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DRAGON BOAT RACES NEXT WEEK
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THE DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL, WHICH IS CELEBRATED YEARLY ON THE FIFTH DAY OF THE FIFTH MOON IN THE LUNAR CALENDAR, THIS YEAR FALLS ON MONDAY, JUNE 24.

AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, DRAGON BOAT RACES WILL BE HELD IN VARIOUS PARTS OF HONG KONG TO MARK THE OCCASION.

THIS YEAR THE MAIN EVENTS WILL BE AT TAIPO, YAU MA TEI AND TUEN MUN. RACES WILL ALSO BE HELD AT CHAI WAN, BUT IT WILL TAKE PLACE TWO DAYS EARLIER.

COMMODORE J.A.G. EVANS WILL DISTRIBUTE THE PRIZES AT CHAI WAN.

IN TAIPO, MORE THAN 30 TEAMS WILL TAKE PART IN WHAT IS EXPECTED TO BE THE BIGGEST EVENT OF THE DAY. THERE WILL ALSO BE AN EXHIBITION RACE BETWEEN FILM AND TELEVISION STARS IN TAIPO.

THE ACTING GOVERNOR, MR. DENYS ROBERTS, WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOUR THERE, AND WILL PRESENT BANNERS TO THE WINNING TEAMS.

THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR. DENIS BRAY, WILL ATTEND THE RACES AT THE YAU MA TEI TYPHOON SHELTER AND DISTRIBUTE PRIZES TO THE WINNERS.

SIR YUET-KEUNG KAN WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOUR AT TUEN MUN, WHICH IS HOLDING ITS FIRST EVER DRAGON BOAT RACE.

THERE WILL BE LIVE TELEVISION COVERAGE OF THE RACES AT TAIPO AND YAU MA TEI.

RACES WILL ALSO BE HELD AT A NUMBER OF OTHER PLACES, INCLUDING TSUEN WAN, CHEUNG CHAU AND STANLEY.

LARGE CROWDS ARE EXPECTED TO GO TO THE NEW TERRITORIES TO WATCH THE DIFFERENT RACES AND THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY IS PUTTING ON EXTRA TRAINS FROM TSIM SHA TSUI TO TAIPO. A RAILWAY SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ADDITIONAL SPECIAL TRAINS WOULD ALSO RUN IN THE LATE EVENING IF TRAFFIC SITUATION WARRANTS IT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PRESS CONFERENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMING DRAGON BOAT RACE IN YAUMATEI TYPHOON SHELTER WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT 12.30 P.M. AT SAN BONG RESTAURANT, BOWRING STREET, YAUMATEI, KOWLOON, TO EXPLAIN THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EVENT.

ATTENDING WILL BE MR. LAU CHAU-WA, CITY DISTRICT OFFICER (YAUMATEI) AND MR. PANG YIU-SUN, CHAIRMAN OF THE 1974 DRAGON BOAT DISPLAY ORGANISING COMMITTEE.

REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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TUEN NG FESTIVAL
A STATUTORY HOLIDAY FOR WORKERS

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THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF LABOUR, MR. NEIL HENDERSON, TODAY REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT THE TUEN NG (DRAGON BOAT) FESTIVAL, WHICH FALLS ON MONDAY (JUNE 24), IS ONE OF THE SIX STATUTORY HOLIDAYS UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE.

ALL MANUAL EMPLOYEES, IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR EARNINGS, AND ALL NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES WHO DO NOT EARN MORE THAN \$2,000 A MONTH, ARE ENTITLED TO THE HOLIDAY.

AN EMPLOYEE IS QUALIFIED FOR PAY ON A STATUTORY HOLIDAY IF HE HAS BEEN EMPLOYED CONTINUOUSLY BY HIS EMPLOYER FOR THREE MONTHS OR MORE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE STATUTORY HOLIDAY. AN EMPLOYEE WHO HAS NOT WORKED FOR THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS STILL ENTITLED TO THE HOLIDAY, AND HIS EMPLOYER MAY AGREE VOLUNTARILY TO PAY HIM.

+IF THE EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE AGREE, ANY DAY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF A STATUTORY HOLIDAY MAY BE TAKEN BY THE EMPLOYEE AS A SUBSTITUTED HOLIDAY,+ MR. HENDERSON SAID.

ANY EMPLOYER OR EMPLOYEE WHO IS IN DOUBT ABOUT HIS RIGHTS OR OBLIGATIONS REGARDING STATUTORY HOLIDAYS OR HOLIDAY PAY MAY CONSULT OFFICERS OF THE NEAREST BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE. THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE : FOR KOWLOON EAST, 3-205638= KOWLOON WEST, 3-201652= KWUN TONG, 3-898520= TSUEN WAN, 12-422096= AND HONG KONG ISLAND, 5-282523 EXT. 60.

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RHK ARTISTES TO PROMOTE LOTTERY
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FOUR RADIO HONG KONG ARTISTES -- MISS KIMMY GOT, MISS CATHERINE TSANG, MR. WONG SIU-KEUNG AND MR. HUNG LEUNG-SHEK -- WILL HELP PROMOTE THE SALES OF THE THIRD GOVERNMENT LOTTERY OF THIS YEAR.

TICKETS OF THE THIRD GOVERNMENT LOTTERY ARE ON SALE NOW AND THE DRAW WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE FOUR ARTISTES AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE AT 10.00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 29.

THE FOUR RADIO HONGKONG ARTISTES WILL MAKE A PUBLIC APPEARANCE AT STATUE SQUARE BETWEEN 5.00 P.M. AND 6.00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25, TO HELP PUBLICISE THE LOTTERY.

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INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL WORK TRAINING
INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR 1974/75 COURSE
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THE INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL WORK TRAINING IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION IN THE COMING ACADEMIC YEAR TO ITS TWO-YEAR FULL-TIME COURSE LEADING TO A CERTIFICATE IN SOCIAL WORK.

ESTABLISHED IN 1973 AS ONE OF THE PROJECTS IN THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES, THE INSTITUTE STARTS ITS SECOND ACADEMIC YEAR IN SEPTEMBER AND EXPECTS TO TAKE ON 75 NEW STUDENTS. THE FIRST YEAR'S INTAKE OF 50 STUDENTS HAVE MOVED INTO THE FINAL YEAR OF THEIR COURSE.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THIS YEAR'S COURSE CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE INSTITUTE WHICH IS LOCATED AT 44, OI KWAN ROAD, WANCHAI. THEY SHOULD BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE INSTITUTE BY JULY 2. CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE PRINCIPAL.

APPLICANTS MUST BE AT LEAST 19 YEARS OF AGE ON ADMISSION AND PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE 21 OR OVER, AND TO THOSE WHO HAVE ACQUIRED SOME PREVIOUS WORKING EXPERIENCE, THOUGH NOT NECESSARILY IN THE SOCIAL WELFARE FIELD.

THE MINIMUM ACADEMIC REQUIREMENT FOR ADMISSION IS POSSESSION OF A HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION. CANDIDATES SHOULD HAVE EITHER:

- (A) FIVE SUBJECTS, INCLUDING ENGLISH, AT GRADE E OR ABOVE IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (ENGLISH) OR FOUR SUBJECTS INCLUDING ENGLISH, ONE OF WHICH MUST BE AT GRADE E OR ABOVE AND OTHERS AT GRADE C OR ABOVE= OR
- (B) A GRADE C OR ABOVE IN ENGLISH IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (CHINESE) TOGETHER WITH EITHER FOUR OTHER SUBJECTS AT GRADE E OR ABOVE OR THREE OTHER SUBJECTS AT GRADE C OR ABOVE= OR
- (C) A PASS IN AT LEAST TWO SUBJECTS AT ADVANCED LEVEL IN THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ADVANCED LEVEL MATRICULATION EXAMINATION WITH THREE FURTHER SUBJECTS AT GRADE C OR ABOVE IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (ENGLISH)= AND HAVE WRITTEN CHINESE AND FLUENT CANTONESE.

MR. L.B. MACQUARRIE, THE PRINCIPAL OF THE INSTITUTE, SAID THE MATURE, OLDER CANDIDATES WITHOUT THE REQUIRED ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THEIR ABILITY TO UNDERTAKE THE COURSE.

HE SAID ALL CANDIDATES WILL BE EXPECTED TO HAVE THE PERSONAL QUALITIES NECESSARY FOR SOCIAL WORK AND THE FINAL SELECTION WILL BE MADE BY INTERVIEW.

CANDIDATES ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO PASS AN ENTRANCE EXAMINATION. THE TUITION FEE FOR THE COURSE IS \$400 A YEAR.

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CROWN LAND FOR AUCTION

SIX LOTS OF CROWN LAND IN KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES ARE TO BE PUT UP FOR SALE NEXT MONTH.

ON JULY 2, TWO LOTS OF LAND IN TUEN MUN AND IN YUEN LONG WILL BE AUCTIONED AT THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL AT 2.30 P.M.

THE LOT IN TUEN MUN, MEASURING OVER 113,000 SQ. FT. IN AREA, IS RESTRICTED FOR INDUSTRIAL/GODOWN PURPOSES. THE ONE IN YUEN LONG, HAVING AN AREA OF 8,700 SQ. FT., IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL USAGE.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE OF THE LOTS MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, NORTH KOWLOON MAGISTRACY, TAI PO ROAD, AND AT THE DISTRICT OFFICES OF YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN, SHA TIN, TAI PO AND SAI KUNG.

THE FOUR LOTS IN KOWLOON ARE CENTRED AROUND MONG KOK AND KOWLOON TONG. THREE OF THE LOTS, TOTALLING MORE THAN 50,000 SQ. FT. IN AREA, ARE SITUATED BETWEEN CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD AND LAI CHI KOK ROAD, AND ARE LIMITED FOR INDUSTRIAL/GODOWN/OPEN STORAGE PURPOSES.

THE FOURTH LOT IS LOCATED BETWEEN WATERLOO ROAD AND BROADCAST DRIVE. IT HAS AN AREA OF 17,500 SQ. FT. FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE AUCTION OF THESE LOTS WILL TAKE PLACE ON JULY 12 AT 2.30 P.M. IN THE LECTURE ROOM ON THE 8TH FLOOR OF THE CITY HALL HIGH BLOCK.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

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WATER CUT IN NORTH POINT

WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN NORTH POINT WILL BE INTERRUPTED FOR FIVE HOURS AS FROM 1 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 19) TO FACILITATE A TEST FOR NIGHT LEAKAGE IN THE AREA.

THE AREA AFFECTED BY THE TEMPORARY STOPPAGE IS BOUNDED BY THE SOUTH SIDE OF KING'S ROAD, FROM LAU SIN STREET, ELECTRIC ROAD TO BOAT STREET, INCLUDING OIL STREET, FOOK YUM ROAD, KING WAH ROAD AND WANG ON ROAD.

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OPENING OF A NEW IMMIGRATION OFFICE IN KOWLOON CITY

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IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE RESIDENTS OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT AND SURROUNDING AREAS WITH ADEQUATE AND IMPROVED IMMIGRATION FACILITIES, THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HAS MOVED ITS KOWLOON CITY OFFICE FROM 8-12, SUNG WONG TOI ROAD TO A NEW ACCOMMODATION AT 19-23, NAM KOK ROAD, GROUND FLOOR, KOWLOON TODAY.

THE FORMER OFFICE WHICH WAS OPENED IN MAY 1969 WAS FAR FROM ADEQUATE TO COPE WITH ITS INCREASING VOLUME OF BUSINESS. IT IS HOPED THAT THE OPENING OF THE NEW PREMISES WHICH ARE MUCH LARGER AND BETTER EQUIPPED, WILL BRING ABOUT A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN THE IMMIGRATION FACILITIES PROVIDED.

AT THE OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY THIS MORNING, MR. W.E. COLLARD, DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, REVEALED THAT AT PRESENT THE DEPARTMENT HAD ALTOGETHER 13 BRANCH OFFICES IN OPERATION, INCLUDING 5 ON THE ISLAND, 5 IN KOWLOON, AND 3 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, AND THAT IN ADDITION, THERE WAS A MOBILE OFFICE WHICH SERVED OTHER AREAS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, INCLUDING A WEEKLY VISIT TO CHEUNG CHAU.

SPEAKING ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT'S FUTURE PLAN FOR THE PROVISION OF MORE IMMIGRATION FACILITIES, MR. COLLARD SAID, +WE HAVE ALSO DRAWN UP A LONG-TERM PROGRAMME FOR THE PROVISION OF IMMIGRATION BRANCH OFFICES, AS THE NEED ARISES, IN THE NEW TOWNS AT SHA TIN AND TUEN MUN, AS WELL AS INVESTIGATING THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING OTHER OFFICES AT ABERDEEN, TAI PO AND YAU MA TEI.+

THE OPENING CEREMONY WAS PERFORMED BY MR. LUI FOOK-HONG, M.B.E., CHAIRMAN OF KOWLOON CITY KAIFONG WELFARE ASSOCIATION, WHO EXPRESSED THE WISH THAT THE STAFF OF THE KOWLOON CITY OFFICE WOULD, IN CONFORMITY WITH MR. COLLARD'S POLICY OF PROVIDING GOOD IMMIGRATION SERVICE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC, MAINTAIN THEIR TRADITIONAL EXCELLENT STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL KAIFONGS IN THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT.

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VOLUNTEER TRAINING CAMP

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A TRAINING CAMP HAS BEEN ORGANIZED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SHAMSHUIPO WHO ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEER SERVICE.

THE THREE-DAY CAMP, PLANNED BY THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE IN THE DISTRICT, WILL BE HELD AT LAU FAU SHAN IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FROM JUNE 29 TO JULY 1.

IT IS INTENDED FOR YOUTHS BETWEEN 17 AND 23 AND APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE AT THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE AT 301, LAI CHIKOK ROAD, 2ND FLOOR, KOWLOON. THERE IS A CHARGE OF \$10. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY, JUNE 21.

THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER FOR SHAMSHUIPO, MR. CHAN CHAP-YUN, SAID THIS CAMP IS PART OF THE VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT SCHEME WHICH HIS OFFICE IS ORGANIZING TO INTEREST YOUTHS IN GIVING SOME OF THEIR TIME TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH SERVICE.

HE SAID THAT AFTER TRAINING HIS OFFICE WILL PLAN DIFFERENT COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS FOR THE VOLUNTEERS WHO WILL ALSO ASSIST ANY YOUTH ORGANIZATION OR ASSOCIATION REQUIRING EXTRA HELP TO RUN PROGRAMMES AND CONDUCT ACTIVITIES.

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SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF MARINE FISH
 (FMO CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET)

SPECIES	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
GOLDEN THREAD	LIMITED	6.50	3.50	5.20
BIG-EYES	GOOD	2.80	0.70	1.80
SQUID	LIMITED	7.50	3.00	5.50
HAIR-TAILS	NORMAL	2.60	1.00	2.00
LIZARD FISHES	LIMITED	1.70	1.00	1.50
CROAKERS	NORMAL	1.60	0.60	1.40
CONGER-PIKE-EELS	NORMAL	1.90	1.20	1.60
MELON COAT	SCARCE	3.20	1.30	2.00
BREAMS	SCARCE	3.50	2.70	3.00
YELLOW BELLY	LIMITED	2.00	0.70	1.40
MACKERELS	LIMITED	4.50	4.00	4.20
RED GOAT FISH	--	--	--	--
FORK-TAIL	--	--	--	--
HORSE-HEAD	SCARCE	6.50	3.50	5.20
MELON SEED	GOOD	2.00	0.50	1.60
POMFRETS	SCARCE	12.50	7.50	9.50
GARROUPAS	SCARCE	10.00	7.00	9.00
YELLOW CROAKER	NORMAL	8.80	6.50	8.00

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED VEGETABLES
 (V.M.O. CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET)

TYPE OF VEGETABLE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
FLOWERING CABBAGE	NORMAL	1.20	0.30	0.80
WHITE CABBAGE	NORMAL	0.70	0.20	0.50
CHINESE LETTUCE	NORMAL	0.70	0.20	0.50
WATER SPINACH	GOOD	0.50	0.10	0.30
CHINESE KALE	SCARCE	1.00	0.40	0.70
STRING BEANS	NORMAL	1.40	0.40	0.80
SPRING ONION	NORMAL	1.00	0.30	0.80
SPINACH	--	--	--	--
WATER CRESS	SCARCE	1.00	0.30	0.80
LEAF MUSTARD CABBAGE	LIMITED	1.00	0.20	0.60
CHINESE SPINACH	GOOD	0.70	0.20	0.50
TOMATO	SCARCE	2.80	1.50	2.20

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CONSUMER ADVISORY SERVICE

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THE FOLLOWING PRICES WERE REALISED TODAY (MONDAY) AT SALE UNDER THE RICE CONTROL SCHEME AND AT THE VEGETABLE MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AND THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AT CHEUNG SHA WAN, KOWLOON:

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF RICE

<u>GRADE OF RICE</u>	<u>AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY</u>	<u>WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY) AVERAGE</u>
<u>CHINA RICE</u>		
SEE MEW	--	-
- OLD CROP	GOOD	2.26
- NEW CROP		
S.C.JIEN	--	-
- OLD CROP	GOOD	2.16
- NEW CROP		
PO NGAI	--	-
CHU CHO	--	-
<u>THAI RICE</u>		
100% WHOLE	GOOD	2.07
10-15% BROKENS	GOOD	1.93
A1 SUPER EXTRA	GOOD	1.79
A1 SUPER	--	-
WHOLE GLUTINOUS	GOOD	1.85
U.S.RICE	--	-
<u>AUSTRALIAN RICE</u>		
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<u>PAKISTAN RICE</u>		
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<u>TAIWAN RICE</u>		
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SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF SWINE

(ALL SOURCES)

AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	-	NORMAL
WHOLESALE PRICES OF PORK (\$/PICUL-LIVE WEIGHT)	-	310 (AVERAGE)

/SUPPLIES AND