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ACTING GOVERNOR VISITS NEW TERRITORIES  
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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER, SPENT THE WHOLE OF TODAY (WEDNESDAY) IN THE NEW TERRITORIES BEING UPDATED ON DEVELOPMENTS THERE.

ACCOMPANIED BY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, SIR JACK FIRST SAW THE NEW TERRITORIES FROM THE AIR, FLYING OVER THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY POWER STATION SITE ON LAMMA ISLAND AND THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY SITE AT TAP SHEK KOK. HE ALSO FLEW OVER TUEN MUN, YUEN LONG AND SHA TIN, BEFORE LANDING AT YEUNG UK ROAD PLAYGROUND IN TSUEN WAN.

FROM THE ROOF OF THE FOU WAH CENTRE IN CASTLE PEAK ROAD, SIR JACK WAS GIVEN DETAILS OF VARIOUS NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE TSUEN WAN MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY EXTENSION, WHICH IS DUE TO BE IN OPERATION NEXT YEAR, BY THE ACTING TOWN MANAGER, MR LUI HAU-TUEN, AND THE PROJECT MANAGER, MR C.N. FONG.

HE WAS GIVEN THE LATEST INFORMATION ON PUBLIC HOUSING, TRANSPORT, AND PLANS TO DEVELOP A ROAD NETWORK TO COPE WITH THE TRAVEL NEEDS OF A POPULATION WHICH WILL RISE TO 1 000 000 BY THE LATE 1980'S FROM A PRESENT FIGURE OF 750 000.

IN TUEN MUN, SIR JACK WAS BRIEFED AT YAU OI ESTATE BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BILLY LAM, ON COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, INCLUDING EDUCATION AND SECURITY IN ESTATES, AND THE TRANSPORT SITUATION. DETAILS OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE PROJECT MANAGER, MR NG TECK-SHENG.

TUEN MUN'S POPULATION, NOW ABOUT 120 000, WILL CLIMB TO NEARLY 600 000 BY 1990.

AFTER A WORKING LUNCH WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BASED IN TUEN MUN DISTRICT, THE ACTING GOVERNOR TRAVELLED TO YUEN LONG WHERE HE WAS MET BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR FUNG KWOK-KEUNG, WHO FROM A VANTAGE POINT TOLD HIM ABOUT PLANS TO FILL IN LOCAL FISH PONDS AND DEVELOP THEM INTO RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL AREAS. PROJECTS TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC IN YUEN LONG WERE ALSO EXPLAINED.

SIR JACK THEN TRAVELLED TO TAI PO WHERE PROGRESS ON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS AND PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS WERE OUTLINED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NICKY LO.

THE FINAL CALL WAS SHA TIN, WHERE FROM A LOOKOUT POINT ABOVE THE HOME OWNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AT SUI WO COURT, SIR JACK WAS BRIEFED BY THE PROJECT MANAGER, MR KENNETH KWOK, AND THE ACTING DISTRICT OFFICERS, MR BOB WILSON AND MR AUGUSTINE CHENG. SHA TIN'S EVENTUAL POPULATION WILL BE 750 000.

THE TOUR ENDED WITH A DINNER HOSTED BY MR AKERS-JONES AND MRS AKERS-JONES AT ISLAND HOUSE, WHERE SIR JACK WAS JOINED BY LADY CATER.

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GUIDE TO CHEAPER STUDENT TRAVEL OUT SOON

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A LEAFLET THAT EXPLAINS HOW MORE THAN HALF A MILLION FULL-TIME STUDENTS CAN APPLY FOR CHEAPER TRAVEL ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION NEXT WEEK, THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR ALAN ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT, SAID TODAY.

MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT MADE THE ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWING A BRIEFING, HELD AT THE NEW PREMISES OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE, ON PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR THE LAUNCHING NEXT MONTH OF THE GOVERNMENT'S \$230-MILLION STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME.

THE SCHEME WILL PROVIDE CHEAPER TRAVEL ON BUSES, FERRIES, TRAINS AND TRAMS TO ALL STUDENTS AGED FROM 12 TO 25 WHO ARE ENROLLED IN FULL-TIME COURSES RANGING FROM PRIMARY TO FIRST-DEGREE UNIVERSITY LEVEL.

+LEAFLETS EXPLAINING THE SCHEME WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH CITY DISTRICT OFFICES, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND THE STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE,+ MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID.

+TO COPE WITH A POSSIBLE 600 000 APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS, 60 ADDITIONAL STAFF WILL BE EMPLOYED TO HELP PROCESS APPLICATIONS SO THAT VALIDATED CARDS CAN BE ISSUED TO STUDENTS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.+

MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT REMINDED STUDENTS THAT INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTED.

+STUDENTS MUST APPLY THROUGH THEIR SCHOOLS WHEN THE ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS NEXT MONTH,+ HE SAID.

THE STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE'S NEW LOCATION IS ROOM 705, CAPITOL CENTRE, 5-19 JARDINE'S BAZAAR, CAUSEWAY BAY. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR INQUIRIES IS 5-7954631.

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CHOI HUNG ROAD CLEARWAY TO BE EXTENDED

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THE 7 AM TO 7 PM URBAN CLEARWAY RUNNING ALONG THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF CHOI HUNG ROAD, FROM A POINT ABOUT 95 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TAI SHING STREET TO TAI YAU STREET, WILL BE EXTENDED EASTWARDS TO A POINT ABOUT 190 METRES TO THE EAST OF THE TAI YAU STREET JUNCTION FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 21).

WITHIN THE CLEARWAY, NO VEHICLES, EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES, WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP OR PICK UP PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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ROAD DESIGN CONTRACT SIGNED

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AN AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BETWEEN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND A FIRM REPRESENTING A JOINT VENTURE OF CONSULTING ENGINEERS, TO INVESTIGATE, DESIGN AND SUPERVISE CONSTRUCTION OF A DUAL THREE-LANE TRUNK ROAD FROM AU TAU TO FAN KAM ROAD IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE PROJECT IS PART OF A SCHEME TO IMPROVE THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROUTE.

THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER, MR HAROLD BEATON, SIGNED THE AGREEMENT WITH MR TONY VAIL OF BINNIE AND PARTNERS (HONG KONG), REPRESENTING THE JOINT VENTURE, MR M.M. RICH OF WILBUR SMITH AND ASSOCIATES, AND MR W.G. HETHERINGTON OF HARRIS AND SUTHERLAND (FAR EAST).

MR BEATON SAID THAT EXISTING DEVELOPMENTS AT YUEN LONG, FAIRVIEW PARK AND FANLING HAD ALREADY GENERATED SIGNIFICANT VOLUMES OF TRAFFIC ON THE SECTION OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD FROM AU TAU TO FANLING.

AS THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS BEING PLANNED FOR MAI PO, SAN TIN AND KWU TUNG PROGRESSED, THE CAPACITY OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD WOULD NEED TO BE IMPROVED TO ACCOMMODATE THE INCREASED TRAFFIC FLOW.

THE NEW ROAD, WHICH WILL GENERALLY FOLLOW THE ROUTE OF THE EXISTING CASTLE PEAK ROAD, WILL BE ABOUT 12.5 KILOMETRES LONG. IT WILL HAVE GRADE-SEPARATED INTERCHANGES AT AU TAU, FAIRVIEW PARK AND SAN TIN.

THE ROAD WILL HAVE TWO THREE-LANE CARRIAGEWAYS, WITH SERVICE ROADS, CYCLE TRACKS, FOOTWAYS AND GRADE-SEPARATED CROSSINGS FOR PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS.

THE NEW ROAD IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF 1984.

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TAPS OFF FOR REPAIRS  
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FRESH OR SALT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF AREAS IN HONG KONG AND KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE TEMPORARILY CUT FOR REPAIRS AND TESTS EARLY NEXT WEEK.

ON MONDAY (AUGUST 24), FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN POK FU LAM WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY SASSOON ROAD AND NORTHCOTE CLOSE, INCLUDING NORTHCOTE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND TELEGRAPH BAY VILLAGE.

ON TUESDAY (AUGUST 25), FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR 11 HOURS FROM 9 PM TO 8 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORKS.

PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE BOUNDED BY CASTLE PEAK ROAD, WEST SIDE FROM TAI CHUNG ROAD, TO THE END OF 11-1/2 MILESTONE, TING KAU AREA INCLUDING CHAI WAN KOK STREET, SHA TSUI ROAD, FROM TAI CHUNG ROAD, TO CASTLE PEAK ROAD, PAK TIN PAR STREET, TSUEN KING CIRCUIT, TSUEN WAN CENTRE AND ON YUK ROAD.

ON WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 26), SALT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN EAST KOWLOON WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 10 AM TO 3 PM FOR REPAIR WORKS.

THE AREAS TO BE AFFECTED ARE SAU MAU PING DISTRICT, LAM TIN DISTRICT, SHUN LEE ESTATE AND CHOI WAN ESTATE.

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TRAM-ONLY LANE FOR MORRISON HILL ROAD  
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THE TRAM TRACK RUNNING ALONG THE SECTION OF MORRISON HILL ROAD BETWEEN WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD AND LEIGHTON ROAD WILL BE DESIGNATED A TRAM-ONLY LANE FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 22) TO IMPROVE ROAD SAFETY.

NO ROAD VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE THE LANE, WHICH WILL BE INDICATED BY TRAFFIC SIGNS AND ROAD MARKINGS.

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