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PUBLIC TRANSPORT PRIORITY ON KING'S AND SHAU KEI WAN ROADS
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NEXT WEEK TWO NEW TRANSPORT SCHEMES WILL BRING RELIEF FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT PASSENGERS ON THE KING'S ROAD CORRIDOR.

ON WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 13) THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT PRIORITY SCHEME WHICH COVERS SHAU KEI WAN DISTRICT, WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.

ON THE SAME DAY, THE COASTAL FERRY SERVICE TO CENTRAL CAPACITY WILL BE INCREASED WITH THE OPENING OF A NEW PIER AT TAI KOO SHING.

THE FULL PUBLIC TRANSPORT PRIORITY SCHEME, UNDER WHICH BUS-ONLY AND TRAM-RESERVED LANES ALONG BOTH SIDES OF KING'S ROAD AND SHAU KEI WAN ROAD WILL BE PROVIDED BETWEEN CAUSEWAY BAY AND CHAI WAN ROAD, WAS APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL IN JUNE.

STAGE 1 OF THE SCHEME PROVIDES FOR SECTIONS OF BUS-ONLY LANES ALONG THE EAST-BOUND AND WEST-BOUND CARRIAGEWAYS OF SHAU KEI WAN ROAD AND KING'S ROAD BETWEEN NGOI MAN STREET AND SHIPYARD LANE, AND TRAM-RESERVED LANES BETWEEN TAI ON STREET AND GREIG ROAD.

THE BUS-ONLY LANE WILL OPERATE DURING PEAK HOURS BETWEEN 7 AM AND 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

THE TRAM-RESERVED LANE WILL BE PROHIBITED TO ALL MOTOR-VEHICLES.

STAGE 2 OF THE SCHEME, COVERING KING'S ROAD BETWEEN TAI KOO SHING AND JAVA ROAD, IS EXPECTED TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN OCTOBER.

THE LAST STAGE, COVERING KING'S ROAD BETWEEN SHU KUK STREET AND HING FAT STREET, IS EXPECTED TO BE READY BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR NIGEL SHIPMAN, SAID IT HAD BEEN DECIDED TO GO AHEAD WITH THE SCHEME IN SHAU KEI WAN FIRST BECAUSE IMPLEMENTATION DID NOT REQUIRE MAJOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING WORKS IN THAT DISTRICT.

BEFORE THE SCHEME WAS EXTENDED TO QUARRY BAY AND NORTH POINT, NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS WOULD BE INSTALLED AND SECTIONS OF CARRIAGEWAY WOULD BE WIDENED. THIS WORK IS NOW IN HAND.

MR SHIPMAN SAID THE SCHEME WAS BEING INTRODUCED TO IMPROVE PUBLIC TRANSPORT JOURNEY TIMES AND TO MAKE THE MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF AVAILABLE ROAD SPACE UNTIL THE NEW HIGHWAY ALONG THE EASTERN ISLAND CORRIDOR IS COMPLETED.

HE NOTED THAT THE JOURNEY TIME OF CMB ROUTE NO. 80 BETWEEN CHAI WAN AND CENTRAL DETERIORATED FROM 50 MINUTES IN 1974 TO 71 MINUTES TODAY.

HE CAUTIONED THAT IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE FIRST STAGE OF THE SCHEME WOULD BE RELATIVELY SLIGHT, BECAUSE IT WAS ONLY PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE THE BUS-ONLY LANES AND TRAM-RESERVES IN SMALL STRETCHES.

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HOWEVER, BENEFITS IN BUS TRAVELLING TIMES WERE EXPECTED TO BE MUCH GREATER WHEN THE FULL SCHEME WAS INTRODUCED AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

AT THAT TIME BUS-ONLY LANES AND TRAM-RESERVES WOULD COVER FIVE KILOMETRES.

MR SHIPMAN EMPHASISED THAT BUS AND TRAM VOLUMES ALONG KING'S ROAD WERE HIGH AND WOULD AMPLY JUSTIFY HAVING THEIR OWN RESERVED LANES.

+SOME 220 BUSES IN THE PEAK HOUR SHOULD BENEFIT WHEN THE FULL SCHEME IS IMPLEMENTED,+ HE SAID.

+AS JOURNEY TIMES IMPROVE, THE BUSES AND TRAMS WILL MAKE MORE TRIPS, AND THE EXTRA PASSENGER-CARRYING CAPACITY WILL REDUCE OVER-CROWDING.+

ON THE FERRY SERVICES, MR SHIPMAN SAID THE NEW PIER AT TAI KOO SHING WAS PART OF A CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT IN SERVICES.

+LAST NOVEMBER, THE NUMBER OF HOVERFERRY SAILINGS FROM SAI WAN HO TO CENTRAL INCREASED FROM FIVE TO 21.

+MOVING THE SERVICE TO TAI KOO SHING WILL ENABLE LARGE TRIPLE-DECKER FERRIES AND WATER-BUSES TO BE USED, AS WELL AS THE HOVERFERRIES.

+DAILY PASSENGER CAPACITY ON THE ROUTE WILL BE RAISED TO 3 800, WHICH IS MORE THAN 10 TIMES GREATER THAN A YEAR AGO.

+FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS MAY FOLLOW,+ SAID MR SHIPMAN.

THE SHAU KEI WAN-KOWLOON CITY SERVICE WILL ALSO OPERATE FROM THE NEW TAI KOO SHING PIER.

SHAU KEI WAN PIER WILL CONTINUE TO HANDLE THE KWUN TONG AND SAM KA TSUEN SERVICES.

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COMMODITIES TRADING LAW NOW EFFECTIVE

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THE COMMODITIES TRADING (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1980 WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY) AND BROUGHT INTO IMMEDIATE EFFECT.

+FROM TODAY, 'FRINGE' OPERATORS WHO ARE NEITHER REGISTERED DEALERS UNDER THE COMMODITIES TRADING ORDINANCE NOR MEMBERS OF THE CHINESE GOLD AND SILVER EXCHANGE SOCIETY HAVE TO CEASE THEIR TRADING ACTIVITIES OR FACE PROSECUTION AS AN UNREGISTERED DEALER, THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR WHICH IS A FINE OF $50 000,+ A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

+IN THEIR OWN INTEREST, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT THEY PLACE THEIR ORDERS ONLY THROUGH DEALERS WHO ARE REGISTERED OR WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE CHINESE GOLD AND SILVER EXCHANGE SOCIETY.

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+IF THEY HAVE ANY DOUBT REGARDING THE REGISTRATION STATUS OF THEIR BROKERS, THEY CAN COME TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR COMMODITIES TRADING AT 2404 CONNAUGHT CENTRE, TELEPHONE 5-259361, WHERE A REGISTER OF DEALERS IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION,+ HE SAID.

THE ORDINANCE STATES THAT ANY PERSON WHO RECEIVES ORDERS FROM THE PUBLIC, AND WHO PLACES THOSE ORDERS ONLY THROUGH A REGISTERED DEALER OR A MEMBER OF THE CHINESE GOLD AND SILVER EXCHANGE SOCIETY, WILL BE REGARDED AS AN AGENT AND WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER.

+THE HAWKING OF FUTURES CONTRACTS IS NOW PROHIBITED. THIS MEANS THAT COMMODITY COMPANIES, PARTICULARLY GOLD DEALERS, CAN NO LONGER EMPLOY TEAMS OF MOSTLY UNQUALIFIED SALESMEN USING HIGH PRESSURE SALES TECHNIQUES TO INDUCE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BUY AND SELL COMMODITIES, OR ELSE THEY FACE PROSECUTION CARRYING A MAXIMUM FINE OF $10 000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

+ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO IS APPROACHED BY A SALESMAN, WHETHER BY VISIT OR BY TELEPHONE, IS URGED TO REPORT SUCH INCIDENTS TO THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR COMMODITIES TRADING,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

WITH EFFECT FROM A DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY IN THE GAZETTE, A DEALER WILL BE REQUIRED TO ISSUE A CONTRACT NOTE AND PROVIDE CERTAIN ESSENTIAL INFORMATION TO A CLIENT IN RESPECT OF EVERY TRANSACTION UNDERTAKEN ON HIS BEHALF. THE PENALTY FOR ANYONE WHO BREACHES THESE NEW REQUIREMENTS WILL BE A FINE OF $10 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS.

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AMS, A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER, HAS DESCRIBED THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE AS A +SOURCE OF INSPIRATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT+ TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG AS DEMONSTRATED VIVIDLY IN THE WAY THEIR MEMBERS WERE MOBILISED LAST YEAR TO HELP THE VIETNAMESE REFUGEES.

THEY WORKED LONG HOURS IN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND DEMANDING CONDITIONS, PROVIDING MEDICAL FACILITIES FOR THOSE ON BOARD SHIPS LIKE THE HUEY FONG, HE SAID.

THE AMS MEMBERS HELPED PROVIDE HEALTH-SCREENING AND IMMUNISATION SERVICES ASHORE, MEDICAL SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE IN THE REFUGEE CAMPS THEMSELVES, AND IN COUNTLESS OTHER WAYS, HE ADDED.

SIR JACK WAS SPEAKING THIS EVENING AT THE AMS OFFICERS' MESS DINNER TO CELEBRATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE SERVICE.

HE TOLD THE OFFICERS THAT HE LONG ADMIRED THE +SELFLESS AND UNSTINTING+ CONTRIBUTION WHICH THE AMS MADE ON SO VERY MANY OCCASIONS TO THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY.

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WHEREVER AND WHENEVER HELP AND ASSISTANCE WAS NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE REGULAR MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES THEY WERE TO BE FOUND -- AT OUR BEACHES, IN OUR HOSPITALS, ON AMBULANCES AND NOWADAYS MOST IMPORTANTLY AND VERY REGULARLY IN THE METHADONE TREATMENT CENTRES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, HE SAID.

+IT IS A SOURCE OF IMMENSE REASSURANCE THAT THE COMMUNITY CAN RELY SO COMPLETELY ON YOU ALL,+ SAID SIR JACK.

THE UNIT CONTROLLER OF AMS, DR K.L. THONG, ALSO SPOKE DURING THE DINNER ON THE INCREASING ROLE OF PUBLIC SERVICES RENDERED BY THE SERVICE WHICH HAD GROWN FROM 1 000 MEMBERS TO NEARLY 6 000.

HE SAID THE BASIC ROLE OF THE AMS WAS TO AUGMENT THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS, BUT IN FACT IN TIMES OF PEACE AMS PERSONNEL WERE ACTIVE, REGULARLY AND CONSTANTLY IN MANY SPHERES OF ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY -- MANNING SWIMMING BEACHES AS LIFEGUARDS, DRIVING AMBULANCES ON MERCY MISSIONS AND MANNING FIRST-AID POSTS AT PUBLIC FUNCTIONS.

IN RECENT YEARS, HE SAID THEIR ACTIVITIES HAD EXTENDED TO COVER METHADONE CENTRES AND THE MEDICAL CENTRES IN REFUGEE CAMPS, PROVIDING INOCULATORS FOR IMMUNISATION PROGRAMMES AND ATTENDING TO NEW ARRIVALS IN BOATS.

DR THONG SAID PLANS WERE IN HAND TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF THE SERVICE.

HE SAID THESE INCLUDED THE BUILDING OF A CANOE TRAINING CENTRE AT SAI KUNG AND FOUR SUB-UNIT HEADQUARTERS IN THE RURAL DISTRICTS AS WELL AS OFFSHORE ISLANDS.

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SIR JACK VISITS SHAM SHUI PO

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THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING TOURED THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT TO SEE THE LATEST HAWKER AND PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMMES THERE.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (KOWLOON WEST), MR STEPHEN IP, SIR JACK TOURED THE SHUN NING ROAD HAWKER PERMITTED AREA WHERE A RE-ORDERING EXERCISE IS UNDERWAY TO CONVERT SOME STATIC STALLS INTO FIXED PITCH STALLS, AND HAWKER PERMITTED PLACES ARE BEING ALLOCATED TO GENUINE HAWKERS.

SIR JACK ALSO VISITED THE LOWER SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED BY HOUSING DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ABOUT ITS REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME. HE ALSO TOURED THE NEW COMMERCIAL COMPLEX OF THE ESTATE AND SPOKE WITH ITS MARKET AND SHOP OPERATORS.

AT THE SHAM SHUI PO CITY DISTRICT OFFICE HE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CITY DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON THE GREEN PAPER ON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE IN THE AREA IN SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS.

SIR JACK ALSO TOLD MEMBERS THAT HONG KONG'S RESIDENTS WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED BY BRITAIN'S PROPOSED NATIONALITY ACT.

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WELFARE CENTRE FOR THE YOUNG, THE OLD AND THE MENTALLY ILL

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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR THOMAS LEE, TODAY (FRIDAY) LAID THE FOUNDATION STONE FOR A MULTI-WELFARE SERVICES CENTRE LOCATED IN A WAN CHAI AREA HE DESCRIBED AS +SIR SHIU-KIN TANG'S SOCIAL SERVICES VILLAGE+.

THE $4 MILLION CENTRE FOR THE YOUNG, THE OLD AND THE MENTALLY ILL IS IN THE AREA OF MORRISON HILL WHERE, MR LEE SAID, LIES A CONCENTRATION OF SOCIAL SERVICE PROJECTS HELPED OUT WITH DONATIONS BY SIR SHIU-KIN.

HE CITED THE TANG SHIU KIN HOSPITAL, TANG SHIU KIN VICTORIA TECHNICAL SCHOOL, SHENG KUNG HUI TANG SHIU KIN SECONDARY SCHOOL, TANG CHI NGONG SPECIALIST CLINIC, MACLEHOSE DENTAL CENTRE, LADY TRENCH TRAINING CENTRE AND THE HONG KONG ISLAND REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

HE SAID SIR SHIU-KIN WAS WELL KNOWN FOR MAKING GENEROUS DONATIONS FROM TIME TO TIME, AND EVEN THE CENTRE ITSELF WAS PARTLY FINANCED BY HIM AND NAMED THE TANG SHIU KIN SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE.

MR LEE PAID TRIBUTE TO HIM FOR HIS CONTINUOUS SUPPORT AND SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNITY.

THE SIX-STOREY CENTRE, PLANNED BY THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF HONG KONG, IS ALSO FINANCED BY FUNDS RAISED BY THE CONVENTION AND A LOTTERIES FUND GRANT MADE THROUGH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

MR LEE SAID THE VARIOUS INTEGRATED SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED IN THE CENTRE WOULD HELP MEET A GROWING DEMAND FOR SUCH SERVICES.

THE CENTRE WILL ACCOMMODATE A HALFWAY HOUSE FOR RE-INTEGRATING FORMER MENTAL PATIENTS INTO SOCIETY, A LIBRARY, AS WELL AS A SOCIAL CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY AND CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CENTRES AS FOCAL POINTS FOR SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

HE NOTED THAT IN THE CENTRE A +COFFEE HOUSE+ WOULD BE RUN AS AN EXPERIMENTAL SCHEME DESIGNED TO REACH OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE WITH PROBLEMS.

A SOCIAL WORKER WILL BE POSTED IN THE COFFEE HOUSE TO GIVE COUNSELLING SERVICES TO THOSE YOUNGSTERS WHO COME FOR A DRINK AND WHO NEED THE SERVICES.

+THIS IS INDEED A NEW CONCEPT IN THE AREA OF PERSONAL SOCIAL WORK AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE, AND I HOPE THIS EXPERIMENTAL SCHEME WILL SUCCEED,+ HE SAID.

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SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES OPENS
SEX EDUCATION EXHIBITION
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YOUNG PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ARE INFLUENCED BY THE IMMENSE CHANGES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN WORLD ATTITUDES TO SEX, SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

MR AKERS-JONES WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE +SEX EDUCATION BEGINS AT HOME+ EXHIBITION, ORGANISED BY THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG.

HE SAID THE PROBLEMS OF TODAY WERE VASTLY DIFFERENT FROM THOSE OF 30 YEARS AGO, WHEN THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION WAS FIRST FORMED.

+TODAY, SECONDARY EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE TO ALL OUR YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN.

+THIRTY YEARS AGO, ONLY A PRIVILEGED FEW RECEIVED SECONDARY EDUCATION AND GENERALLY SPEAKING YOUNG WOMEN WERE LUCKY IF THEY EVEN RECEIVED PRIMARY SCHOOLING,+ MR AKERS-JONES SAID.

+OUTSIDE SCHOOL, OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE INFLUENCED BY TELEVISION AND BY THE IMMENSE CHANGES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN WORLD ATTITUDES TO SEX, VIOLENCE, DRUG ABUSE AND SO FORTH,+ HE ADDED.

MR AKERS-JONES SAID THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION IN THE PAST 30 YEARS HAD MADE AN INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE CONCEPTS OF FAMILY PLANNING AND PLANNED AND RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD.

+DURING THIS PERIOD THE ASSOCIATION HAS ADAPTED AND CHANGED ITS APPROACH TO ITS WORK AS OUR COMMUNITY HAS EVOLVED.+

HE SAID THE +SEX EDUCATION AT HOME+ EXHIBITION WAS MOST OPPORTUNE.

+IT WILL PROVIDE PARENTS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN HOW TO RESPOND TO THE PROBLEMS OF CHILDREN, TO HELP THEM TO DEAL FRANKLY AND OPENLY WITH THEIR PROBLEMS TODAY AND THUS HELP ENSURE THE HEALTH OF OUR SOCIETY TOMORROW.+

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE RIBBON-CUTTING WAS MRS AKERS-JONES.

THEY LATER TOURED THE EXHIBITION WHICH INCLUDES DRAWINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND CAPTIONS.

THE EXHIBITION, AT THE MAIN CONCOURSE OF THE OCEAN TERMINAL, IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL AUGUST 14.

PARENTS ATTENDING WILL BE GIVEN FREE BOOKLETS BASED ON THE CONTENT OF THE EXHIBITION.

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YOUTH MUSIC CAMP STARTS ON SUNDAY

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MORE THAN 200 YOUNG MUSICIANS WILL BE TAKING PART IN NEXT WEEK'S MUSIC CAMP AT SAI KUNG ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE AND THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR DAVID LAN, SAID TODAY.

THE CAMP, WHICH WILL START ON SUNDAY (AUGUST 10) FOR ONE WEEK, IS PART OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

MR LAN SAID THAT FROM 389 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE CAMP, 206 WERE SELECTED BY A PANEL OF MUSICIANS FROM THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF OF THE MUSIC OFFICE DURING AN OPEN AUDITION.

THE AIM OF THE CAMP, SAID MR LAN, IS TO PROVIDE A CHANCE FOR THE YOUNG MUSICIANS OF HONG KONG TO COME TOGETHER DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAY TO RECEIVE INTENSIVE MUSIC TRAINING, AS WELL AS TO PRACTISE, PERFORM AND SHARE EACH OTHER'S EXPERIENCE UNDER A HOLIDAY CAMP ATMOSPHERE.

+TO ENABLE THE YOUNG CAMPERS TO HAVE A HEALTHY MIND AND A HEALTHY BODY, THE YOUNG MUSICIANS RANGING FROM 11 TO 25 YEARS WILL ALSO TAKE PART IN SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES DURING THE EIGHT-DAY CAMP,+ HE SAID.

AS THE SAI KUNG OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTRE CAN ONLY ACCOMMODATE 180 CAMPERS, 29 OF THE YOUNG MUSICIANS WILL BE ATTENDING AS DAY-TIME CAMPERS.

A TOKEN CAMP FEE OF $30 IS CHARGED FOR RESIDENT-CAMPERS AND $20 FOR DAY-TIME CAMPERS.

THE FEES COLLECTED WILL BE TOTALLY EXPENDED ON THE CAMP IN ADDITION TO THE $80 000 DONATION FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB AND THE $5 000 FROM THE SYMPHONE TEXTILES LIMITED.

DURING THE CAMP, THE FIRST FOR LOCAL TALENT, THE YOUNG MUSICIANS WILL HAVE A VERY FULL SCHEDULE. ON AVERAGE, THEY WILL RECEIVE EIGHT HOURS OF INTENSIVE MUSIC TRAINING EACH DAY CONSISTING OF WORKSHOPS, MASTER CLASSES, LECTURES, FILMS AND REHEARSALS PLUS TWO HOURS OF SPORTS ACTIVITIES.

IN ADDITION, THEY WILL GIVE TWO CONCERTS - ONE AT SAI KUNG TOWN ON AUGUST 15 (FRIDAY), ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE, THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, THE SAI KUNG RURAL COMMITTEE AND THE HANG HAU RURAL COMMITTEE= THE OTHER AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL ON AUGUST 17 (SUNDAY).

AN ADDITIONAL FEATURE OF THE CAMP WILL BE THE INTRODUCTION OF SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING TO THE ACCOMPANIMENT OF LIVE MUSIC. THE YOUNG CAMPERS WILL PROVIDE MUSIC TO THE TWO TEAMS OF SWIMMERS OF THE HONG KONG LIFE GUARD CLUB.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SOUGHT FOR CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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THE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

THE POST WAS ADVERTISED LAST WEEKEND, IN SEVERAL CHINESE AND ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS.

THE DEPARTMENT IS HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WHO IS ASSISTED BY AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

WITH A MONTHLY SALARY OF $19 250 PLUS HOUSING AND OTHER BENEFITS, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WILL ADMINISTER, UNDER THE GENERAL POLICY GUIDANCE OF THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, THE CULTURAL AND ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PLANNING AND, UPON COMPLETION, ADMINISTRATION OF THE NEW CULTURAL COMPLEX AT TSIM SHA TSUI, THE HUNG HOM STADIUM, THE KO SHAN ROAD OPEN AIR THEATRE, THE NEW TOWN HALLS AT SHA TIN AND TUEN MUN, AND OTHER CULTURAL FACILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT INCLUDING THE SUPERVISION IN THE OPERATION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CITY HALL, THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AND THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL.

THE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANT WILL ALSO HAVE TO CO-ORDINATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, THE HONG KONG REPERTORY THEATRE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL PERFORMING GROUPS RECEIVING SUBSIDIES FROM THE URBAN COUNCIL AND URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND TO PROMOTE THE PERFORMANCE AND APPRECIATION OF MUSIC, OPERA, DRAMA, DANCE AND FILMS, BOTH WESTERN AND CHINESE.

CANDIDATES FOR THE POST SHOULD HAVE AN HONOURS DEGREE FROM A HONG KONG OR BRITISH UNIVERSITY OR EQUIVALENT OR AN APPROPRIATE RECOGNISED PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION IN MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATION- WITH AT LEAST 10 YEARS' ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE, OF WHICH AT LEAST THREE YEARS SHOULD BE AT SENIOR MANAGEMENT LEVEL, A HIGH STANDARD OF ENGLISH AND CHINESE AND WITH GOOD GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF MUSIC, DRAMA, DANCE AND CINEMA, BOTH WESTERN AND CHINESE.

APPLICATION FORMS (G.F. 340) CAN BE OBTAINED FROM CITY DISTRICT OFFICES, PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRES OF DISTRICT OFFICES, NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, AND LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICES, LABOUR DEPARTMENT. THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION IS MONDAY (AUGUST 11).

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TENDERS CALLED SOON FOR MAJOR NEW ROAD LINK

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT INTENDS TO INVITE TENDERS WITHIN THE NEXT THREE TO FOUR MONTHS FROM PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COASTAL TRUNK ROAD FROM SHA TIN NEW TOWN TO YUEN CHAU TSAI, TAI PO NEW TOWN.

THE COASTAL ROAD WILL BE A DUAL THREE-LANE HIGHWAY OF ABOUT 7.5 KILOMETRES LONG WITH MOST OF ITS LENGTH ON AN OFF-SHORE EMBANKMENT IN WATER.

TWO INTERCHANGES AT MA LIU SHUI AND YUEN CHAU TSAI WILL ALSO BE BUILT TO CONNECT THE COASTAL ROUTE WITH ROAD NETWORKS IN THE NEW TOWNS OF SHA TIN AND TAI PO.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PWD SAID THAT ONLY CONTRACTORS WITH EXPERIENCE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAY STRUCTURES, DRAINAGE AND MARINE WORKS WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE LIST OF PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PREQUALIFICATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM PETER FRAENKEL AND PARTNERS (ASIA), CONSULTING ENGINEERS, ROOMS 704-705, AUSTIN CENTRE, AUSTIN AVENUE, KOWLOON.

A NOTICE INVITING APPROPRIATE CONTRACTORS TO CONTACT THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR CONSIDERATION OF INCLUSION IN THE PREQUALIFICATION LIST WAS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE CONSTRUCTION WILL START EARLY NEXT YEAR AND THE COASTAL ROAD WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC IN ABOUT FOUR YEARS.

THE CONTRACT IS BEING PREPARED AND THE CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY PETER FRAENKEL AND PARTNERS (ASIA) ON BEHALF OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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TWO NEW NTSD REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS SET UP TWO REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS FOR THE NORTH AND SOUTH REGIONS ON THE 10TH FLOOR OF FOURSEAS BUILDING AT 208-212, NATHAN ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI.

THE TWO REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS ARE EACH HEADED BY AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE WORK OF HIS RESPECTIVE REGION.

MEANWHILE, THE LICENSING SECTION, WHICH HANDLES THE LICENSING OF FOOD PREMISES, PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT, OFFENSIVE TRADES AND PLACES OF AMUSEMENT= THE PROSECUTION SECTION= THE PEST CONTROL UNIT AND THE FOOD SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT HAVE MOVED TO THE 9TH FLOOR OF FOURSEAS BUILDING.

THESE SECTIONS WERE PREVIOUSLY LOCATED AT 4TH FLOOR, AUSTIN CENTRE, 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, KOWLOON.

FROM NOW ON BUSINESS IN CONNECTION WITH THESE SECTIONS WILL BE HANDLED AT THE NEW PREMISES.

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BUS ROUTE 2B WITHDRAWN

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KOWLOON BUS CIRCULAR ROUTE NO. 2B LINKING TAI WOH PING WITH SHEK KIP MEI MTR STATION WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM SERVICE FROM SUNDAY (AUGUST 10) DUE TO POOR PATRONAGE.

COMMUTERS MAY USE ROUTE NOS. 2F, 87 AND 204 AS ALTERNATIVES.

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TSUEN WAN WATER CUT

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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR 24 HOURS FROM 8 AM MONDAY (AUGUST 11) TO 8 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR SALT WATER MAIN CONNECTIONS.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY TAI HO ROAD, CHAI WAN KOK AND TSO KUNG TAM.

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Friday, August 8, 1980

ADDRESS BY H.E. THE ACTING GOVERNOR, SIR JACK CATER KBE JP
AT THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE OFFICERS' MESS DINNER
ON 8 AUGUST 1980

It is a great pleasure for me to be here with you to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the founding of the Auxiliary Medical Service.

I have long admired the selfless and unstinting contribution which the AMS has made on so very many occasions to the welfare of our community. This contribution has been a considerable one throughout the years of your existence: and as a former Defence Secretary I remember only too well the invaluable work that the Service has performed in the past, especially for the less privileged members of the community.

Wherever and whenever help and assistance is needed to support the regular medical and health services you are to be found - at our beaches, in our hospitals, on ambulances and nowadays (most importantly and very regularly) in the methadone treatment centres throughout the territory. Your role is one of great importance and your voluntary services a source of inspiration and encouragement to everyone with whom you come in contact. Nowhere was this more obviously demonstrated than in the

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splendid way you mobilised your Service last year to meet the demands for assistance posed by the arrival of Vietnamese refugees - the boat people. Many of you worked long hours in extremely difficult and demanding conditions, providing medical facilities for those on board ships like the Huey Fong: first health-screening and immunization services ashore; medical support and assistance in the refugee camps themselves; and in countless other ways. I am immensely grateful for all that you have done and continue to do.

In the future I am sure we shall need to call upon your services, as we have done in the past 30 years - and probably even more so. I know, too, that you will respond magnificently and will discharge whatever duties we ask of you with the same efficient devotion to duty, compassion and good humour as you have done in the past. It is a source of immense reassurance that the community can rely so completely on you all.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you now to rise and drink a toast with me: to the Auxiliary Medical Service.

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