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SIR JOHN: MTR HAS BROUGHT MANY CHANGES

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THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY HAS TRANSFORMED TRAVEL PATTERNS AND CREATED AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY CAN FUNCTION WITHOUT BEING HAMSTRUNG BY MAJOR TRANSPORT PROBLEMS, THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR JOHN BREMRIDGE, SAID THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING.

OFFICIATING AT A CEREMONY MARKING THE COMPLETION OF THE ISLAND LINE, SIR JOHN ALSO SAID THE MTR WAS CLEAR EVIDENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROPER INFRASTRUCTURE BASE ON WHICH PRIVATE ENTERPRISE COULD FLOURISH. THE CEREMONY WAS HELD AT SHEUNG WAN STATION.

+HONG KONG WITHOUT THE MTR IS HARDLY CONCEIVABLE,+ SIR JOHN SAID. +THE BENEFITS THAT THE RAILWAY HAVE BROUGHT TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ARE EVIDENT. THE DECISION TAKEN MORE THAN A DECADE AGO TO CONSTRUCT A SYSTEM HAS STOOD THE TEST OF TIME.+

SIR JOHN PRAISED THE MTR CORPORATION FOR THE COMPLETION OF EACH LINE OF THE RAILWAY AHEAD OF TIME AND WITHIN BUDGET DESPITE IMMENSE PROBLEMS AND DIFFICULTIES.

THE CORPORATION COULD BE JUSTIFIABLY PROUD OF SETTING SUCH A TREMENDOUS RECORD. +SO CAN HONG KONG. WE ARE AN EFFICIENT COMMUNITY.+

HE SAID THE RAILWAY HAD BROUGHT MAJOR CHANGES TO MANY DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG AS IT HAD OPENED UP OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS WHICH RESULTED IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THOUGHTFUL INTEGRATION BETWEEN A TRANSPORT SYSTEM AND THE COMMUNITY.

SIR JOHN NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD SUBSCRIBED FURTHER EQUITY IN THE CORPORATION DURING THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, THUS ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL STRUCTURE WHICH SHOULD SECURE ITS FINANCIAL POSITION UNDER REASONABLY FORESEEABLE BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

+I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE RAILWAY WILL ACHIEVE A NET PROFIT BEFORE THE MID-1990'S,+ HE SAID. +UNTIL THEN FURTHER EXPANSION IN MY OPINION IS NOT SENSIBLE.+

SIR JOHN BELIEVED THAT THE RAILWAY, BESIDES BEING PROFESSIONAL IN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, WAS AMONGST THE BEST OPERATED IN THE WORLD.

+THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY ASSIST IN ATTRACTING ADDITIONAL RIDERSHIP AND ENSURE THAT RESIDENTS OF HONG KONG WILL PROUDLY TALK ABOUT THEIR SYSTEM FOR MANY GENERATIONS TO COME,+ HE ADDED.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAY PROPOSED FOR QUEEN'S VISIT
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AN ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY WILL BE APPOINTED THIS YEAR TO MARK THE QUEEN'S VISIT IN OCTOBER, IT IS PROPOSED IN THE PUBLIC HOLIDAY (ROYAL VISIT) BILL 1986 GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

EXPLAINING THE BACKGROUND OF THE BILL, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE OCCASION, THE ROYAL VISIT STEERING COMMITTEE HAD RECOMMENDED THAT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, BE APPOINTED A PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

HE ADDED THAT THE EXTRA HOLIDAY, PROPOSED TO FALL ON THE SECOND DAY OF THE ROYAL VISIT, WAS ALSO INTENDED TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR GREATER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN VARIOUS EVENTS BEING ORGANISED IN CONNECTION WITH THE VISIT.

SIMILAR TO THE ARRANGEMENT MADE ON JULY 29, 1981 TO MARK THE WEDDING OF THE PRINCE OF WALES, OCTOBER 22, 1986 WILL BE APPOINTED A STATUTORY HOLIDAY UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE AND A GENERAL HOLIDAY UNDER THE HOLIDAYS ORDINANCE.

THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE APPLIES TO MANUAL WORKERS AND NON-MANUAL WORKERS WITH MONTHLY SALARY NOT EXCEEDING \$10 500 WHILE THE HOLIDAYS ORDINANCE APPLIES TO ALL BANKS, EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS, PUBLIC OFFICES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+HOWEVER, TO GIVE EMPLOYERS FLEXIBILITY IN STAFF DEPLOYMENT, THOSE WHO FIND IT INCONVENIENT TO GRANT A HOLIDAY TO THEIR EMPLOYEES ON OCTOBER 22 MAY ARRANGE TO HAVE THE HOLIDAY TAKEN ANYTIME WITHIN 60 DAYS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING OR FOLLOWING THAT DATE.

LEGISLATIVE PROVISION FOR SUCH ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENT IS CONTAINED IN SECTION 39 OF THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE.

THE PUBLIC HOLIDAY (ROYAL VISIT) BILL 1986 WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING ON JUNE 4.

COMMENTS ON THE BILL CAN BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER AT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD OR TO UMELCO AT 8 JACKSON ROAD, CENTRAL.

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SEX EDUCATION GUIDELINES ISSUED TO SCHOOLS
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GUIDELINES FOR TEACHING THREE MAIN ASPECTS OF PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT - PHYSICAL GROWTH, EMOTIONAL MATURATION AND INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS - UNDER THE BROAD SUBJECT HEADING OF SEX EDUCATION HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THE GUIDELINES, PUBLISHED IN BOOKLET FORM, WERE DRAWN UP BY THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AFTER IT HAD TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, MEDICAL EXPERTS, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND OTHER CONCERNED GROUPS.

THE BOOKLET SETS OUT TO ESTABLISH SOME GUIDING PRINCIPLES IN THE TEACHING OF SEX EDUCATION. IT ALSO SUGGESTS WAYS TO TEACH THE SUBJECT THROUGH A CROSS-CURRICULAR APPROACH WHICH WAS ENDORSED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE IN 1984 AND SUBSEQUENTLY AGREED BY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AT A SEMINAR IN JUNE 1985.

THROUGH THE FORMAL CURRICULUM THE GUIDELINES SUGGEST THAT SEX EDUCATION BE TAUGHT AS AN INTEGRATED PART OF SOCIAL STUDIES, INTEGRATED SCIENCE AND HOME ECONOMICS IN FORMS 1-3 AND HUMAN BIOLOGY, BIOLOGY, RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND SOCIAL STUDIES AT THE SENIOR SECONDARY LEVEL.

SCHOOLS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO INTRODUCE ELEMENTS OF SEX EDUCATION THROUGH EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN THE FORM OF TALKS, PANEL DISCUSSIONS, PARTICIPATION IN FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAMMES AND VISITS TO FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION CENTRES.

THE GUIDELINES RECOMMEND THAT PERSONAL PROBLEMS SHOULD NOT BE DISCUSSED IN CLASSROOMS - RATHER THEY SHOULD BE DEALT WITH THROUGH THE SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICE AND PUPILS SHOULD BE ASSURED OF CONFIDENTIALITY.

THE BOOKLET ALSO CONTAINS A SCHEME OF WORK FOR STUDENTS AND DETAILED CURRICULUM GUIDES INCLUDING TEACHING OBJECTIVES, IDEAS FOR LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION ON RESOURCE MATERIALS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID: +SCHOOLS MAY DESIGN THEIR OWN PROGRAMMES THAT ARE MOST APPROPRIATE TO THEIR PUPILS' BACKGROUND AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT. HOWEVER, IN DEALING WITH CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES ABOUT WHICH SOME PARENTS MIGHT HOLD STRONG VIEWS, HEADS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT PARENTS IF NECESSARY.

+WHILE A CROSS-CURRICULAR APPROACH IS RECOMMENDED IN THE GUIDELINES, SCHOOLS ARE FREE TO TEACH SEX EDUCATION AS AN INDEPENDENT SUBJECT, PROVIDED THE SYLLABUSES ARE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR APPROVAL AS IN THE CASE WITH OTHER SUBJECTS INITIATED BY SCHOOLS.+

/TO ASSIST

TO ASSIST TEACHERS IN PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING A SEX EDUCATION PROGRAMME IN SCHOOLS, TWO IDENTICAL SEMINARS WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 21 AND 28.

THE BOOKLET, IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH, HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO UMELCO, EDUCATION COMMISSION, BOARD OF EDUCATION, RELEVANT GOVERNMENT BRANCHES AND DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER INTERESTED GROUPS. THE BOOKLET IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT \$10 FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL. IT IS ENTITLED 'GUIDELINES ON SEX EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS'.

COMMENTS ON THE GUIDELINES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY, CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, FIFTH FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

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VALUABLE ACHIEVEMENTS BY DISTRICT BOARDS * * *

THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF VALUABLE ACHIEVEMENTS BY THE 19 DISTRICT BOARDS DURING THE PAST YEAR UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF UNOFFICIALS, THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, SAID THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT A RECEPTION FOR CHAIRMEN OF THE 19 DISTRICT BOARDS, MR LIAO SAID MUCH HAD HAPPENED IN THE PAST YEAR AND THE DISTRICT BOARDS HAD DONE A GREAT DEAL OF VALUABLE WORK.

+AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARDS YOU ARE ENTITLED TO TAKE CONSIDERABLE CREDIT FROM THAT,+ MR LIAO SAID.

+IN YOUR YEAR OF CHAIRMANSHIP YOU HAVE SHOWN THAT THE FLOW OF MEETINGS AND THE OPERATION OF THE BOARDS IN GENERAL CAN RUN SMOOTHLY AND EFFICIENTLY UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF UNOFFICIALS,+ HE ADDED.

DURING THE GATHERING, MR LIAO SAID THE EXPERIENCE GAINED BY DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN WOULD HAVE GIVEN THEM A GREATER INSIGHT INTO THE PROBLEMS OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AND INTO THE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE BOARDS, LOCAL BODIES AND THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

ALSO ATTENDING THE RECEPTION WERE THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, AND THE ACTING REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR PETER NG.

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FIRST MEETING OF CHINESE TEXTBOOKS COMMITTEE
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THE CHINESE TEXTBOOKS COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS IN HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, ON SATURDAY (MAY 24).

THE COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER MR SZETO WAH, WAS ESTABLISHED TO ENSURE THAT GOOD QUALITY TEXTBOOKS WRITTEN IN CHINESE FOR VARIOUS SUBJECTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE MARKET.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE TEXTBOOKS COMMITTEE WILL GIVE A BRIEFING TO THE NEWS MEDIA AFTER THE MEETING.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO COVER THE EVENT SHOULD REPORT TO THE INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THIRD FLOOR, ROOM 301, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, AT 11.30 AM TOMORROW. PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE PICTURES AT THE MEETING.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR APRIL 1986
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR APRIL 1986. THE NEW CPI(A) AND NEW CPI(B) (OCTOBER 84/SEPTEMBER 85 = 100) FOR APRIL 1986 WERE 103 AND 103.4 RESPECTIVELY.

COMPARED WITH MARCH 1986 AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS COMPARISON MAY BE AFFECTED BY SEASONAL FACTORS, NEW CPI(A) INCREASED BY 0.6 PER CENT AND NEW CPI(B), BY 0.7 PER CENT.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE 1979-80-BASED CPI(A) AND CPI(B) FOR APRIL 1986 WERE 163.3 AND 164.8 RESPECTIVELY, REPRESENTING INCREASES OF 2.1 PER CENT AND THREE PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER APRIL 1985.

COMPARED WITH MARCH 1986, CPI(A) INCREASED BY 0.4 PER CENT AND CPI(B), BY 0.7 PER CENT. THE AVERAGE CPI(A) AND AVERAGE CPI(B) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED APRIL 1986, AT 161.1 AND 161.7 RESPECTIVELY, WERE 2.8 PER CENT AND 3.2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THE AVERAGE FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED APRIL 1985.

PRICE MOVEMENTS

PRICE MOVEMENTS DESCRIBED BELOW ARE BASED ON THE NEW CPI SERIES.

DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED APRIL 1986, THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW CPI(A) INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 0.3 PER MONTH AND THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED NEW CPI(B), AT 0.4 PER CENT PER MONTH.

DURING APRIL, RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES, ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR WERE HIGHER. CHARGES FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES, BUS AND TRAIN FARES, AND RENTALS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DWELLINGS ALSO WENT UP. ON THE OTHER HAND, RETAIL PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND FUEL COST ADJUSTMENTS FOR ELECTRICITY AND TOWNGAS WERE LOWER.

THE NEW CPI(A) AND NEW CPI(B) ARE BASED ON THE EXPENDITURE PATTERNS OF 50 PER CENT AND 30 PER CENT, RESPECTIVELY, OF URBAN HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG, WHICH WERE DERIVED FROM THE 1984/85 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY.

THE NEW CPI(A) REFERS TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN \$2 000 AND \$6 499 A MONTH AT THAT TIME, AND THE NEW CPI(B), BETWEEN \$6 500 AND \$9 999 A MONTH.

CHANGES IN THE INDEXES FOR APRIL 1986 IN RESPECT OF THE NINE COMMODITY-SERVICE SECTIONS IN THE TWO NEW CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES, AS COMPARED WITH MARCH 1986, ARE GIVEN BELOW.

(OCTOBER 1984 TO SEPTEMBER 1985 AVERAGE = 100)

SECTION	NEW CPI(A)		NEW CPI(B)	
	INDEX FOR APR. 86	% CHANGE OVER MAR. 86	INDEX FOR APR. 86	% CHANGE OVER MAR. 86
FOODSTUFFS	100.7	+0.1	101.0	+0.1
HOUSING	104.2	+0.8	103.6	+0.6
FUEL AND LIGHT	95.3	-3.7	95.7	-3.5
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO (FOR HOME CONSUMPTION)	105.9	+0.3	105.8	+0.3
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	107.6	+4.6	108.7	+5.4
DURABLE GOODS	105.1	+2.6	104.5	+2.3

/MISCELLANEOUS GOODS

MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	102.7	-	103.4	+0.1
TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES	106.0	+1.6	105.1	+1.1
SERVICES	108.4	+0.2	108.0	+0.2
ALL ITEMS	103.0	+0.6	103.4	+0.7

COMPARED WITH MARCH 1986, THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS INCREASED BY 0.1 PER CENT IN BOTH NEW CPI(A) AND NEW CPI(B). THIS WAS MAINLY DUE TO THE INCREASES IN THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF FRESH VEGETABLES AND IN THE AVERAGE CHARGES FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES, WHICH MORE THAN OFFSET THE DECREASES IN THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SALT-WATER FISH AND SHRIMPS. THE EFFECT OF MOVEMENTS IN THE RETAIL PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS ON THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS WAS INSIGNIFICANT.

THE INDEX FOR HOUSING INCREASED BY 0.8 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(A) AND 0.6 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(B) DUE TO HIGHER RENTS AND RATES FOR SOME PRIVATE DWELLINGS AND FOR SOME HOUSING SOCIETY AND HOUSING AUTHORITY GROUP A ESTATES.

THE INDEX FOR FUEL AND LIGHT DECREASED BY 3.7 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(A) AND 3.5 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF DOWNWARD FUEL COST ADJUSTMENTS FOR ELECTRICITY AND TOWNGAS AS WELL AS LOWER PRICES OF KEROSENE AND LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS.

THE INDEX FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR WENT UP BY 4.6 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(A) AND 5.4 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(B) BECAUSE OF HIGHER PRICES OF OUTERCLOTHINGS.

THE INDEX FOR DURABLE GOODS INCREASED BY 2.6 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(A) AND 2.3 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(B), MAINLY DUE TO HIGHER PRICES OF ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, VIDEO AND SOUND EQUIPMENT, WATCHES AND CAMERAS IMPORTED FROM JAPAN.

THE INDEX FOR TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES ROSE BY 1.6 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(A) AND 1.1 PER CENT IN NEW CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF HIGHER BUS AND TRAIN FARES, WHICH MORE THAN OFFSET THE DECREASE IN THE RETAIL PRICE OF GASOLINE.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE NEW CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

(FIGURES PRESENT IN THE PRESS RELEASE REFER TO CPI SERIES NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. ALL PERCENTAGE CHANGES ARE DERIVED FROM CPI FIGURES TO TWO DECIMAL PLACES.)

DETAILS ARE GIVEN IN THE +CONSUMER PRICE INDEX REPORT+ FOR APRIL 1986, WHICH IS AVAILABLE AT \$3 PER COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG; OR FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, ROOM 1904, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG; OR FROM THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT, BASKERVILLE HOUSE, DUDELL STREET, HONG KONG FOR LOCAL AND OVERSEAS MAILINGS.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE INDEXES MAY BE MADE WITH THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT 3-7216512.

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FURTHER JURY LIST TO BE POSTED
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A FURTHER LIST OF COMMON JURORS WILL BE POSTED ON THE NOTICE BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING AT NO. 38, QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG ON MAY 28, THE ACTING REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT, MR JULIAN BETTS, ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THIS LIST WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR 14 DAYS, WHEN ANY PERSON MAY APPLY BY NOTICE IN WRITING TO THE REGISTRAR REQUIRING THAT HIS NAME OR THE NAME OF SOME OTHER PERSON BE POSTED OR REMOVED UPON CAUSE DULY ASSIGNED IN SUCH NOTICE.

THE REGISTRAR SHALL IN HIS DISCRETION, POST OR REMOVE SUCH NAME ACCORDINGLY AND SHALL IF NECESSARY ALTER THE LIST.

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FEEES PROPOSED FOR REGISTERING INSTALLATION CONTRACTORS
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A BILL WHICH SEEKS TO INTRODUCE A GENERAL FEE-CHARGING PROVISION INTO THE FIRE SERVICES ORDINANCE SO THAT FEES MAY BE CHARGED FOR THE REGISTRATION OF FIRE SERVICE INSTALLATION CONTRACTORS WAS GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT AS A RESULT OF THE FIRE SERVICES (AMENDMENT)(NO. 2) BILL 1986, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO CHARGE FEES FOR VETTING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THESE CONTRACTORS WHEN THEY APPLY FOR REGISTRATION.

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HE POINTED OUT THAT THE EXAMINATION AND INSPECTION PROCEDURES ENTAILED CONSIDERABLE ADMINISTRATIVE EFFORT BY THE STAFF OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND IT WAS IN LINE WITH GENERAL GOVERNMENT POLICY TO RECOVER THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THROUGH THE CHARGING OF FEES.

HE EXPLAINED FURTHER THAT AMENDMENT REGULATIONS SETTING OUT THE NEW FEES WOULD BE MADE AFTER THE LEGISLATION HAD PASSED THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT EVERY POSSIBLE ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN TO KEEP COSTS AT A REALISTIC LEVEL.

ON THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, HE POINTED OUT THAT THERE WERE AT PRESENT THREE CLASSES OF FIRE SERVICE INSTALLATION CONTRACTORS.

+ALL OF THEM ARE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE EVIDENCE OF RECOGNISED PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR VETTING WHILE THE THIRD CLASS OF CONTRACTORS WHO ARE FIT TO MAINTAIN, REPAIR AND INSPECT PORTABLE EQUIPMENT HAVE TO SIT A WRITTEN EXAMINATION AND TO ATTEND AN INTERVIEW WHICH MAY INCLUDE A PRACTICAL TEST.+

ANOTHER PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, IS THE INSPECTION OF WORKSHOPS INTENDED TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH SERVICES PROVIDED BY THESE CONTRACTORS.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING ON JUNE 4. VIEWS ON ITS PROVISIONS CAN BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOWER ALBERT ROAD OR TO UMEICO AT 8 JACKSON ROAD, CENTRAL.

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TEACHERS URGED TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SIMON LORD, TODAY (FRIDAY) URGED TEACHERS AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS IN THE DISTRICT TO POOL THEIR RESOURCES TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION, THE SUCCESS OF WHICH DEPENDED UPON THEIR SUPPORT.

SPEAKING AT THE DISTRICT'S SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING THIS MORNING, MR LORD SAID THE CIVIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME PLANNED FOR LATER THIS YEAR BY THE COMMITTEE WAS A BIG STEP TOWARDS PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION WHICH WOULD BENEFIT TEACHERS AND STUDENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

THE PROGRAMME WOULD INCLUDE A ONE-WEEK CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION JOINTLY ORGANISED WITH THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND WHICH WOULD BE HELD BETWEEN OCTOBER 20 AND 26.

MR LORD SAID AT A TIME WHEN HONG KONG WAS IN A TRANSITION PERIOD THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION WAS DEEMED TO BE URGENT AND HAD BEEN ADVOCATED BY PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE.

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+AS TEACHERS AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS ARE IN DAILY CONTACT WITH A LARGE NUMBER OF YOUTHS, THEY HAVE AN IMPRESSIONABLE INFLUENCE ON OUR SOCIETY'S FUTURE LEADERS,+ HE SAID.

+THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION DOES NOT REST SQUARELY ON THE EDUCATION CIRCLE, AND THE TARGETS OF CIVIC EDUCATION SHOULD GO BEYOND STUDENTS,+ HE SAID, ADDING THAT +TEACHERS AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, HOWEVER, COULD SERVE AS MODELS IN THIS FIELD.+

MEANWHILE, LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT TO PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, INVITING THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 'CIVIC EDUCATION IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT' EXHIBITION JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE.

THE JOINT SCHOOL EXHIBITION WILL COVER SUBJECTS SUCH AS SERVING SOUTHERN DISTRICT, PROTECTING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, MAKING GOOD USE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, GETTING TO KNOW THE REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT SYSTEM AND CREATING A BETTER LIVING ENVIRONMENT.

THE SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE WILL ALSO ORGANISE A FORUM ON THE THEORY AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIC EDUCATION FOR TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS, AND WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS TO ATTEND A DISTRICT BOARD MEETING.

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COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS REPORT ON TRIAD PROBLEMS

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THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO DISCUSS THE REPORT ON TRIAD PROBLEMS.

THE MEETING AT 10.30 AM WILL BE HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING (NEXT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), 166-174 HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG.

THE REPORT ON TRIAD PROBLEMS WAS DISCUSSED BRIEFLY AT THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ON MAY 1. HOWEVER, MEMBERS FELT THAT THE REPORT HAD TO BE DISCUSSED IN MORE DETAILS. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WOULD DISCUSS THE REPORT IN DEPTH.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SPECIAL MEETING OF KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

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'LOVE YOUR FAMILY' PROJECT
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HUNDREDS OF KOWLOON CITY RESIDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO VISIT THE PUI CHING ROAD PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON TO PARTICIPATE IN A 'LOVE YOUR FAMILY' PROJECT, WHICH IS PART OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.

THE EVENT HAS BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE, THE DISTRICT'S ARTS AND CULTURE COUNCIL, THE YWCA ANNE BLACK CENTRE AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE OBJECTIVES ARE TO APPLAUD PARENTS' LOVE FOR THEIR CHILDREN, HIGHLIGHT THE ROLE AND OBLIGATIONS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE FAMILY, AND ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO LOVE AND RESPECT THEIR PARENTS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN ORDER TO BUILD A HARMONIOUS FAMILY. FOR THEIR PART, PARENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW APPRECIATION OF THEIR CHILDREN'S EFFORTS IN MAKING HOME LIFE HAPPY.

CHILDREN WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES IN PRAISE THEIR PARENTS THROUGH DANCE, DRAMA, SONGS, POEMS AND READING OF LETTERS. THERE WILL ALSO BE EXHIBITIONS OF FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHS, PORTRAITS, LETTERS AND POEMS AS WELL AS OF HAND-MADE GIFTS CREATED BY CHILDREN. COMPETITIONS IN PAINTING PARENTS PORTRAITS AND THE SIGNING ON A HUGE AUTOGRAPH ALBUM ARE OTHER ACTIVITIES ON THE PROGRAMME.

OFFICIATING AT THE EVENT WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE, MR WU WING-KAI; ASSISTANT KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS DIANA TONG; CHAIRMAN OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR WU SHING-SHUEN; PRESIDENT OF THE YWCA, MRS GRACE TSAO; AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR WONG WING-PIU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN 'LOVE YOUR FAMILY' PROJECT AT 3.30 PM TOMORROW IN THE HO MAN TIN PUI CHING ROAD PLAYGROUND.

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ACCESS TO RAILWAY INTERCHANGE TO BE IMPROVED
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A NEW ROAD LINKING NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK ROADS IN KOWLOON TONG WILL IMPROVE ACCESS TO THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AND MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY INTERCHANGE WHEN IT IS COMPLETED BY AUGUST, 1987.

THE GOVERNMENT HAS INVITED TENDERS FOR THE 180-METRE-LONG ROAD TO BE BUILT NEXT TO THE KCR TRACKS. BESIDES CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROAD - WHICH WILL BE 7.5 METRES WIDE WITH TWO-METRE FOOTPATHS ON EITHER SIDE - THE CONTRACT CALLS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF NORFOLK ROAD AND A PORTION OF SUFFOLK ROAD NEAR KENT ROAD.

THE PROJECT, EXPECTED TO START IN AUGUST, HAS BEEN DESIGNED, AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY KOWLOON REGION OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE.

THE NEW LINK WOULD COMPLETE THE INTERNAL ROAD NETWORK IN WEST KOWLOON AND IMPROVE ACCESS TO THE KCR AND MTR STATIONS AT KOWLOON TONG AND ALSO RELIEVE WATERLOO ROAD OF LOCAL TRAFFIC.

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SMITHFIELD CATTLE DEPOT TO CLOSE
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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THE GOVERNMENT CATTLE QUARANTINE DEPOT AT SMITHFIELD ROAD IN KENNEDY TOWN WILL BE CLOSED TO CATTLE FROM MONDAY (MAY 26).

THE DEPOT WILL OFFICIALLY CLOSE DOWN ON JUNE 17 AND NO PERSON WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER AND USE THE DEPOT FROM THAT DATE.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT OWNERS OF CATTLE BEING HOUSED IN THE DEPOT MUST ARRANGE TO REMOVE THEM FROM THE DEPOT BEFORE JUNE 16.

+THE FUNCTIONS OF THE SMITHFIELD CATTLE DEPOT WILL BE TAKEN OVER AS FROM NEXT MONDAY BY THE KENNEDY TOWN ABATTOIR WHERE ADDITIONAL CATTLE LAIRAGE SPACES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ALL CATTLE TRADERS CONCERNED HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE DEPOT'S IMPENDING CLOSURE, HE ADDED.

THE SMITHFIELD CATTLE DEPOT, ESTABLISHED AROUND 1890, INITIALLY OPERATED AS AN ABATTOIR UNTIL THE KENNEDY TOWN ABATTOIR CAME INTO COMMISSION IN 1964. THE GOVERNMENT MOVED TO PLAN ITS CLOSURE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT REASONS.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY ON SMALL BUSINESS PUBLISHED
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A BIBLIOGRAPHY ON SMALL BUSINESS IN HONG KONG HAS BEEN PUBLISHED BY THE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (MDC) OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL.

BASED ON TWO RESEARCH STUDIES COMMISSIONED BY THE MDC, 'SMALL BUSINESS IN HONG KONG : A BIBLIOGRAPHY' INCLUDES 145 ENTRIES OF PUBLICATIONS DATING FROM 1962 TO JANUARY 1986. THESE PUBLICATIONS, RANGING FROM BOOKS AND BOOKLETS TO RESEARCH PAPERS, CAN SERVE AS USEFUL REFERENCE FOR THE STUDY OR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENTREPRENEURIAL AND OWNER-MANAGED BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN HONG KONG, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL SAID.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE BIBLIOGRAPHY, BUT NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS ON SMALL BUSINESS IN HONG KONG DATING BACK TO 1974 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE MDC INFORMATION CENTRE FOR REFERENCE.

THE MDC INFORMATION CENTRE WILL CONTINUOUSLY UPDATE THIS COMPUTERISED SMALL BUSINESS BIBLIOGRAPHY DATA FILE AND WILL PRODUCE REVISED EDITION OF THE BIBLIOGRAPHY WHEN NECESSARY.

IT WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY FEEDBACK OF INFORMATION ON UNPUBLISHED PAPERS OMITTED AS WELL AS NEWLY PUBLISHED MATERIALS SO THAT THE BIBLIOGRAPHY COULD BE MORE ACCURATE AND COMPLETE, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE BIBLIOGRAPHY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, PROFESSIONAL AND COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATIONS AND LIBRARIES. ADDITIONAL COPIES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FROM THE MDC (17TH FLOOR, HARBOUR CENTRE, HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI).

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CELEBRITY DRIVE GAME AT ROAD SAFETY TOWN
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A ROAD SAFETY CELEBRITY DRIVE GAME, AIMED AT RAISING \$120 000 FOR REFURBISHING THE 16-YEAR-OLD SAU MAU PING ROAD SAFETY TOWN WILL BE HELD AT THE TOWN TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE GAME WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A PEDAL CAR TELEMATCH. REPRESENTATIVES FROM SIX PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS AND TELEVISION ARTISTES WILL BE THE DRIVERS, AND OLD PEOPLE AND CHILDREN THE PEDESTRIANS.

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OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (TRAFFIC) OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, MR JOHN CLEMENCE.

THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES, MRS IRENE YAU, WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO THE WINNERS.

THE CELEBRITY DRIVE GAME HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE ROAD SAFETY PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ROAD SAFETY CELEBRITY DRIVE GAME TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM AT THE ROAD SAFETY TOWN, SAU MING ROAD, SAU MAU PING, KOWLOON (NEXT TO THE 1A BUS TERMINUS). MEMBERS OF THE PRESS SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE VENUE AT 2.15 PM. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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HOSPITAL BOARD MEETS SWD DIRECTOR

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MEMBERS OF THE NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON PAID A COURTESY CALL ON THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ANSON CHAN, TO DISCUSS WELFARE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE HOSPITAL.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, MR JAMES TIEN, OUTLINED THE HOSPITAL'S NEW PROJECTS FOR THE YEAR, WHICH INCLUDED A CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOME AT LAI KING HEADLAND, TSUEN WAN, A SOCIAL CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY IN BUTTERFLY ESTATE, TUEN MUN, AND A HOSTEL FOR THE ELDERLY IN POK HONG ESTATE, SHA TIN.

MRS CHAN COMMENDED THE HOSPITAL FOR BENEFITTING RESIDENTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND ASSURED BOARD MEMBERS THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD WORK CLOSELY WITH THEM TO IMPLEMENT THE NEW SERVICES.

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CHANCE TO STUDY MUSIC IN UK

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A SCHOLARSHIP IS BEING OFFERED TO ENABLE A MUSICALLY GIFTED STUDENT TO STUDY MUSIC AT THE WELLS CATHEDRAL SCHOOL IN THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR TWO YEARS.

THE SCHOLARSHIP IS SPONSORED BY THE ARTHUR SAMY MEMORIAL FUND, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE HONG KONG BANK TRUSTEE LTD, AND WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALL COSTS OF TUITION, SUBSISTENCE AND AIR FARES BETWEEN HONG KONG AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. HOWEVER, PARENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE ACCORDING TO THEIR MEANS TOWARDS SUBSISTENCE AND AIR FARES.

THE RESIDENTIAL COURSE, WHICH AIMS AT ACHIEVING THE HIGHEST STANDARDS IN INSTRUMENTAL TRAINING AND IN NORMAL ACADEMIC WORK, WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AND WILL LEAD TO THE GCE ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION IN AT LEAST TWO SUBJECTS, ONE OF WHICH WILL BE IN MUSIC.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE AGED BETWEEN 16 AND 18 AND HAVE RESIDED IN HONG KONG FOR NOT LESS THAN THREE YEARS. THEY SHOULD PREFERABLY HAVE ATTAINED AT LEAST GRADE VIII IN A ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC PRACTICAL EXAMINATION OR EQUIVALENT IN EITHER PIANO, VIOLIN OR CELLO AND ALSO SHOULD PREFERABLY HAVE OBTAINED, BY THIS SEPTEMBER, SIX PASSES AT GRADE C OR ABOVE IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION (HKCEE) OR EQUIVALENT.

STUDENTS PREPARING TO SIT FOR THE HKCEE THIS YEAR MAY APPLY AND QUALIFIED APPLICANTS MAY BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AN AUDITION IN LATE JUNE.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE MUSIC OFFICE HEADQUARTERS, WING ON CENTRE, 11TH FLOOR, 111 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG (5-458791) AND ITS MONG KOK MUSIC CENTRE, 84 WATERLOO ROAD, CAMBRIDGE COURT, FIRST FLOOR, KOWLOON (3-7149255). THEY SHOULD BE SENT TO THE MONG KOK MUSIC CENTRE BY JUNE 12.

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PRIZES FOR YOUTH ARTS WINNERS

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THE PRESENTATION OF PRIZES IN THE 11TH ANNUAL HONG KONG YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITIONS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL AT 3 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY AND PRESENT THE PRIZES TO COMPETITION WINNERS.

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THE HONG KONG YOUTH CULTURAL AND ARTS COMPETITIONS WERE SPONSORED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANISED BY VARIOUS COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS.

MORE THAN 7 000 YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE EIGHT COMPETITIONS WHICH COVERED DEBATING, TRANSLATION, CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY, CHINESE ESSAY WRITING, SLOGAN AND POSTER DESIGN, SPEECH, PAINTING, AND AN ACADEMIC TV QUIZ.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT 3 PM TOMORROW AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL.

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DREDGING PLANNED OFF LANTAU
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MARINE SAND, REQUIRED AS FILL FOR THE EXTENSION RECLAMATION PROJECT AT KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT, IS TO BE DREDGED FROM TWO AREAS OFF THE NORTH OF LANTAU ISLAND.

THE AREAS, ONE OF 249.01 HECTARES NORTH OF YAM O WAN BAY AND THE OTHER OF 99.25 HECTARES NORTH OF TUNG YIP HANG, ARE DESCRIBED IN TODAY'S (FRIDAY'S) GAZETTE.

PLANS CAN BE INSPECTED AT THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT SURVEY OFFICE OR THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE. OBJECTIONS TO THE SCHEME SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS BY JULY 22.

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CLOSURE OF RUMSEY STREET POSTPONED
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT AS ROAD WORK DUE TO BE CARRIED OUT IN RUMSEY STREET ON SUNDAY (MAY 25) AND MONDAY (MAY 26) HAS BEEN DELAYED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE SECTION OF RUMSEY STREET BETWEEN WING LOK STREET AND DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL WILL NOT BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 5 AM ON THESE TWO DAYS AS EARLIER ANNOUNCED.

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HONG KONG ISLAND ROAD CLOSURES
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A NUMBER OF ROAD SECTIONS IN CENTRAL, CAUSEWAY BAY AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED.

DETAILS ARE:

- * TO FACILITATE THE TRANSPORTATION OF HEAVY CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY, THE SECTION OF RUMSEY STREET BETWEEN WING LOK STREET AND DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM ON SUNDAY (MAY 25) AND MONDAY (MAY 26).

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES ON WING LOK STREET HEADING FOR CENTRAL WILL BE DIVERTED TO BONHAM STRAND, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, CENTRE STREET, EASTBOUND DES VOEUX ROAD WEST AND CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, WHILE THOSE HEADING FOR NORTHERN SECTION OF RUMSEY STREET MAY CONTINUE TO TRAVEL VIA MAN WA LANE AND DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

- * THE SECTION OF EASTERN HOSPITAL ROAD SERVICE ROAD BETWEEN BUDDHIST WONG FUNG LING COLLEGE AND TUNG WAH EASTERN HOSPITAL WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY FOR ROAD WORK.

THE CLOSURE WILL LAST FOR TWO WEEKS, DURING WHICH EASTERN HOSPITAL ROAD SERVICE ROAD NORTH OF BUDDHIST WONG FUNG LING COLLEGE WILL BE RE-ROUTED TWO-WAY.

- * TO FACILITATE ROAD WORK, THE SECTION OF COMFORT TERRACE BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 2 AND KING'S ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM DAILY FROM MAY 26 (MONDAY) TO JUNE 11 (WEDNESDAY) EXCEPT ON SUNDAYS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE SECTION OF COMFORT TERRACE BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 2 AND TIN HAU TEMPLE ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND TO TWO-WAY.

- * AGAIN DUE TO ROAD WORK, A SECTION OF THE DIRECT ACCESS ROAD FROM THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR SHAU KEI WAN DOWN-RAMP TO NAM ON LANE WILL BE CLOSED FOR ABOUT SIX DAYS STARTING 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 26).

VEHICLES FROM THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR DOWN-RAMP HEADING FOR NAM ON LANE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE UNNAMED LOOP ROAD LINKING MONG LUNG STREET AND THE ACCESS ROAD TO NAM ON LANE.

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CLOSURE OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES SOUGHT

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING THE CLOSURE OF A NUMBER OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES ON THE ROOF OF A BUILDING AT 22-28 TAI HO ROAD, TSUEN WAN, TO ENABLE DEMOLITION.

THE CLOSURE IS PART OF AN EXERCISE TO ENFORCE ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE IN DECEMBER 1984 REQUIRING DEMOLITION OF THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES.

A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON JUNE 24 WAS POSTED ON THE STRUCTURES TODAY (FRIDAY).

DEMOLITION WILL COMMENCE ONCE THE ORDER IS OBTAINED.

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ROAD CLOSURES IN KOWLOON CITY, RENNIE'S MILL

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL TAKE EFFECT IN PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 26) FOR ABOUT FOUR MONTHS TO FACILITATE THE INSTALLATION OF A PIPELINE THERE.

PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST EASTBOUND, BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH PENTLAND STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION, WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC. MOTORISTS TRAVELLING ON PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST EASTBOUND HEADING FOR LOMOND ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SHORT STREET, BOUNDARY STREET, PENTLAND STREET, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST AND LOMOND ROAD.

MEANWHILE, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST EASTBOUND, BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH SHORT STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 30 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH PENTLAND STREET, WILL BE CONVERTED TO A TWO-WAY CUL-DE-SAC.

IN RENNIE'S MILL, PO LAM ROAD BETWEEN MA YAU TONG AND MAU WU TSAI WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 11 AM ON THE SAME DAY FOR ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS BECAUSE OF ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORK.

TRAFFIC INCLUDING KMB ROUTE 90 AND NEW TERRITORIES GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES 10 AND 10A HEADING FOR RENNIE'S MILL FROM KWUN TONG WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SAU MAU PING ROAD, PO LAM ROAD, A NEW UNNAMED ROAD AND PO LAM ROAD.

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TUEN MUN FLUSHING WATER SUSPENDED
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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TUEN MUN WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 7 PM ON MONDAY (MAY 26) TO 8 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES FROM FU TEI TO SAM SHING ESTATE, INCLUDING SIU HONG COURT, SIU ON COURT, TAI HING ESTATE, SAN FAT ESTATE, ON TING ESTATE, YAU OI ESTATE, SHAN KING ESTATE, BUTTERFLY ESTATE, WU KING ESTATE, MELODY GARDEN, SIU SHAN COURT, PAK KOK AND WU KING TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS.

TUEN MUN CLINIC, YAN OI POLYCLINIC, YAN OI TONG CIRCUIT, AREAS 4B, 10, 9, 12, 26, 36, 37A, 37B, CHI LOK GARDEN, WALDORF GARDEN AND TUEN MUN INDUSTRIAL AREA WILL ALSO BE AFFECTED.

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