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**\$18 MILLION SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX  
UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN CHAI WAN  
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RESIDENTS AT THE EASTERN END OF HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE ABLE TO SPEND THE HOT SUMMER DAYS NEXT YEAR IN A SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN CHAI WAN.

STRUCTURAL WORK ON THE \$18 MILLION CHAI WAN SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX, BEING BUILT BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE, HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

+CONTRACTORS ARE NOW PUTTING FINISHING WORKS TO THE PROJECT WHICH IS FINANCED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE COMPLEX, HE SAID, SHOULD BE READY BY THE NEXT SWIMMING SEASON, THUS PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN CHAI WAN, SHAU KEI WAN AND QUARRY BAY AREAS.

THE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX, BEING BUILT ON A 2.8-HECTARE SITE AT THE JUNCTION OF CHAI WAN ROAD AND SUN YIP STREET, WOULD BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 5 000 PEOPLE AT ANY ONE TIME, HE SAID.

+IT WILL HAVE EIGHT POOLS, COMPRISING A MAIN POOL, A SECONDARY POOL, THREE TEACHING POOLS, ONE DIVING POOL, ONE CHILDREN'S POOL AND ONE PADDLING POOL,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+OTHER FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE CHANGING ROOMS, TOILETS, A LIGHT REFRESHMENT CAFE AS WELL AS SPECIAL CHANGING FACILITIES FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

+THERE WILL ALSO BE A COVERED SPECTATOR STAND AND PARKING SPACES FOR 40 CARS.+

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT A NEW ROAD HAD BEEN BUILT TO PROVIDE DIRECT ACCESS FROM CHAI WAN ROAD TO THE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX.

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**SAFETY HINTS FOR WORKERS IN CONFINED SPACES**  
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WORKERS ARE URGED TO TAKE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WHEN WORKING IN CONFINED SPACES.

AS PART OF THE PUBLICITY PROGRAMME FOR THE CURRENT INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CAMPAIGN, THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IS DISTRIBUTING A NEW POSTER CARRYING THE MESSAGE +USE SAFETY EQUIPMENT IN CONFINED SPACES+ TO MANAGMENTS OF SOME 1 300 FACTORIES AND COMPANIES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

THESE FACTORIES AND COMPANIES COVER A VARIETY OF TRADES ALL OF WHICH REQUIRE WORKERS TO WORK IN CONFINED SPACES. THEY INCLUDE SHIPYARDS, CONSTRUCTION FIRMS, BLEACHING AND DYEING PLANTS, PETROLEUM AND GAS COMPANIES, FLOUR MILLS, PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CEMENT FACTORIES.

+IT IS THE EMPLOYERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE A SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT FOR THEIR STAFF AND TO ENSURE THAT THEY USE SAFETY EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED BY THE LABOUR LAW,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CAMPAIGN OFFICE SAID.

HE ALSO REMINDED WORKERS THAT, FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY, THEY SHOULD TAKE ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS AND USE SAFETY EQUIPMENT WHEN WORKING IN CONFINED SPACES.

+THE POSTERS HAVE ALSO BEEN PUT UP AT GOVERNMENT POSTER SITES IN ALL DISTRICTS, ESPECIALLY IN FACTORY AND INDUSTRIAL AREAS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

EMPLOYERS WHO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE POSTER OR FURTHER INFORMATION ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY CAN CONTACT THE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY TRAINING CENTRE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ON 3-688111 EXTENSIONS 347 OR 331.

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**RETIRING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF  
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE TAKES SALUTE**  
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FOR THE LAST TIME, AFTER NEARLY 30 YEARS WITH HONG KONG'S CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE, THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MR. ROY HATTON TOOK THE SALUTE AT A PASSING-OUT PARADE TODAY (DECEMBER 29).

MR. HATTON GOES ON PRE-RETIREMENT LEAVE NEXT MONTH.

ADDRESSING INSPECTORS AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL AT TAI LAM CHUNG, MR. HATTON SAID THAT DURING HIS CAREER WITH THE SERVICE IT HAD GROWN FROM 300 OFFICERS IN 1953 TO OVER 1 500 AT PRESENT.

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+THE SERVICE NOWADAYS IS CHARGED WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF RESPONSIBILITIES APART FROM ITS TRADITIONAL ROLE OF COLLECTING AND PROTECTING REVENUE FROM DUTIABLE COMMODITIES,+ HE SAID.

+THEY INCLUDE THE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN DANGEROUS DRUGS, THE PROTECTION OF COPYRIGHT, AND MAINTAINING IMPORT AND EXPORT CONTROLS OVER PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED ARTICLES.

+DESPITE THE PRESSURE, HOWEVER, THE SERVICE HAS ACHIEVED CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS IN THESE FIELDS, PARTICULARLY IN ANTI-NARCOTICS WORK AND THE PROTECTION OF COPYRIGHT, AND OUR EFFORTS HAVE BEEN RECOGNISED BOTH LOCALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY.

+OUR TRADITIONAL ROLE IN REVENUE PROTECTION HAS BY NO MEANS DIMINISHED EITHER- THE NET REVENUE COLLECTED LAST YEAR REPRESENTS MORE THAN 10 PER CENT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S RECURRENT EXPENDITURE,+ SAID MR. HATTON.

HE TOLD THE OFFICERS THAT THEIR TRAINING DID NOT FINISH WITH THEIR TRANSFER TO THE OPERATIONAL FIELD, AS THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO LEARN THROUGH ON-THE-JOB EXPERIENCE.

+YOU SHOULD DEAL WITH YOUR ASSIGNMENTS TACTFULLY AND TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY. MAINTAIN THE GOOD REPUTATION OF OUR SERVICE BY REJECTING ANY APPROACHES FROM THE UNDESIRABLE AND THE DISHONEST, OR EVEN THOSE WHO ARE JUST LOOKING FOR A CHANCE OPPORTUNITY,+ HE SAID.

+AS A MEMBER OF THE SERVICE, YOUR ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOUR WILL REFLECT THE IMAGE OF THE SERVICE AND THEREFORE YOU SHOULD, IN THE COURSE OF YOUR DAY-TO-DAY CONTACT WITH THE PUBLIC, DEAL WITH THEM POLITELY AND PATIENTLY, FAIRLY AND HELPFULLY,+ CONCLUDED MR. HATTON.

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TERRITORY-WIDE YEAR-END CLEAN-UP  
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A SIX-WEEK LONG YEAR-END CLEAN-UP DRIVE WILL START NEXT THURSDAY (JANUARY 3) TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCARD UNWANTED ARTICLES BEFORE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

THE DRIVE WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN ASSOCIATION WITH ALL CITY DISTRICT OFFICES AND DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS WILL BE SET UP IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG CORRESPONDING TO THE LOCAL OPERATIONAL DATES.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE INFORMED OF THE CLEAN-UP DATES AND LOCATIONS OF THE REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS WITHIN THEIR AREAS THROUGH MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND KAIFONG ASSOCIATIONS.

THEY ARE URGED TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE OPPORTUNITY AND DISCARD UNWANTED ARTICLES EARLY.

THE YEAR-END CLEAN-UP OPERATION IS PART OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN.

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SPECIAL LATE NIGHT TRANSPORT

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SPECIAL LATE NIGHT BUSES AND ADDITIONAL PASSENGER TRAINS WILL BE RUNNING DURING THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

ON NEW YEAR'S EVE, THERE WILL BE SIX BUS ROUTES ON EACH SIDE OF THE HARBOUR, TOGETHER WITH CROSS-HARBOUR ROUTE NO. 102, RUNNING AN HOUR LATER THAN NORMAL.

THESE ROUTES ARE NOS. 1A, 2, 5, 6, 6A AND 9 IN KOWLOON AND NOS. 2, 4, 5, 8, 23 AND 72 ON THE ISLAND.

ALL-NIGHT ROUTE NOS. 121 AND 122 WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH ADDITIONAL JOURNEYS.

ON NEW YEAR'S DAY, THERE WILL BE FOUR ADDITIONAL PASSENGER TRAINS RUNNING BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND LOWU STATIONS. THE TWO ADDITIONAL UP TRAINS WILL LEAVE AT 11.32 AM AND 2.41 PM WHILE THE TWO SPECIAL DOWN TRAINS WILL DEPART LOWU AT 1.27 PM AND 4.52 PM.

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HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARINE DEPARTMENT

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREAS IN WAN CHAI, YAU MA TEI, KWUN TONG AND TSUEN WAN AND THE PORT COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE WILL REMAIN OPEN AS USUAL ON NEW YEAR DAY.

OFFICES OF THE MACAU FERRY WHARF UNIT WILL BE OPEN FROM 7.30 AM ON JANUARY 1 TO 1.30 AM THE NEXT DAY.

ALL OTHER OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLOSED ON NEW YEAR DAY.

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SECTIONS OF EASTERN STREET TO BE CLOSED

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT FIVE SECTIONS OF EASTERN STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR VARIOUS PERIODS FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 2) TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SALT WATER MAIN.

THE FIVE SECTIONS OF EASTERN STREET AND THE PERIODS OF CLOSURE, IN BRACKETS, ARE:

- \* BETWEEN FIRST STREET AND QUEEN'S ROAD WEST (ABOUT FOUR WEEKS)-
- \* BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 6 AND ITS JUNCTION WITH DES VOEUX ROAD WEST (ABOUT THREE WEEKS)-
- \* BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 6 AND ITS JUNCTION WITH QUEEN'S ROAD WEST (ABOUT THREE WEEKS). THOSE VEHICLES REQUIRING ACCESS TO PREMISES IN THIS SECTION OF THE STREET WILL BE ALLOWED-
- \* BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 1A AND ITS JUNCTION WITH CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST (ABOUT SIX WEEKS)-
- \* BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 1A AND ITS JUNCTION WITH DES VOEUX ROAD WEST (ABOUT SIX WEEKS). THOSE VEHICLES REQUIRING ACCESS TO PREMISES IN THIS SECTION OF THE STREET WILL BE ALLOWED.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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