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II POLICY STANDS

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THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOT CHANGE ITS POLICY TOWARDS ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM CHINA AND THOSE WHO ARE APPREHENDED ANYWHERE IN HONG KONG WILL BE REPATRIATED.

+THIS SHOULD BE ABUNDANTLY CLEAR TO PEOPLE WHO ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE DECEIVED BY SNAKEHEADS IN ATTEMPTING ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO HONG KONG,+ THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY, MR DENIS BRAY SAID TODAY.

MR BRAY WAS REFERRING TO RUMOURS BEING SPREAD BY SNAKEHEADS ABOUT JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN HONG KONG TO ENTICE PEOPLE TO PAY MONEY FOR BEING SMUGGLED INTO HONG KONG.

UNSCRUPULOUS OPERATORS ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN THE MONEY THEY CAN OBTAIN FROM PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF THE CONSEQUENCES FOR THEIR VICTIMS, HE SAID.

MR BRAY DESCRIBED YESTERDAY'S ANTI-II OPERATION BY THE POLICE AND THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ON LAMMA ISLAND AND IN CHAI WAN AS A CLEAR ILLUSTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION TO PURSUE ITS POLICY.

+OPERATIONS AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WILL CONTINUE. THE GOVERNOR MADE IT PLAIN IN HIS POLICY ADDRESS IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL LAST OCTOBER THAT THERE WILL BE NO AMNESTY,+ MR BRAY SAID.

RUMOURS PUT ABOUT BY SNAKEHEADS THAT THERE MIGHT BE AN AMNESTY WHEN THE NEW I.D. CARDS ARE INTRODUCED NEXT YEAR, ARE ALSO ENTIRELY WITHOUT ANY BASIS OF FACT, HE ADDED.

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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR RECLAMATION OF JUNK BAY

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THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S JUNK BAY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TODAY (FRIDAY) AWARDED A \$215 MILLION CONTRACT TO VIANINI LAVORI S.P.A. FOR FIRST RECLAMATION WORKS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF JUNK BAY.

THE CONTRACT, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES ASSOCIATED ACCESS ROAD CONSTRUCTIONS AND PLATFORM FORMATIONS, WAS SIGNED BY THE PROJECT MANAGER OF THE JUNK BAY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, MR NORMAN TUCKER, ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND MR PAOLO RINALDI FOR THE CONTRACTORS.

MR TUCKER SAID THE CONTRACT WOULD INVOLVE THE RECLAMATION OF ABOUT 37 HECTARES OF LAND NEAR TSEUNG KWAN O, MAINLY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE.

ABOUT 13 HECTARES OF PLATFORMS WILL ALSO BE FORMED AT NEARBY HILLSIDES FOR FURTHER HOUSING SCHEMES AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF SERVICE RESERVOIRS.

/+THESE WORKS

+THESE WORKS WILL INVOLVE THE EXCAVATION OF ABOUT 4.5 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF FILL MATERIAL TO BE USED IN THE RECLAMATION,+ MR TUCKER SAID.

THE EIGHT-KILOMETRE ROAD TO BE BUILT UNDER THE CONTRACT WOULD START AT THE WESTERN END NEAR MA YAU TONG AND WOULD LINK UP WITH THE SECTION OF THE PO LAM ROAD EXTENSION TO SAU MAU PING ROAD NOW BEING CONSTRUCTED UNDER ANOTHER CONTRACT, MR TUCKER SAID.

+THIS ROAD WILL BE CAREFULLY LANDSCAPED TO PROVIDE OCCUPANTS OF HOUSING ESTATES EXPECTED TO MOVE IN AROUND 1986 WITH A PLEASANT ACCESS,+ HE ADDED.

WORKS ON THE CONTRACT WILL COMMENCE NEXT WEEK AND ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE ABOUT 40 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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RESUMPTION OF PRIVATE LAND FOR VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS * * * * *

ABOUT 9 760 SQUARE METRES OF PRIVATE LAND IN TIN SAM, SHA TIN NEW TOWN, WILL BE RESUMED BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PILOT SCHEME AIMED AT MEETING THE DEMAND FOR ADDITIONAL VILLAGE HOUSING AND IMPROVING THE VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT TO STANDARDS SIMILAR TO THOSE IN THE SURROUNDING NEW TOWN.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ABOUT 3.2 HECTARES OF LAND WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR 110 HOUSE SITES TOGETHER WITH LOCAL OPEN SPACE, 116 PARKING SPACES, AN EMERGENCY VEHICULAR ACCESS ROAD, A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, A LATRINE, A REFUSE COLLECTION POINT AND A TRANSFORMER COMPOUND.

HE SAID THAT THE SMALL HOUSE POLICY FOR INDIGENOUS VILLAGERS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, INTRODUCED IN DECEMBER 1972, WAS AIMED AT PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR VILLAGERS WHO WERE IN NEED OF ACCOMMODATION TO IMPROVE THEIR LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

ON THE WHOLE, THE POLICY HAS BEEN EFFECTIVELY PURSUED AND THE HOUSING NEEDS OF A LARGE NUMBER OF INDIGENOUS VILLAGERS HAVE BEEN MET, HE SAID.

+AT THE BEGINNING OF 1981 A TOTAL OF 7 390 SMALL HOUSE GRANTS (3 516 BY MEANS OF PRIVATE TREATY GRANTS AND 3 874 THROUGH THE ISSUE OF BUILDING LICENCES) WERE APPROVED. HOWEVER, 7 213 APPLICATIONS WERE OUTSTANDING.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT AT PRESENT THE LACK OF CROWN LAND HAD PROVED A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO THE FURTHERANCE OF THE SMALL HOUSE POLICY AS MOST OF THE LAND ADJOINING THE 650 ESTABLISHED VILLAGES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WAS PRIVATELY OWNED.

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+IN ADDITION, THE SMALL HOUSE POLICY IS ALSO HINDERED BY THE ABSENCE OF A POSITIVE LAND POLICY WHICH HAS LED TO UNPLANNED DEVELOPMENT OF VILLAGE HOUSES AND THE ABSENCE OF BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES LIKE SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND ROADS WITHIN VILLAGE ENVIRONS.+

A WORKING PARTY, COMPRISING HEUNG YEE KUK MEMBERS AND STAFF OF THE FORMER NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, WAS FORMED IN SEPTEMBER 1980. THE WORKING PARTY RECOMMENDED TO GOVERNMENT THE RESUMPTION OF PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING VILLAGE EXPANSION AREAS IN WHICH VILLAGERS COULD BUILD SMALL HOUSES, AFTER PAYING THE COST OF PURCHASING, FORMING AND SERVICING THE LAND.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT TO MEET THE DEMAND OF VILLAGE HOUSING AND TO ENSURE MORE ORDERLY AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT SO THAT BUILDING DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE VILLAGE WAS COMPATIBLE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SURROUNDING AREAS, ACQUISITION OF PRIVATE LAND WITHIN VILLAGE ENVIRONS WAS NECESSARY.

THE COST INCURRED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN THE ACQUISITION AND SERVICING OF THE LAND, HE SAID, WOULD BE RECOVERED FROM THE PREMIUM CHARGEABLE FOR SMALL HOUSE GRANTS.

LAND OWNERS WILL BE OFFERED LAND EXCHANGE ENTITLEMENTS AND/OR CASH COMPENSATION, WHILE OTHER PEOPLE AFFECTED WILL BE OFFERED PUBLIC OR TEMPORARY HOUSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR ELIGIBILITY.

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LAND RESUMPTION AT TUEN MUN

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO RESUME ABOUT 5 330 SQUARE METRES OF PRIVATE LAND IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN NEAR KEI LUN WAI FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STUDENT NURSES TRAINING SCHOOL, IT WAS ANNOUNCED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IN ORDER TO COPE WITH THE INCREASED DEMAND FOR QUALIFIED NURSES RESULTING FROM THE GENERAL EXPANSION OF MEDICAL SERVICES IN HONG KONG, IT WAS NECESSARY TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE TUEN MUN HOSPITAL AND QUARTERS PROJECT TO INCLUDE THE TRAINING SCHOOL WHICH WOULD ACCOMMODATE 400 NURSING STUDENTS.

SOME 32 TEMPORARY STRUCTURES USED FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES AND 103 OTHER TEMPORARY STRUCTURES, INCLUDING A WORKSHOP, WILL HAVE TO BE CLEARED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT LAND OWNERS WOULD BE OFFERED LAND EXCHANGE ENTITLEMENTS AND/OR CASH COMPENSATION, WHILE OTHER PEOPLE AFFECTED WOULD BE OFFERED PUBLIC OR TEMPORARY HOUSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR ELIGIBILITY.

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LIMIT FOR ELECTION EXPENSES RAISED

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CANDIDATES AT THE FORTHCOMING URBAN COUNCIL ELECTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED TO SPEND UP TO \$20 000 IN ELECTION EXPENSES.

THIS IS SET OUT UNDER AN URBAN COUNCIL AND DISTRICT BOARDS ELECTION EXPENSES ORDER 1982 IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE PREVIOUS EXPENDITURE LIMIT OF \$10 000 WAS LAID DOWN IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR.

+SOME CANDIDATES AT THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS IN MARCH AND SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR FELT THAT THIS SUM WAS BARELY ADEQUATE FOR CAMPAIGNING PURPOSES. THIS COULD BE MORE SO AT THE URBAN COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN MARCH 1983 BECAUSE OF THE MUCH LARGER CONSTITUENCIES,+ HE SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THE CEILING OF ELECTION EXPENSES BY AN URBAN COUNCIL CANDIDATE HAS BEEN RAISED, THE MAXIMUM FEE WHICH THE CANDIDATE CAN PAY HIS ELECTION AGENT WILL REMAIN AT \$3 000.

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AWARD FOR MAN WITH ECONOMY IN MIND

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A GOVERNMENT ENGINEER TODAY RECEIVED A CERTIFICATE OF AWARD FROM THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, MR MARTIN ROWLANDS, FOR SUGGESTING A WAY TO ECONOMISE ON ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION.

MR ROBIN LUMB OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT HAD SUGGESTED THE USE OF A DIFFERENT TYPE OF FLUORESCENT TUBE TO ILLUMINATE GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WHICH USES LESS ELECTRICITY BUT PRODUCES THE SAME AMOUNT OF LIGHT.

THE SUGGESTION WAS ACCEPTED BY A STAFF SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE, WHICH COMPRISES REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THREE MAIN CIVIL SERVICE STAFF ASSOCIATIONS AND THE MAJOR DEPARTMENTS, AFTER IT WAS FOUND TO BE WORKABLE.

THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TOOK PLACE THIS MORNING DURING A VISIT BY MR ROWLANDS TO THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT THE EMPIRE CENTRE IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

AFTER THE CEREMONY, MR ROWLANDS CALLED ON ALL CIVIL SERVANTS TO LET THE STAFF SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE KNOW OF ANY PROPOSAL OR IDEA THEY MAY HAVE ON WAYS TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE CIVIL SERVICE.

HE DISCLOSED THAT SOME 320 SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE COMMITTEE SINCE THE SCHEME WAS STARTED IN 1974. THIS YEAR ALONE 46 SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

+I CERTAINLY ANTICIPATE TO SEE MORE SUGGESTIONS BEING ACCEPTED IN FUTURE,+ HE SAID.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OFFICERS COMPLETE TRAINING

A TOTAL OF 117 RECRUIT CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OFFICERS WHO COMPLETED A ONE-YEAR TRAINING COURSE WERE TODAY (FRIDAY) AWARDED CERTIFICATES. THEY COMPRISED 20 OFFICERS AND 97 ASSISTANT OFFICERS.

THE TRAINING COURSE, CONDUCTED BY THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE, INCLUDED SIX MONTHS OF FIELD TRAINING IN VARIOUS CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

AT A CEREMONY HELD IN THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE, THE GENERAL MANAGER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES INDUSTRIES, MR RAYMOND LAI PRESENTED THE TRAINING CERTIFICATES TO THE RECIPIENTS.

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TSUEN WAN RESIDENTS TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN STYLE

TSUEN WAN RESIDENTS WILL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN STYLE THIS YEAR WITH SOME 30 FESTIVE ACTIVITIES AND LIGHTING AND FLOWER DECORATIONS ALONG MAJOR ROADS AND WALKWAYS, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELAINE CHUNG, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING AT THE Y'S MEN'S CLUB OF TSUEN WAN, MISS CHUNG SAID THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME A LARGE SCALE CELEBRATION WAS BEING PLANNED IN THE DISTRICT FOR LOCAL PEOPLE.

+ I BELIEVE THIS WILL SAVE THEM THE TROUBLE OF TRAVELLING ALL THE WAY TO CENTRAL BECAUSE, HERE IN OUR DISTRICT, WE HAVE OUR OWN FESTIVE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL WALKS OF LIFE, + SHE SAID.

STARTING ON DECEMBER 18, THE TWO-WEEK PROGRAMME WILL RANGE FROM TEA PARTIES AND FILM SHOWS FOR THE YOUNG, DISCO NIGHTS FOR TEENAGERS, TO CONCERTS AND CANTONESE OPERAS FOR ADULTS TO BE STAGED AT THE LOCAL TOWN HALL, COMMUNITY CENTRES AND PLAYGROUNDS.

SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS WILL INCLUDE A PERFORMANCE BY POPULAR CANTONESE OPERA SINGER SUN MA SZE TSANG; A CONCERT BY THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA; AND A DISTRICT BOARD-SPONSORED VARIETY SHOW TO BE STAGED BY A TELEVISION STATION AT THE SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND.

FOLLOWING A SWITCH-ON CEREMONY ON DECEMBER 22, BOTH CASTLE PEAK ROAD, FROM THE BANG BANG RESTAURANT TO THE CHINA DYEING FACTORY, AND TAI HO ROAD, FROM FOU WAH CENTRE TO THE TOWN HALL, WILL BE ILLUMINATED WITH FESTIVE LIGHTS UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH.

THE TWO ROUNDABOUTS AT KWAI CHUNG ROAD AND TAI HO ROAD OPPOSITE THE TOWN HALL, AND THE THREE PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGES OUTSIDE THE TSUEN WAN MTR STATION WILL HAVE SIMILAR DECORATIONS.

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ON CHRISTMAS EVE, ABOUT 100 CHURCH CHOIR MEMBERS WILL TRAVEL IN FIVE COACHES TO TSUEN WAN CENTRE, KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI SINGING HYMNS AND CAROLS.

+LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS HAVE HELPED A LOT IN ORGANISING THESE ACTIVITIES AND I AM VERY GRATEFUL TO THEM,+ SAID MISS CHUNG.

DETAILS OF, AND ADMISSION TICKETS TO, THESE ACTIVITIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S PUBLIC ENQUIRIES COUNTERS, LOCAL COMMUNITY CENTRES AND THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL.

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DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR SPORTS ACTIVITIES
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THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED \$50 000 TO THE KWUN TONG SPORTS PROMOTION ASSOCIATION TO FORM AREA-BASED BRANCHES IN ORGANISING SPORTS PROGRAMMES.

THE SCHEME IS JOINTLY IMPLEMENTED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DEVELOPMENT SECTION OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE.

THE ASSOCIATION'S MAIN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, SUPPORTED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, IS TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION IN SPORTS ACTIVITIES THROUGH THE INVOLVEMENT OF LOCAL LEADERS AT GRASSROOT LEVEL AND TO ENHANCE COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

UP TO THE END OF OCTOBER, FIVE SUCH AREA BRANCHES HAVE BEEN FORMED, NAMELY: WEST NGAU TAU KOK, EAST NGAU TAU KOK, PING SHEK AND KAI YIP, TOWN CENTRE AND SHUN LEE.

THESE AREA BRANCHES HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR BUYING SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND ARRANGING SPORTS FUNCTIONS FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

THERE WILL BE TRAINING COURSES FOR BASKETBALL, ROLLER SKATING, CANOEING, DANCING AND FOOTBALL.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE COMPETITIONS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING KITE-FLYING AND CYCLING.

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ANTI-NARCOTICS CELEBRITY SHOW IN TUEN MUN
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A +CELEBRITY SHOW+ TO PUBLICISE THE FIGHT AGAINST NARCOTICS WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) EVENING AT TUEN MUN PLAYGROUND, TUEN MUN, NEW TERRITORIES.

IT WILL BEGIN AT 7.30 PM FOLLOWING A +SWITCH-ON+ BY MR KARL STUMPF, CHAIRMAN OF THE PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE OF ACAN.

MR LAU WONG-FAT, CHAIRMAN OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK AND MR BILLY LAM, DISTRICT OFFICER, TUEN MUN WILL ALSO ATTEND THE FUNCTION.

THERE WILL BE SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES BY WELL-KNOWN SINGERS AND TV ARTISTES AS WELL AS EXCITING TELEMATCH GAMES. IT IS EXPECTED THAT SOME 3 000 LOCAL RESIDENTS WILL ATTEND THIS FUNCTION. ADMISSION WILL BE FREE.

THE SHOW IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, THE HONG KONG GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION TUEN MUN BRANCH, AND THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE, AND SPONSORED BY TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD AND TOM LEE PIANO CO.

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WATER CUT IN HAPPY VALLEY AND CENTRAL
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN HAPPY VALLEY WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR EIGHT HOURS FROM 10 PM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 13) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THIS WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES IN TUNG SHAN TERRACE, SHIU FAI TERRACE, LINGNAN COLLEGE, 26-28 AND 34 STUBBS ROAD.

MEANWHILE, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CENTRAL WILL ALSO BE INTERRUPTED FROM 11 PM ON THE SAME DAY UNTIL 6 AM ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 14) FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY ABERDEEN STREET, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, LADDER STREET, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND WELLINGTON STREET.

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FIRE PREVENTION DAY
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THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSUEN WAN DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, WILL HOLD A FIRE PREVENTION DAY AT THE LEI MUK SHUE FIRE STATION IN WO YEE HOP ROAD ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 13), STARTING AT 3 PM.

THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER OF NEW TERRITORIES FIRE COMMAND, MR FRED JACKSON AND ELECTED DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER MR CHENG WING-CHUN, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, AND WILL PRESENT THE DIRECTOR'S COMMENDATION TO PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT.

HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENT WILL BE A FIRE RESCUE DEMONSTRATION BY FIRE SERVICES PERSONNEL.

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URBAN CLEARWAYS IN TO KWA WAN
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CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS WILL BE INTRODUCED ON CHI KIANG STREET AND NGAN HON STREET NEAR THEIR JUNCTIONS WITH TO KWA WAN ROAD STARTING FROM 4 PM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 13) TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW.

THIS WILL ALSO APPLY TO THE SOUTHERN SECTION OF BAILEY STREET, PAK KUNG STREET, HOK YUEN STREET, MAN YUE STREET, AND FAT KWONG STREET NEAR THEIR JUNCTIONS WITH MA TAU WAI ROAD.

WITHIN THESE SECTIONS, VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM STOPPING FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

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