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BANKS AND FIRMS SHOW FAITH IN HK, GOVERNOR SAYS  
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MANY COMPANIES, BANKS AND ORGANISATIONS BOTH HERE AND OVERSEAS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEIR FAITH IN HONG KONG BY NEW INVESTMENT, BY THE EXTENSION OF FINANCIAL FACILITIES AND BY THE EXPANSION OF THEIR OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG.

THIS WAS STATED THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, IN A SPEECH AT THE GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S ANNUAL DINNER.

OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS, FOUR MAJOR INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES HAVE ANNOUNCED PLANS TO INVEST IN HONG KONG, TWO MAJOR BANKS HAVE ANNOUNCED MAJOR BUILDING REDEVELOPMENT PLANS AND APPLICATIONS FOR NEW BANK LICENCES BY FOUR FOREIGN BANKS WERE ACCEPTED, SIR EDWARD POINTED OUT.

IN ADDITION, HE SAID, 16 FULLY OR PARTLY OVERSEAS-OWNED FACTORIES ARE KNOWN TO HAVE COMMENCED OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG AND 115 FOREIGN COMPANIES HAVE ESTABLISHED BRANCH OFFICES HERE IN THE SAME PERIOD.

+GLOOM AND DISASTER CATCH THE HEADLINES: BUT THERE IS A LARGE AND MORE ENCOURAGING SIDE TO THE PICTURE,+ SIR EDWARD STATED.

TURNING TO THE SINO-BRITISH TALKS ON HONG KONG'S FUTURE, SIR EDWARD STRESSED THE FIRST FUNDAMENTAL IS THAT ALL THE PARTIES INVOLVED HAVE A +STRONG AND SHARED INTEREST+ IN THEIR SUCCESS.

NOTHING HAS CHANGED THIS COMMON AIM SINCE PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER'S STATE VISIT TO CHINA FOUR MONTHS AGO, HE STRESSED.

THE SECOND FUNDAMENTAL IS THAT THE SOLUTION TO THE 1997 ISSUE WILL HAVE TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE INTERESTS NOT ONLY OF BRITAIN AND CHINA BUT OF THE HONG KONG PEOPLE WHOSE FUTURE IS INVOLVED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, HE SAID.

+IN THIS CONNECTION I DO NOT THINK IT IS THE CASE THAT AS SOME SUGGEST, THE VIEWS OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ARE NOT BEING EXPRESSED OR NOT BEING TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

+SO TO SUGGEST THIS SHOWS LITTLE UNDERSTANDING OF THE WAY IN WHICH IN THIS TERRITORY THE VIEWS OF ORGANISATIONS, BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS AND THE MAN IN THE STREET ARE REFLECTED UPWARDS TO GOVERNMENT,+ SIR EDWARD STATED.

IF PEOPLE WISH TO MAKE THEIR VIEWS PUBLIC, THE PRESS AND MEDIA ARE ALWAYS READY TO GIVE THEM SPACE, HE SAID.

+IF THEY WISH TO CONVEY THEIR VIEWS MORE QUIETLY AND MORE DELIBERATELY, AND MANY DO, THERE ARE NUMEROUS CHANNELS OPEN TO THEM.

+AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE FORGOTTEN LET ME REMIND THEM THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HERSELF GAVE AN ASSURANCE TO THE DELEGATION OF UNOFFICIALS WHICH SHE SAW IN SEPTEMBER THAT THOSE VIEWS WOULD BE REPRESENTED IN THE TALKS IN PEKING,+ SIR EDWARD SAID.

THE THIRD FUNDAMENTAL POINTED OUT BY SIR EDWARD IS THAT THE TALKS ARE BEST KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

+LET ME REPEAT AND EMPHASISE THAT PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE PREJUDICED BY WHAT THEY HEAR SAID OUTSIDE THE ACTUAL NEGOTIATIONS.

+OF COURSE DIFFERENCES NEED TO BE RECONCILED. THAT IS WHAT THE TALKS ARE FOR. I REMAIN CONVINCED THAT THEY CAN BE RECONCILED AND THAT CONFIDENTIAL TALKS ARE THE RIGHT AND MOST EFFECTIVE WAY OF DOING SO,+ SIR EDWARD SAID.

SIR EDWARD, WHO IS LEAVING FOR LONDON THIS EVENING, DISCLOSED THAT HE WOULD DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS WITH THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT DURING HIS VISIT THERE.

RETURNING TO ECONOMIC ISSUES, SIR EDWARD SAID THAT WHILE HONG KONG COULD NOT BE IMMUNE TO THE EFFECTS OF GLOBAL RECESSION, IT NOW HAS NEW STRENGTHS WHICH CAN HELP HONG KONG THROUGH THE CURRENT DIFFICULT TIMES.

AS EXAMPLES, SIR EDWARD POINTED OUT THAT IN RECENT YEARS HONG KONG'S MANAGERIAL AND PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES HAVE BEEN GREATLY STRENGTHENED AND THE TRAINING OF ITS WORK FORCE IMPROVED.

THE ECONOMY HAS BEEN DIVERSIFIED AND THE RANGE OF THE FINANCIAL FACILITIES HONG KONG CAN OFFER HAS GROWN, HE WENT ON.

THESE STRENGTHS, HE SAID, HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE NATURAL AND OTHER ADVANTAGES WHICH HAVE BROUGHT HONG KONG THROUGH DIFFICULT TIMES BEFORE -- THE ENTERPRISE OF HONG KONG'S ENTREPRENEURS, THE WILLINGNESS OF THE WORK FORCE TO WORK HARD, GOVERNMENT POLICIES CONDUCIVE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PRIVATE BUSINESS AS WELL AS THE SOCIAL GOOD, AND HONG KONG'S POSITION AS AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE.

+IT IS THEREFORE WELL TO REMEMBER THAT IF THE WEATHER IS ROUGH, THE SHIP IS SOUND,+ HE EMPHASISED.

NOR HAS THE BAD WEATHER DEFLECTED THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT FROM ITS DECLARED INTENTION TO CONTINUE TO INVEST VIGOROUSLY IN THE FUTURE, SIR EDWARD EMPHASISED.

HE POINTED OUT THAT GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT PLANS ARE STILL ON TARGET AND THERE IS NO REASON WHY THEY SHOULD NOT REMAIN SO.

+NOR SHALL WE STAND STILL. WE SHALL KEEP UNDER CONSTANT REVIEW THE NEW PROBLEMS WHICH ARE ARISING AND CONSIDER WHAT CONTRIBUTION GOVERNMENT, WITHOUT DEPARTING FROM THOSE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES WHICH HAVE UNDERLAIN THE ECONOMIC GROWTH OF THIS TERRITORY, CAN AND SHOULD MAKE TO THEIR SOLUTION,+ SIR EDWARD PLEDGED.

THE GOVERNMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR, WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO DEFEND HONG KONG'S COMMERCIAL INTERESTS OVERSEAS TO +THE UTMOST OF OUR ABILITY, AS WE HAVE DONE IN THE RECENT NEGOTIATIONS ON THE MULTI FIBRE ARRANGEMENT+, HE ADDED.

FURTHER SENIOR APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS HAS APPROVED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR CHAN NAI-KEONG AS SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS. HE WILL SUCCEED MR DAVID McDONALD, WHO WILL BE RETIRING IN JULY AFTER 28 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE IN HONG KONG.

MR CHAN, AGED 51, WAS FIRST APPOINTED AS A PUPIL ENGINEER IN 1952 AND, AFTER A SERIES OF PROMOTIONS, WAS APPOINTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT IN OCTOBER 1980.

HE HOLDS A DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING OBTAINED AT LOUGHBOROUGH COLLEGE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM. HE IS A FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS, A FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERS, A FELLOW OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS, A MEMBER OF THE INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS AND AN OFFICIAL JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

HE HAS SERVED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE FORMER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND IS CURRENTLY DEPUTY SECRETARY (WORKS), LANDS AND WORKS BRANCH. HE HAS ACTED AS SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

MR CHAN WILL BE APPOINTED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE A AND WILL BE ACTING IN THE RANK OF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT WHEN HE ASSUMES HIS NEW POST.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS ALSO APPROVED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR ALAN CARTER AS DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION. HE WILL SUCCEED MR RON BRIDGE WHO, AS ANNOUNCED EARLIER, WILL BECOME COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR LATER THIS YEAR.

MR CARTER, AGED 53, JOINED THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AS A CHIEF IMMIGRATION INSPECTOR IN 1966 ON TRANSFER FROM THE UK CIVIL SERVICE, WHERE HE HAD SERVED FOR 17 YEARS, MAINLY IN THE IMMIGRATION SERVICE.

HE WAS PROMOTED TO PRINCIPAL IMMIGRATION INSPECTOR IN 1967, TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION IN 1971 AND TO DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION IN 1978. HE WAS APPOINTED OFFICIAL JUSTICE OF THE PEACE IN 1971 AND WAS MADE A COMPANION OF THE IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER IN 1980.

THE GOVERNMENT ALSO ANNOUNCED TODAY A FURTHER SERIES OF SENIOR DIRECTORATE POSTINGS, SOME OF WHICH ARE CONSEQUENTIAL TO THOSE ANNOUNCED LAST NOVEMBER. THE NEW POSTINGS, WHICH WILL TAKE EFFECT OVER THE NEXT 7 - 8 MONTHS, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- \* DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE - MR CHRISTOPHER WONG (DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS (GENERAL) SINCE MARCH 1980).
- \* POLICE ADMINISTRATION OFFICER - MR RICHARD BUTLER (DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY, NEW TERRITORIES SINCE APRIL 1982).
- \* DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COUNCILS AND ADMINISTRATION BRANCH, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT - MR ALEC PURVES (DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY SINCE JULY 1979).

- \* DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT - MR JUSTIN YUE (DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRADE SINCE AUGUST 1979. MR YUE WILL TAKE UP HIS NEW POST IN AUGUST AFTER SERVING FOR SIX MONTHS IN A SUPERNUMERARY POST OF DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY MAINLY TO ASSIST THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY TO CONDUCT A MAJOR REVIEW OF THE TEXTILE QUOTA SYSTEM).
- \* DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY, NEW TERRITORIES - MR HAIDER BARMA (DEPUTY SECRETARY (ADMINISTRATION), CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SINCE MAY 1980).
- \* DIRECTOR, CITY SERVICES - MR MICHAEL SUEN (DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT SINCE SEPTEMBER 1981).
- \* DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, TSUEN WAN - MR ADOLF HSU (DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES SINCE SEPTEMBER 1979).
- \* DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS (GENERAL) - MRS ELIZABETH WONG (DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE SINCE NOVEMBER 1981).
- \* DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY - MR PAUL WONG (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY SINCE SEPTEMBER 1978).
- \* DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRADE - MR JOHN CHAN (PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DEVELOPMENT), CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH SINCE MAY 1982. MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, WHO HAS SERVED IN THE TRADE DEPARTMENT SINCE AUGUST 1980, WILL REMAIN AS THE OTHER DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRADE).
- \* DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION - MR JAMES MURPHIE (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION SINCE AUGUST 1978 AND CURRENTLY ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION (SPECIAL DUTIES).
- \* PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (MEDICAL AND HEALTH), HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH - MR MICHAEL WU (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF TRADE SINCE JULY 1981; MR WU WILL TAKE UP HIS NEW POST IN JUNE AFTER ACTING AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRADE PENDING MR JOHN CHAN'S ARRIVAL IN THE TRADE DEPARTMENT AND DURING MR MICHAEL CARTLAND'S ABSENCE ON LEAVE).

NOTE TO EDITORS:

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON THE OFFICERS INVOLVED IN THESE POSTINGS ARE GIVEN BELOW:

MR CHRISTOPHER WONG KIM-KAM

AGED 41. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN JULY 1963. PROMOTED TO PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE B (AOSG/B) IN APRIL 1978. HAS SERVED IN VARIOUS DISTRICT OFFICES BOTH IN THE URBAN AREAS AND IN THE NT, AND IN URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

/MR RICHARD .....

MR RICHARD BUTLER

AGED 48. GRADUATE OF LONDON UNIVERSITY. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN JUNE 1970 AS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT. TRANSFERRED TO AOSG/C IN APRIL 1974 AND PROMOTED TO AOSG/B IN SEPTEMBER 1978. HAS SERVED IN TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT AND CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

MR ALEXANDER LAMONT PURVES

AGED 50. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN AUGUST 1955 AS POLICE SUB-INSPECTOR. TRANSFERRED TO TRADE OFFICER GRADE IN AUGUST 1962. PROMOTED TO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS IN JULY 1979 AND TRANSFERRED TO AOSG/B IN JULY 1982. HAS SERVED IN VARIOUS POSTS IN TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENTS.

MR JUSTIN YUE KWOK-HUNG

AGED 41. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN MAY 1968 AS ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER. PROMOTED TO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS IN JULY 1979 AND TRANSFERRED TO AOSG/B IN JULY 1982. HAS SERVED MAINLY IN TRADE DEPARTMENT, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELD OF TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS AND QUOTA CONTROLS.

MR HAIDER HATIM TYEBJEE BARMA

AGED 38. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN FEBRUARY 1966. PROMOTED TO AOSG/B IN APRIL 1981. HAS SERVED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT AND IN THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

MR MICHAEL SUEN MING-YEUNG

AGED 38. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN AUGUST 1966. PROMOTED TO AOSG/B IN APRIL 1981. HAS SERVED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF POSTS CONCERNED MAINLY WITH HOUSING, ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORT MATTERS.

MR ADOLF HSU HSUNG

AGED 44. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN APRIL 1958 AS INTERPRETER/TRANSLATOR. TRANSFERRED TO EXECUTIVE GRADE IN JULY 1959 AND TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE IN AUGUST 1968. PROMOTED TO AOSG/B IN APRIL 1981. HAS SERVED IN A VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND THE GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

/MRS ELIZABETH .....

MRS ELIZABETH WONG CHIEN CHI-LIEN

AGED 44. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN MAY 1969. PROMOTED TO AOSG/B IN APRIL 1982. HAS SERVED MAINLY IN FINANCE BRANCH AND IN THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT. HAS JUST RETURNED FROM A COURSE AT THE HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES.

MR PAUL WONG KAM-CHIU

AGED 46. GRADUATE OF HKU. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN APRIL 1960 AS ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER. PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS IN JULY 1974 AND TRANSFERRED TO AOSG/C IN JULY 1982. HAS SERVED MAINLY IN THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

MR JOHN CHAN CHO-CHAK

AGED 39. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN JULY 1964 AS EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLASS II. TRANSFERRED TO TRADE OFFICER GRADE IN SEPTEMBER 1964 AND TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE IN JANUARY 1970. PROMOTED TO AOSG/C IN AUGUST 1975. LEFT GOVERNMENT IN 1978 TO JOIN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND REJOINED GOVERNMENT IN MARCH 1980. HAS SERVED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF POSTS, INCLUDING THAT OF PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR.

MR JAMES MILTON MURPHIE

AGED 50. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN JANUARY 1959 AS EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLASS II. APPOINTED AS SENIOR IMMIGRATION INSPECTOR IN APRIL 1965. PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION IN AUGUST 1977. HAS ACTED AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION (SPECIAL DUTIES) SINCE OCTOBER 1981.

MR MICHAEL WU WAI-CHUNG

AGED 33. JOINED GOVERNMENT IN AUGUST 1972 AS ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER. PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS IN APRIL 1981 AND TRANSFERRED TO AOSG/C IN JULY 1982. HAS HELD A VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENTS.

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### TRANSFER OF ASSETS TO KCR CORPORATION

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THE GOVERNOR HAS DECLARED FEBRUARY 1 AS THE APPOINTED DAY FOR THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS AND THE VESTING OF RAILWAY LAND IN THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION.

THIS FOLLOWS APPROVAL BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE TRANSFER OF RAILWAY ASSETS WORTH \$4.2 BILLION TO THE CORPORATION.

THE KCR CORPORATION HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE SINCE DECEMBER 24, 1982 WHEN THE KCR CORPORATION ORDINANCE 1982 CAME INTO OPERATION. UNTIL FEBRUARY 1 THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CORPORATION HAVE BEEN RESTRICTED TO MATTERS PREPARATORY TO THE FULL ASSUMPTION OF THE UNDERTAKING OF THE RAILWAY. FROM FEBRUARY 1 THE CORPORATION WILL BE FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY (BRITISH SECTION).

THE \$4.2 BILLION WORTH OF RAILWAY ASSETS TO BE TRANSFERRED CONSIST OF LAND, BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONAL ASSETS VALUED AT \$1.9 BILLION; ELECTRIFICATION AND MODERNISATION WORKS (SOME STILL IN PROGRESS) AMOUNTING TO \$2.2 BILLION; AND A \$77 MILLION LOAN FROM THE DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND FOR USE AS WORKING CAPITAL.

OF THE TOTAL ASSETS OF \$4.2 BILLION, \$3.2 BILLION IS IN EFFECT GOVERNMENT'S EQUITY AND THE REMAINDER (\$1 BILLION) IS A DEBT DUE TO THE GOVERNMENT. THIS DEBT SHALL BE REPAYABLE ON SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY MAY, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE CORPORATION, DECIDE.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS ALSO APPROVED SETTLEMENT TERMS FOR STAFF OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AS COMPENSATION FOR THEIR RETIREMENT AND ABOLITION OF POSTS BECAUSE OF THE HIVING OFF OF THE KCR.

THE TERMS WERE RECOMMENDED BY AN EX-GRATIA PAYMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL CHAIRED BY AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. THE PANEL WAS SET UP NEARLY ONE YEAR AGO TO CONSIDER THE LEVEL OF EX-GRATIA PAYMENTS WHICH SHOULD BE MADE TO THE STAFF IN ORDER THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE WORSE OFF AS A RESULT OF THE CHANGE IN STATUS OF THE KCR.

A TOTAL OF 1 514 CIVIL SERVANTS DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH THE OPERATION OF THE RAILWAY WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE TRANSFER OF SERVICE FROM A GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT TO A PUBLIC CORPORATION.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT FOLLOWING AGREEMENT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STAFF, INDIVIDUAL LETTERS FROM THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE WILL BE SENT TO EACH OF THESE OFFICERS GIVING THEM THREE MONTHS NOTICE OF THE ABOLITION OF OFFICE TO BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 1. THE LETTERS WILL ALSO INDICATE THE AMOUNT OF EX-GRATIA DISTURBANCE PAYMENT DUE TO THEM ON CONDITION THAT THEY ACCEPT OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT FROM THE NEW CORPORATION, WITH EFFECT FROM MAY 1.

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FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1 AND APRIL 30 THE STAFF WILL BE SECONDED EN BLOC TO THE CORPORATION, STAYING ON THEIR CIVIL SERVICE SALARIES AND CONDITIONS UNTIL THE NOTICE EXPIRES. THE COSTS OF THE STAFF DURING THIS PERIOD WILL BE RECOVERED FROM THE CORPORATION.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE DISTURBANCE PAYMENTS TO THE STAFF ARISING FROM THEIR CIVIL SERVICE CAREERS BEING CUT OFF THROUGH NO FAULT OF THEIR OWN COMPRISE:

- A) A FIXED PAYMENT EQUIVALENT TO THREE MONTHS SALARY FOR EACH OFFICER WHO, UPON RETIRING ON ABOLITION OF OFFICE, ACCEPTS IMMEDIATE EMPLOYMENT WITH THE KCR CORPORATION;
- B) AN ADDITIONAL LENGTH OF SERVICE PAYMENT FOR EACH OFFICER CALCULATED AT THE RATE OF THREE MONTHS SALARY FOR EACH 10 YEARS SERVICE AND PRO RATA FOR SHORTER PERIODS.

STAFF WHO ARE ELIGIBLE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE OVERSEAS EDUCATION ALLOWANCES AND SCHOOL PASSAGES AS WELL AS HOME PURCHASE ALLOWANCES AND DOWN-PAYMENT LOANS AS LONG AS THEY REMAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE KCR CORPORATION.

THESE ALLOWANCES, WHICH ARE AVAILABLE TO KCR STAFF AS CIVIL SERVANTS, ARE NOT BEING OFFERED BY THE CORPORATION. AT THE SAME TIME, THE PANEL FOUND IT IMPRACTICABLE FOR CASH COMPENSATION TO BE PAID IN LIEU OF THESE BENEFITS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID ONLY 11 KCR OFFICERS WERE ACTUALLY DRAWING OVERSEAS EDUCATION ALLOWANCE, AND THE TOTAL NUMBER ELIGIBLE FOR THE HOME PURCHASE ALLOWANCE WAS LESS THAN 200.

HE ADDED THAT THE COST WOULD BE NO GREATER THAN IF KCR STAFF CONTINUED AS CIVIL SERVANTS. IN THE CASE OF STAFF WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A PRIVATE TENANCY ALLOWANCE FROM THE CORPORATION BUT JOIN THE HOME PURCHASE SCHEME INSTEAD, THAT ALLOWANCE WILL BE PAID BY THE CORPORATION TO THE GOVERNMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT AGREED THAT THE TERMS WERE FAIR AND REASONABLE AND IT WAS HOPED THAT THEIR ACCEPTANCE BY THE STAFF WOULD HELP TO ENSURE A SMOOTH TRANSITION OF THE KCR INTO A PUBLIC CORPORATION.

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#### CORRECTIONAL SERVICES PRAISED FOR REFUGEE WORK

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, THIS AFTERNOON PAID TRIBUTE TO THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE +EXCELLENT WORK+ IT HAS BEEN DOING IN THE MANAGEMENT OF REFUGEE CAMPS.

SPEAKING AT HIS FIRST ANNUAL INSPECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT, SIR EDWARD SAID IT HAD +RESPONDED TO THIS NEW AND UNUSUAL DEMAND WITH PATIENCE AND EFFICIENCY.+

+IN SIX MONTHS IT HAS ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY FOR MORE THAN 3 000 REFUGEES. IT HAS PRODUCED, WITH THE HELP OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, THE ACCOMMODATION FOR THEM AND RECRUITED SPECIALISED STAFF.

+IN SHORT IT HAS ESTABLISHED WELL RUN CLOSED CAMPS,+ SIR EDWARD SAID.

THE GOVERNOR SAID HE READILY UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS TASK WAS NOT ONE TO WHICH THE DEPARTMENT WAS ACCUSTOMED NOR ONE WHICH IT NECESSARILY WELCOMED.

+BUT THE TASK IS IMPORTANT AND THE RESULTS REFLECT GREAT CREDIT ON THE DEPARTMENT,+ HE SAID.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO SAID THE DEPARTMENT PLAYED AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER IN THE COMMUNITY AND HE WAS GLAD TO HEAR THAT MORALE WAS HIGH AND RECRUITMENT IMPROVING.

RECRUITMENT IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE THE PENAL POPULATION HAS BEEN GROWING, FROM SLIGHTLY UNDER 7 000 IN JANUARY 1982 TO OVER 7 900 TODAY,+ HE SAID.

THE GOVERNOR SAID A NEW PENAL INSTITUTION HAD RECENTLY BEEN COMMISSIONED AT TUNG TAU, ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS WOULD BE OPENED LATER THIS YEAR ON HEI LING CHAU, AND A MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON WOULD BE OPENED AT SHEK PIK.

HE SAID THE DEPARTMENT WAS FORWARD LOOKING, +NOT ONLY IN THE HUMANE YET FIRM AND EFFICIENT TREATMENT OF INMATES, BUT ALSO IN ITS SUCCESSFUL REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES.+

THE GOVERNOR ALSO SPOKE OF THE TWO NEW SCHEMES STARTED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE FIRST BEING A PERMANENT HALF-WAY HOUSE PROVIDING A TEMPORARY HOME FOR FORMER DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRE INMATES, AND THE SECOND A PRE-RELEASE EMPLOYMENT SCHEME FOR SELECTED PRISONERS TO WORK FOR OUTSIDE EMPLOYERS DURING PRESCRIBED PERIODS BEFORE COMPLETION OF THEIR SENTENCES.

AT THE CEREMONY HELD AT THE PARADE GROUND OF THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY, SIR EDWARD ALSO PRESENTED COLONIAL PRISON SERVICE MEDALS TO 31 OFFICERS FOR HAVING GIVEN 18 YEARS' EXEMPLARY SERVICE.

SEVEN CONTINGENTS COMPRISING 200 OFFICERS FROM VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS TOOK PART IN THE PARADE, COMMANDED BY SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT, MR WONG WAN-CHIU.

MUSIC AND PERFORMANCES WERE PROVIDED BY THE CAPE COLLINSON MARCHING BAND AND THE TAI TAM GIRLS' PIPERS AND PRECISION MARCHING TEAM.

FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH :

+I AM VERY GLAD TO BE HERE TODAY TO CONDUCT MY FIRST REVIEW OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, WHICH PLAY SUCH AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER IN OUR COMMUNITY.

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BECAUSE OF THIS ESSENTIAL ROLE I AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT MORALE IS HIGH AND THAT RECRUITMENT IS IMPROVING. RECRUITMENT IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE THE PENAL POPULATION HAS BEEN GROWING, FROM SLIGHTLY UNDER 7 000 IN JANUARY 1982 TO OVER 7 900 TODAY. TO MEET THIS INCREASE, A NEW PENAL INSTITUTION WAS COMMISSIONED RECENTLY AT TUNG TAU. ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS WILL BE OPENED LATER THIS YEAR ON HEI LING CHAU. AND A MAXIMUM SECURITY PRISON WILL BE OPENED AT SHEK PIK.

+THE DEPARTMENT HAS LONG BEEN RECOGNISED AS FORWARD LOOKING, NOT ONLY IN THE HUMANE YET FIRM AND EFFICIENT TREATMENT OF INMATES, BUT ALSO IN ITS SUCCESSFUL REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES. THE SUCCESS RATES FOR THESE PROGRAMMES ARE HIGH BY WORLD STANDARDS; 94 PER CENT OF THOSE RELEASED FROM DETENTION CENTRES, 67 PER CENT OF DISCHARGEES FROM DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRES AND 66 PER CENT OF ALL INMATES RELEASED FROM TRAINING CENTRES DID NOT REVERT TO CRIME DURING THE ONE TO THREE YEARS THEY WERE UNDER SUPERVISION. NOTWITHSTANDING THE HIGH SUCCESS RATES, THE DEPARTMENT STILL SEEKS WAYS TO IMPROVE THE REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES.

+I SHOULD MENTION TWO NEW SCHEMES. THE FIRST IS A PERMANENT HALF-WAY HOUSE WHICH WILL PROVIDE A TEMPORARY HOME FOR FORMER INMATES OF DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRES, UNTIL SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION CAN BE FOUND FOR THEM. THE SECOND IS A PRE-RELEASE EMPLOYMENT SCHEME WHICH WILL ENABLE SELECTED PRISONERS TO WORK FOR OUTSIDE EMPLOYERS DURING PRESCRIBED PERIODS BEFORE COMPLETION OF THEIR SENTENCES, THUS EASING THEIR REINTEGRATION INTO SOCIETY.

+OF THE MORE CONVENTIONAL METHODS OF REHABILITATION, I ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES. IF A PRISONER BY THE TIME HE IS RELEASED HAS ACQUIRED A RECOGNISED QUALIFICATION, THE LIKELIHOOD OF HIS RETURNING TO CRIME MUST BE REDUCED SUBSTANTIALLY. FOR THIS REASON THE DEPARTMENT'S VOCATIONAL TRAINING SYLLABUSES ARE GEARED TO EXAMINATIONS SET BY EXTERNAL EXAMINING BODIES, THEREBY ACCORDING PROPER RECOGNITION TO THE EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS BEING ACHIEVED BY INMATES. THE DEPARTMENT IS ALSO DISCUSSING WITH THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL HOW TO ACHIEVE WIDER RECOGNITION FOR THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES.

+I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE DEPARTMENT'S EXCELLENT WORK IN THE MANAGEMENT OF REFUGEES CAMPS. IT HAS RESPONDED TO THIS NEW AND UNUSUAL DEMAND WITH PATIENCE AND EFFICIENCY. IN SIX MONTHS IT HAS ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY FOR MORE THAN 3 000 REFUGEES. IT HAS PRODUCED, WITH THE HELP OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, THE ACCOMMODATION FOR THEM AND RECRUITED THE NECESSARY SPECIALISED STAFF. IN SHORT IT HAS ESTABLISHED WELL RUN CLOSED CAMPS. I READILY UNDERSTAND THAT THIS TASK IS NOT ONE TO WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS ACCUSTOMED NOR ONE WHICH IT NECESSARILY WELCOMES. BUT THE TASK IS IMPORTANT AND THE RESULTS REFLECT GREAT CREDIT ON THE DEPARTMENT.

+TO CONCLUDE, I CONGRATULATE ALL OF YOU ON PARADE TODAY ON YOUR BEARING AND TURNOUT. I WISH THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE COMPLETED YOUR BASIC TRAINING EVERY SUCCESS IN YOUR CAREERS. YOU HAVE JOINED A SERVICE WHICH IS ESSENTIAL TO THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY AND OF WHICH YOU CAN BE JUSTIFIABLY PROUD.+

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TUEN MUN LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM  
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THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR ALAN SCOTT, SAID TODAY THAT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN WITH REGARD TO DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE TUEN MUN LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM HAD NOT RESULTED IN A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE SET OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS BEING ACHIEVED BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES. THIS POSITION WAS REACHED ON JANUARY 7.

MR SCOTT SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNMENT GREATLY REGRETTED THIS OUTCOME TO THE COMPLEX NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE COMPANY, IT DID NOT AFFECT THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO PROCEED WITH THE LRT, WHICH IS THE PRINCIPAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM OF TUEN MUN.

+VERY RECENT STUDIES INDICATE THAT THE LRT OPERATION IS IN ITSELF FINANCIALLY VIABLE,+ HE SAID.

+PLANNING AND PREPARATIONS ARE SUFFICIENTLY FAR AHEAD FOR IT TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY 1987, WHICH WILL BE SATISFACTORY TIMING IN RELATION TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF TUEN MUN,+ HE ADDED.

MR SCOTT SAID PLANNING HAD FROM THE BEGINNING PROVIDED FOR AN INTERIM BUS SERVICE, UP TO THE DATE AT WHICH THE LRT BEGINS OPERATION, AND THESE PLANS WERE NOT AFFECTED.

HE CONFIRMED THAT DISCUSSIONS HAD ALREADY BEGUN WITH OTHER GROUPS INTERESTED IN THE PROJECT.

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ROAD SECTION TO BE WIDENED  
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AS PART OF THE PROGRAMME FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN, THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO WIDEN AND REALIGN A SECTION OF LUNG MUN ROAD BETWEEN PAK KOK AND BUTTERFLY BEACH IN THE SOUTHWESTERN PART OF THE TOWN.

THE PROPOSED PROJECT WILL PROVIDE A DUAL CARRIAGEWAY AND IMPROVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO EXISTING AND NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE; THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE, TUEN MUN BUILDING, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TUEN MUN.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS WITHIN 60 DAYS.

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MORE COURT POWER ON CHILD CUSTODY PROPOSED  
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UNDER PROPOSED LEGISLATION PUBLISHED TODAY, THE COURT WILL BE ABLE TO AWARD CUSTODY OF A CHILD TO THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, INSTEAD OF EITHER OF ITS PARENTS INVOLVED IN MATRIMONIAL PROCEEDINGS, IF IT THINKS THIS IS BETTER FOR THE CHILD'S WELFARE.

THIS WILL HOWEVER HAVE TO BE IN EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND FOLLOWS THE GENERAL PRINCIPLE THAT THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD IS THE FIRST AND PARAMOUNT CONSIDERATION IN ANY MATTER RELATING TO ITS CUSTODY OR UPBRINGING.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE PROPOSAL, IN THE MATRIMONIAL CAUSES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1983, HAS BEEN FOUND NECESSARY FROM EXPERIENCE, AND THAT SIMILAR PROVISIONS EXIST IN UNITED KINGDOM LEGISLATION.

IF SUCH A CUSTODY CARE ORDER IS GIVEN, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE WILL LOOK AFTER AND PROVIDE FOR THE CHILD ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS, ALTHOUGH HE WILL NOT BE VESTED WITH PARENTAL RIGHTS OF LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP.

IF SUBSEQUENTLY IT IS CONSIDERED DESIRABLE FOR HIM TO SEEK LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP, HE WILL HAVE TO APPLY TO THE JUVENILE COURT.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT EVERY EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO MAINTAIN CONTACT BETWEEN THE CHILD AND ITS PARENTS, WITH A VIEW TO RETURNING THE CHILD TO THE CARE OF ONE OF THEM AS SOON AS IT IS IN THE CHILD'S BEST INTERESTS TO DO SO.

THE BILL MAKES IT AN OFFENCE FOR A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO FAIL TO INFORM THE DIRECTOR OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS, HE SAID.

TO AVOID DOUBT, THE BILL ALSO REITERATES THAT THE FIRST AND PARAMOUNT CONSIDERATION OF THE COURT IS THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD. IT MUST GIVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO THE CHILD'S WISHES IF THIS IS PRACTICAL AND CONSIDER ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION, INCLUDING ANY REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE.

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SOK KWU WAN RESIDENTS ASSURED OF FERRIES  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS REASSURED RESIDENTS OF SOK KWU WAN ON LAMMA ISLAND THAT THERE IS NO IMMEDIATE THREAT OF THE HYF SERVICE TO CENTRAL BEING WITHDRAWN.

A SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (JANUARY 21) THAT DISCUSSIONS HAD ALREADY STARTED WITH SMALL FERRY OPERATORS TO TAKE OVER THE ROUTE, OR TO PROVIDE A SHORTER LINK TO CONNECT WITH BUS SERVICES AT ABERDEEN.

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+THE DEPARTMENT IS CONSIDERING PUTTING OUT TO PUBLIC TENDER THE FERRY ROUTE BETWEEN CENTRAL AND SOK KWU WAN, AS HYF HAS BEEN COMPLAINING OF CONTINUOUS LOSS IN OPERATING THE ROUTE DUE TO LOW PASSENGER DEMAND,+ HE ADDED.

HE ALSO STRESSED THAT THE EXISTING SERVICE WILL NOT BE WITHDRAWN UNLESS AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE BECOMES AVAILABLE, AND THAT THE WIDER QUESTION OF THE FUTURE SHAPE OF THE FERRY NETWORK WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A STUDY SHORTLY TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT.

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#### SURCHARGE FOR LATE PNEUMOCONIOSIS PAYMENTS

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THE PNEUMOCONIOSIS (COMPENSATION) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1982, WHICH SEEKS TO DISCOURAGE LATE PAYMENTS OF LEVY OR SURCHARGE TO THE PNEUMOCONIOSIS COMPENSATION FUND BOARD, WILL COME INTO OPERATION ON FEBRUARY 1, ACCORDING TO A NOTICE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT REMINDED BUILDING CONTRACTORS AND QUARRY OPERATORS THAT THE ORDINANCE PROVIDES FOR A FIVE PER CENT PENALTY FOR LEVY OR SURCHARGE NOT PAID WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED PERIOD.

IF THE OUTSTANDING SUM IS STILL NOT PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DEADLINE, THE CONTRACTOR OR QUARRY OPERATOR WILL HAVE TO PAY A FURTHER PENALTY OF FIVE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL SUM.

THE ORDINANCE ALSO INTRODUCES PROVISIONS TO ENABLE THE FUND BOARD TO EMPLOY PROFESSIONAL QUANTITY SURVEYORS TO COUNTER-CHECK THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORKS AND TO DIVULGE INFORMATION TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY.

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#### KCRC REGULATIONS 1983

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THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION REGULATIONS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

THE REGULATIONS PROVIDE FOR NOTIFICATION OF ACCIDENTS AND OTHER SPECIFIED OCCURRENCES ON THE KCR BY THE CORPORATION TO GOVERNMENT, AND THE INVESTIGATION OF SUCH INCIDENTS BY SPECIALLY APPOINTED RAILWAY INSPECTORS.

THE REGULATIONS ARE IDENTICAL TO THOSE MADE UNDER THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION ORDINANCE, EXCEPT FOR PENALTIES, WHICH ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE KCR ORDINANCE 1982.

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WARNING ABOUT FIRES AND WINDSURFING AT BEACHES

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THE LIGHTING OF FIRES, EXCEPT IN AREAS SPECIALLY SET ASIDE FOR BARBECUES OR SIMILAR ACTIVITIES, IS PROHIBITED AT ALL 29 GAZETTED BEACHES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND OUTLYING ISLANDS AS FROM TODAY (FRIDAY).

WINDSURFING, PARASAILING AND PARACHUTE JUMPING ARE ALSO NOT ALLOWED WITHIN AND OVER AREAS OF WATER INTENDED FOR SWIMMING AND THE AREAS ADJACENT TO GAZETTED BEACHES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, EXCEPT WITH THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES.

THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR ANY SUCH OFFENCE IS A FINE OF \$500 AND A JAIL SENTENCE OF TWO WEEKS, ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THESE PROHIBITIONS ARE PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE BATHING BEACH (NEW TERRITORIES) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1983 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND URBAN SERVICES ORDINANCE WHICH IS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

FOR GAZETTED PUBLIC BEACHES IN THE URBAN AREA, HE SAID, SIMILAR PROHIBITIONS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR UNDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE BATHING BEACH BY-LAWS WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT IN JULY LAST YEAR.

THE LAWS ARE AIMED AT PROTECTING SWIMMERS AND PROVIDING A BETTER ENVIRONMENT FOR BEACH-GOERS, AS WELL AS MORE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC BATHING BEACHES, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

+BARBECUING OUTSIDE DESIGNATED AREAS ON THE BEACH CAN POLLUTE THE BEACH AREA AND CAUSE INJURY TO PEOPLE WHO MAY TREAD ON BURNING CHARCOAL,+ HE SAID.

AS MORE THAN 180 BARBECUE PITS ARE NOW PROVIDED AT NT BEACHES, THE SPOKESMAN URGED BEACH-GOERS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THEM.

WINDSURFING, PARASAILING AND PARACHUTE JUMPING CLOSE TO PUBLIC BATHING BEACHES COULD ENDANGER SWIMMERS AND OTHER BEACH-GOERS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HOWEVER, HE POINTED OUT THAT THE WINDSURFING ACTIVITIES CURRENTLY ORGANISED BY THE WINDSURFING ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG IN THE WATER OFF STANLEY MAIN BEACH AND SHA HA IN SAI KUNG ARE OUTSIDE THE AREAS OF GAZETTED BEACHES.

THE GAZETTED BEACHES IN THE NT ARE ANGLER'S BEACH, APPROACH BEACH, CASAM BEACH, DRAGON BEACH, GEMINI BEACH, HOI MEI WAN, LIDO BEACH, TING KAU BEACH IN TSUEN WAN; NEW AND OLD CAFETERIA BEACH, CASTLE PEAK BEACH AND KADOORIE BEACH IN TUEN MUN; CAMPERS BEACH, FIRST AND SECOND CLEAR WATER BAY, HAP MUN BAY, KIU TSUI, PAK SHA CHAU, SILVERSTRAND BEACH AND TRIO BEACH IN SAI KUNG; UPPER AND LOWER CHEUNG SHA BEACH, PUI O BEACH AND SILVERMINE BAY BEACH ON LANTAU ISLAND; HUNG SHING YEH BEACH AND LO SO SHING BEACH ON LAMMA ISLAND; KWUN YAM BEACH AND TUNG WAN BEACH AT CHEUNG CHAU; AND TUNG WAN BEACH ON MA WAN ISLAND.

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CONSTRUCTION OF GLOUCESTER ROAD FLYOVER  
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THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TODAY AWARDED A \$14.4 MILLION CONTRACT TO EXPRESS TRANSPORT AND BUILDING CONTRACTOR LTD. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GLOUCESTER ROAD FLYOVER NEAR PATERSON STREET.

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED THIS MORNING BY MR S.A.W. BOWMAN, ACTING GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER (MANAGEMENT) OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE, AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CONTRACTOR.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROJECT WOULD INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 300-METRE LONG ONE-WAY ELEVATED ROAD JOINING GLOUCESTER ROAD NEXT TO VICTORIA PARK WITH THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF VICTORIA PARK ROAD.

THE CONTRACT WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE LANDSCAPING AND DRAINAGE WORKS.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START SHORTLY AND BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT 21 MONTHS.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR BUILDING  
REMAINING SECTION OF PAK FUK ROAD  
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THE REMAINING SECTION OF PAK FUK ROAD BETWEEN BRAEMAR TERRACE AND TANNER HILL ROAD POLICE MARRIED QUARTERS WILL SOON BE COMPLETED TO PROVIDE A MORE DIRECT ROUTE BETWEEN TIN HAU TEMPLE ROAD AND THE EASTERN PART OF NORTH POINT, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

IN INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE EASTERN SECTION OF PAK FUK ROAD, FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH HEALTHY STREET WEST TO THE SOUTHWESTERN CORNER OF BRAEMAR TERRACE, HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC.

THE WESTERN SECTION, BETWEEN TIN HAU TEMPLE ROAD AND AN ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO BEDFORD GARDENS, HAD ALSO BEEN COMPLETED BY THE DEVELOPER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEASE CONDITIONS.

+THE COMPLETION OF THE REMAINING SECTION OF PAK FUK ROAD WILL HELP EASE TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AREA IN GENERAL,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

A SHORT SECTION OF THE EXISTING PAK FUK ROAD AT BOTH ENDS WILL ALSO BE RE-CONSTRUCTED TO LINK WITH THE NEW ROAD, HE ADDED.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL THIS YEAR AND TAKE ABOUT 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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SECURITY SERVICE FOR CROWN LAND

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SECURITY SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUARD ABOUT 210 OPEN OR FENCED CROWN LAND SITES IN HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND NEW KOWLOON, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, NOW INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SUPPLY OF THIS SERVICE, ALSO REQUIRES SURVEILLANCE BY MOBILE PATROLS AT 120 ADDITIONAL SITES.

THE ANNUAL CONTRACT, TO COMMENCE FROM APRIL 1, CALLS FOR THE SUPPLY OF MOBILE PATROLS, GUARDS ON 12-HOUR BASIS, GUARDS ON 24-HOUR BASIS, SUPERVISORS AND MONTHLY REPORTS IN RESPECT OF EACH CROWN LAND SITE.

TENDERS MUST BE ENCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN, CENTRAL TENDER BOARD, AND CLEARLY MARKED +TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF SECURITY GUARDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF CROWN LAND — HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND NEW KOWLOON+ AND PLACED IN THE TENDER BOX MARKED +GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT TENDER BOX+ IN THE LIFT LOBBY ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (EAST WING), LOWER ALBERT ROAD, BEFORE NOON ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1983.

TENDERERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO GIVE FULL DETAILS OF SERVICES OFFERED. THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY A CASH DEPOSIT OF \$50 000.

A COPY OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION DURING OFFICE HOURS AT THE LAND REGISTRY, LANDS DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, MURRAY BUILDING, THIRD FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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AWARDS FOR PUBLIC-SPIRITED CITIZENS

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TWENTY PUBLIC-SPIRITED CITIZENS, WHO HELPED POLICE ARREST CRIMINALS WILL RECEIVE AWARDS AT THE HO MAN TIN POLICE STATION TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE CITIZENS, WHOSE AGES ARE BETWEEN 20 AND 64, WILL EACH BE GIVEN A CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AND A WATCH, AT THE 'FRIENDS OF POLICE AND CITIZEN AWARD' PRESENTATION CEREMONY, COINCIDING WITH A 'FIGHT YOUTH CRIME DRAWING COMPETITION', ORGANISED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND SPONSORED BY THE LIONS CLUB OF LION ROCK.

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PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF KOWLOON CITY, MRS CLARIE LO; THE POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER OF KOWLOON CITY, MR GORDON JACK; THE PRESIDENT OF THE LIONS CLUB OF LION ROCK, MR AU SHIU-CHEUNG; AND MEMBERS OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE.

THE DRAWING COMPETITION WILL BE HELD IN THE CARPARK OF THE POLICE STATION AFTER THE PRESENTATION, WITH MORE THAN 300 PRIMARY AND SECONDARY STUDENTS TAKING PART. IT WILL HAVE THE THEME: 'CRIME PREVENTION AT THE APPROACH OF LUNAR NEW YEAR'.

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COMMUNICATIONS CONTROLLER AWARDED ISM  
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MR FUNG SHUE-CHEONG, COMMUNICATIONS CONTROLLER IN MURRAY BUILDING, HAS BEEN AWARDED THE IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDAL BY THE QUEEN IN RECOGNITION OF HIS LOYAL AND INDUSTRIOUS SERVICE TO THE GOVERNMENT, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

MR FUNG, WHO IS CURRENTLY RESIDING IN CANADA AFTER RETIRING LAST JULY, FIRST JOINED THE GOVERNMENT IN 1945 AS A MESSENGER WITH THE POLICE. HE BECAME A TELEPHONE OPERATOR IN 1948 AND IN 1953 WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE PORT WORKS OFFICE OF THE THEN PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

IN 1970, SHORTLY AFTER THE OPENING OF MURRAY BUILDING, HE WAS REGRADED AS A COMMUNICATIONS CONTROLLER AND HAD CONTINUED TO SERVE MOST CONSCIENTIOUSLY IN THIS CAPACITY UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT.

AS A COMMUNICATIONS CONTROLLER, MR FUNG WAS THE FIRST TO TAKE PART IN THE COMPREHENSIVE 24-HOUR COMPLAINTS AS WELL AS TYPHOON AND EMERGENCY SERVICES IN THE THEN PWD. HE HAD RENDERED A VERY HIGH STANDARD OF SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND INITIATED PROPER ACTIONS AFTER OFFICE HOURS TO DEAL WITH EMERGENCY CASES.

ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE BY THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE FOR THE MEDAL TO BE PRESENTED TO MR FUNG IN CANADA.

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EXHIBITION OF COUNTRY PARK PHOTOS

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AN EXHIBITION OF SOME 200 PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN IN HONG KONG'S COUNTRY PARKS WILL OPEN ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE UNITED CENTRE SHOPPING ARCADE ON MONDAY (JANUARY 24).

THE DISPLAY IS BEING PRESENTED BY THE COUNTRY PARKS AUTHORITY AND ADMINISTERED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF HONG KONG AND ELEGANT COLOUR PHOTO CENTRE LTD.

THE PRINTS WERE CHOSEN BY A PANEL OF JUDGES FROM MORE THAN 5 000 ENTRIES SUBMITTED BY PHOTOGRAPHIC ENTHUSIASTS WHO WENT TO THE COUNTRY PARKS ON EIGHT SEPARATE OUTINGS LAST YEAR.

THE COUNTRY PARKS VISITED ARE LOCATED IN SAI KUNG, TAI MO SHAN, SHING MUN, CLEAR WATER BAY, LANTAU, PAT SIN LENG AND MA ON SHAN.

THE PHOTOGRAPHS DEPICT SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SCENERY TO BE FOUND IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPENED BY A MEMBER OF THE COUNTRY PARKS BOARD AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE, MRS MADELIENE TANG. IT WILL CLOSE ON JANUARY 29.

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'JOINT AREA COMMITTEE NITE' IN KWUN TONG

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THE WELL-BEING AND BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY IN A DISTRICT DEPEND GREATLY ON THE EFFECTIVENESS AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF LOCAL AREA COMMITTEES, ACCORDING TO THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR DAVID TSUI.

AND LIKE EVERY DISTRICT, HE SAID, KWUN TONG'S 13 SUB-DISTRICTS HAD THEIR OWN AREA COMMITTEES TO HELP INSTIL A SENSE OF CIVIC-MINDEDNESS AMONG THE LOCAL RESIDENTS.

IN ORDER TO INTRODUCE THEIR WORK AND FURTHER PROMOTE BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD, A +JOINT AREA COMMITTEE NITE+, IN THE FORM OF A VARIETY SHOW, WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) EVENING AT TELFORD GARDENS, KOWLOON BAY.

+FOR YEARS, THE AREA COMMITTEES HAVE GAINED NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS IN A WIDE SPECTRUM OF ISSUES WHICH INCLUDED SOLVING ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS, HOUSING MANAGEMENT, TRAFFIC PROBLEMS, PROMOTION OF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, HEALTH EDUCATION AND THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME,+ MR TSUI SAID.

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+THEY HAVE, INDEED, SETTLED MANY LOCAL PROBLEMS BY PERIODICALLY HOLDING MEETINGS AND DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES.+

FINANCED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE +JOINT AREA COMMITTEE NITE+ IS EXPECTED TO BE ATTENDED BY MORE THAN 600 PEOPLE, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, AREA COMMITTEES AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES.

MR TSUI WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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### STRUCTURES CLEARED TO IMPROVE ENVIRONMENT

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TWO ILLEGAL BACKLANE STRUCTURES IN WAN CHAI WERE DEMOLISHED TODAY (FRIDAY) AS PART OF THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD'S ON-GOING PROGRAMME TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT.

CLASSIFIED AS ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS, THE STRUCTURES WERE LOCATED AT THE BACKLANES OF 14-20 HENNESSY ROAD AND 94 JAFFE ROAD. THE FORMER WAS SAID TO BE USED FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES AND THE LATTER FOR STORAGE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE SAID THE TWO STRUCTURES WERE IN FACT INCLUDED IN A PRIORITY LIST RECOMMENDED BY THE DISTRICT'S SIX AREA COMMITTEES.

+THE OPERATION WAS, HOWEVER, PUSHED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE BECAUSE OF FREQUENT COMPLAINTS FROM RESIDENTS,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO ENCOURAGED LOCAL PEOPLE TO APPROACH THE DISTRICT BOARD ON SIMILAR MATTERS IN ORDER TO HELP UP-DATE THE PRIORITY LIST.

+WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS BECAUSE, AFTER ALL, ONE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD IS TO REFLECT PEOPLE'S OPINIONS, TO SERVE THEM AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A BETTER LIVING ENVIRONMENT.+

CO-ORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, TODAY'S OPERATION WAS CARRIED OUT BY SEVERAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS INCLUDING THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE, THE URBAN AREA DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION, THE POLICE, THE LANDS, HOUSING AND URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENTS.

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BUS TERMINUS REMOVED  
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THE CMB TERMINUS FOR ROUTES 11A, 11M, 81 AND 23A AT LAI TAK TSUEN HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY MOVED TO A LAY-BY OUTSIDE TRUE LIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL IN TAI HANG ROAD, TO PERMIT REPAIR WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT FOLLOWING A BUS ACCIDENT YESTERDAY.

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TEMPORARY NIGHT CLOSURE OF HENNESSY ROAD  
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HENNESSY ROAD BETWEEN PERCIVAL STREET AND LEE GARDEN ROAD IN WAN CHAI WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 23) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MTR CAUSEWAY BAY STATION.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES TRAVELLING ALONG HENNESSY ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA PERCIVAL STREET, LEIGHTON ROAD, PENNINGTON STREET AND YEE WO STREET.

THOSE ALONG CAUSEWAY ROAD WESTBOUND WILL TRAVEL VIA LEIGHTON ROAD, MORRISON HILL ROAD AND TIN LOK LANE TO REJOIN HENNESSY ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE TEMPORARILY ALLOWED TO USE PENNINGTON STREET FROM LEIGHTON ROAD TO YEE WO STREET, AND THE NORTHBOUND SECTION OF MORRISON HILL ROAD FROM LEIGHTON ROAD TO WAN CHAI ROAD.

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WATER CUT IN NT AND CHAI WAN  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF AREAS IN TUEN MUN AND TAI LAM CHUNG WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR NINE HOURS FROM 10 PM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 24) TO 7 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A WATER MAIN CONNECTION.

THIS WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES AND VILLAGES ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN FU TEI SHEUNG TSUEN AND TAI LAM CHUNG INCLUDING INDUSTRIAL ZONE AREAS 9 AND 12; AREA 37 IN TUEN MUN; SIU HONG COURT; TAI HING ESTATE; SAN FAT ESTATE; ON TING ESTATE; YAU OI ESTATE; SAM SHING ESTATE; BUTTERFLY ESTATE AND WU KING ESTATE.

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CHINA CEMENT CO. (HK) LTD., THE CASTLE PEAK POWER STATION IN TAP SHEK KOK AND CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL WILL ALSO BE AFFECTED.

IN CHAI WAN, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES WILL ALSO BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 24) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREAS TO BE AFFECTED WILL INCLUDE THE SECTION OF CHAI WAN ROAD IN BETWEEN SAN HA STREET AND SUN YIP STREET, SAN HA STREET, WING PING STREET, HONG PING STREET, LITTLE SAI WAN AND CAPE COLLINSON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION.

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FIRING PRACTICE WARNING  
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE FOR NINE DAYS NEXT MONTH.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING.

THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE PRACTICE ARE :

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
FEBRUARY 1 (TUESDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 2 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 3 (THURSDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 4 (FRIDAY)	8 AM - 4 PM
FEBRUARY 7 (MONDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 8 (TUESDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 9 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 10 (THURSDAY)	8 AM - 5 PM
FEBRUARY 11 (FRIDAY)	8 AM - 4 PM

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