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GOVERNOR RE-AFFIRMS POLICY ON VBP

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, TODAY (THURSDAY) RE-AFFIRMED THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TO SEND BACK TO VIETNAM ALL THOSE WHO HAVE ARRIVED AND BEING SCREENED AS NOT GENUINE REFUGEES.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER HIS VISIT TO THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL, SIR DAVID SAID THOSE WHO WERE SCREENED OUT COULD NOT SIMPLY SPEND THEIR LIVES IN CAMPS HERE AND THEY MUST BE RETURNED TO THEIR BASE THEY CAME FROM, WHICH IS VIETNAM.

"WE ARE WORKING AS HARD AS WE CAN TO GET THOSE ARRANGEMENTS IN PLACE. BUT TO DO THAT, IT NEEDS THE AGREEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM. THAT IS WHAT WE ARE WORKING ON AT THIS MOMENT.

"I CAN'T AT THIS STAGE TELL YOU WHEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE IT. ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT WE ARE WORKING EXTREMELY HARD WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO DO THAT," HE SAID.

NOTING THAT HONG KONG WAS FACING A VERY REAL AND SERIOUS PROBLEM AT THE MOMENT WITH THE CONTINUING INFLUX OF VERY LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE FROM VIETNAM, SIR DAVID SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS FINDING PLACES TO PUT PEOPLE TEMPORARILY WHILE ARRANGEMENTS WERE BEING MADE FOR THEM TO BE SCREENED OR RETURN TO VIETNAM.

HE SAID: "AND THEN WE HAVE GOT TO WORK INTERNATIONALLY TO MAKE PEOPLE REALISE THE SIZE OF THE PROBLEM THAT HONG KONG NOW FACES AND TO MAKE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SUFFICIENTLY AWARE OF THE PROBLEM TO HELP US WORK OUT AND PUT INTO EFFECT MEASURES TO DEAL WITH IT.

"THAT MEANS A LOT OF HARDWORK AND A LOT OF QUITE RADICAL THINKING ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS PROBLEM.

IN REPLY TO A QUESTION, SIR DAVID SAID THE POLICY OF SCREENING THOSE WHO ARRIVED AND REPATRIATING TO VIETNAM THE ONES SCREENED OUT AS NOT BEING GENUINE REFUGEES WAS NOT A SOFT POLICY.

"I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT POLICY HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE COMING HERE," HE ADDED.

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GOVERNOR VISITS HK PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL

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ENHANCING PRODUCTIVITY AND IMPROVING QUALITY ARE KEY ELEMENTS IN MAINTAINING THE COMPETITIVE EDGE OF HONG KONG INDUSTRY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

DURING A VISIT TO THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL'S OFFICE IN TAI KOK TSUI, SIR DAVID SAID HE WAS PLEASED TO SEE ENCOURAGING SIGNS OF A WIDER USE OF AUTOMATION IN LOCAL INDUSTRY.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, AND THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR ANDREW LEUNG, THE GOVERNOR WAS WELCOMED ON ARRIVAL AT THE OFFICE BY THE COUNCIL'S CHAIRMAN, MR JAMES TIEN.

SIR DAVID LEARNED THAT THERE HAD BEEN MUCH GREATER DEMAND FOR TRAINING IN COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN.

THERE WAS ALSO AN INCREASING NUMBER OF HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE VENDORS IN HONG KONG, RAPID GROWTH IN THE NUMBER OF MOULD, TOOL AND DIE MAKERS USING CONVENTIONAL TWO-DIMENSIONAL CAD SYSTEMS AND MORE MANUFACTURERS USING ADVANCED THREE-DIMENSIONAL SYSTEMS.

SIR DAVID WAS TOLD THAT THE COUNCIL HAD, IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT TRENDS, STEPPED UP MANAGEMENT TRAINING, AND WAS ACQUIRING AND DEVELOPING SOFTWARE SUITABLE FOR THE LOCAL MARKET.

AS A SUBVENTED ORGANISATION ESTABLISHED BY STATUTE IN 1967 TO HELP INDUSTRY ACHIEVE GREATER PRODUCTIVITY AND BETTER QUALITY PRODUCTS, THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL AT PRESENT WORKS FROM PREMISES IN SIX DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.

SIR DAVID NOTED THAT A CLOTHING TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION CENTRE, JOINTLY MANAGED BY THE COUNCIL AND THE CLOTHING INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY, IS DUE TO OPEN IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

THE GOVERNOR WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON THE COUNCIL'S SPECIAL PURPOSE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN KOWLOON TONG, AND INSPECTED THE VARIOUS TECHNOLOGY LABORATORIES RUN BY THE COUNCIL.

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HK'S EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR MARCH RELEASED

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TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN MARCH 1989, AT \$91,530 MILLION, GREW BY 31 PER CENT IN VALUE TERMS COMPARED WITH MARCH 1988, ACCORDING TO THE DETAILED FIGURES ON THE VALUE OF TRADE IN MARCH 1989 RELEASED TODAY (THURSDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS INCREASED BY 18 PER CENT TO \$16,623 MILLION IN MARCH 1989, WHILE RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY 42 PER CENT TO \$26,482 MILLION, THUS BRINGING TOTAL EXPORTS IN MARCH 1989 TO \$43,106 MILLION, WHICH REPRESENTED AN INCREASE OF 32 PER CENT OVER MARCH 1988.

OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON, IMPORTS INCREASED BY 30 PER CENT TO \$48,424 MILLION.

TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989, AT \$253,079 MILLION, INCREASED BY 29 PER CENT COMPARED WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988.

OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON, THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS INCREASED BY 9 PER CENT TO \$47,927 MILLION, WHILE RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 42 PER CENT TO \$75,121 MILLION. THUS, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS INCREASED BY 27 PER CENT TO \$123,049 MILLION. IMPORTS INCREASED BY 32 PER CENT TO \$130,031 MILLION.

COMPARING MARCH 1989 WITH MARCH 1988, SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH WAS RECORDED IN THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO JAPAN (+44 PER CENT), CHINA (+35 PER CENT), THE NETHERLANDS (+29 PER CENT) AND THE UNITED KINGDOM (+27 PER CENT).

THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE U.S.A., THE LARGEST MARKET, AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, THE THIRD LARGEST MARKET, FOLLOWING CHINA, ALSO INCREASED, BOTH BY 10 PER CENT. HOWEVER, THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO FRANCE DECREASED BY 1 PER CENT.

IMPORTS FROM MOST MAJOR SUPPLIERS INCREASED IN VALUE TERMS IN MARCH 1989 OVER MARCH 1988, PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM ITALY (+54 PER CENT), CHINA (+44 PER CENT), TAIWAN (+36 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (+32 PER CENT). IMPORTS FROM JAPAN, THE U.S.A. AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ALSO INCREASED, BY 24 PER CENT, 22 PER CENT AND 22 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

RE-EXPORTS TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, ITALY, THE U.S.A., THE UNITED KINGDOM, JAPAN AND CHINA INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY IN VALUE TERMS OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON, BY 80 PER CENT, 70 PER CENT, 66 PER CENT, 57 PER CENT, 57 PER CENT AND 40 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988, DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO MOST MAJOR MARKETS INCREASED IN VALUE TERMS.

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THE MARKETS WITH MORE SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS INCLUDED JAPAN (+36 PER CENT), CHINA (+35 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (+21 PER CENT). INCREASES IN VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WERE ALSO RECORDED IN AUSTRALIA (+15 PER CENT), THE NETHERLANDS (+14 PER CENT) AND THE UNITED KINGDOM (+13 PER CENT).

HOWEVER, THOSE TO FRANCE, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE U.S.A. DECREASED BY 7 PER CENT, 4 PER CENT AND 2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

IMPORTS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 FROM ALL MAJOR SUPPLIERS INCREASED IN VALUE TERMS COMPARED WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988. SIGNIFICANT INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN IMPORTS FROM ITALY (+45 PER CENT), SINGAPORE (+39 PER CENT), CHINA (+38 PER CENT), TAIWAN (+35 PER CENT), THE U.S.A. (+30 PER CENT), THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA (+28 PER CENT) AND JAPAN (+27 PER CENT).

OVER THE SAME PERIOD OF COMPARISON, RE-EXPORTS TO ITALY, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, CHINA AND THE U.S.A. INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY IN VALUE TERMS, BY 74 PER CENT, 67 PER CENT, 56 PER CENT, 53 PER CENT, 51 PER CENT, 50 PER CENT AND 42 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

ALL TRADE STATISTICS PRESENTED HERE ARE MEASURED AT CURRENT PRICES AND NO ACCOUNT HAS BEEN TAKEN OF THE CHANGES IN PRICES BETWEEN THE PERIODS OF COMPARISON. A SEPARATE ANALYSIS OF THE PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF EXTERNAL TRADE IN MARCH 1989 WILL BE RELEASED IN EARLY JUNE 1989.

THE CHANGES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO HONG KONG'S 10 MAJOR MARKETS ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 1.

COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988, INCREASES IN VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WERE RECORDED IN ALL MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS.

THE MORE NOTABLE ONES WERE OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$645 MILLION OR 24 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$575 MILLION OR 16 PER CENT); AND PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES AND OPTICAL GOODS, AND WATCHES AND CLOCKS (BY \$332 MILLION OR 8 PER CENT). DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF CLOTHING INCREASED BY \$600 MILLION OR 4 PER CENT.

HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN FOOTWEAR (BY \$46 MILLION OR 13 PER CENT) AND TOBACCO AND TOBACCO MANUFACTURES (BY \$34 MILLION OR 7 PER CENT).

TABLE 2 ILLUSTRATES THE CHANGES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION.

THE CHANGES IN IMPORTS FROM HONG KONG'S 10 MAJOR SUPPLIERS ARE SUMMARISED IN TABLE 3.

COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988, MORE NOTABLE INCREASES IN VALUE OF IMPORTS WERE REGISTERED FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$3,498 MILLION OR 64 PER CENT); ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$3,368 MILLION OR 33 PER CENT); AND CLOTHING (BY \$2,359 MILLION OR 38 PER CENT). IMPORTS OF TEXTILES INCREASED BY \$3,471 MILLION OR 28 PER CENT.

HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN RAW HIDES, SKINS AND FURSKINS (BY \$159 MILLION OR 20 PER CENT); AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN ROAD VEHICLES (BY \$33 MILLION OR 6 PER CENT).

TABLE 4 ILLUSTRATES THE CHANGES IN IMPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION.

THE CHANGES IN RE-EXPORTS TO HONG KONG'S 10 MAJOR MARKETS ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 5.

COMPARING THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WITH THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988, MORE NOTABLE INCREASES IN VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS WERE REGISTERED FOR ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$2,456 MILLION OR 45 PER CENT); TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$2,293 MILLION OR 71 PER CENT); CLOTHING (BY \$2,189 MILLION OR 41 PER CENT); AND MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (BY \$2,164 MILLION OR 48 PER CENT).

RE-EXPORTS OF TEXTILES INCREASED BY \$1,984 MILLION OR 29 PER CENT.

HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN EXPLOSIVES AND PYROTECHNIC PRODUCTS (BY \$60 MILLION OR 31 PER CENT); AND CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS (BY \$49 MILLION OR 5 PER CENT).

TABLE 6 ILLUSTRATES THE CHANGES IN RE-EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION.

DETAILED STATISTICS ON TRADE VALUE BY COMMODITY AND BY COUNTRY ARE PUBLISHED IN TRADE STATISTICS REPORTS.

THE MARCH 1989 ISSUE OF THE "HONG KONG TRADE STATISTICS SUMMARY" WILL BE ON SALE AROUND MAY 15, AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL, AT \$9.50 PER COPY.

A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT, "HONG KONG EXTERNAL TRADE", WITH DETAILED ANALYSES ON IMPORTS, EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS IN MARCH 1989 WILL BE AVAILABLE IN END-MAY AT \$17.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES REGARDING REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION TO THESE REPORTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT FRENCH MISSION BUILDING, 1 BATTERY PATH, HONG KONG (TEL. NO.: 5-8428802) AND ENQUIRIES ON TRADE STATISTICS TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (TEL. NO.: 5-8234915).

TABLE 1: DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY 10 MAJOR MARKETS

MAJOR MARKET	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
U.S.A.	4,672	+ 10	14,133	- 2
CHINA	3,581	+ 35	9,227	+ 35
F.R. OF GERMANY	1,154	+ 10	3,688	- 4
U.K.	1,079	+ 27	3,275	+ 13
JAPAN	1,225	+ 44	2,942	+ 36
CANADA	431	+ 24	1,442	+ 12
SINGAPORE	453	+ 17	1,263	+ 21
NETHERLANDS	378	+ 29	1,130	+ 14
AUSTRALIA	327	+ 24	980	+ 15
FRANCE	264	- 1	837	- 7

TABLE 2: DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION

COMMODITY DIVISION	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES	4,059	+ 25	14,035	+ 4
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (MAINLY JEWELLERY GOLDSMITHS' AND SILVERSMITHS' WARES)	2,379	+ 15	6,055	+ 1

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PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS	1,533	+ 16	4,264	+ 8
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF	1,562	+ 20	4,194	+ 16
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT	1,294	+ 8	3,579	+ 6
TEXTILE YARN, FABRICS, MADE-UP ARTICLES AND RELATED PRODUCTS	1,363	+ 10	3,527	+ 2

TABLE 3: IMPORTS FROM 10 MAJOR SUPPLIERS

MAJOR SUPPLIER	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
CHINA	15,289	+ 44	40,585	+ 38
JAPAN	8,700	+ 24	23,353	+ 27
TAIWAN	4,543	+ 36	11,740	+ 35
U.S.A.	3,907	+ 22	10,765	+ 30
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	2,394	+ 22	6,449	+ 28
SINGAPORE	1,877	+ 32	5,362	+ 39
F.R. OF GERMANY	1,186	+ 3	3,342	+ 19
U.K.	1,120	+ 6	3,293	+ 12
ITALY	976	+ 54	2,324	+ 45
SWITZERLAND	775	- 6	2,264	+ 8

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TABLE 4: IMPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION

COMMODITY DIVISION	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
TEXTILE YARN, FABRICS, MADE-UP ARTICLES AND RELATED PRODUCTS	6,411	+ 29	15,686	+ 28
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF	4,871	+ 22	13,463	+ 33
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT	3,382	+ 66	8,922	+ 64
ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES	3,149	+ 49	8,646	+ 38
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (MAINLY BABY CARRIAGES, TOYS, GAMES AND SPORTING GOODS)	2,738	+ 43	7,196	+ 38
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS	2,496	+ 18	7,174	+ 26

TABLE 5: RE-EXPORTS BY 10 MAJOR MARKETS

MAJOR MARKET	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
CHINA	9,032	+ 40	25,245	+ 50
U.S.A.	4,494	+ 66	13,101	+ 42
JAPAN	1,849	+ 57	4,902	+ 51

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TAIWAN	1,486	+ 28	3,944	+ 30
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	1,114	+ 14	3,150	+ 16
F.R. OF GERMANY	911	+ 80	2,705	+ 67
SINGAPORE	821	+ 16	2,446	+ 31
U.K.	608	+ 57	1,688	+ 56
AUSTRALIA	387	+ 37	1,280	+ 53
ITALY	352	+ 70	1,126	+ 74

TABLE 6: RE-EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISION

COMMODITY DIVISION	MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	MAR 89 OVER MAR 88 (%)	JAN-MAR 1989 (HKD MN.)	JAN-MAR 89 OVER JAN-MAR 88 (%)
TEXTILE YARN, FABRICS, MADE-UP ARTICLES AND RELATED PRODUCTS	3,333	+ 28	8,826	+ 29
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF	2,714	+ 31	7,901	+ 45
ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES	2,412	+ 67	7,515	+ 41
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (MAINLY BABY CARRIAGES, TOYS, GAMES AND SPORTING GOODS)	2,403	+ 65	6,689	+ 48
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT	1,854	+ 69	5,504	+ 71
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS	988	+ 28	2,871	+ 36

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SPORTS DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO BE ESTABLISHED  
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A STATUTORY SPORTS DEVELOPMENT BOARD WILL BE SET UP NEXT YEAR TO PROMOTE AND DEVELOP SPORTS AND PHYSICAL RECREATION IN THE TERRITORY, THE SECRETARY FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES, MR AUGUSTINE CHUI, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

MR CHUI SAID THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BOARD WAS BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SPORTS CONSULTANCY REPORT PREPARED BY MR EMLYN JONES, A CONSULTANT COMMISSIONED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO LOOK INTO THE WAY AHEAD FOR SPORTS IN HONG KONG.

"THE SPORTS DEVELOPMENT BOARD WILL HAVE EXECUTIVE POWERS AND ITS OWN STAFF TO DEAL WITH THE VARIOUS FUNCTIONS ENTRUSTED TO IT.

"THESE FUNCTIONS INCLUDE IMPLEMENTING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES FOR SPORTS IN A CO-ORDINATED AND STRUCTURED MANNER, ALLOCATING GRANT AID TO SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS, TRAINING SPORTS ADMINISTRATORS AND COACHES, AND CONDUCTING SPORTS SCIENCE AND RESEARCH.

"THE TIME-TABLE FOR SETTING UP THE BOARD DEPENDS ON WHEN RESOURCES CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE.

"APART FROM GOVERNMENT FUNDS, THE BOARD WILL ALSO SEEK SPONSORSHIP FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO IMPLEMENT ITS PROGRAMMES," MR CHUI EXPLAINED.

"THE BOARD WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH THE FUTURE SECRETARY FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, THE AMATEUR SPORTS FEDERATION AND OLYMPIC COMMITTEE, THE JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE, THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS AND SPORTS ORGANISATIONS TO DEVELOP SPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A CLEAR AND COHERENT TERRITORIAL STRATEGY.

"A SPECIAL TASK FORCE HAS BEEN SET UP WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH TO COMMENCE PREPARATORY WORK FOR SETTING UP THE BOARD," MR CHUI ADDED.

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EDUCATION PROMOTES SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT  
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EDUCATION IS THE UNDERLYING FORCE OF SOCIAL ADVANCEMENT, ESPECIALLY IN TRAINING UP YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHARACTER AND MORAL INTEGRITY WHICH ARE THE INEVITABLE ELEMENTS OF THE STABILITY OF SOCIETY.

THIS WAS SAID BY MR CHAN KAM-CHUEN, THE CHAIRMAN OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TRUST COMMITTEE AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF BURSARY CERTIFICATES IN THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE TODAY (THURSDAY).

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"EDUCATION," MR CHAN SAID, "WHICH ALSO TRAINS UP PROFESSIONALS TO MEET THE PRESENT AND FUTURE REQUIREMENTS OF SOCIETY IS LARGELY PREDOMINANT IN THE PROGRESS OF SOCIETY."

IN VIEW OF THIS, MR CHAN SAID, MONEY SPENT IN EDUCATION WAS A PROFITABLE INVESTMENT WHICH WOULD REAP A MUCH GREATER RETURN IN FUTURE.

"IT IS WITH THIS BELIEF THAT WE TRY OUR BEST TO ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO PURSUE EDUCATION, AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS ONE WAY TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO PERSIST IN THEIR STUDIES IN ORDER TO DEVELOP THEIR WELL-BEING AS WELL AS TO THE BENEFIT OF SOCIETY," HE ADDED.

THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES CHILDREN'S EDUCATION TRUST WAS SET UP WITH THE GENEROUS DONATION FROM MR WILLIAM MONG IN 1983 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE CHILDREN OF ASSISTANT OFFICERS AND EQUIVALENT GRADES TO PURSUE HIGHER EDUCATION AS WELL AS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN OF THESE OFFICERS.

EARLY THIS YEAR, MR MONG ONCE AGAIN KINDLY DONATED ANOTHER SUM OF \$500,000 TO THE TRUST.

AT TODAY'S CEREMONY, SPEAKING AS TRUSTEE OF THE EDUCATION TRUST, MR CHAN WA-SHEK, THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, EXPRESSED THANKS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SUPPORT FROM MR AND MRS MONG.

MR CHAN THANKED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, SIR OSWALD CHEUNG, AND THE BOARD MEMBERS, FOR THEIR SOUND ADVICE ON INVESTMENT. HE ALSO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO MR CHAN KAM-CHUEN AND HIS TRUST COMMITTEE FOR PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.

EIGHTEEN STAFF MEMBERS RECEIVED THE BURSARY CERTIFICATES AND CHEQUES FROM MRS WILLIAM MONG AT THE PRESENTATION.

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VR'S HELP CLEAR DRAINAGE IN NT

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ABOUT 30 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FROM SAN YICK REFUGEE CENTRE TODAY (THURSDAY) HELPED THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO CLEAR A DRAINAGE IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AS PART OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY.

THE SERVICE PROJECT WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE REFUGEES CLEARED THE REFUSE IN A DRAINAGE WHICH LEADS FROM WONG UK TSUEN TO THE MAIN STREAM AT TAI LAM CHUNG. THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT PROVIDED THE TOOLS AND DISPOSED OF THE REFUSE COLLECTED.

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"THE PROJECT, WHICH COINCIDED WITH THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ANTI-MOSQUITO CAMPAIGN, WAS ONE OF THE MANY SERVICES THAT THE REFUGEES HAVE RENDERED TO THE COMMUNITY IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS," A CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

"OUR STAFF IN THE REFUGEE CENTRES HAVE MADE GREAT EFFORTS IN ARRANGING THESE ACTIVITIES WHICH HAVE PROVED TO BE WORTHWHILE FOR BOTH THE REFUGEES AND HONG KONG PEOPLE," HE ADDED.

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24-HOUR POLICE RECRUITMENT HOTLINE SET UP  
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YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WISH TO EMBARK ON A REWARDING CAREER MAY NOW MAKE USE OF A NEW HOTLINE TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION ABOUT JOINING THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

"THE 24-HOUR POLICE RECRUITMENT HOTLINE 5-200366 IS SET UP TO PROVIDE A MORE EFFICIENT AND CONVENIENT MEANS FOR PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS TO ENQUIRE ABOUT RECRUITMENT INFORMATION SUCH AS ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES," A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE HOTLINE FACILITY SUPPLEMENTS THE MANY OTHER KINDS OF PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE FORCE SUCH AS CAREER TALKS AND EXHIBITIONS AS WELL AS VISITS TO THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL WHICH ARE SPECIALLY ARRANGED FOR RECRUITMENT TARGET GROUPS.

"THESE ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED ON A REGULAR BASIS WITH AN AIM TO ENCOURAGE MORE AMBITIOUS YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONSIDER TAKING THE POLICE SERVICE AS THEIR CHOSEN CAREER. THE RECRUITMENT TARGET FOR THIS YEAR IS 2,570 INCLUDING 260 INSPECTORATE OFFICERS."

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT APART FROM MAKING USE OF THE HOTLINE, PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS COULD ALSO VISIT NEARBY RECRUITING CENTRES TO OBTAIN DETAILED INFORMATION OR TO HAND IN THEIR APPLICATIONS.

THE RECRUITING CENTRES ARE OPEN FROM 10 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS.

EXCEPT THE TSIM SHA TSUI RECRUITING CENTRE WHICH ALSO OPENS ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE FIVE RECRUITING CENTRES ARE:

- (1) QUEENSWAY RECRUITING CENTRE  
FIRST FLOOR, LOW BLOCK  
QUEENSWAY GOVERNMENT OFFICES  
WAN CHAI, HONG KONG  
TELEPHONE NUMBER 5-8624425

- (2) MONG KOK RECRUITING CENTRE  
MONG KOK POLICE STATION  
GROUND FLOOR, PRINCE EDWARD ROAD  
MONG KOK, KOWLOON  
TELEPHONE NUMBER 3-806920
- (3) WONG TAI SIN RECRUITING CENTRE  
WONG TAI SIN POLICE STATION  
FIRST FLOOR, SHATIN PASS ROAD  
WONG TAI SIN, KOWLOON  
TELEPHONE NUMBER 3-232354
- (4) TSIM SHA TSUI RECRUITING CENTRE  
1 PEKING ROAD, GROUND FLOOR  
TSIM SHA TSUI, KOWLOON  
TELEPHONE NUMBER 3-681006
- (5) SHA TIN RECRUITING CENTRE  
GROUND FLOOR, SHA TIN CENTRE STREET  
J/O TAM KON PO STREET  
SHA TIN, NEW TERRITORIES  
TELEPHONE NUMBER 0-6044618

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET

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THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS ITS PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 1989-90 AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE LIAISON WORK PLAN OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION'S SOUTH WEST NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL OFFICE.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD PREFERENTIAL SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY AND FUND APPLICATIONS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION COMMITTEE TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, SECOND FLOOR, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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KWAI TSING DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS ANTI-SMOKING PROPOSALS

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THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE REPORT ON ANTI-SMOKING PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE HONG KONG COUNCIL ON SMOKING AND HEALTH AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

OTHER TOPICS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE PLANNING OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR NORTH TSING YI, CLEARANCE OF SQUATTERS AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD 6.5 MILESTONE AND TOILET ALTERATION WORKS AT SHEK LEI ESTATE.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL MOVE A MOTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE THE AFTER-SCHOOL CARE SERVICE FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS AS A SUBSIDISED WELFARE SERVICE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, KWAI CHUNG.

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FISHERFOLK TO CELEBRATE TAM KUNG FESTIVAL

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THOUSANDS OF FISHERFOLK AND WORSHIPPERS WILL GATHER AT SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST TOMORROW (FRIDAY) MORNING TO CELEBRATE THE TRADITIONAL TAM KUNG FESTIVAL.

THE FESTIVAL FALLS ON THE EIGHTH DAY OF THE FOURTH MONTH OF THE LUNAR CALENDAR TO COMMEMORATE THE BIRTHDAY OF THE LEGENDARY DEITY WHO IS BELIEVED TO BESTOW GOOD FORTUNE ON WORSHIPPERS.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION IS A GRAND PROCESSION FEATURING LION, DRAGON AND UNICORN DANCES ALONG SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST TO THE TAM KUNG TEMPLE.

THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR GARY YEUNG, WILL VISIT THE TEMPLE AT 11 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TAM KUNG FESTIVAL CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES AT SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST BEGINNING AT 10 AM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

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GRADING OF BEACH WATER QUALITY

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF ALL BATHING BEACHES IN HONG KONG.

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE GRADING SYSTEM WAS TO INFORM SWIMMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATE OF BACTERIAL POLLUTION AT VARIOUS BEACHES.

THE GRADING WILL BE ANNOUNCED BIWEEKLY DURING THE SWIMMING SEASON, TO COINCIDE WITH THE FREQUENCY AT WHICH BEACH WATERS ARE USUALLY SAMPLED.

THE GRADING IS BASED ON THE MOST RECENT BACTERIA DATA OBTAINED BY THE EPD IN ITS ROUTINE MONITORING PROGRAMME.

THIS YEAR, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE GRADING ALSO INCLUDES AN ESTIMATE OF THE RISK OF SUFFERING SOME MINOR SKIN OR GASTROINTESTINAL COMPLAINTS AS A RESULT OF SWIMMING AT A BEACH WHICH HAS SOME DEGREE OF POLLUTION.

THE ESTIMATE IS BASED ON A VERY LARGE BODY OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION GATHERED IN HONG KONG DURING RECENT BATHING SEASONS.

THE GRADING OF SOME BEACHES MAY VARY DURING THE SUMMER. THIS REPRESENTS A NATURAL FLUCTUATION IN THE BACTERIAL QUALITY OF BATHING WATERS IN MOST CASES, AS RAIN AND TIDES BRING MORE OR LESS POLLUTION TO THE BEACHES.

BATHING WATERS COMMONLY BECOME WORSE DUE TO HEAVY USAGE DURING THE SUMMER.

HOWEVER, THE GRADES GIVE A GOOD GENERAL PICTURE OF THE WATER QUALITY AT BATHING BEACHES AT THE TIME OF REPORTING AND FORM THE BEST AVAILABLE FORECAST FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

THE SYSTEM FOR GRADING BEACH WATER QUALITY IS AS FOLLOWS:

"A" GRADE INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS GOOD. THE MEAN E.COLI COUNT IS LESS THAN 100 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS LESS THAN SEVEN CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

"B" GRADE INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS ACCEPTABLE. THE MEAN E.COLI COUNT IS LESS THAN 1,000 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS LESS THAN 18 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

"C" GRADE INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS POOR. THE MEAN E.COLI COUNT IS 1,000 OR MORE PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS 18 OR MORE CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

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THE DECISION WHETHER OR NOT TO CLOSE A BEACH TO SWIMMERS IS BASED ON A JUDGEMENT OF WHAT DEGREE OF POLLUTION IS ACCEPTABLE.

NORMALLY, A RECOMMENDATION ON CLOSURE WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED BY THE URBAN OR THE REGIONAL COUNCIL IF A "C" GRADING OCCURRED REPEATEDLY, SO THAT THE AVERAGE HEALTH RISK OVER THE BATHING SEASON EXCEEDED 15 CASES PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

SIMILARLY, A RECOMMENDATION TO RE-OPEN A CLOSED BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF A "B" GRADE OR BETTER WERE CONSISTENTLY OBTAINED.

AT PRESENT, SIX BATHING BEACHES HAVE BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES, BASED ON THE WATER QUALITY DURING PAST SEASONS. THESE BEACHES ARE ANGLERS', CASTLE PEAK, SILVERMINE BAY, OLD CAFETERIA, ROCKY BAY AND TING KAU.

THEY ARE POLLUTED BY FAECAL WASTES AND FAILED TO ACHIEVE CONSISTENTLY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION AND HONG KONG STANDARDS.

THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED NOT TO SWIM IN THESE SIX BEACHES. THEY ARE IDENTIFIED BY AN "X" IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE.

THE GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF VARIOUS BEACHES IN HONG KONG AS AT TODAY AND TWO WEEKS AGO ARE LISTED BELOW :

BEACH -----	LAST GRADING ----- (AS AT 27.4.89)	PRESENT GRADING ----- (AS AT 11.5.89)
HONG KONG SOUTH -----		
BIG WAVE BAY	A	A
CHUNG HOM KOK	A	B
DEEP WATER BAY	A	A
HAIRPIN	A	A
MIDDLE BAY	B	B
REPULSE BAY	A	B
SHEK O	A	A
SOUTH BAY	A	A
ST. STEPHEN'S	A	A
TURTLE COVE	A	A

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STANLEY MAIN	B	B
ROCKY BAY	X	X
TO TEI WAN*	A	A

ISLANDS DISTRICT  
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CHEUNG SHA UPPER	A	A
CHEUNG SHA LOWER	A	B
DISCOVERY BAY*	A	A
HUNG SHING YEH	A	A
KWUN YAM WAN	A	A
TONG FUK	A	A
LO SO SHING	A	A
PUI O	A	A
SILVERMINE BAY	X	X
TUNG WAN, CHEUNG CHAU	A	B
TUNG O*	A	A

SAI KUNG DISTRICT  
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CAMPERS	A	A
CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST BEACH	A	A
CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND BEACH	A	A
HAP MUN BAY	A	A
KIU TSUI	A	A
PAK SHA CHAU	A	A
SILVERSTRAND	B	B
TRIO (HEBE HAVEN)	A	A

## TSUEN WAN DISTRICT

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ANGLERS'	X	X
APPROACH	B	B
CASAM	B	B
GEMINI	B	A
HOI MEI WAN	B	A
LIDO	B	B
TING KAU	X	X
TUNG WAN, MA WAN	A	A

## TUEN MUN DISTRICT

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OLD CAFETERIA	X	X
NEW CAFETERIA	B	B
CASTLE PEAK	X	X
KADOORIE	B	B
BUTTERFLY	B	B

NOTE: "X" THE BEACH HAS BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING.  
\* NON-GAZETTED BEACHES.

THE FOLLOWING BEACHES HAVE CHANGED GRADING ON THIS OCCASION:

GEMINI AND HOI MEI WAN, FROM "B" TO "A"; CHUNG HOM KOK, REPULSE BAY, CHEUNG SHA LOWER AND TUNG WAN BEACH ON CHEUNG CHAU, FROM "A" TO "B".

THE CHANGES ARE WITHIN THE NORMAL RANGE OF FLUCTUATION OF THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF THESE BEACHES.

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## NOTE TO EDITORS:

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT MR PAUL R. HOLMES, PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER (WATER POLICY) OF EPD, AT 5-8351234.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT PASSING-OUT PARADE  
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A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF 277 ASSISTANT OFFICERS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED THEIR BASIC TRAINING COURSE WILL BE HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THIS IS THE LARGEST BATCH OF RECRUITS PASSING OUT AT ONE TIME IN THE PAST TWO YEARS.

THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, MR ALAN CARTER, WILL TAKE THE SALUTE, DELIVER AN ADDRESS AND PRESENT SILVER WHISTLES TO THE BEST RECRUITS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S PASSING-OUT PARADE WHICH WILL START AT 4 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE AT 47 TUNG TAU WAN ROAD, STANLEY.

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URBAN CLEARWAY IN MA TAU WAI  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 13), THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF FU NING STREET IN MA TAU WAI BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH SHING TAK STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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NIGHT CLOSURE OF WUHU UNDERPASS, HUNG HOM  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE WUHU VEHICULAR UNDERPASS IN HUNG HOM LEADING FROM NORTHBOUND CHATHAM ROAD NORTH TO SOUTHBOUND GILLIES AVENUE WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 13) IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CLEANSING.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS FROM TSIM SHA TSUI, YAU MA TEI AND THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL HEADING TO HUNG HOM AREA ARE ADVISED TO USE CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH, CHEONG WAN ROAD, ON WAN ROAD, CHEONG WAN ROAD AND GILLIES AVENUE; OR GASCOIGNE ROAD, CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH, CHATHAM ROAD NORTH, PAK KUNG STREET, SHUN YUNG STREET, FAT KWONG STREET AND MA TAU WAI ROAD.

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URBAN CLEARWAY IN TSIM SHA TSUI  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 13), THE WESTERN KERBSIDE OF KOWLOON PARK DRIVE IN TSIM SHA TSUI BETWEEN PEKING ROAD AND CANTON ROAD WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR URBAN CLEARWAY.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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LONG VEHICLE BAN IN SAI NING STREET, KENNEDY TOWN  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MAY 13), VEHICLES EXCEEDING 10 METRES IN LENGTH WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER SAI NING STREET WEST OF THE CHINA MERCHANTS GODOWN IN KENNEDY TOWN.

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