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IMPORTED CHOLERA CASE CONFIRMED  
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THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) CONFIRMED ONE IMPORTED CHOLERA CASE. THE PATIENT IS A 52-YEAR-OLD FEMALE RESIDENT IN HUNG HOM, WHO RETURNED FROM CHINA ON AUGUST 15.

SHE WAS ADMITTED TO QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL ON AUGUST 19, SUFFERING FROM DIARRHOEA. SHE WAS TRANSFERRED TO PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL THE FOLLOWING DAY. HER CONDITION IS SATISFACTORY.

+CHOLERA IS ENDEMIC IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD AND RECURRENCE OF THIS DISEASE IS EXPECTED FROM TIME TO TIME,+ A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

+MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE REMINDED TO MAINTAIN THEIR EFFORTS IN KEEPING THEIR FOOD AND ENVIRONMENT CLEAN AND IN PRACTISING STRICT PERSONAL HYGIENE,+ HE ADDED.

MEANWHILE UP TO 4 PM TODAY, A TOTAL OF 365 PEOPLE RECEIVED INOCULATION AT THE EIGHT VACCINATION CENTRES AND PORT HEALTH OFFICES.

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FIRST QUARTER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX PUBLISHED  
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THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1986, AT 116.8, WAS 7.3 POINTS OR 6.7 PER CENT HIGHER THAN THAT IN THE SAME QUARTER OF 1985, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE FIRST QUARTER IS NORMALLY A SEASONAL LOW FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION BECAUSE MOST WORKERS TAKE THEIR ANNUAL LEAVE DURING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR. COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1986 WITH THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1985, THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION DECLINED BY 21.1 POINTS OR 15.3 PER CENT.

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985 WAS RECORDED IN LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (+47.5 PER CENT). THE TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT INDUSTRY ALSO SHOWED A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE (+37.8 PER CENT) AS MORE PRODUCTION WAS CARRIED OUT IN THE RENOVATION AND REPAIRING OF SHIPS.

THE OTHER INDUSTRIES WITH AN INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985 INCLUDED PROFESSIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT, PHOTOGRAPHIC AND OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS (+25.6 PER CENT); TEXTILES (+17.5 PER CENT); NON-ELECTRICAL MACHINERY (+13.1 PER CENT); BASIC METALS (+12.8 PER CENT); NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS (+12.1 PER CENT); FOOD (+11.2 PER CENT) AND BEVERAGES (+11.0 PER CENT).

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HOWEVER, A FEW INDUSTRIES REPORTED A DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OVER THE SAME PERIOD, INCLUDING ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PARTS, ACCESSORIES AND MACHINERY (-13.2 PER CENT) AND RUBBER PRODUCTS (-12.1 PER CENT).

COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1986 WITH THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1985, THE ONLY INDUSTRIES REPORTING AN INCREASE IN PRODUCTION WERE TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (+34.9 PER CENT) AND LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (+4.8 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, MANY INDUSTRIES RECORDED A DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OVER THE SAME PERIOD. THE MORE SIGNIFICANT DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN RUBBER PRODUCTS (-32.4 PER CENT); TEXTILES (-28.3 PER CENT); FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (-26.0 PER CENT); BASIC METALS (-23.5 PER CENT) AND TOBACCO (-20.2 PER CENT).

IN RELEASING THESE FIGURES, A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS PRIMARILY INTENDED TO REFLECT THE LEVELS AND TRENDS OF OUTPUT IN REAL TERMS. IN OTHER WORDS, THE VOLUME OF PRODUCTION IS MEASURED AFTER REMOVING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

TWO TABLES ON THE QUARTERLY INDEXES OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1986 SHOW A SUMMARY TABLE FOR BROAD INDUSTRY GROUPS, AND GIVES MORE DETAILED INDUSTRY BREAKDOWNS.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE +REPORT ON THE QUARTERLY INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, FIRST QUARTER 1986+.

THE PUBLICATION IS ON SALE AT \$3 A COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, OR AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATION SALES COUNTER, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL. REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION MAY ALSO BE ARRANGED.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 3-7224504.

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Table 1 Summary table of quarterly indexes of industrial production by broad industry group, 1st quarter 1983 to 1st quarter 1986

(1981 = 100)

Broad industry group	Weight	1983	1984	1985	1983				1984				1985				1986
					1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
1. Food, beverages and tobacco	34.8	110.9	119.0	138.5	94.5	105.0	121.5	122.6	102.9	122.8	126.6	121.6	125.6	133.6	145.1	149.7	136.7
2. Wearing apparel, except knitwear and footwear	251.3	106.0	113.8	105.0	89.6	109.8	108.8	115.6	104.3	114.1	115.9	121.7	95.3	97.1	104.6	122.8	102.5
3. Textiles (including knitting)	127.4	103.5	115.0	119.6	76.6	109.3	117.1	110.8	99.6	119.5	120.7	121.1	85.9	119.6	132.3	140.7	100.9
4. Paper products and printing	61.3	133.1	157.1	156.8	110.5	132.3	148.0	141.7	121.4	160.2	177.4	165.3	139.2	157.9	163.5	166.5	141.0
5. Chemical, rubber, plastic and non-metallic mineral products	110.0	120.8	160.3	160.5	92.9	129.5	138.3	122.6	113.2	153.0	199.9	171.1	134.6	163.9	183.0	160.5	134.8
6. Basic metals, fabricated metal products and non-electrical machinery	104.1	105.1	132.2	130.8	90.3	106.6	112.1	111.2	113.1	139.1	151.9	124.8	108.1	140.5	136.2	138.2	107.4
7. Electrical and electronic products, professional equipment and optical goods	216.2	123.2	133.5	128.9	93.6	123.5	133.5	142.2	109.3	126.7	143.0	155.1	118.8	129.1	129.7	133.1	126.1
8. Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	94.9	117.6	154.6	114.1	98.0	112.4	118.4	141.6	119.1	145.1	168.3	185.8	104.5	105.7	121.8	124.5	121.1
All manufacturing industries	1000.0	113.9	132.0	126.0	91.5	116.0	122.5	125.4	109.1	130.5	144.5	143.7	109.5	124.6	132.1	137.0	116.8

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Table 2 Quarterly indexes of industrial production by industry group, 1st quarter 1983 to 1st quarter 1986

(1981 = 100)

Industry group	Weight	1983			1984				1985				1986				
		1983	1984	1985									1986				
		1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q			
1.1 Food	20.5	120.5	119.1	135.4	106.3	110.3	126.3	139.2	108.3	123.5	121.9	127.6	128.9	129.9	135.1	147.8	143.4
1.2 Beverage	9.6	98.0	109.5	107.6	61.9	106.6	128.3	95.1	74.7	124.4	140.2	91.5	80.7	112.8	134.6	102.2	89.6
1.3 Tobacco	4.7	95.3	137.9	215.1	109.4	78.9	86.5	106.4	137.1	116.3	119.2	171.9	203.2	191.9	209.8	255.3	203.8
2 Wearing apparel, except knitwear and footwear	251.3	106.0	113.8	105.0	89.6	109.8	108.8	115.6	104.3	114.1	115.9	121.7	95.3	97.1	104.6	122.8	102.5
3 Textiles (including knitting)	127.4	103.5	115.0	119.6	76.6	109.3	117.1	110.8	99.6	119.5	120.7	121.1	85.9	119.6	132.3	140.7	100.9
4.1 Paper and paper products	11.9	182.5	240.2	223.8	143.7	187.7	191.0	207.6	190.9	255.7	270.9	241.4	187.6	232.4	263.2	212.1	187.8
4.2 Newspaper printing, job printing and other printing	49.4	121.2	137.1	140.7	102.5	118.9	137.7	125.8	104.7	137.2	154.9	151.5	127.6	140.0	139.5	155.5	129.7
5.1 Chemicals and chemical products	15.1	125.3	133.2	160.5	105.2	132.2	131.0	132.7	124.8	116.3	147.9	141.6	148.5	153.9	164.5	175.1	152.1
5.2 Rubber products	3.2	134.6	150.4	122.4	103.3	121.6	140.1	173.3	108.5	141.1	158.3	191.7	99.6	144.1	116.5	129.4	87.5
5.3 Plastic products	81.1	121.1	174.0	169.7	89.6	132.0	143.3	119.3	114.0	168.0	225.0	181.1	139.0	174.0	199.6	166.0	137.6
5.4 Non-metallic mineral products	10.6	108.5	97.0	102.2	97.9	108.4	109.8	117.7	91.8	93.7	94.9	101.4	91.6	107.2	102.9	107.2	102.7
6.1 Basic metals	9.0	109.7	98.1	89.9	97.4	112.6	119.5	109.1	94.4	99.8	97.7	101.4	70.3	89.8	95.7	103.7	79.3
6.2 Fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	77.0	95.9	138.1	133.2	81.5	94.8	104.2	103.0	114.1	146.9	165.9	121.6	110.0	142.8	139.0	140.9	104.3
6.3 Machinery, except electrical	18.1	141.9	124.2	140.7	124.1	154.1	142.3	147.1	118.4	125.2	119.5	131.6	118.8	155.7	144.3	144.0	134.4
7.1 Consumer electrical and electronic products	103.2	113.1	150.0	134.9	93.4	107.9	123.1	128.0	116.0	134.3	164.6	181.2	128.9	138.2	124.7	147.6	135.2
7.2 Electrical and electronic parts, accessories and machinery	60.3	114.3	105.0	99.8	78.4	118.5	123.1	137.0	87.5	105.8	110.8	115.9	95.6	101.6	107.7	94.4	83.0
7.3 Professional and scientific equipment, photographic and optical goods, watches and clocks	52.7	153.2	133.8	150.6	111.3	159.6	165.9	176.1	121.1	135.8	137.5	140.9	125.5	142.7	164.8	169.4	157.6
8.1 Leather products and footwear (except rubber, plastic and wooden footwear)	12.2	72.8	67.9	66.4	51.4	70.8	74.5	94.4	60.7	74.3	65.2	71.3	50.3	69.8	74.5	70.8	74.2
8.2 Wood and cork products, and furniture and fixtures (except primarily of metal)	18.5	83.1	83.7	86.9	69.9	87.5	85.4	89.7	85.1	81.8	85.0	83.0	87.9	83.3	83.6	92.8	86.0
8.3 Transport equipment	27.0	98.5	133.2	113.0	83.8	95.0	98.0	117.2	111.7	118.4	155.3	147.5	109.2	112.6	118.4	111.6	150.5
8.4 Miscellaneous manufacturing industries, n.e.c.	37.2	163.3	233.8	144.3	137.5	151.0	164.1	200.5	160.6	219.2	252.9	302.3	127.2	123.7	158.8	167.3	132.7
All manufacturing industries	1000.0	113.9	132.0	126.0	91.5	116.0	122.5	125.4	109.1	130.5	144.5	143.7	109.5	124.6	132.1	137.9	116.8

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HALF-YEARLY AIR MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS OUT  
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TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE BY AIR FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1986, VALUED AT \$53 777 MILLION, INCREASED BY 17 PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR, ACCORDING TO SUMMARY STATISTICS ON AIRBORNE MERCHANDISE TRADE RELEASED TODAY (THURSDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1986, 28 PER CENT OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS, 21 PER CENT OF IMPORTS AND 19 PER CENT OF RE-EXPORTS, ALL BY VALUE, WERE CARRIED BY AIR. IN TERMS OF WEIGHT, AIRBORNE IMPORTS AMOUNTED TO 100 194 TONNES OR 0.5 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL IMPORT TONNAGE, WHILE TOTAL AIRBORNE EXPORTS TOTALLED 142 518 TONNES OR 1.5 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL EXPORT TONNAGE.

CHANGES IN AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 1.

ANALYSED BY COMMODITY CATEGORIES, INCREASES IN AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS WERE RECORDED MAINLY IN CLOTHING (BY \$1 848 MILLION OR 34 PER CENT); PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AND OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS (BY \$691 MILLION OR 23 PER CENT); OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$574 MILLION OR 31 PER CENT) AS WELL AS MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES, INCLUDING MAINLY JEWELLERY, GOLDSMITHS' AND SILVERSMITHS' WARES AND OTHER ARTICLES OF PRECIOUS OR SEMI-PRECIOUS MATERIALS (BY \$321 MILLION OR 23 PER CENT).

DECREASES IN VALUE WERE RECORDED IN METALLIFEROUS ORES AND METAL SCRAP (BY \$268 MILLION OR 78 PER CENT); POWER GENERATING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$9 MILLION OR 18 PER CENT) AS WELL AS METALWORKING MACHINERY (BY \$8 MILLION OR 23 PER CENT).

FURTHER ANALYSIS BY COUNTRY WITHIN COMMODITY CATEGORIES REVEALED INCREASES IN AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF CLOTHING TO THE U.S. (BY \$748 MILLION OR 21 PER CENT) AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (BY \$378 MILLION OR 77 PER CENT); PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AND OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS TO THE U.S. (BY \$134 MILLION OR 11 PER CENT) AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (BY \$89 MILLION OR 43 PER CENT); OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT TO THE U.S. (BY \$313 MILLION OR 26 PER CENT) AS WELL AS MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES, INCLUDING MAINLY JEWELLERY, GOLDSMITHS' AND SILVERSMITHS' WARES AND OTHER ARTICLES, OF PRECIOUS OR SEMI-PRECIOUS MATERIALS TO THE U.S. (BY \$96 MILLION OR 14 PER CENT).

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HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN METALLIFEROUS ORES AND METAL SCRAP TO THE UNITED KINGDOM (BY \$200 MILLION OR 92 PER CENT) AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (BY \$77 MILLION OR 87 PER CENT); POWER GENERATING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT TO THE U.S. (BY \$18 MILLION OR 51 PER CENT) AS WELL AS METALWORKING MACHINERY TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (BY \$4 MILLION OR 76 PER CENT).

AIRBORNE IMPORTS FROM MAJOR SUPPLIERS ARE PRESENTED IN TABLE 2.

INCREASES WERE REGISTERED FOR AIRBORNE IMPORTS OF PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AND OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS (BY \$1 107 MILLION OR 28 PER CENT); NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES (BY \$1 036 MILLION OR 53 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$418 MILLION OR 8 PER CENT) AS WELL AS CLOTHING (BY \$224 MILLION OR 38 PER CENT).

IN CONTRAST, DECREASES WERE NOTED IN IMPORTS OF OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$992 MILLION OR 38 PER CENT); POWER GENERATING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$114 MILLION OR 38 PER CENT) AS WELL AS MACHINERY SPECIALISED FOR PARTICULAR INDUSTRIES (BY \$70 MILLION OR 21 PER CENT).

INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN AIRBORNE IMPORTS OF PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AND OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS FROM SWITZERLAND (BY \$514 MILLION OR 72 PER CENT) AND JAPAN (BY \$471 MILLION OR 24 PER CENT); NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES FROM ISRAEL (BY \$278 MILLION OR 51 PER CENT) AND INDIA (BY \$259 MILLION OR 78 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF FROM MALAYSIA WEST (BY \$241 MILLION OR 153 PER CENT) AS WELL AS CLOTHING FROM ITALY (BY \$59 MILLION OR 35 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, DECREASES WERE REGISTERED FOR AIRBORNE IMPORTS OF OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT FROM THE U.S. (BY \$342 MILLION OR 26 PER CENT) AND JAPAN (BY \$248 MILLION OR 59 PER CENT); POWER GENERATING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FROM THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (BY \$55 MILLION OR 92 PER CENT) AS WELL AS MACHINERY SPECIALISED FOR PARTICULAR INDUSTRIES FROM THE U.S. (BY \$76 MILLION OR 60 PER CENT).

AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 3.

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INCREASES IN VALUE OF AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS WERE REGISTERED FOR CLOTHING (BY \$647 MILLION OR 119 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$405 MILLION OR 18 PER CENT); NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES (BY \$104 MILLION OR 12 PER CENT) AS WELL AS TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$101 MILLION OR 37 PER CENT).

HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE REGISTERED FOR FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSCS, AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF (BY \$72 MILLION OR 28 PER CENT); CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS (BY \$42 MILLION OR 15 PER CENT) AS WELL AS ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS, AND CELLULOSE ESTERS AND ETHERS (BY \$26 MILLION OR 84 PER CENT).

INCREASES WERE REGISTERED FOR AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS OF CLOTHING TO THE U.S. (BY \$556 MILLION OR 148 PER CENT) AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY (BY \$27 MILLION OR 113 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF TO TAIWAN (BY \$287 MILLION OR 53 PER CENT) AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (BY \$220 MILLION OR 87 PER CENT); NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES TO JAPAN (BY \$68 MILLION OR 34 PER CENT) AS WELL AS TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT TO CHINA (BY \$42 MILLION OR 50 PER CENT).

HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS OF FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSCS, AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF TO TAIWAN (BY \$88 MILLION OR 50 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (BY \$12 MILLION OR 84 PER CENT); CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS TO CHINA (BY \$27 MILLION OR 42 PER CENT) AS WELL AS ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS, AND CELLULOSE ESTERS AND ETHERS TO JAPAN (BY \$21 MILLION OR 99 PER CENT).

FURTHER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT +HONG KONG EXTERNAL TRADE, JUNE 1986+ ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT \$13.50 PER COPY IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON 5-444436.

TABLE 1: AIRBORNE DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO TEN MAJOR MARKETS

MAJOR MARKET	JAN-JUN 1986 (\$MN.)	JAN-JUN 1985 (\$MN.)	INCREASE (\$MN.)	PERCENTAGE INCREASE (%)
U.S.A.	9 191	7 751	1 440	19
F.R. OF GERMANY	1 657	1 057	600	57

JAPAN	1 303	1 002	301	30
U.K.	917	769	147	19
CANADA	565	426	139	33
FRANCE	441	255	186	73
SWITZERLAND	438	306	131	43
SINGAPORE	413	333	79	24
NETHERLANDS	395	366	29	8
AUSTRALIA	218	213	6	3

TABLE 2: AIRBORNE IMPORTS FROM TEN MAJOR SUPPLIERS

<u>MAJOR SUPPLIER</u>	<u>JAN-JUN 1986 (\$MN.)</u>	<u>JAN-JUN 1985 (\$MN.)</u>	<u>INCREASE (\$MN.)</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE INCREASE (%)</u>
JAPAN	5 825	5 339	487	9
U.S.A.	4 912	5 275	-364	-7
SWITZERLAND	1 746	1 126	621	55
U.K.	1 349	1 342	7	1
F.R. OF GERMANY	1 125	1 112	12	1
TAIWAN	1 078	1 086	-8	-1
SINGAPORE	1 037	1 008	29	3
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	866	800	66	8
ITALY	856	758	97	13
ISRAEL	837	570	266	47

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TABLE 3: AIRBORNE RE-EXPORTS TO TEN MAJOR MARKETS

MAJOR MARKET	JAN-JUN 1986 (\$MN.)	JAN-JUN 1985 (\$MN.)	INCREASE (\$MN.)	PERCENTAGE INCREASE (%)
U.S.A.	2 159	1 782	378	21
TAIWAN	1 426	1 136	291	26
JAPAN	1 120	821	299	36
CHINA	934	1 086	-152	-14
SINGAPORE	842	753	89	12
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	704	426	279	65
U.K.	284	171	113	66
F.R. OF GERMANY	249	152	97	64
SWITZERLAND	192	191	1	1
INDIA	177	174	3	2

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GOVERNOR RETURNING  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL BE RETURNING FROM LONDON ON BR 382 AT 5.55 PM ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 23).

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## NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITY WILL BE ARRANGED FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER HIS ARRIVAL. THEY SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM BY 5 PM. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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FS MEETS THE PRESS

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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS, WILL MEET THE PRESS ON DEVELOPMENTS OF THE TERRITORY'S FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC SECTORS IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, AT 3.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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OWNER FINED FOR EMPLOYING WOMEN ON REST DAY

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) REMINDED FACTORY PROPRIETORS THAT IT IS AN OFFENCE TO EMPLOY WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS TO WORK ON SPECIFIED REST DAY.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE OWNER OF A GARMENT FACTORY WAS RECENTLY FINED \$5 000 BY A TSUEN WAN MAGISTRATE FOR EMPLOYING 26 WOMEN ON A SUNDAY WHICH WAS THEIR SPECIFIED REST DAY.

+THE FINE IMPOSED WAS THE MAXIMUM PENALTY LAID DOWN UNDER THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS (INDUSTRY) REGULATIONS,+ HE SAID.

UNDER THE REGULATIONS, WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 EMPLOYED IN INDUSTRY ARE ENTITLED TO A DAY OFF EVERY WEEK AND ARE NOT PERMITTED TO WORK ON THAT DAY.

+THE REST DAY SHOULD NOT BE CHANGED UNLESS THE EMPLOYER HAS SERVED ON THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR A NOTICE OF CHANGE OF REST DAY, OF HIS INTENTION TO MAKE SUCH CHANGE 48 HOURS BEFORE IT COMES INTO OPERATION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+THE REGULATIONS ALSO STIPULATE THAT SUCH CHANGE SHOULD NOT BE MADE MORE THAN ONCE IN EVERY MONTH, EXCEPT WITH THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR.+

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COUNCILLORS INSPECT FILTHY BUILDINGS  
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TWO MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS IN KOWLOON WITH REPUTATIONS FOR FILTH CAME UNDER SCRUTINY TODAY (THURSDAY) BY A TEAM OF URBAN COUNCILLORS LED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE UC KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN COMMITTEE, MR W.M. SULKE.

INSPECTING THE CHUNG MEI BUILDING IN TAI KOK TSUI AND NO. 1-41 KIM SHIN LANE IN CHEUNG SHA WAN TOGETHER WITH MR SULKE WERE DR RONALD LEUNG AND MR TONG KAM-BIU.

THE COUNCILLORS INVESTIGATED BOTH BUILDINGS FROM TOP TO BOTTOM IN AN EFFORT TO SUGGEST IMPROVEMENTS.

AT THE CHUNG MEI BUILDING, THEY IDENTIFIED DEFECTIVE PIPES AND AN ACCUMULATION OF REFUSE IN LIGHT WELLS AS THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEMS.

DEFECTIVE DRAINAGE, ACCUMULATION OF REFUSE ON CANOPIES AND OBSTRUCTED PASSAGeways WERE SEEN AS NUISANCE REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION AT NO. 1-41 KIM SHIN LANE.

URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT DISTRICT HYGIENE STAFF HAVE ISSUED NOTICES TO RESIDENTS OF BOTH BUILDINGS TO CLEAR REFUSE OFF CANOPIES AND EVEN ENCOURAGED VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN UP THE COMMON AREAS.

BUT A USD SPOKESMAN SAID THERE WAS A LIMIT TO WHAT COULD BE DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THE BUILDINGS WERE PRIVATE PROPERTY.

+IT'S REALLY UP TO RESIDENTS TO BE MORE CIVIC-MINDED AND NOT LITTER IF THEY WANT A CLEANER PLACE TO LIVE,+ HE POINTED OUT.

YESTERDAY (WEDNESDAY), MR SULKE AND MR TONG VISITED SOUTHERN BUILDING IN NORTH POINT AND TAK LEE BUILDING IN QUARRY BAY, TWO MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS WITH SIMILAR ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS.

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MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN CLOSES  
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A CARNIVAL WILL MARK THE CLOSING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ON SUNDAY (AUGUST 24) AFTERNOON IN THE SHAN KING ESTATE FOOTBALL PITCH.

FEATURING GAMES STALLS ORGANISED BY MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, YOUTH CENTRES, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, AND SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT, THE CARNIVAL WILL ALSO INCLUDE A DRAMA PERFORMANCE, MAGIC AND ACROBATIC SHOWS, AND SINGING PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR ARTISTES.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO WINNERS OF THE STALL DESIGN AND DECORATION COMPETITIONS, AND THOSE OF A CROSSWORD PUZZLE COMPETITION.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A PHOTO EXHIBITION ON THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES HELD DURING THE CAMPAIGN FROM MAY TO AUGUST, WHICH INCLUDED EXHIBITIONS, SEMINARS, SLIDE AND VIDEO SHOWS, AND SPECIAL EVENTS AT REHABILITATION UNITS FOR FORMER MENTAL PATIENTS IN TUEN MUN.

THE CAMPAIGN, AIMED AT STRENGTHENING LOCAL RESIDENTS' UNDERSTANDING OF FORMER MENTAL PATIENTS, WAS ORGANISED BY AN AD HOC COMMITTEE COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE AND OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE DISTRICT BOARD AND WELFARE ORGANISATIONS.

CHAIRMAN OF THE TUEN MUN AD HOC COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, MR CHAN CHE-HIM, VICE-CHAIRMAN, MR SO SHIU-SHING, ASSISTANT TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR EDWARD YAU, LOCAL LEADERS AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY IN THE FOOTBALL PITCH (BETWEEN KING MEI HOUSE AND KING YIP HOUSE) OF SHAN KING ESTATE IN MING KUM ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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WINNING CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY ON EXHIBITION  
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THE WORKS OF WINNERS OF THE CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION FOR STUDENTS IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT WILL BE ON DISPLAY FROM SATURDAY (AUGUST 23) AT THE EXHIBITION HALL OF THE ABERDEEN CIVIC CENTRE, FIFTH FLOOR, ABERDEEN MARKET COMPLEX, NO. 203 ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD.

THE EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY PRESENTED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION AND THE URBAN COUNCIL, AND SPONSORED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD.

+IT WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BETWEEN 10 AM AND 6 PM FROM AUGUST 23 TO 26, AND ADMISSION IS FREE,+ A SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+A CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION WAS HELD LAST MONTH TO PROMOTE CHINESE ART AMONG LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE AND HAD ATTRACTED SOME 300 PRIMARY AND SECONDARY STUDENTS EITHER STUDYING OR LIVING IN THE DISTRICT,+ HE SAID.

+IT WAS DIVIDED INTO SEVEN SECTIONS COVERING DIFFERENT STYLES OF CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY, SUCH AS BRUSH WRITING, PEN WRITING AND BALL-POINT PEN WRITING,+ HE SAID.

+APART FROM DISPLAYING WINNING ENTRIES, THE EXHIBITION WILL ALSO FEATURE THE WORKS OF SIX WELL-KNOWN LOCAL CALLIGRAPHISTS WHO WERE ADJUDICATORS OF THE COMPETITION,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO WINNERS AT A SPECIAL CEREMONY AT 2.30 PM ON SATURDAY AT THE EXHIBITION VENUE. OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF SOUTHERN, MISS OLIVIA NIP, SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN, MRS SO CHOW YIM-PING, AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIRMAN, MR JASPER LAM.

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PUTONGHUA FOR JOURNALISTS COURSE OFFERED  
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JOURNALISTS ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR A PUTONGHUA COURSE ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC.

SUBSIDISED BY THE JOURNALISM TRAINING BOARD OF THE COUNCIL, THE FIVE-WEEK COURSE IS PART OF A SERIES OF PLANNED COURSES TO UPGRADE THE COMMUNICATION SKILLS OF WORKING JOURNALISTS.

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THE COURSE WILL BE HELD FROM SEPTEMBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 3 IN THE MORNINGS OF MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY.

COURSE FEE IS \$1 250 AND PARTICIPANTS SPONSORED BY EMPLOYERS AND WHO ATTAIN A 70 PER CENT ATTENDANCE RATE, NEED ONLY PAY \$150. CLOSING DATE FOR ENROLMENT IS SEPTEMBER 15.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-8932341 EXT. 283.

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DISCUSSION OF YOUTH CENTRE SERVICES  
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THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE WILL MEET TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO DISCUSS SERVICES OF YOUTH CENTRES IN THE DISTRICT, AS WELL AS TO REVIEW APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR FUNDS FROM ORGANISATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE.

THE MEETING WILL START AT 2.15 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD, AT 39 TONKIN STREET, SECOND FLOOR, KOWLOON.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING.

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