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NEW APPOINTMENTS TO LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE COUNCILS

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE TODAY ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF TWO ADDITIONAL UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS AND ONE ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE NEW UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS ARE DR. RAYSON LISUNG HUANG, VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, AND MR. CHARLES YEUNG SIU-CHO, A LAWYER, CHAIRMAN OF THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK.

THE NEW OFFICIAL MEMBER IS MR. JOHN WALDEN, DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS.

ALL THREE APPOINTMENTS ARE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1 THIS YEAR AND THE NEW MEMBERS WILL ASSUME THEIR SEATS AT THE COUNCIL'S NEW SESSION WHICH OPENS ON OCTOBER 5.

THE APPOINTMENTS FOLLOW AN ORDER-IN-COUNCIL BY HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN AMENDING THE ROYAL INSTRUCTIONS TO ENABLE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BOTH UNOFFICIAL AND OFFICIAL MEMBERS (INCLUDING THE GOVERNOR AND FOUR EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS) TO BE INCREASED TO 25. HOWEVER, WHILE THE TRADITIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL POWER TO RETAIN AN OFFICIAL MAJORITY HAS BEEN MAINTAINED, ALL THE SEATS HAVE NOT BEEN FILLED AT THE PRESENT TIME.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE APPOINTMENTS FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE EXPANDED LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WHICH HAS JUST CONCLUDED AN UNUSUALLY PRODUCTIVE AND LIVELY SESSION.

+THE ADDITION OF A DISTINGUISHED LIBERAL ACADEMIC AND A PROMINENT NEW TERRITORIES LAWYER, BOTH OF WHOM HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, MARKS ANOTHER STEP IN THE PROCESS OF WIDENING THE BACKGROUND OF EXPERIENCE FROM WHICH MEMBERS ARE ABLE TO SPEAK,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT THE WORKLOAD OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL HAD INCREASED CONSIDERABLY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS -- IN TERMS OF LEGISLATIVE TASKS, COMMITTEE WORK, THE HEARING OF COMPLAINTS AND REPRESENTATIONS BY ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, AND ALSO IN THE NUMBER OF QUESTIONS BEING ASKED BY THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS ON AN INCREASINGLY WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS AFFECTING ALL ASPECTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST.

+THE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS WILL THEREFORE HELP EASE THE BURDEN ON PRESENT SERVING MEMBERS,+ HE SAID.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE GOVERNOR HAS ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF A SERVING UNOFFICIAL MEMBER, THE HON. J.H. BREMRIDGE, TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AS FROM SEPTEMBER 1. MR. BREMRIDGE REPLACES THE HON. GUY SAYER WHO IS LEAVING HONG KONG ON RETIREMENT AT THE BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER. MR. SAYER HAS SERVED ON THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SINCE JULY 1974.

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THE GOVERNOR HAS ALSO RENEWED FOR A FURTHER TWO YEARS THE APPOINTMENT OF FIVE SERVING UNOFFICIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS ARE DUE TO EXPIRE AT THE END OF THIS MONTH.

RE-APPOINTED ARE, THE HON. P.G. WILLIAMS, THE HON. LI FOOK-WO, THE HON. JAMES WU MAN-HON, THE HON. HILTON CHEONG-LEEN, AND THE HON. ALEX WU SHU-CHIH.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON THE NEW LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS.

DR. RAYSON LISUNG HUANG, CBE, JP

A RESPECTED EDUCATIONALIST, DR. HUANG WAS BORN IN SWATOW, CHINA IN 1920 AND EDUCATED IN HONG KONG, UK AND THE UNITED STATES. HE IS A GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG OF WHICH HE HOLDS THE B.SC. DEGREE AND THE HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF SCIENCE, AND IS NOW THE UNIVERSITY'S VICE-CHANCELLOR. DR. HUANG HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND RESEARCH FOR MORE THAN 26 YEARS, AND IS THE AUTHOR OF A LARGE NUMBER OF RESEARCH PAPERS. HE IS A MEMBER OF A NUMBER OF PUBLIC BODIES, INCLUDING THE ICAC ADVISORY AND OPERATIONS TARGET COMMITTEES, AND THE BOARD OF THE POLYTECHNIC. HE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE T.K. ANN COMMISSION INTO THE CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF CERTIFICATED MASTERS. BEFORE BECOMING VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG IN 1972, HE WAS VICE-CHANCELLOR OF NANYANG UNIVERSITY, SINGAPORE. DR. HUANG WAS MADE A CBE IN THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS IN 1976. HE IS MARRIED WITH TWO SONS.

MR. CHARLES YEUNG SIU-CHO, JP

MR. YEUNG IS ACTIVE IN YUEN LONG AFFAIRS BEING CHAIRMAN OF THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AS WELL AS VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE OF YEUNG UK, YUEN LONG. HE IS A J.P., A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HEUNG YEE KUK, AND WAS SECRETARY OF THE KUK'S RECENT MISSION TO LONDON. A SOLICITOR BY PROFESSION, MR. YEUNG IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN YOUTH WELFARE AND IS CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIETY OF BOYS CENTRES, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF KOWLOON REGIONAL SCOUT COUNCIL, AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE JUVENILE CARE CENTRE.

MR. JOHN WALDEN, JP

MR. WALDEN JOINED THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AS A CADET OFFICER IN 1951 AND SINCE THEN HAS HELD A NUMBER OF POSTS, INCLUDING ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES. IN 1972 HE WAS APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FOR RESETTLEMENT AND WAS APPOINTED TO HIS PRESENT POST OF DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS IN JANUARY 1976.

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NOTE TO EDITORS

THE ABOVE ANNOUNCEMENT IS EMBARGOED UNTIL 6 A.M. TOMORROW (FRIDAY, AUGUST 26). ON NO ACCOUNT SHOULD LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS COVER THE ITEM UNTIL THEN. NO NEWS AGENCY OR OVERSEAS RADIO TRANSMISSION OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT MAY CARRY THE INFORMATION WITHOUT THE EMBARGO QUALIFICATION.

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OPENING OF KWAI CHUNG TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICE
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HONG KONG'S FASTEST GROWING NEW TOWN OF TSUEN WAN IS SOON TO HAVE ITS SECOND CITY-DISTRICT STYLE OFFICE - THIS TIME FOR KWAI CHUNG AREA.

THE KWAI CHUNG TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICE, TO BE OFFICIALLY OPENED ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 27), IS THE SECOND OF ITS KIND IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE FIRST TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICE FOR CENTRAL TSUEN WAN AREA OPENED IN FEBRUARY THIS YEAR AT THE HOI PAI STREET BRANCH OFFICE OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE SETTING UP OF THE TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICES IN TSUEN WAN FORMS PART OF AN OVERALL COMMUNITY-BUILDING WORK FOR THE NEW TOWN.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICE IN KWAI KING BUILDING, 31, KWONG FAI CIRCUIT, AT 10 A.M.

IT WILL START WITH A LION DANCE. LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MR. FRANCIS TIEN, WILL DOT THE EYES, FOLLOWED BY A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY OFFICIATED BY MR. TIEN, MR. DEACON CHIU, A LOCAL COMMUNITY LEADER, AND MR. PETER YEUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE TSUEN WAN RURAL COMMITTEE.

THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICER (TOWN MANAGEMENT), MRS. ALICE LAI, WILL LATER ADDRESS THE GATHERING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. A GOVERNMENT VAN (AM2068), WILL LEAVE FROM BEHIND THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE AT 9.20 A.M. ON SATURDAY TO TAKE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES TO AND BACK FROM TSUEN WAN.

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JUMBO JET PARTY FOR THE DISABLED
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TWENTY DISABLED PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INVITED TO A PARTY THIS SATURDAY (AUGUST 27) AT THE AIRPORT WHERE THEY WILL VISIT A JUMBO JET AND LATER HAVE REFRESHMENTS AND ENJOY A FILM SHOW AT THE VIP LOUNGE.

THE DISABLED PEOPLE ARE TRAINEES AT THE WORLD REHABILITATION FUND DAY CENTRE AND WILL BE THE FIRST OF FOUR GROUPS OF THE HANDICAPPED UNDER THE CARE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT TO BE INVITED TO SUCH A PARTY.

THEY WILL BE SHOWN THE INTERIOR OF THE JUMBO JET, INCLUDING THE COCKPIT, BY MR. JAMSON CHAN, AIRPORT STATION MANAGER OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINE WHICH IS ARRANGING THE VISITS, AND WILL BE ESCORTED BY STAFF OF THE CENTRE.

THE WORLD REHABILITATION FUND DAY CENTRE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT IN KWUN TONG PROVIDES SPECIALISED SERVICES AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION TO THE BLIND, THE DEAF, THE MENTALLY RETARDED AND THOSE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED.

IT POOLS TOGETHER ALL THE SKILLS REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT THE BEST AND MOST PRACTICAL FUTURE IS PLANNED FOR EACH OF THE DISABLED UNDER ITS CARE.

THE CENTRE HAS A TOTAL OF 340 PLACES, 120 OF WHICH ARE IN PRE-VOCATIONAL TRAINING, 100 IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND 120 IN SHELTERED WORK.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: -

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE PARTY AND THE VISIT TO THE AIRCRAFT THIS SATURDAY (AUGUST 27) WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 8.30 A.M.

PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ARE ASKED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM NOT LATER THAN 8 A.M. G.I.S. OFFICERS OF THE CIVIL AVIATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENTS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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STAMP VENDING MACHINES ACCEPT NEW COINS
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THE PUBLIC CAN NOW USE BOTH THE OLD AND THE NEW COINS TO BUY STAMPS FROM ALL THE 50-CENT STAMP VENDING MACHINES.

THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT ALL THE 50-CENT STAMP VENDING MACHINES AT PRESENT IN USE HAVE BEEN MODIFIED TO ACCEPT THE OLD AND THE NEW COINS.

THE NEW 50-CENT COINS, WHICH ARE SMALLER AND LIGHTER, WERE INTRODUCED TEN DAYS AGO TO GRADUALLY REPLACE THE PREVIOUSLY ISSUED CUPRO-NICKEL COINS.

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MAIL IN KWUN TONG POSTING BOX DESTROYED
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A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MAIL POSTED IN A POSTING BOX AT THE KWUN TONG GOVERNMENT HOUSING ESTATE AFTER THE FINAL COLLECTION ON TUESDAY (AUGUST 23) WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE IS UNKNOWN BUT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN THE RESULT OF NEGLIGENT BURNING OF JOSS PAPER NEARBY.

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CAS RECRUITS PASSING OUT PARADE
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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY RECRUITS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THEIR BASIC CIVIL AID SERVICES TRAINING WILL SOON BE POSTED TO VARIOUS UNITS FOR FURTHER OPERATIONAL TRAINING AND ACTIVE DUTY.

TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF THEIR INITIAL TRAINING, THE C.A.S. WILL HOLD A PASSING OUT PARADE ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 27) AT ITS KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE.

MR. ROGER LOBO, CIVIL AID SERVICES COMMISSIONER, WILL INSPECT THE PARADE. HE WILL ALSO AWARD SPECIAL CERTIFICATES TO THE MOST OUTSTANDING RECRUITS, AND PRESENT CIVIL DEFENCE LONG SERVICE MEDALS AND LONG SERVICE CLASPS TO 16 RECIPIENTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PASSING OUT PARADE OF CIVIL AID SERVICES RECRUITS ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 27) AT 7 P.M. AT THE C.A.S. KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE, 204, ARGYLE STREET.

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SPEED LIMIT ON SHA TIN ROAD
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A SPEED LIMIT OF 30 MILES PER HOUR WILL BE RE-IMPOSED ALONG A STRETCH OF ROAD STARTING FROM NEAR THE LION ROCK TUNNEL TOLL BOOTHS TO NEAR SIU LEK YUEN ROAD IN SHA TIN.

THE SPEED LIMIT WILL COME INTO FORCE FROM 10 A.M. ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 27).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ADVISED MOTORISTS TRAVELLING TO SHA TIN VIA THE LION ROCK TUNNEL TO OBSERVE THE SPEED LIMIT ALONG THIS STRETCH OF ROAD.

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