL GUIDES OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

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150 TEAMS TO TAKE PART IN KOWLOON WALK
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MORE THAN 150 TEAMS FROM THE SIX DISTRICTS OF KOWLOON WILL PARTICIPATE IN TOMORROW'S KOWLOON WALK FOR A MILLION IN KWUN TONG TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE COMMUNITY CHEST.

LED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMEN AND DISTRICT OFFICERS, TEAMS FROM KWUN TONG, WONG TAI SIN, SHAM SHUI PO, KOWLOON CITY, YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK, WILL BE AT THE KWUN TONG RECREATION GROUND BRIGHT AND EARLY TOMORROW FOR THE 15-KILOMETRE WALK.

MOST OF THE TEAMS REPRESENT VARIOUS LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING AREA COMMITTEES, OWNERS' CORPORATIONS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, KAIFONG ASSOCIATION, YIN NGAI SOCIETIES, BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL GUIDES, RECREATION AND CULTURAL ORGANISATIONS AND SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEES.

SHAM SHUI PO WILL FIELD THE LARGEST NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS WITH 2 400 FROM 26 TEAMS; KOWLOON CITY WILL HAVE 64 TEAMS COMPRISING MORE THAN 1 000; KWUN TONG'S 1 000 PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REPRESENTED BY 37 TEAMS; YAU MA TEI WILL FIELD 15 TEAMS WITH ABOUT 500 PEOPLE, AND MONG KOK WILL FEATURE SIX TEAMS WITH MORE THAN 30 PARTICIPANTS.

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INTELPOST SERVICE EXTENDED TO EGYPT
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THE INTELPOST (INTERNATIONAL ELECTRONIC POST) NETWORK FROM HONG KONG WILL BE EXTENDED TO CAIRO, ALEXANDRIA, GIZA AND PORT SAID IN EGYPT FROM MONDAY (JANUARY 13), A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY).

INTELPOST ITEMS POSTED AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BEFORE 6 PM WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION BY THE ADDRESSEE AT THE MAIN INTELPOST CENTRES IN THESE CITIES THE SAME DAY, HE SAID.

+ITEMS WHICH ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO THE ADDRESSEE SHOULD BE POSTED AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE NOT LATER THAN 1 PM TO ENSURE SAME DAY DELIVERY,+ HE POINTED OUT.

THE CHARGE FOR THE SERVICE TO EGYPT WILL BE :

+SHORT MESSAGE+ FACILITY	\$65
FOR THE FIRST SIDE OF AN A4 SHEET OF PAPER	\$90
FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT A4 SIDE SENT TO THE SAME ADDRESSEE AT THE SAME TIME	\$40

PEOPLE WISHING TO USE THE SERVICE SHOULD HAND OVER THEIR DOCUMENTS AT ANY ONE OF THE 23 ACCEPTANCE OFFICES.

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INTELPOST IS NOW AVAILABLE TO 36 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE U.S., UK, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, JAPAN AND CHINA.

THOSE HAVING FACSIMILE MACHINES IN THEIR OFFICES CAN, BY ARRANGEMENT, TRANSMIT THEIR ITEMS DIRECT TO THE POST OFFICE INTELPOST TERMINAL IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE FOR RETRANSMISSION OVERSEAS.

FURTHER INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE INTELPOST MANAGER ON TELEPHONE 5-2671148.

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DB MEMBERS TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC PROBLEMS
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MEMBERS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES EAST INTER-DISTRICT WORKING GROUP ON LION ROCK TUNNEL TRAFFIC PROBLEMS WILL MEET ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 14) TO DISCUSS THE FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING AN AUTO-TOLL SYSTEM AT THE TUNNEL.

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS ISSUES RELATING TO THE PROPOSED TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL LINKING SHA TIN AND KOWLOON.

GROUP MEMBERS INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THREE DISTRICT BOARDS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES EAST. THEY ARE MR ANDREW WONG AND MR CHOY KAN-PUI FROM SHA TIN; DR STEPHEN TANG AND MR CHEUNG HOK-MING FROM TAI PO; MR CHEUNG HON-CHUNG AND MR LAU KIN-WING FROM NORTH DISTRICT.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEETING WILL BE THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (DEVELOPMENT) OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, MR JEREMY CROFT AND CHIEF TRANSPORT OFFICER OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, MR CHU CHEN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 14) AT THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE 6TH FLOOR OF KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.

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RETURNING FROM TALKS

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MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH TEAM OF EXPERTS ON HONG KONG'S FUTURE STATUS IN GATT AND THE CONTINUED APPLICATION OF RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING THE LAW OFFICER (SPECIAL DUTIES), MR FRED BURROWS, WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTER THEIR TALKS IN PEKING.

THEY WILL BE ARRIVING ON FLIGHT CA 109, ETA 10.50 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A FACILITY HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE TEAM'S RETURN. THOSE COVERING THE EVENT SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN THE AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM BY 10 AM.

GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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CLOSURE OF TUNG WOR ROAD PROPOSED

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE TUNG WOR ROAD IN TUNG TAU ESTATE, KOWLOON, IN CONNECTION WITH PHASES 4B AND 5 OF THE ESTATE'S REDEVELOPMENT.

THE PLAN AND SCHEME CAN BE INSPECTED AT CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON EAST, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON; AND WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON WISHING TO OBJECT SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MURRAY BUILDING, 20TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, BEFORE MARCH 11.

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EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN FOR ELDERLY
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A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF THE TAI PO EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN FOR THE ELDERLY WILL BE HELD AT THE NEW WORLD HOTEL, FOUR SEASONS SUITE, AT 2.30 PM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 13).

PRESENT AT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR MICHAEL LAI; CHAIRMAN OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, MR ALOYSIUS CHU FEE-LOONG, AND THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION, MR LAI TING-CHEUNG.

TAI PO IS THE FIRST NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT TO INTRODUCE THE EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN FOR THE ELDERLY.

THE CAMPAIGN IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CONFERENCE.

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WORKSHOPS ON REMEDIAL TEACHING
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TWO IDENTICAL WORKSHOPS ON REMEDIAL ENGLISH TEACHING FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS WILL BE HELD EARLY NEXT MONTH.

ORGANISED BY THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE WORKSHOPS WILL BE HELD AT THE CENTRE AT 9A BONHAM ROAD, HONG KONG.

THE FIRST WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD IN THE AFTERNOONS OF FEBRUARY 3 AND 4 WHILE THE SECOND IN THE AFTERNOONS OF FEBRUARY 5 AND 6.

THERE WILL BE DISCUSSIONS ON MATERIALS FOR TEACHING REMEDIAL GROUPS WHILE THE TEACHING OF LISTENING AND ORAL SKILL WILL ALSO BE DEALT WITH.

HEADS OF SCHOOLS ARE ADVISED TO SUBMIT THE NAMES OF THEIR TEACHERS WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE WORKSHOPS TO THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE BEFORE JANUARY 22.

MEANWHILE, 60 TEACHERS OF ENGLISH TEACHING REMEDIAL CLASSES IN JUNIOR SECONDARY FORMS WILL ATTEND THREE IDENTICAL WORKSHOPS ON REMEDIAL ENGLISH TEACHING AT THE CENTRE FROM JANUARY 22.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR RESTAURANT, REFRESHMENT KIOSK
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THE URBAN COUNCIL IS INVITING SEPARATE TENDERS FOR THE OPERATION OF A GENERAL RESTAURANT AT LEI CHENG UK SWIMMING POOL IN SHAM SHUI PO AND A LIGHT REFRESHMENT KIOSK AT SAU NGA ROAD PLAYGROUND IN KWUN TONG.

SUCCESSFUL TENDERERS WILL EACH BE AWARDED A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT. THE CONTRACT FOR THE GENERAL RESTAURANT WILL BE FROM APRIL WHILE THE ONE FOR THE LIGHT REFRESHMENT KIOSK WILL BE FROM THE DATE OF SIGNING THE CONTRACT. THE CURRENT MONTHLY RENTALS ARE \$4 200 FOR THE GENERAL RESTAURANT AND \$4 500 FOR THE LIGHT REFRESHMENT KIOSK.

TENDER FORMS AND FURTHER PARTICULARS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE (ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE) AT SHAM SHUI PO POST OFFICE BUILDING, 55, UN CHAU STREET, 4TH FLOOR, AND FROM THE KOWLOON REGIONAL OFFICE (LEISURE SERVICES KOWLOON EAST) AT SHOP NO. 70-78, 2ND FLOOR, AMOY PLAZA, PHASE I, 77 NGAU TAU KOK ROAD.

COMPLETED TENDER FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE AND PLACED BY HAND IN THE TENDER BOX SITUATED AT THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT RECEPTION COUNTER ON THE 12TH FLOOR OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), ICE HOUSE STREET, BEFORE 9 A.M. ON FEBRUARY 7, 1986. LATE TENDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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TENDERS FOR SOFT DRINKS VENDING MACHINES
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THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROVISION OF COIN-OPERATED VENDING MACHINES FOR SOFT DRINKS AT RECREATION AND SPORTS FACILITIES IN THE NON-URBAN AREAS.

THE CONTRACTOR WOULD HAVE TO INSTALL 18 MACHINES AT VARIOUS SPORTS GROUNDS, PLAYGROUNDS, SWIMMING POOLS, INDOOR RECREATION CENTRES AND SQUASH COURTS UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE RSD.

TENDER FORMS FOR THE CONTRACT, WHICH WILL BE FOR TWO YEARS STARTING MAY 1, CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SUPPLIES OFFICE OF THE RSD ON LEVEL 3, KWAI CHUNG DEPOT, SAN KWAI STREET, KWAI CHUNG.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE PUT IN THE TENDER BOX AT THE RSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR, SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE), 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE 9 AM ON FEBRUARY 14.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT THE SUPPLIES OFFICE OF THE RSD ON TELEPHONE 0-240230.

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TAPS OFF IN TWO AREAS
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN NORTH POINT AND THE NORTH DISTRICT WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVERAL HOURS BETWEEN TUESDAY (JANUARY 14) AND WEDNESDAY FOR MAINS WORK.

IN NORTH POINT, SUPPLY TO PREMISES BOUNDED BY KING'S ROAD, TIN CHIU STREET AND JAVA ROAD WILL BE STOPPED FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

IN THE NORTH DISTRICT, SUPPLY WILL BE SUSPENDED BETWEEN 9 AM AND 6 PM ON TUESDAY.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD FROM KAM TSIN TSUEN TO LOK MA CHAU, INCLUDING KAM TSIN TSUEN, HANG TAU TSUEN, KWU TUNG TSUEN, HO SHEUNG HEUNG TSUEN, CHAU TAU TSUEN, LOK MA CHAU AND PAK SHEK AU.

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RESTRICTED ZONE IN KWUN TONG
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THE UNNAMED ROAD ADJACENT TO HIU KWONG STREET HOUSE NO. 44, KWUN TONG, WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR DAILY PROHIBITED ZONE FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 14).

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE ROAD SECTION.

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EDINBURGH PLACE NORTH CLOSED
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EDINBURGH PLACE NORTH WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 3 PM TO 9 PM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 13) FOR THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 1986 LEGAL YEAR.

VEHICLES OTHER THAN THOSE WITH LABELS ISSUED BY THE JUDICIARY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE AREA.

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