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CRACKDOWN ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS STEPPED UP  
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ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS HIDING IN HONG KONG AGAIN FELT THE HEAT THIS WEEK AS 10 SUSPECTED UNDERGROUND CITIZENS WERE ARRESTED IN STEPPED-UP OPERATIONS BY THE POLICE, LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENTS.

THE BLITZ IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ONGOING EFFORTS AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION.

ALL THE ARRESTED PERSONS HAVE BEEN REFERRED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. THOSE FOUND TO BE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WILL BE REPATRIATED.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN STRESSED AGAIN TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THERE WAS NO QUESTION OF ANY AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

+OUR POLICY ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS VERY CLEAR. WHENEVER AND WHEREVER ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS ARE FOUND IN HONG KONG, THEY WILL BE SENT BACK.+

HE ALSO NOTED THAT THERE WAS NO SLACKENING IN THE ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION EFFORTS.

+A HIGH STATE OF VIGILANCE WILL CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED BY THE POLICE AND THE SECURITY FORCES BOTH AT THE LAND AND SEA BORDER,+ HE SAID.

DURING THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL OPERATION, POLICE INCREASED THEIR IDENTIFICATION SPOT CHECKS IN PUBLIC PLACES AND CARRIED OUT CHECKS AT SUSPECT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

THEY ARRESTED TWO SUSPECTED ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS. ANOTHER 48 PEOPLE WERE SUMMONSED OR CHARGED FOR FAILING TO PRODUCE PROPER PROOF OF IDENTITY, AND A FURTHER SEVEN WERE WARNED IN RESPECT OF THIS OFFENCE, WHICH CARRIES A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$1 000.

ON THE LABOUR FRONT, INSPECTORS OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT VISITED 7 212 ESTABLISHMENTS TO WEED OUT ANY ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WHO MAY BE WORKING IN THEM, AND TO CHECK THAT EMPLOYERS FULFILLED THEIR LEGAL OBLIGATION OF KEEPING PROPER RECORDS OF THEIR EMPLOYEES.

A TOTAL OF 12 285 EMPLOYEES WERE CHECKED AND EIGHT PERSONS IN SIX ESTABLISHMENTS WERE FOUND WITHOUT PROPER PROOF OF IDENTITY. THEY HAVE BEEN REFERRED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

ANOTHER 41 ESTABLISHMENTS WERE FOUND TO BE KEEPING NO RECORD OF EMPLOYEES.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT THEY COULD BE FINED UP TO \$50 000 AND JAILED FOR UP TO A YEAR IF THEY WERE FOUND TO BE EMPLOYING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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REDUCED ACCESS TO WESTERN TECHNOLOGY UNLIKELY  
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THERE SEEMS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE ACCESS WHICH HONG KONG NOW ENJOYS TO WESTERN TECHNOLOGY WILL BE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED AFTER 1997, THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES, MR JOHN CHAN, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

THE QUESTION OF WHETHER HONG KONG WOULD CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WAS CLEARLY ONE OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE TO THE TERRITORY'S CONTINUED ECONOMIC PROSPERITY, MR CHAN TOLD MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG COMPUTER SOCIETY AT THEIR 16TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

+WITH COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS WE SIMPLY CANNOT AFFORD TO BE LEFT BEHIND,+ HE SAID.

+HONG KONG'S ATTAINMENT OF THE STATUS OF A MAJOR FINANCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND TRADING CENTRE HAS OWED MUCH TO THE USE OF COMPUTERS AND TO THE READY AVAILABILITY OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY,+ HE NOTED.

HE WAS AWARE THE QUESTION HAD BEEN EXERCISING THE MINDS OF THE LOCAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY, AND OF THE SOCIETY IN PARTICULAR.

+THIS QUESTION ARISES FROM THE FACT THAT CONTROLS ARE MAINTAINED BY THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR MULTI-LATERAL EXPORT CONTROLS, OR COCOM AS THE ORGANISATION IS COMMONLY KNOWN, ON THE EXPORT OF STRATEGIC COMMODITIES FROM ITS MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND THAT CHINA IS SUBJECT TO MORE STRINGENT RESTRICTIONS THAN HONG KONG AT PRESENT.

+CONCERN HAS THUS BEEN EXPRESSED THAT, ONCE HONG KONG BECOMES A SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, ITS ACCESS TO STATE-OF-THE-ART INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MIGHT BE REDUCED,+ HE SAID.

MR CHAN NOTED THAT HONG KONG'S FUTURE POSITION IN RELATION TO THE COCOM'S CONTROL REGIME WAS NOT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION.

+THIS IS NOT BECAUSE THE BRITISH AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS ARE UNAWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE TO HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY OF CONTINUED ACCESS TO HIGH TECHNOLOGY, BUT BECAUSE THE MATTER OF COCOM CONTROLS IS NOT A BILATERAL MATTER BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS.

+THUS, HOW HONG KONG WILL FARE AFTER 1997 WILL DEPEND ON THE ATTITUDE OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF COCOM. WHAT THIS ATTITUDE WILL BE I CANNOT SAY, BUT THERE ARE GOOD GROUNDS FOR A DEGREE OF CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM.+

ELABORATING ON THESE GROUNDS, MR CHAN SAID THE JOINT DECLARATION DID PROVIDE SPECIFICALLY THAT THE FUTURE HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION +SHALL DECIDE ITS ECONOMIC AND TRADE POLICIES ON ITS OWN+.

IT WAS CLEARLY ENVISAGED THAT, EVEN AFTER 1997, HONG KONG WOULD CONTINUE TO BE A TRADING ENTITY IN ITS OWN RIGHT, SEPARATE FROM THE REST OF CHINA, AND IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE TO SATISFY COCOM MEMBER STATES THAT THEIR EXPORTS TO HONG KONG WOULD NOT BE DIVERTED WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORITY.

SECONDLY, HE SAID, THE CONTROLS MAINTAINED BY COCOM WERE AIMED ESSENTIALLY AT PREVENTING THE UNAUTHORISED TRANSFER OF STRATEGIC MATERIALS TO CERTAIN COUNTRIES. HONG KONG HAD NEVER BEEN, AND HE DID NOT THINK IT EVER WOULD BE, INTERESTED IN IMPORTING AND USING STRATEGIC MATERIALS AS SUCH.

+IT IS OF COURSE TRUE THAT, IN THE FIELD OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY, THE DIVIDING LINE BETWEEN WHAT IS STRATEGIC AND WHAT ISN'T IS SOMETIMES VERY BLURRED. IT IS TRUE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT OR A COMPONENT WHICH IS CAPABLE OF BEING PUT TO A VAST MULTITUDE OF PERFECTLY INNOCUOUS USES MAY ALSO HAPPEN, PERHAPS QUITE COINCIDENTALLY, TO BE USABLE FOR A MILITARY PURPOSE SUCH AS TRIGGERING A NUCLEAR WEAPON.+

BUT THE FACT REMAINED THAT COCOM WAS ESSENTIALLY CONCERNED WITH THE CONTROL OF STRATEGIC MATERIALS AND NOT WITH THE DISCOURAGEMENT OF PEACEFUL APPLICATIONS OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY. IT WAS TO BE HOPED THAT THE COCOM REGIME WOULD BE REVIEWED REGULARLY, UPDATED AND STREAMLINED, AND +ONE HOPES AND TRUSTS THAT GOOD SENSE WILL PREVAIL AND THAT THE CONTROL TAIL WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WAG THE TECHNOLOGY DOG.+

THIRDLY, SAID MR CHAN, COCOM MEMBER STATES HAD IN RECENT YEARS AGREED ON A NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT RELAXATIONS IN COCOM RULES INSOFAR AS THEY AFFECTED EXPORTS TO CHINA. AS CHINA'S RELATIONS WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD, AND IN PARTICULAR WITH THE MEMBERS OF COCOM, CONTINUED TO DEVELOP AND IMPROVE, IT SEEMED LIKELY THAT COCOM MEMBER STATES WOULD CONSIDER FURTHER RELAXATION.

SUMMARISING THE MATTER, HE COMMENTED THAT 11 YEARS WAS A VERY LONG TIME IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND EVEN LONGER IN THE WORLD OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. +NO-ONE CAN BE CERTAIN WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN THAT TIME, BUT THERE SEEMS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE ACCESS WHICH HONG KONG NOW ENJOYS TO WESTERN TECHNOLOGY WILL BE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED AFTER 1997.+

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MR CHAN PAID TRIBUTE TO THE WORK OF THE COMPUTER SOCIETY, WHICH HE SAID HAD BUILT UP AN IMPRESSIVE TRACK RECORD SINCE ITS FOUNDATION IN 1970. THE SOCIETY HAD DONE A GREAT DEAL TO UPHOLD THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS OF THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG AND TO ESTABLISH AFFILIATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH PROFESSIONAL BODIES IN CHINA AND IN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

IT HAD ORGANISED OR SPONSORED SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND EXHIBITIONS BRINGING THE NEWEST COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND KNOWLEDGE TO ITS MEMBERS AND TO THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.

BESIDES THIS, THE SOCIETY HAD PLAYED AN ACTIVE ROLE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND MADE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, SUCH AS DONATING SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE UNIVERSITIES AND POLYTECHNICS AS WELL AS COMPUTER SYSTEMS TO SOME SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

+IT IS REPRESENTED ON THE ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING TRAINING COMMITTEE OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL WHICH IS CONCERNED WITH TRAINING AND EDUCATION IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

+IT ALSO PARTICIPATES IN THE GOVERNMENT'S DATA PROTECTION COMMITTEE WHICH IS LOOKING INTO THE VERY IMPORTANT AND HIGHLY COMPLEX QUESTION OF WHAT MEASURES MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS IN REGARD TO THEIR PERSONAL DATA WHICH ARE STORED IN INCREASING QUANTITIES IN COMPUTER SYSTEMS IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND THE PRIVATE SECTORS.+

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APPROVED DESIGN FOR FURNACES, CHIMNEYS NEEDED  
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FACTORY AND RESTAURANT OWNERS WERE URGED TO SEEK APPROVAL FOR THE DESIGN OF FURNACES AND CHIMNEYS BEFORE THEY WERE INSTALLED OR ALTERATION WORK CARRIED OUT.

MAKING THE APPEAL TODAY (SATURDAY), THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR AIR AND NOISE DIVISION, MR FRANKLIN CHUNG, SAID THIS WAS TO AVOID COSTLY CLOSURES, MODIFICATIONS OR THE TEMPORARY SHUTDOWNS OR DISMANTLING IN CASES OF SERIOUS AIR POLLUTANT NUISANCE.

MR CHUNG WAS SPEAKING FOLLOWING THE FINDINGS MADE BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT ON A NEW ASPHALT PLANT IN SHA TIN FOR NOT APPLYING FOR NECESSARY APPROVAL.

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HE DISCLOSED THAT WHEN THE DIVISION LEARNED OF THE COMPANY'S PLAN TO BUILD THE NEW PLANT, THE DEPARTMENT REMINDED THE MANAGEMENT TO SEEK PRIOR APPROVAL OF DESIGN OF THE FURNACE AND CHIMNEY.

ALTHOUGH NO APPLICATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED, OFFICERS OF THE DIVISION HAD MET WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF THE PLANT TO DISCUSS AIR POLLUTION CONTROL MEASURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED AT THE PLANT.

MR CHUNG SAID THE DEPARTMENT WAS GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH THESE MEASURES WHICH INCLUDED A HIGH EFFICIENCY DUST COLLECTOR.

AN INSPECTION MADE LAST MONTH DURING THE COMMISSIONING AND TESTING OF THE PLANT FOUND THAT THE LEVEL OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL TO BE GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE.

THIS WAS THE REASON WHY A PROHIBITION NOTICE UNDER THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE WAS NOT ISSUED, MR CHUNG SAID.

HOWEVER, SINCE THE OWNER OF THE FACTORY HAD FAILED TO OBTAIN AN APPROVAL CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE FURNACE AND CHIMNEY, THE DEPARTMENT HAS DECIDED TO PROSECUTE THE OWNER FOR UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION.

THE PLANT HAD BEEN PUT UNDER SURVEILLANCE SINCE THEN.

STATISTICS SHOWED THAT IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT'S AIR CONTROL GROUP (FORMALLY KNOWN AS THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT) MADE 1 715 INSPECTIONS TO POTENTIAL POLLUTING PLANTS.

THIRTY-THREE PROSECUTIONS WERE CARRIED OUT, OF WHICH 14 WERE FOR UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OF FURNACES, OVENS OR CHIMNEYS, 18 FOR EMITTING EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE AND ONE FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A NOTICE TO STOP USING AN UNSUITABLE FUEL.

FINES RANGED FROM \$500 TO \$7 500.

A TOTAL OF 250 COMPLAINTS ABOUT AIR POLLUTION WERE RECEIVED AND INVESTIGATED AND 82 SETS OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS ON THE DESIGN OF CHIMNEYS AND FURNACES WERE PROCESSED.

THE DEPARTMENT ALSO GAVE ADVICE ON MATTERS CONCERNING STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS, DESIGN AND INSTALLATION OF AIR POLLUTION EQUIPMENT.

EXPLANATORY BOOKLETS ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL LEGISLATION ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND ITS BRANCH OFFICES.

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CNTA BIDS FAREWELL TO WIGGHAM  
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THE OUTGOING REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM, WAS ONE OF THE MAJOR ARCHITECTS IN THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE FORMER HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT INTO THE PRESENT CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

THIS WAS NOTED BY THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, IN PAYING TRIBUTE TO MR WIGGHAM AT A FAREWELL DINNER GIVEN BY CNTA STAFF LAST (FRIDAY) NIGHT.

MR WIGGHAM, THE SECRETARY FOR GENERAL DUTIES DESIGNATE, WILL LEAVE THE CNTA FOR A WRITTEN CHINESE LANGUAGE COURSE AND THEN PROCEED TO PEKING WHERE HE WILL BE ATTACHED TO THE BRITISH EMBASSY FROM JULY TO OCTOBER. MR LIAO DESCRIBED MR WIGGHAM AS AN ADVENTURER IN EVERY SENSE.

+HE IS ALREADY MAKING HISTORY, EVEN BEFORE TAKING UP HIS NEW JOB AS SECRETARY FOR GENERAL DUTIES, SINCE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME EVER THAT A SERVING CIVIL SERVANT FROM HONG KONG IS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE EMBASSY,+ HE SAID.

+AS A LINGUIST WHO IS CONVERSANT IN BOTH CANTONESE AND PUTONGHUA, EXPERT IN A FEW EUROPEAN LANGUAGES, THE GOVERNMENT NATURALLY PICKED HIM AS THE MAN TO GO TO PEKING,+ HE ADDED.

MR LIAO NOTED THAT MR WIGGHAM RECENTLY TRAVELLED AROUND CHINA BY BICYCLE AND HAD VAST KNOWLEDGE OF CHINESE CULTURE AND LANGUAGE.

+HIS CAREER IN THE CIVIL SERVICE HAS BEEN EQUALLY COLOURFUL AND CHALLENGING,+ HE SAID.

FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS MR WIGGHAM HAD WORKED IN NUMEROUS DEPARTMENTS AND BRANCHES.

MR LIAO SAID AS THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR WIGGHAM HAD EARNED THE RESPECT OF BOTH COLLEAGUES AND LOCAL LEADERS.

+HIS NEXT JOB, I AM SURE, WILL CREATE AN EVEN GREATER IMPACT ON ALL OF US SINCE HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEALING WITH THE SINO-BRITISH AGREEMENT AS THE NEW SECRETARY FOR GENERAL DUTIES,+ MR LIAO SAID.

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SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS SALE BY AUCTION  
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THIRTY-TWO SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING FOR A TOTAL OF \$336 000 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION HELD AT RECITAL HALL OF THE CITY HALL, 8TH FLOOR, SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER DH 18 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$52 000.

ANOTHER NUMBER DH 168 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$41 000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1 000 FOR DH 996, DH 412 AND DH 309.

THE OTHER SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

	\$		\$		\$
DG 1888	6 000	DH 1123	3 000	BC 1283	4 000
DG 2228	5 000	DH 1698	5 500	DH 226	2 500
DH 911	9 000	DH 688	10 000	CC 7	40 000
DH 8118	22 000	DH 535	7 000	DJ 633	6 000
DH 735	4 000	DJ 386	6 000	DG 8832	3 500
DH 138	20 000	DJ 609	4 500	AL 699	1 500
DH 3113	8 000	DG 123	9 000	DH 2100	3 000
AL 238	7 000	DH 668	18 000	DJ 821	4 000
BB 3882	7 500	DH 383	20 000	CG 486	4 000

THREE NUMBERS, BK 5, DG 3399, 1327 WERE WITHDRAWN.

THE NUMBERS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 104TH ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR CHARITY REALISED SO FAR TO \$37 513 232.

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MEETING TO CONSIDER FIRE VICTIMS' REQUESTS  
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A MEETING HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR MONDAY (APRIL 21) BETWEEN SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHENG PO-HONG, DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SYLVESTER TSE, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS TO CONSIDER A NUMBER OF REQUESTS SUBMITTED BY THE CHU KOO CHAI FIRE VICTIM REPRESENTATIVES LAST WEDNESDAY.

THE MEETING WILL START AT 9.30 AM AT THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE. THE FIRE VICTIM REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SIT AT THE MEETING.

REQUESTS TO BE CONSIDERED INCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING THE DECORATION PERIOD; ADDITIONAL OFFER OF THA UNITS; EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS; AND CASES FOR COMPASSIONATE ARRANGEMENTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

AFTER THE CLOSED MEETING, A PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 11.30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AT 39 TONKIN STREET, THIRD FLOOR, KOWLOON, TO ANNOUNCE RESULTS OF THE MEETING. YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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BREEDING OF MOSQUITOES LEADS TO \$17,850 IN FINES  
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TWENTY-ONE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN MOSQUITO BREEDING OFFENCES WERE FINED A TOTAL OF \$17 850 LAST MONTH.

+THE HIGHEST FINE WAS \$1 250 AND THE LOWEST \$400,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT TODAY.

+MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED TO AVOID WATER ACCUMULATION BY COVERING WATER STORAGE TANKS AND REMOVING RECEPTACLES FROM OPEN SPACE AS MOSQUITOES BREED ONLY IN WATER.

+MOSQUITOES CAN EVEN BREED IN EMPTY CANS AND CONTAINERS LEFT IN THE OPEN.+

/THE SPOKESMAN .....

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED BUILDING CONSTRUCTORS, IN PARTICULAR, TO INSPECT THEIR SITES FREQUENTLY TO ELIMINATE ANY STAGNANT WATER, OR TO SPRAY AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK WITH DIESEL OIL ON SUCH WATER SURFACES.

+LAST MONTH, PEST CONTROL STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT CARRIED OUT A TOTAL OF 33 138 INSPECTIONS OF BUILDING SITES, OPEN SPACES AND HOUSES, AND IDENTIFIED 280 MOSQUITO BREEDING PLACES, ALL OF WHICH WERE DEALT WITH,+ HE ADDED.

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ENQUIRY CENTRE'S OPENING HOURS CHANGED  
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THE OPENING HOURS OF THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICES CENTRE IN SHUEN WAN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA IN TAI PO WILL BE CHANGED TO 10 AM - NOON ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 21.

THE CENTRE PROVIDES SERVICES SUCH AS ADMINISTERING STATUTORY DECLARATIONS, GIVING ADVICE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, DISTRIBUTING FORMS AND INFORMATION LEAFLETS, HANDLING ENQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS, AND REFERRAL OF CASES IN THE FREE LEGAL ADVICE SCHEME.

APART FROM THE ENQUIRY CENTRE, RESIDENTS MAY ALSO APPROACH THE TWO SUB-OFFICES OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE IN KWONG FUK ESTATE AND TAI YUEN ESTATE FOR ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES.

A NEW TEMPORARY SUB-OFFICE WILL SOON BE OPENED TO SERVE RESIDENTS IN FU SHIN ESTATE AND MING NGA COURT.

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CHILDREN TO DISPLAY ARTISTIC TALENT  
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SIXTY ABLE-BODIED AND DISABLED CHILDREN FROM THREE SCHOOLS IN EASTERN DISTRICT WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR ARTISTIC TALENT AT A JOINT MURAL PAINTING PROJECT TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE YUE WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE IN CHAI WAN.

THE PROJECT IS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S ACTIVITIES TO CELEBRATE THE FESTIVAL OF ARTS WITH THE DISABLED, AND IS JOINTLY PRESENTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

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THE FESTIVAL AIMS AT ENABLING BOTH ABLE-BODIED AND DISABLED CHILDREN TO EXPLORE THEIR CREATIVE POTENTIAL AND TO HELP CULTIVATE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN ARTS.

STUDENTS FROM VICTORIA PARK SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, CANOSSA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE WILL PAINT ON A LARGE WOODEN PANEL MEASURING 10 METRES WIDE AND 2.5 METRES HIGH. THE FINISHED MURAL WILL BE ERECTED AT OPEN SPACE OUTSIDE THE YUE WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE TO COMMEMORATE THE EVENT.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY TOMORROW WILL BE LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MR HU FA-KWONG; EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR SHUM CHOI-SANG; ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VINCENT LEUNG; CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG SPECIAL SCHOOLS COUNCIL, MISS MARION FANG; CHAIRMAN OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL, MISS CHRISTINE TING; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HONG KONG FEDERATION OF HANDICAPPED YOUTH, MISS KIMBERLEY KWONG.

ABOUT 60 CHILDREN FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR WILL GIVE A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BEFORE THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MURAL PAINTING PROJECT BEGINNING AT 3 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT YUE WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE, YUE WAN ESTATE, CHAI WAN.

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TROPHIES FOR WINNING SCHOOL DANCE TEAMS  
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FIFTEEN WINNING SCHOOL DANCE TEAMS TAKING PART IN THE 22ND SCHOOLS DANCE FESTIVAL THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING RECEIVED THEIR TROPHIES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, AT A CEREMONY AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL.

AMONG THE RECIPIENTS WERE THE OVERALL CHAMPION, BISHOP HALL JUBILEE SCHOOL DANCE TEAM, THE S.K.H. BISHOP MOK SAU TSENG SECONDARY SCHOOL TEAM WHO EARNED THE OVERALL SECOND, AND THE SACRED HEART CANOSSIAN COLLEGE TEAM WHO CAME THIRD IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL SECTION.

THE 22ND SCHOOL DANCE FESTIVAL, HELD EARLY THIS YEAR, ATTRACTED 377 TEAMS FROM 252 PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS.

IT WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE HONG KONG SCHOOLS SPORTS COUNCIL.

TO HIGHLIGHT THE CEREMONY, 19 SCHOOL DANCE TEAMS TAKING PART IN THE FESTIVAL AND THE VISITING MACAU SCHOOLS DANCE TEAM PERFORMED A SELECTION OF DANCES INCLUDING CHINESE, ORIENTAL, WESTERN AND CREATIVE DANCES.

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WATER SUPPLIES STAFF HONOURED  
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SEVENTY-FIVE STAFF MEMBERS OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT WERE HONOURED YESTERDAY (FRIDAY) FOR THEIR LONG SERVICE.

THEY WERE PRESENTED WITH CERTIFICATES BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT, MR TOM TOMLINSON, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DIRECTORATE AT A CEREMONY HELD AT MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

THOSE HONOURED INCLUDED WORKMEN, ARTISANS, A MOTOR DRIVER AND A WATCHMAN. FORTY HAD SERVED MORE THAN 30 YEARS AND 35 MORE THAN 20 YEARS.

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URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTIONS IN WAN CHAI  
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THE EXISTING 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS IN WAN CHAI WILL BE NOW OPERATE BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM DAILY STARTING FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (APRIL 22):

- \* THE SECTION OF FLEMING ROAD BETWEEN GLOUCESTER ROAD AND THE ACCESS ROAD TO WAN CHAI FERRY PIER CONCOURSE;
- \* THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE ACCESS ROAD TO WAN CHAI FERRY PIER CONCOURSE;

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- \* THE NORTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING FROM WAN CHAI FERRY PIER TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE;
- \* THE SECTION OF HARBOUR ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH FLEMING ROAD TWO A POINT ABOUT 45 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION;
- \* THE NORTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF HARBOUR ROAD SECTION BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH TONNOCHY ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 70 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION;
- \* THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF HARBOUR ROAD SECTION BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH TONNOCHY ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 130 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION;
- \* THE NORTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF HARBOUR DRIVE SECTION BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH FLEMING ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 35 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION; AND
- \* THE SOUTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF HARBOUR DRIVE SECTION BETWEEN FLEMING ROAD AND HARBOUR ROAD.

WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAYS, NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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#### HO MAN TIN, MONG KOK ROAD CLOSURES

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THE SLIP ROAD LINKING PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD AND PUI CHING ROAD IN HO MAN TIN WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 1 AM AND 6 AM ON TUESDAY (APRIL 22) FOR ABOUT TEN DAYS TO FACILITATE REPAIR WORKS AT PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES ON PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR PUI CHING ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED TO WATERLOO ROAD. MOTORISTS ON WATERLOO ROAD AND MAN FUK ROAD HEADING FOR PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD VIA PUI CHING ROAD ARE ADVISED TO USE WATERLOO ROAD AND WYLIE ROAD.

MEANWHILE, FROM MIDNIGHT ON APRIL 22 TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY, TUNG CHAU STREET, MONG KOK, BETWEEN WALNUT STREET AND MAPLE STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC TO FACILITATE THE INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WEST KOWLOON CORRIDOR.

VEHICLES TRAVELLING ALONG TUNG CHAU STREET HEADING FOR TAI KOK TSUI ROAD SOUTHBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED TO WALNUT STREET AND FUK TSUN STREET.

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DRY TAPS IN TWO AREAS  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SHEUNG WAN AND KOWLOON CITY WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (APRIL 22) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

IN SHEUNG WAN, THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY CAINE ROAD, LADDER STREET, BRIDGES STREET, STAUNTON STREET AND ABERDEEN STREET, INCLUDING PO HING FONG, TAI PING SHAN STREET, U LAM TERRACE AND HOLLYWOOD ROAD POLICE QUARTERS.

IN KOWLOON CITY, THE AREA IS BOUNDED BY NGA TSIN WAI ROAD, HAU WONG ROAD, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST AND TAK KU LING ROAD, INCLUDING NGA TSIN LONG ROAD, NAM KOK ROAD, LUNG KONG ROAD AND SOUTH WALL ROAD.

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