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FAREWELL DINNER FOR SIR MURRAY

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, ATTENDED A FAREWELL DINNER GIVEN IN HIS HONOUR THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING BY MR WANG KUANG, FIRST DIRECTOR OF THE XINHUA NEWS AGENCY.

AT THE DINNER, HELD IN THE XINHUA NEWS AGENCY BUILDING IN HAPPY VALLEY, SIR MURRAY SPOKE ABOUT THE EXCELLENT STATE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CHINA OVER HONG KONG.

FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH:

DIRECTOR WANG, DIRECTOR LI, FRIENDS,

+I GREATLY APPRECIATE THIS FAREWELL DINNER. IT REFLECTS A PERSONAL AND WORKING RELATIONSHIP THAT I GREATLY VALUE AND WILL LONG REMEMBER.

+I SHOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS. BUT THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE PAST 10 YEARS ARE CORPORATE. MANY PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS HAVE PLAYED A PART, AND IN PARTICULAR THE GOVERNMENTS OF CHINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. BUT WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK, AND ABOVE ALL, IT HAS BEEN THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WITH THEIR INDUSTRY, SKILL AND RESOURCE AND IN THE UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT OF HONG KONG, WHICH HAVE MADE THIS CITY INTO THE VIGOROUS AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITY IT IS TO-DAY.

+IT IS A MATTER OF PARTICULAR SATISFACTION TO ME THAT COOPERATION AND INVESTMENT BETWEEN HONG KONG ON THE ONE HAND AND GUANGDONG AND OTHER REGIONS OF CHINA ON THE OTHER HAS DEVELOPED SO RAPIDLY AND SO SMOOTHLY AND IN BOTH DIRECTIONS IN THE LAST FEW YEARS. IT IS EVIDENT FOR ALL TO SEE THAT THIS PRINCIPLE OF COOPERATION, IN THE ECONOMIC AND MANY OTHER FIELDS IS VASTLY TO THE MUTUAL BENEFIT. YOU MAY COUNT ON US TO APPLY IT IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE OF SHENZHEN TO WHOSE SUCCESS WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE.

+ALL THIS REFLECTS THE EXCELLENT STATE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CHINA OVER HONG KONG. BUT IT IS ALSO DUE IN NO SMALL MEASURE TO THE EFFORTS OF OUR FRIENDS IN XINHUA. HERE LET ME NOTE THAT YOU, MR WANG, ARRIVED IN HONG KONG TO TAKE UP YOUR IMPORTANT POST IN SEPTEMBER 1978, AND SINCE THEN THE MOST VIGOROUS EXPANSION OF OUR COOPERATION HAS OCCURRED. I THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

+IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO WORK WITH YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES SO CLOSELY OVER THE YEARS. I KNOW THAT MY SUCCESSOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, IS LOOKING FORWARD TO MAINTAINING AND DEVELOPING THESE PERSONAL CONTACTS.

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+HONG KONG IS STRONG AND PROSPEROUS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF ITS FUTURE IS UNDERSTOOD IN PEKING AND LONDON. I AM SURE THAT IN THE PRESENT SITUATION THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT SHOULD WORK FOR TWO OBJECTIVES. FIRSTLY IT MUST CONTINUE TO EXPAND THE PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG, ITS FREE PORT, ITS WORLD-WIDE COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL CONNECTIONS AND THE VALUE OF ITS CURRENCY, AND IN THIS WAY THE WELLBEING OF ITS FIVE MILLION RESIDENTS. SECONDLY IT MUST DEVELOP EVER CLOSER COOPERATION BETWEEN HONG KONG AND OTHER REGIONS OF CHINA. THESE OBJECTIVES ARE INTERCONNECTED BECAUSE EITHER WILL FAIL WITHOUT THE OTHER. I BELIEVE THAT IF WE FOLLOW FAITHFULLY THESE TWIN OBJECTIVES, THE PROBLEM OF OUR FUTURE WILL BE MORE EASILY SOLVED.

+IN CONCLUSION I SHOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE A TOAST TO THE HEALTH OF OUR HOSTS, TO CONTINUED COOPERATION BETWEEN US, AND TO THE PROSPERITY AND WELLBEING OF HONG KONG AND ITS PEOPLE.+

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REGULAR CHECKS KEPT ON CHINESE MEDICINES
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WHILE CONTROL BY LEGISLATION OF CHINESE MEDICINES IS NOT FEASIBLE AT PRESENT, THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE TO SAMPLE CHINESE MEDICINES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION WHERE PUBLIC HEALTH IS CONSIDERED TO BE AT RISK.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES (MEDICAL), DR S.F. LAM, AT A MEETING OF THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY THIS AFTERNOON.

HE SAID UP TILL THE END OF FEBRUARY THIS YEAR, 60 CHINESE HERBAL PREPARATIONS ON THE MARKET HAD BEEN CHECKED AND TESTED BY THE FORENSIC PHARMACY DIVISION TO SEE IF THEY CONTAINED WESTERN MEDICINE AND TO MONITOR THE LEVEL OF TOXIC METALS.

DR LAM SAID THE QUESTION OF WHETHER CHINESE HERBAL MEDICINES SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE CONTROL HAS CAUSED SOME CONCERN AMONG LOCAL MANUFACTURERS.

UNDER THE PRESENT LAW, ALL PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS AND MEDICINES ARE SUBJECT TO CONTROL UNDER THE PHARMACY AND POISONS REGULATIONS AND ARE REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD.

HOWEVER, THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINES LISTED IN THE CHINESE HERBAL MATERIA MEDICA OR WHICH ARE MADE FROM HERBS CUSTOMARILY USED BY THE CHINESE.

DR LAM WARNED THAT IF CHINESE MEDICINES ARE FOUND TO BE ADULTERATED WITH WESTERN DRUGS THAT PROVE TO BE POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS TO PUBLIC HEALTH, THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT CAN, AND WILL TAKE ACTION.

HE SAID THAT FROM THE PROFESSIONAL POINT OF VIEW, ALL DRUGS SHOULD BE CONTROLLED FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

+THIS CONTROL IS FEASIBLE IN THE CASE OF WESTERN DRUGS ALTHOUGH IT IS TAKING ABOUT FIVE YEARS TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION OF ALL PRODUCTS ON THE MARKET,+ HE SAID.

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+THIS IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE ALL THE REQUIRED STANDARDS SUCH AS IDENTITY, PURITY, TOXICITY, PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTION, METHOD OF ANALYSIS ARE AVAILABLE FROM OFFICIAL PHARMACOPOEIAS, RESEARCH PAPERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS,+ HE ADDED.

+NO SUCH SCIENTIFIC DATA EXISTS IN THE CASE OF CHINESE MEDICINES,+ DR LAM SAID, POINTING OUT THAT EXISTING CHINESE PHARMACOPOEIAS ARE LIMITED TO SIMPLE INFORMATION, SUCH AS GENERAL DESCRIPTION, METHOD OF PROCESSING AND STORAGE.

+TO ESTABLISH THE REQUIRED STANDARDS IN ORDER TO ASSESS THE SAFETY, QUALITY AND EFFICACY OF CHINESE HERBS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTROL, WOULD BE A CONSIDERABLE UNDERTAKING,+ HE SAID.

+WITH THOUSANDS OF CHINESE HERBS AVAILABLE, EACH CONTAINING TEN TO 20 INGREDIENTS, IT WOULD BE UNREALISTIC TO SUGGEST THAT THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. IT HAS BEEN ESTIMATED THAT EVEN THE SIMPLEST FORM OF CONTROL BY WAY OF AUTHENTICATION OF THE DRUGS WOULD REQUIRE APPROXIMATELY \$15 MILLION,+ HE SAID.

DR LAM SAID THAT FINDING THE MONEY WOULD BE THE EASIEST OF THE TASKS, BUT FINDING THE EXPERTISE REQUIRED FOR AUTHENTICATION WOULD BE DIFFICULT.

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54 PASS PART ONE OF MEDICAL COUNCIL EXAMINATION * * * *

THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT 54 CANDIDATES HAVE PASSED PART I OF THE LICENTIATE EXAMINATION FOR UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS.

THE PART I EXAMINATION, A MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTION PAPER ON PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE, IN WHICH 464 CANDIDATES SAT, WAS HELD ON MARCH 11.

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES ARE REQUIRED TO SIT FOR THE SECOND PART OF THE EXAMINATION ON APRIL 27.

IN ADDITION TO THE 54 CANDIDATES, A FURTHER 12 CANDIDATES WHO FAILED THE PART II EXAMINATION IN PREVIOUS YEARS, WILL ALSO HAVE TO RE-SIT THIS PART.

THE SECOND PART OF THE EXAMINATION IS A WRITTEN ENGLISH PAPER TO TEST CANDIDATES' COMPREHENSION OF THE LANGUAGE FOR CLINICAL USE.

CANDIDATES WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THE FIRST TWO PARTS OF THE EXAMINATION ARE ELIGIBLE TO SIT FOR PART III WHICH IS AN ORAL TEST ON PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE OF MEDICINE.

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES OF ALL THREE PARTS OF THE EXAMINATION WILL THEN HAVE TO COMPLETE AN EXTERNSHIP OF ABOUT 18 MONTHS BEFORE RECEIVING THE AWARD OF A LICENCE TO PRACTISE IN HONG KONG.

A TOTAL OF 264 MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS HAVE BECOME LICENTIATE DOCTORS AFTER PASSING THE THREE-PART EXAMINATIONS AND SATISFACTORILY COMPLETING AN EXTERNSHIP SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE TEST SINCE 1977. AT PRESENT ANOTHER 82 ARE UNDERGOING THE 18-MONTH PERIOD OF EXTERNSHIP IN GOVERNMENT-DESIGNATED HOSPITALS.

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BUSINESS REGISTRATION REMINDER

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THE INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT TODAY (WEDNESDAY) REMINDED BUSINESS OPERATORS THAT ALL BUSINESSES, EXCEPT THOSE SPECIFICALLY EXEMPTED, ARE REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE BUSINESS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT BUSINESS IS DEFINED AS ANY FORM OF TRADE, COMMERCE, CRAFTSMANSHIP, PROFESSION OR OTHER ACTIVITY CARRIED ON FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAIN. CLUBS ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO REGISTER IF THEY PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THEIR MEMBERS AND HAVE CLUB PREMISES OF WHICH THEIR MEMBERS HAVE A RIGHT OF EXCLUSIVE USE.

THE BUSINESSES WHICH ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE ARE: THE ACTIVITIES OF CHARITIES- THE BUSINESS OF AGRICULTURE, MARKET GARDENING OR FISHING- THE BUSINESS OF BOOT-BLACK- AND BUSINESSES WHICH REQUIRE A HAWKER LICENCE UNDER THE HAWKERS' BY-LAW.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE REQUIREMENT APPLIES TO COMPANIES INCORPORATED IN HONG KONG AS WELL AS OVERSEAS COMPANIES TO WHICH PART XI OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE APPLIES, WHETHER OR NOT THEY CARRY ON BUSINESS LOCALLY.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR REGISTRATION MAY BE OBTAINED BY POST OR IN PERSON FROM THE BUSINESS REGISTRATION OFFICES OF THE INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT AT:

HONG KONG: WINDSOR HOUSE, 3RD FLOOR, 311 GLOUCESTER ROAD.
KOWLOON: PARK-IN COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 12TH FLOOR,
56 DUNDAS STREET, MONG KOK.
TSUEN WAN: FOU WAH CENTRE, 210 CASTLE PEAK ROAD,
GROUND FLOOR.

THE FORMS MAY BE COMPLETED IN CHINESE OR IN ENGLISH AND MAY BE RETURNED BY POST OR IN PERSON.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT A BUSINESS WITH TURNOVER OF LESS THAN \$1 500 MONTHLY OR WHERE THE BUSINESS CONSISTS OF PROVIDING SERVICES WHICH HAD RECEIPTS OF LESS THAN \$450 MONTHLY MAY APPLY FOR EXEMPTION OF THE REGISTRATION FEE OF \$175.

ONCE A BUSINESS OR COMPANY IS REGISTERED, ANY CHANGE WHICH ALTERS THE REGISTERED PARTICULARS MUST BE NOTIFIED TO THE BUSINESS REGISTRATION OFFICE WITHIN ONE MONTH.

ANY ONE WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISION OF THE BUSINESS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE IS LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$2 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR ONE YEAR, HE SAID.

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RECIPROCAL HEALTH CARE ARRANGEMENT WITH UK
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HONG KONG VISITORS TO BRITAIN, INCLUDING STUDENTS, WILL CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED WITH ALL IMMEDIATE NECESSARY MEDICAL TREATMENT ON THE SAME TERMS AS LOCAL RESIDENTS UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, UNDER A RECIPROCAL HEALTH CARE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE HONG KONG AND UK GOVERNMENTS.

THE RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT WILL COME INTO EFFECT TOMORROW (APRIL 1, 1982), A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

THE UK GOVERNMENT HAS RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT REGULATIONS COVERING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CHARGES FOR NHS TREATMENT FOR OVERSEAS VISITORS WILL BE LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT AROUND EASTER TO COME INTO EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 1982.

IN FUTURE, FREE TREATMENT FOR VISITORS WILL BE RESTRICTED TO OUTPATIENT TREATMENT IN +ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY+ AND +CASUALTY+ DEPARTMENTS, THE TREATMENT OF COMMUNICABLE (INCLUDING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED) DISEASE AND PSYCHIATRIC CARE FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE COMPULSORILY DETAINED.

SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS, CHARGES WILL BE LEVIED ON PERSONS NOT ORDINARILY RESIDENT IN THE UK FOR ALL OTHER NHS HOSPITAL TREATMENT.

AMONG THOSE EXEMPTED FROM THE NEW CHARGES ARE VISITORS, INCLUDING STUDENTS, WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR ONE YEAR (INSTEAD OF A 3-YEAR QUALIFYING PERIOD EARLIER PROPOSED) AND PEOPLE FROM COUNTRIES OR TERRITORIES WITH WHOM THE UK HAS RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS.

THE PRESENT RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN HONG KONG AND THE UK IS THE OUTCOME OF A VISIT TO LONDON LAST APRIL BY A HONG KONG TEAM COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES BRANCH AND THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND LED BY SIR JACK CATER, AND SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATION WITH THE UK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY.

+HONG KONG VISITORS, IN ESTABLISHING THEIR ELIGIBILITY FOR TREATMENT, WILL BE EXPECTED TO PRODUCE A VALID IDENTITY CARD, PASSPORT OR CERTIFICATE OF IDENTITY ISSUED BY THE HONG KONG IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

+THE RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENT WILL NOT APPLY TO PERSONS WHO GO TO EACH OTHER'S TERRITORY FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF OBTAINING MEDICAL TREATMENT,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN DB MEMBERS VISIT UC WARD OFFICE
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MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD VISITED THE URBAN COUNCIL WARD OFFICE IN CENTRAL MARKET THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING.

THE VISIT WAS TO PROVIDE BOARD MEMBERS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE WARD OFFICE SYSTEM WORKED AND HOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE ATTENDED TO.

MR PETER C.K. CHAN, URBAN COUNCILLOR AND A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD WAS ON DUTY AT THE TIME OF THE VISIT AND HE EXPLAINED BRIEFLY TO THE BOARD MEMBERS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

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PROHIBITION OF LEARNER DRIVERS IN ABERDEEN TUNNEL AREA
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LEARNER DRIVER PROHIBITION WILL BE IMPOSED ON A NUMBER OF ROADS LEADING TO THE ABERDEEN TUNNEL FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (APRIL 2), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THEY ARE:

- * THE SOUTHBOUND CANAL ROAD FLYOVER NEAR THE SLIP ROAD DOWN TO MORRISON HILL ROAD IN WAN CHAI-
- * THE SLIP ROAD AT A POINT APPROXIMATELY 130 METRES SOUTH OF THE JUNCTION OF WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WITH SPORTS ROAD LEADING TO SOUTHBOUND CANAL ROAD FLYOVER IN WAN CHAI-
- * THE SLIP ROAD FROM WESTBOUND WONG CHUK HANG ROAD TO THE ABERDEEN TUNNEL NEAR ITS WESTERN JUNCTION WITH SHOUSON HILL ROAD IN WONG CHUK HANG- AND
- * THE UNDERPASS FROM EASTBOUND WONG CHUK HANG ROAD TO THE ABERDEEN TUNNEL AT A POINT APPROXIMATELY 170 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH NAM FUNG ROAD IN WONG CHUK HANG.

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PLB CLEARWAYS IN ABERDEEN
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A NUMBER OF ROAD SECTIONS IN ABERDEEN WILL BE DESIGNATED AS PUBLIC LIGHT BUS CLEARWAYS FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (APRIL 2).

THEY ARE:

- * THE SECTION OF ABERDEEN RESERVOIR ROAD BETWEEN ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD AND A POINT 80 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TSUNG MAN STREET-
- * THE SECTION OF TSUNG MAN STREET BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH ABERDEEN RESERVOIR ROAD AND A POINT 10 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION- AND
- * THE SECTION OF THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO ABERDEEN OPEN-AIR CAR PARK BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH ABERDEEN RESERVOIR ROAD AND A POINT 25 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

WITHIN THESE CLEARWAYS ALL PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS FROM 7 AM TO 12 MIDNIGHT DAILY.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO MARK THE EXTENT OF THE PLB CLEARWAY.

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RECRUITMENT OF LIFE GUARDS
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THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS RECRUITING LIFE GUARDS FOR DUTY AT GAZETTED BEACHES AND SWIMMING POOLS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES AND ON OUTLYING ISLANDS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS HANDLING THE RECRUITMENT EXERCISE, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THE POSTS WERE OPEN TO BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, AND APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST PRIMARY 6 EDUCATION AND HOLD A BRONZE MEDALLION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE ROYAL LIFE GUARD SOCIETY AND A VALID FIRST AID CERTIFICATE.

THE STARTING SALARY FOR THE POST IS \$2 350 A MONTH.

THOSE INTERESTED IN THE POST MAY APPROACH ANY BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LOCAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT. ENQUIRIES CAN ALSO BE MADE ON TELEPHONES 3-666615, 3-695525 AND 5-270622.

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ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD STUDENT WINS CLEAN HONG KONG CARTOON COMPETITION
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IT WAS A PROUD MOMENT FOR 11-YEAR-OLD FONG PAK-KIN, A PRIMARY V STUDENT OF NORTH POINT METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, WHEN HE LEARNED THAT HE HAD BEATEN 1 611 CONTESTANTS TO WIN THE JUNIOR DIVISION OF A RECENT CARTOON COMPETITION.

THE COMPETITION WAS ORGANISED BY THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, IN SUPPORT OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN.

+I AM HAPPY NOT ONLY BECAUSE I WON THE FIRST PRIZE BUT ALSO BECAUSE I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN AND TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS IT,+ PAK-KIN SAID.

+THE COMPETITION HAS MADE ME MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CLEANLINESS IN EVERYDAY LIFE,+ HE ADDED.

FONG PAK-KIN WAS AMONG 1 612 STUDENTS FROM 99 PRIMARY SCHOOLS WHO TOOK PART IN THE JUNIOR DIVISION OF THE COMPETITION.

THE ENTRIES WERE CAREFULLY SCREENED YESTERDAY (TUESDAY) BY A PANEL OF JUDGES COMPRISING MR HANDRICK NG OF THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES, AND MR MAN KWONG-HANG AND MR CHAN KA-TAI OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

PAK-KIN'S WORK, DEPICTING THE EXPULSION OF A LITTER-BUG BY ANGRY RESIDENTS, WAS CONSIDERED OUTSTANDING BOTH IN TERMS OF ORIGINALITY OF DESIGN AND EFFECTIVENESS IN CONVEYING THE MESSAGE OF CLEANLINESS. HE WILL RECEIVE A \$200 BOOK-STATIONERY TOKEN AS HIS PRIZE.

THE FIRST AND SECOND RUNNERS-UP WERE CHAN PUI-SHAN OF THE PRIMARY SCHOOL OF HONG KONG SZETO CLAN'S ASSOCIATION (A.M.) AND LEUNG WAI-YEE OF KEI TSUN PRIMARY A.M. SCHOOL, WHO WILL RECEIVE BOOK/STATIONERY TOKENS OF \$150 AND \$100 RESPECTIVELY.

WINNERS OF THE SENIOR DIVISION OF THE COMPETITION WERE ALSO CHOSEN, OUT OF 652 ENTRIES FROM 144 SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THE FIRST PRIZE WENT TO KWAN BING-TIM OF LUNG KONG WORLD FEDERATION SCHOOL LTD. LAU WONG FAT SECONDARY SCHOOL WHILE THE SECOND AND THIRD PRIZES WENT TO LAW CHI-WAI OF LITERARY COLLEGE AND WENDY WONG OF ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, LAM TIN. THEY WILL RECEIVE THE SAME PRIZES AS THE WINNERS OF JUNIOR DIVISION.

MERIT PRIZES OF \$50 TOKENS WILL BE AWARDED TO 15 OTHER STUDENTS IN EACH DIVISION.

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BACH CHOIR TO VISIT HONG KONG

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THE BACH CHOIR WILL VISIT HONG KONG NEXT WEEK WITH A MESSAGE FROM ITS PRESIDENT, HRH THE PRINCE OF WALES, TO SPREAD THE +GREAT TRADITION OF AMATEUR CHOIRS THAT PERFORM TO PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS+.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MEMBERS OF THE CHOIR, UNDER THE MUSICAL DIRECTORSHIP OF SIR DAVID WILLCOCKS, WILL BE COMING TO GIVE FIVE CONCERTS HERE.

THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE CHOIR LEAVES BRITAIN BY CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS ON APRIL 5 FOR A TOUR THAT WILL END ON APRIL 16.

THE CHOIR'S GRAND FINALE WILL BE A PERFORMANCE OF THE BERLIOZ GRANDE MESSE DES MORTS IN WHICH THEY WILL BE JOINED BY MORE THAN 300 MEMBERS OF LOCAL CHOIRS AND FIVE BRASS BANDS, INCLUDING THE BAND OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE AND THE BAND OF THE GURKHA REGIMENT.

DURING ALL THEIR CONCERTS, THE CHOIR WILL BE PERFORMING WITH THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA LED BY CARL PINI.

IN THIS MESSAGE PRINCE CHARLES SAID: +THE VISIT OF THE BACH CHOIR TO HONG KONG WILL BRING GREAT PLEASURE TO THOUSANDS AND ALSO ACT AS AN INSPIRATION TO LOCAL CHORAL SOCIETIES. THERE COULD BE NO BETTER AMBASSADOR FOR THE ENGLISH CHORAL TRADITION.

+THE BACH CHOIR OF WHICH I AM PROUD TO BE PRESIDENT IS A LEADER AMONG SUCH CHOIRS AND I HAVE ENJOYED SINGING WITH THEM ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED MUSICAL DIRECTOR, SIR DAVID WILLCOCKS.+

COMMENTING ON THE FORTHCOMING TOUR, SIR DAVID WILLCOCKS SAID: +THE BACH CHOIR IS DELIGHTED TO BE PAYING ITS FIRST VISIT TO HONG KONG, AN EXCITING MUSICAL CENTRE WHERE TWO CULTURES MEET. THERE IS NO CHOIR AS LARGE AS THE LONDON BACH CHOIR, SO THE OPPORTUNITY IS BEING TAKEN TO PRESENT MAJOR WORKS SUCH AS BRITTEN'S WAR REQUIM AND BACH'S ST MATTHEW PASSION.+

THE HONG KONG COMMISSIONER IN LONDON, SIR JACK CATER, SAID: +WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT THE CHOIR WAS CHOSEN TO VISIT HONG KONG AND ENRICH OUR GROWING CULTURAL REPUTATION.+

THE CHOIR'S TOUR OF HONG KONG IS BEING SPONSORED BY CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS, THE LONDON GOLD MARKET AND THE HONG KONG HOTELS ASSOCIATION.

THE TOUR IS BEING PROMOTED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL.

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TAI PO SITE FOR TENDER
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APPLICATIONS ARE BEING INVITED FOR A SHORT TERM TENANCY OF A SITE AT TAI PO FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AS A FEE PAYING PUBLIC CARPARK AND LORRY PARK.

THE SITE, MEASURING 8 420 SQUARE METRES, IS LOCATED NEAR TAI PO HUI.

THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER WILL BE REQUIRED TO OPERATE THE CARPARK FOR A MINIMUM CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF 18 HOURS A DAY. THE TENANCY WILL BE THREE YEARS.

TENDER CONDITIONS SPECIFY THAT THE STORAGE OF UNLICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES AND DERELICT VEHICLES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED WITHOUT THE PRIOR CONSENT OF THE DISTRICT OFFICER.

TENDERS SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE TENDER BOX AT THE RECEPTION LOBBY OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS BEFORE APRIL 16.

PARTICULARS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT OFFICES.

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