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UPDATE OF EMIGRATION STATISTICS

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS COMPLETED AN UPDATE OF PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE EMIGRATION TRENDS, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

IT HAS CONFIRMED THAT 42,000 PEOPLE EMIGRATED FROM HONG KONG LAST YEAR. IT IS PREDICTED THAT 62,000 PEOPLE WILL EMIGRATE THIS YEAR, AND THE PROVISIONAL FORECAST FOR NEXT YEAR IS 58,000 PEOPLE.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT, AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, THE STATISTICS WERE COMPILED FROM THREE MAIN SOURCES OF DATA.

THESE ARE APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF NO CRIMINAL CONVICTION, VISAS ISSUED BY THE MAIN DESTINATION COUNTRIES AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT RECORDS ON THE BALANCE OF MOVEMENTS OF HONG KONG RESIDENTS.

COMMENTING ON THE FIGURE FOR THIS YEAR, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROVISIONAL FORECAST MADE A YEAR AGO WAS THAT 55,000 PEOPLE WOULD EMIGRATE. IT WAS ALSO STATED AT THAT TIME THE FORECAST WAS BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE IMMIGRATION POLICIES AND QUOTAS OF THE MAIN DESTINATION COUNTRIES REMAINED UNCHANGED.

"HOWEVER, THERE WERE TWO MAIN DEVELOPMENTS WHICH CAUSED AN UPWARD REVISION OF THE FORECAST FOR THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

"IN THE AFTERMATH OF JUNE 4, SOME COUNTRIES MADE SPECIAL EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH THE FLOOD OF APPLICATIONS WHICH ENSUED, RESULTING IN A HIGHER THAN EXPECTED NUMBER OF VISAS BEING ISSUED IN THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR WHICH WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE LEAVING IN THE SECOND HALF OF THIS YEAR.

"THE SECOND FACTOR WAS A RELAXATION BY ONE COUNTRY OF ITS POINTS SYSTEM TO ACHIEVE ITS ANNUAL WORLDWIDE QUOTA OF IMMIGRANTS," THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID ANNUAL VISA ISSUE, AND HENCE, IMMIGRATION/EMIGRATION FIGURES WERE TO AN EXTENT CYCLICAL, AS EVIDENCED BY THE SLIGHT DROP LAST YEAR OVER 1988, AND AGAIN IN THE FORECAST FOR NEXT YEAR AS COMPARED TO THE REVISED 1990 FORECAST.

"IGNORING THESE SHORT TERM FLUCTUATIONS, IT APPEARS THE EMIGRATION RATE IS LEVELLING OUT AT ABOUT THE 60,000 MARK.

"IT IS ALSO EXPECTED THAT THE BRITISH NATIONALITY PACKAGE AND THE INSURANCE POLICY TYPE IMMIGRATION SCHEMES INTRODUCED BY SOME COUNTRIES WILL START TO HAVE A MODERATING EFFECT ON THE EMIGRATION SITUATION TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR.

"THE IMPACT SHOULD START TO BE REFLECTED IN THE EMIGRATION PROFILE AND POSSIBLY ACTUAL DEPARTURE FIGURES FROM 1992 ONWARDS," HE SAID.

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PROVISIONAL RESULTS OF RETAIL SALES SURVEY FOR JUNE RELEASED

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THE VALUE OF TOTAL RETAIL SALES IN JUNE 1990, ESTIMATED AT \$9,398 MILLION, INCREASED BY 18 PER CENT WHEN COMPARED WITH JUNE 1989 WHILE THEIR VOLUME ROSE BY 11 PER CENT, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL RESULTS OF A SURVEY RELEASED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THESE MARKED INCREASES WERE DUE IN PART TO A LOW BASE OF COMPARISON IN JUNE 1989: THE VOLUME INDEX WAS 122 IN JUNE 1990 WHILE IT STOOD AT 123 IN MAY, 110 IN JUNE AND 118 IN JULY OF LAST YEAR.

COMPARING WITH JUNE 1989, RETAIL SALES OF FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO WENT UP BY 21 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 14 PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE RETAIL SALES OF FUELS INCREASED BY 19 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 4 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

ON THE SAME BASIS OF COMPARISON, RETAIL SALES OF CONSUMER DURABLES WENT UP BY 34 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 28 PER CENT IN VOLUME. CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS INCREASED BY 11 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE AND 3 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF OTHER CONSUMER GOODS ROSE BY 12 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 6 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

ANALYSED BY SELECTED TRADES, CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS INCREASED BY 35 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE AND 31 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME. RETAIL SALES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS WENT UP BY 33 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 24 PER CENT IN VOLUME. SUPERMARKET SALES INCREASED BY 28 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 16 PER CENT IN VOLUME. SALES OF DEPARTMENT STORES ROSE BY 18 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 9 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

COMPARING THE FIRST HALF OF 1990 WITH THE SAME PERIOD IN 1989, TOTAL RETAIL SALES INCREASED BY 5 PER CENT IN VALUE BUT DECREASED BY 1 PER CENT IN VOLUME. FUELS WENT UP BY 16 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE AND 1 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME. RETAIL SALES OF FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO ROSE BY 12 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 5 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

ON THE SAME BASIS OF COMPARISON, CONSUMER DURABLES INCREASED BY 2 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE BUT DECREASED BY 2 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME, WHILE CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS WENT UP BY 1 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE BUT DROPPED BY 6 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF OTHER CONSUMER GOODS INCREASED BY 3 PER CENT IN VALUE BUT WENT DOWN BY 3 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

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ANALYSED BY SELECTED TRADES, RETAIL SALES OF SUPERMARKETS INCREASED BY 22 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 11 PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF DEPARTMENT STORES ROSE BY 10 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 3 PER CENT IN VOLUME. CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS WENT UP BY 5 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE AND 2 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME. RETAIL SALES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS, HOWEVER, DROPPED BY 2 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 8 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

COMPARING WITH MAY 1990, AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS COMPARISON MAY BE AFFECTED BY SEASONAL FACTORS, TOTAL RETAIL SALES FOR JUNE 1990 INCREASED BY 1 PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME. RETAIL SALES OF FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO ROSE BY 9 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 7 PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF FUELS WENT UP BY 3 PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME.

ON THE SAME BASIS OF COMPARISON, RETAIL SALES OF CONSUMER DURABLES INCREASED BY 7 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 6 PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS DECREASED BY 19 PER CENT IN BOTH SALES VALUE AND SALES VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF OTHER CONSUMER GOODS DROPPED BY 1 PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME.

ANALYSED BY SELECTED TRADES, SUPERMARKET SALES WENT UP BY 10 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 9 PER CENT IN VOLUME. CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS ROSE BY 8 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE AND 7 PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME. RETAIL SALES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND PARTS INCREASED BY 5 PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME, WHILE SALES IN DEPARTMENT STORES DECREASED BY 6 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 7 PER CENT IN VOLUME.

TABLE 1 PRESENTS THE REVISED TOTAL RETAIL SALES FIGURE FOR MAY 1990 AND THE PROVISIONAL FIGURE FOR JUNE 1990.

TABLE 2 SHOWS THE VALUE AND VOLUME INDEXES OF RETAIL SALES IN MAY 1990 AND JUNE 1990 (A) FOR ALL RETAIL TRADES, (B) BY MAJOR TRADE GROUPS AND (C) BY SELECTED TRADES (WHICH FORM PART OF THE RELEVANT MAJOR TRADE GROUPS), WITH AVERAGE RETAIL SALES FROM OCTOBER 1984 TO SEPTEMBER 1985 TAKEN AS 100.

COMPARISONS OF JUNE 1990 RESULTS WITH THOSE FOR MAY 1990 AND WITH THOSE FOR JUNE 1989, AND COMPARISONS OF RETAIL SALES IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1990 WITH THE SAME PERIOD IN 1989, ARE ALSO GIVEN.

THE REPORT CONTAINING THE ANALYSIS OF JUNE 1990 SURVEY RESULTS IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL AT \$1 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (TEL. NO. : 556 5240).

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TABLE 1 : TOTAL RETAIL SALES

Total Retail Sales for June 1990 (Provisional Figure) = HK\$9,398 million
 for May 1990 (Revised Figure) = HK\$9,307 million

TABLE 2 : VALUE AND VOLUME INDEXES OF RETAIL SALES
FOR MAY 1990 AND JUNE 1990

(Monthly average of Oct. 84 - Sept. 85 = 100)

Item	Index of Retail Sales	May 1990	June 1990	June 1990 compared with May 1990		June 1990 compared with June 1989		Jan.-Jun. 1990 compared with Jan.-Jun. 1989	
		(Revised figures)	(Provisional figures)	Points	%	Points	%	Points	%
(A) FOR ALL RETAIL TRADES									
	Value	166	168	+2	+1	+26	+18	+8	+5
	Volume	121	122	+1	+1	+12	+11	-1	-1
(B) BY MAJOR TRADE GROUPS									
Foodstuffs, alcoholic drinks and tobacco	Value	153	166	+14	+9	+29	+21	+16	+12
	Volume	114	122	+8	+7	+15	+14	+5	+5
Fuels	Value	128	132	+3	+3	+21	+19	+17	+16
	Volume	112	114	+3	+3	+4	+4	+1	+1
Clothing, footwear and allied products	Value	188	154	-35	-19	+16	+11	+2	+1
	Volume	123	100	-23	-19	+3	+3	-8	-6
Consumer durables	Value	162	173	+11	+7	+44	+34	+3	+2
	Volume	116	123	+7	+6	+27	+28	-2	-2
Other consumer goods	Value	176	175	-1	-1	+18	+12	+5	+3
	Volume	129	129	-1	-1	+7	+6	-4	-3
(C) BY SELECTED TRADES									
(see note 1 below)									
Supermarkets	Value	208	228	+20	+10	+50	+28	+37	+22
	Volume	148	161	+14	+9	+22	+16	+15	+11
Motor vehicles and parts	Value	310	327	+16	+5	+82	+33	-5	-2
	Volume	193	202	+9	+5	+39	+24	-16	-8
Consumer durables other than motor vehicles and parts	Value	117	125	+9	+8	+33	+35	+6	+5
	Volume	93	99	+7	+7	+24	+31	+2	+2
Department stores	Value	211	198	-14	-6	+30	+18	+20	+10
	Volume	141	132	-10	-7	+10	+9	+4	+3

NOTES : 1. In order to analyse the sales of certain trades WITHIN major trade groups, the value and volume indexes in respect of the following selected trades are compiled :

- "Supermarkets" - a trade in the "Foodstuffs, alcoholic drinks and tobacco" group.
- "Motor vehicles and parts" - a trade in the "Consumer durables" group.
- "Consumer durables other than motor vehicles and parts" - a trade in the "Consumer durables" group.
- "Department stores" - a trade in the "Other consumer goods" group.

2. Figures denoting changes are derived from the unrounded index figures.

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MONETARY STATISTICS FOR JULY 1990

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ACCORDING TO STATISTICS PUBLISHED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE MONETARY AFFAIRS BRANCH, HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS REGISTERED ANOTHER CONSIDERABLE INCREASE DURING JULY.

CONSISTENT WITH THIS, ALL DEFINITIONS OF HONG KONG DOLLAR MONEY SUPPLY ROSE DURING THE MONTH. TOTAL LOANS AND ADVANCES ALSO RECORDED AN INCREASE DURING JULY.

TABLE 1 SETS OUT SUMMARY FIGURES FOR JULY 1990 AND COMPARISONS WITH EARLIER MONTHS.

DEPOSITS

HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS, ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE SWAP DEPOSITS, GREW BY 2.4 PER CENT IN JULY, FOLLOWING INCREASES OF 2.3 PER CENT AND 3.7 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY.

OF THESE DEPOSITS, DEMAND, SAVINGS AND TIME DEPOSITS ROSE BY 1.2 PER CENT, 2.2 PER CENT AND 2.8 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JULY. ON A YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON, TOTAL HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS GREW BY 17.6 PER CENT IN JULY.

FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS ROSE BY 0.3 PER CENT IN JULY, AFTER INCREASES OF 0.8 PER CENT AND 1.2 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY. AMONG THESE DEPOSITS, U.S. DOLLAR DEPOSITS ROSE BY 2.5 PER CENT WHILE NON-U.S. DOLLAR DEPOSITS DECLINED BY 1.4 PER CENT. OVER THE YEAR, TOTAL FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS INCREASED BY 24.7 PER CENT.

DURING JULY, DEPOSITS OF ALL CURRENCIES WITH LICENSED BANKS ROSE BY 1.6 PER CENT WHILE THOSE WITH DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES REMAINED UNCHANGED AND THOSE WITH RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS DECLINED BY 5.7 PER CENT. COMPARED WITH A YEAR EARLIER, THEIR GROWTH RATES WERE 22.5 PER CENT, -10.4 PER CENT AND 32.3 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

MONEY SUPPLY

HK\$M1, HK\$M2 AND HK\$M3 ROSE BY 0.8 PER CENT, 2.4 PER CENT AND 2.3 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JULY. THEIR CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATES IN JUNE WERE 2.6 PER CENT, 3.6 PER CENT AND 3.4 PER CENT. FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JULY, THESE MONETARY AGGREGATES ROSE BY 7.8 PER CENT, 18.6 PER CENT AND 16.7 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

TOTAL M1, M2 AND M3 ROSE BY 0.3 PER CENT, 1.6 PER CENT AND 1.3 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JULY. THEIR CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATES IN JUNE WERE 3.2 PER CENT, 2.5 PER CENT AND 2.2 PER CENT. OVER THE YEAR, TOTAL M1, M2 AND M3 GREW BY 9.5 PER CENT, 21.8 PER CENT AND 20.7 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

LOANS AND ADVANCES

TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS AND ADVANCES EXTENDED BY AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS INCREASED BY 0.7 PER CENT IN JULY, FOLLOWING INCREASES OF 6.8 PER CENT AND 3.0 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY.

OF THE TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS, THOSE DENOMINATED IN HONG KONG DOLLARS GREW BY 0.2 PER CENT DURING JULY, WHILE THOSE DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCIES ROSE BY 1.1 PER CENT.

LOANS TO FINANCE VISIBLE TRADE OF HONG KONG ROSE BY 0.5 PER CENT IN JULY, FOLLOWING INCREASES OF 1.2 PER CENT AND 2.2 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY ONLY 2.1 PER CENT.

OTHER LOANS FOR USE IN HONG KONG GREW BY 0.6 PER CENT IN JULY COMPARED WITH INCREASES OF 0.9 PER CENT AND 1.5 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY 18.9 PER CENT.

LOANS FOR USE OUTSIDE HONG KONG INCREASED BY 0.6 PER CENT IN JULY, FOLLOWING INCREASES OF 13.6 PER CENT AND 4.1 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY 78.5 PER CENT.

LOANS TO FINANCE MERCHANDISING TRADE NOT TOUCHING HONG KONG DECLINED BY 5.1 PER CENT IN JULY, AFTER DECLINES OF 3.1 PER CENT AND 4.8 PER CENT IN MAY AND JUNE RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS DECLINED BY 8.4 PER CENT.

NUMBER OF REPORTING INSTITUTIONS

THE NUMBERS OF REPORTING LICENSED BANKS, RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS AND DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES REMAINED UNCHANGED AT 164, 38 AND 196 RESPECTIVELY.

NOTES :

- (1) BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1990, "RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS" AND "DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES" WERE KNOWN AS "LICENSED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES" AND "REGISTERED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES" RESPECTIVELY.
- (2) IN THE TEXT ABOVE, TOTAL HK\$ DEPOSITS, HK\$ TIME DEPOSITS, HK\$m2 AND HK\$m3 HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE SWAP DEPOSITS. TOTAL FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS AND US\$ DEPOSITS HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO EXCLUDE SWAP DEPOSITS.

"SWAP DEPOSITS" ARE DEPOSITS INVOLVING CUSTOMERS BUYING FOREIGN CURRENCIES (MOSTLY U.S. DOLLARS) IN THE SPOT MARKET AND PLACING THEM AS DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT TO SELL SUCH FOREIGN CURRENCIES (PRINCIPAL PLUS INTEREST) FORWARD IN LINE WITH THE MATURITY OF SUCH DEPOSITS. FOR MOST ANALYTICAL PURPOSES, THEY SHOULD BE REGARDED AS HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS.

TABLE 1 : MONETARY STATISTICS - JULY 1990

(HK\$mn)

	Jul 1990	Earlier months (% change to July 1990)		
		Jun 1990	Apr 1990	Jul 1989
Money Supply				
M1 - HK\$	84,980	84,270 (0.8 %)	83,189 (2.2 %)	78,863 (7.8 %)
Foreign currency	11,220	11,606 (-3.3 %)	11,382 (-1.4 %)	9,027 (24.3 %)
Total	96,200	95,876 (0.3 %)	94,571 (1.7 %)	87,890 (9.5 %)
M2 - HK\$*	517,889	505,826 (2.4 %)	477,996 (8.3 %)	436,798 (18.6 %)
Foreign currency*	584,552	579,651 (0.8 %)	565,514 (3.4 %)	468,606 (24.7 %)
Total	1,102,441	1,085,476 (1.6 %)	1,043,510 (5.6 %)	905,404 (21.8 %)
M3 - HK\$*	550,268	537,659 (2.3 %)	509,437 (8.0 %)	471,341 (16.7 %)
Foreign currency*	625,419	623,214 (0.4 %)	609,774 (2.6 %)	502,847 (24.4 %)
Total	1,175,687	1,160,873 (1.3 %)	1,119,211 (5.0 %)	974,187 (20.7 %)
Notes and coins in circulation	38,925	38,795 (0.3 %)	39,747 (-2.1 %)	36,339 (7.1 %)
of which held by public	33,732	33,611 (0.4 %)	34,308 (-1.7 %)	31,552 (6.9 %)
Total Deposits				
Total Demand deposits	62,468	62,265 (0.3 %)	60,263 (3.7 %)	56,339 (10.9 %)
Total Savings deposits	204,470	202,891 (0.8 %)	187,512 (9.0 %)	171,059 (19.5 %)
Total Time deposits with licensed banks	783,110	768,677 (1.9 %)	745,264 (5.1 %)	629,465 (24.4 %)
Total Time deposits with restricted licence banks	36,946	39,165 (-5.7 %)	40,970 (-9.8 %)	27,927 (32.3 %)
Total Time deposits with deposit-taking companies	34,782	34,787 (0.0 %)	33,265 (4.6 %)	38,826 (-10.4 %)
HK\$ deposits*	502,780	490,830 (2.4 %)	462,813 (8.6 %)	427,359 (17.6 %)
US\$ deposits*	280,483	273,660 (2.5 %)	266,945 (5.1 %)	240,104 (16.8 %)
Other foreign currency deposits	338,514	343,295 (-1.4 %)	337,515 (0.3 %)	256,142 (32.2 %)
All deposits	1,121,776	1,107,785 (1.3 %)	1,067,274 (5.1 %)	923,614 (21.5 %)
Foreign currency swap deposits	73,188	68,094 (7.5 %)	66,290 (10.4 %)	59,230 (23.6 %)
Total Loans and advances				
To finance H.K.'s visible trade	66,913	66,579 (0.5 %)	64,405 (3.9 %)	65,568 (2.1 %)
To finance merchandising trade not touching H.K.	8,744	9,211 (-5.1 %)	9,979 (-12.4 %)	9,549 (-8.4 %)
Other loans for use in H.K.	648,308	644,466 (0.6 %)	629,498 (3.0 %)	545,203 (18.9 %)
Other loans for use outside H.K.	663,790	659,989 (0.6 %)	558,243 (18.9 %)	371,971 (78.5 %)
Other loans where the place of use is not known	108,635	105,090 (3.4 %)	88,182 (23.2 %)	86,067 (26.2 %)
Loans in HK\$	576,593	575,346 (0.2 %)	563,490 (2.3 %)	493,069 (16.9 %)
Loans in foreign currencies	919,796	909,988 (1.1 %)	786,816 (16.9 %)	585,289 (57.2 %)
Total loans and advances	1,496,389	1,485,335 (0.7 %)	1,350,306 (10.8 %)	1,078,358 (38.8 %)

* Adjusted for foreign currency swap deposits

Note : 'Restricted licence banks' and 'deposit-taking companies' were known as 'licensed deposit-taking companies' and 'registered deposit-taking companies' respectively before 1 February 1990.

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FAR-SIGHTED BROADCASTING POLICY FOR HK

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THE GOVERNMENT IS ALWAYS SEEKING TO TAKE A FAR-SIGHTED, MACRO VIEW OF FAST-CHANGING GLOBAL TRENDS IN RESPONSE TO RAPID AND DRAMATIC TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS, THE SECRETARY FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR AUGUSTINE CHUI, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CHAIRMEN OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, MR CHUI SAID THE GOVERNMENT ENDEAVOURED TO ENCOURAGE THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY BY THE BUSINESS SECTOR IN ALL AREAS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

"BROADCASTING IS CLOSELY RELATED TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS, WHICH IS A PARTICULARLY DYNAMIC AND IMPORTANT SECTOR," MR CHUI SAID.

"THERE IS EFFECTIVE, REGULAR CO-ORDINATION WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATION FOR TAKING A CIRCUMSPECT OVERVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG IN RESPONSE TO GLOBAL TRENDS," HE SAID.

MR CHUI NOTED THAT TECHNOLOGY USUALLY MOVED AT A FASTER PACE THAN POLICY EVOLUTION, AND THAT WORLDWIDE, BROADCASTING POLICY WAS BEING REVIEWED BY THE MOST PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENTS, AND LEGISLATION AMENDED TO SUIT CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES.

"HONG KONG IS NO EXCEPTION," HE SAID.

CITING THE BROADCASTING LEGISLATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AS AN EXAMPLE, MR CHUI SAID THE BROADCASTING BILL WHICH WOULD BE ENACTED BY THE UK PARLIAMENT ON JANUARY 1 NEXT YEAR (1991) WOULD BE SUBSTANTIALLY DIFFERENT AND MORE SATISFACTORY THAN ITS FIRST DRAFT DRAWN UP IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INITIAL POLICY VISION A FEW YEARS AGO AS PUBLIC VIEWS WERE BEING TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN THE LIGHT OF PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE.

"SIMILARLY, HONG KONG'S SPECIAL ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL CHARACTERISTICS MUST BE FULLY ANALYSED AND TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN THE FORMULATION OF POLICY," HE SAID.

"THERE IS CONTINUING MONITORING OF TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGES, THROUGH VISITS TO SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL EXHIBITIONS, PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH OVERSEAS GOVERNMENTS," HE ADDED.

MR CHUI SAID BOTH THE BUSINESS SECTOR AND THE ADMINISTRATION ENGAGED PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS TO ADVISE THEM ON SCIENTIFIC OR TECHNOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF SPECIALIST PROBLEMS.

"HOWEVER, IT IS THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO FORMULATE POLICY IN THE LIGHT OF THE OVERALL PUBLIC INTEREST.

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"THE EXPERTS' VIEWS ARE IMPORTANT, AND MUST ALWAYS BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT, BUT THE DEPTH OF THE EXPERTS' STUDY HAS TO BE RECONCILED WITH THE BREADTH OF THE ADMINISTRATOR'S CONSIDERATIONS," HE SAID.

NOTING THAT THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY WAS BRINGING ABOUT THE INTERNATIONALISATION OF BROADCASTING, PARTICULARLY TELEVISION PROGRAMMES, MR CHUI ADDED THAT INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE WAS HELPFUL IN PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING.

"BUT AT THE SAME TIME, BROADCASTING AUTHORITIES ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT OF FOREIGN PROGRAMMES WHICH MAY NOT BE COMPATIBLE WITH THEIR OWN STANDARDS, BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENCE IN CULTURAL BACKGROUND AND MORAL STANDARDS," MR CHUI SAID.

"MEASURES ARE BEING DEvised TO PROTECT THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES FROM SUCH FOREIGN PROGRAMMES."

HE ADDED THAT THERE WAS MUCH ROOM FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION THROUGH NEGOTIATION AND THAT THIS TREND HAD MERELY BEGUN.

"THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS RESPECTED THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS, AND THE FREE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION," MR CHUI SAID.

"IT SEEKS TO ENCOURAGE THE ADVANCEMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATION AND THERE IS ALSO A STRONG TREND OF DEREGULATION."

"HOWEVER, IT PAYS DUE REGARD TO PUBLIC OPINION ON THE NEED TO CONTROL UNDESIRABLE OR MORALLY UNACCEPTABLE PROGRAMMES FOR PUBLIC VIEWING.

"THERE IS ALWAYS A NEED TO STRIKE A FAIR BALANCE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST WHILE STANDARDS AND CONTROLS MUST ALSO BE APPLIED EQUITABLY TO ALL BROADCASTERS USING THE SAME TYPE OF MEDIA," MR CHUI SAID.

IN THIS CONNECTION, MR CHUI SAID THE RECREATION AND CULTURE BRANCH WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, AND THE COMMISSIONER FOR TELEVISION AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING, AND THAT POLICY INPUT INTO BROADCASTING SUBJECTS WAS WELL CO-ORDINATED.

"THE MERGING OF POLICY SCHEDULES BETWEEN BROADCASTING AND RECREATION AND CULTURE ALSO HELPS TO FACILITATE THE IMPORTANT BENEFICIAL INTERFACE BETWEEN SUCH SUBJECT AREAS.

"THE GOVERNMENT PAYS DUE REGARD TO THE INTERESTS OF EXISTING BROADCASTING SERVICES WHEN NEW TYPES OF SERVICES ARE INTRODUCED, SO THAT EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT IS MADE.

"THE GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGES FREE COMPETITION, AND ONLY SEEKS TO INTERVENE IF IT IS NECESSARY IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

"THE GOVERNMENT IS GIVING ALL THE HELP IT CAN TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A MODERN CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM.

"IT ALSO WELCOMES THE ADVANT OF SATELLITE BROADCASTING SERVICES, BECAUSE BOTH MODES OF BROADCASTING CAN BRING IMPORTANT BENEFITS TO HONG KONG."

MR CHUI SAID THE GOVERNMENT VALUED THE INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT AND PARTICIPATION IN SUCH SCHEMES, AND FULLY APPRECIATED THE MULTI-FACETED ADVANTAGES THAT SUCH NEW PROJECTS COULD BRING TO HONG KONG.

"EXPERIENCE IN OTHER COUNTRIES SHOW THAT CABLE TELEVISION AND SATELLITE BROADCASTING COULD BE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AND SYNERGISTIC PARTNERS," HE SAID.

IN CONCLUSION, MR CHUI SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS CONFIDENT THAT HONG KONG'S ENVIRONMENT WAS HIGHLY FAVOURABLE TO THE SUCCESSFUL INTRODUCTION OF THESE NEW SERVICES, AND THAT SOME MEASURES ACCEPTABLE TO ALL CONCERNED COULD BE DEvised TO WORK OUT A DYNAMIC AND ENTERPRISING POLICY TO SUIT THE TERRITORY'S NEEDS.

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OPERATION AGAINST ILLEGAL DISPLAY OF BILLS AND POSTERS

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A TOTAL OF 31 SUMMONSES WERE ISSUED DURING A TERRITORY-WIDE BLITZ OPERATION AGAINST ILLEGAL DISPLAY OF BILLS AND POSTERS HELD LAST SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.

"BILLS AND POSTERS ARE OFTEN DISPLAYED ILLEGALLY AT PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PLACES OVER WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS AND AFTER OFFICE HOURS, AFFECTING THE OVERALL TIDINESS AND CLEANLINESS OF THE CITY," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION, BLITZ OPERATIONS WERE CARRIED OUT REGULARLY BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

"WE HOPE THE GENERAL PUBLIC, ESPECIALLY ADVERTISING COMPANIES, WOULD EXERCISE SELF-DISCIPLINE IN HANDLING THEIR OUTDOOR PUBLICITY POSTERS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"PERSONS WHO DISPLAY BILLS AND POSTERS IN PRIVATE PLACES WITHOUT OWNERS' CONSENT OR AT PUBLIC PLACES WITHOUT AUTHORISATION ARE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5,000," HE ADDED.

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CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN STARTS IN MONG KOK

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A BLOCK-TO-BLOCK CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN TO ENHANCE RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE WAS LAUNCHED IN MONG KOK TODAY (MONDAY).

THE MONTH-LONG ACTIVITY IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CLEAN ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE MONG KOK ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. IT IS SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

SPEAKING AT THE LAUNCHING CEREMONY THIS MORNING, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CLEAN ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE, MR SHING YUEN-HING, SAID A CLEAN AND TIDY ENVIRONMENT WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF A PLEASANT AND HEALTHY LIVING.

HE URGED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN BY TAKING REFUSE AND UNWANTED ARTICLES TO TEMPORARY REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS SET UP AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD.

DURING THIS TIME, THE DISTRICT RODENT CONTROL TEAM, ANTI-MOSQUITO GANG AND ANTI-FLY GANG OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (USD) WILL VISIT THE COMMON AREAS OF ALL THE BUILDINGS IN THE DISTRICT, WHILE THE POSTER REMOVAL TEAM WILL CLEAR UP UNSIGHTLY POSTERS.

ALSO OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONY WERE THE USD'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (KOWLOON) ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, MR LAI MAN-CHI; THE DISTRICT'S HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT, MR LEUNG NAI-MING; AN URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR HO FEI-CHI; MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOW CHUN-FAI; ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VINCENT FUNG; AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR YIM KWOK-ON.

THE CEREMONY WAS HELD AT THE JUNCTION OF NULLAH STREET AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD.

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SEMINAR ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT IN THE 90'S

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THE CONCEPT AND KEY ELEMENTS OF GOOD BUILDING MANAGEMENT WILL BE DISCUSSED AT A PUBLIC SEMINAR TO BE HELD AT THE HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE ON OCTOBER 19.

THE SEMINAR, ENTITLED "BUILDING MANAGEMENT FOR THE 90'S", IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BUILDING MANAGEMENT.

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, THE TWO POLYTECHNICS AND EIGHT PROFESSIONAL BUILDING MANAGEMENT BODIES WERE ALSO INVOLVED IN THE ORGANISATION OF THE SEMINAR.

CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, DR RAYMOND HO, SAID TODAY (MONDAY) BUILDING MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS WILL DELIVER SPEECHES AT THE ONE-DAY SEMINAR WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED BY OPEN DISCUSSIONS.

"THE SPEECHES WILL COVER VARIOUS ASPECTS OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT INCLUDING SELF-HELP IN BUILDING MANAGEMENT, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT AGENTS, LEGAL ASPECTS OF BUILDING MANAGEMENT, EFFECT OF MANAGEMENT CHARGES ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT, UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS AND BUILDING REFURBISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE.

"OTHER TOPICS WILL INCLUDE MANAGEMENT OF RESIDENTIAL, SHOPPING, OFFICE AND INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS, BUILDING MAINTENANCE, FIRE SAFETY AND PREVENTION, SECURITY, AND HYGIENE, PROPERTY AND ASSETS MANAGEMENT, FACILITIES MANAGEMENT, AND COMPUTERISED PROPERTY MANAGEMENT," DR HO ADDED.

THE SEMINAR IS TARGETTED AT PROPERTY MANAGERS AND BUILDING MANAGEMENT STAFF. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, AS WELL AS TERTIARY STUDENTS, WHO ARE INTERESTED IN BUILDING MANAGEMENT ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND.

"PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO GET PROFESSIONAL ADVICE ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT AND EXCHANGE WITH RELEVANT PROFESSIONALS VIEWS AND EXPERIENCE IN OPEN DISCUSSION," DR HO SAID.

REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ALL DISTRICT OFFICES. COMPLETED FORMS, TOGETHER WITH A SEMINAR FEE OF \$300 PER HEAD, SHOULD BE SENT TO THE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON REGION, CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, 29TH FLOOR, SOUTHOEN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI, BEFORE SEPTEMBER 24.

TERTIARY STUDENTS WILL ENJOY A REDUCED FEE OF \$50 PER HEAD.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 835 1496 AND 835 1527.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 52.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 309.158 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 373.382 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 63.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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BASSOON MASTER-CLASS FOR MUSIC LOVERS

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THE MUSIC OFFICE AND THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION SERVICE WILL JOINTLY PRESENT A BASSOON MASTER-CLASS BY A FAMOUS BASSOONIST, MR MARK POPKIN TO INTERESTED MUSICIANS AT THE YAU MA TEI MUSIC CENTRE ON NEXT SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 15) FROM 10.30 AM TO 12.30 PM.

MR POPKIN, A TALENTED MUSICIAN, HAS LED A VARIED PERFORMING CAREER INCLUDING ENGAGEMENTS AT THE NEW YORK CITY CENTRE OPERA AND BALLET, THE NEW JERSEY AND HOUSTON SYMPHONIES.

HE ALSO RUNS AN ANNUAL BASSOON CAMP IN NORTH CAROLINA OF THE UNITED STATES.

MR POPKIN WILL BE TRAVELLING THROUGH SOUTHEAST ASIA BEFORE COMING TO HONG KONG.

AT THE MASTER CLASS, MR POPKIN WILL GIVE LECTURE ON VARIOUS TECHNIQUES ON BASSOON PLAYING.

ADMISSION IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE DURING OFFICE HOURS ON TEL. 823 5321.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR BUILDING SITTING OUT AREA

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THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SITTING OUT AREA IN SHUNG SHUN STREET NEAR SAM KA TSUEN TYPHOON SHELTER IN LEI YUE MUN.

OCCUPYING 790 SQUARE METRES, THE SITTING OUT AREA WILL HAVE A WATERFRONT PROMENADE CUM REST GARDEN WITH BENCHES, ARBOURS, PLANTERS AND PARK LIGHTS.

WORKS ARE EXPECTED TO START IN NOVEMBER AND WILL TAKE ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON SEPTEMBER 21.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS OVERNIGHT TRAM SERVICE

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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE EXPERIMENTAL 24-HOUR TRAM SERVICE ON WEEKENDS AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT NOISE NUISANCE CAUSED BY TRAM MOVEMENT AT NIGHT.

THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO STUDY THE PROBLEM OVER THE SAFETY OF PASSENGERS AT TRAM STOPS ALONG KING'S ROAD WHICH IS CURRENTLY UNDER RECONSTRUCTION.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS WILL INCLUDE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT LAI TAK TSUEN ROAD AND A PROPOSAL TO COMPILE A HANDBOOK ON TRANSPORT SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, 880-886 KING'S ROAD. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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POLLUTION BLACKSPOT ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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THE SQUATTER AREAS COMMITTEE OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL STUDY MEASURES TO REMEDY THE WATER POLLUTION PROBLEM IN CHI LIN STREAM, DIAMOND HILL AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

A SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT, MR WALLACE CHEUNG, WILL PRESENT A PAPER ON THE SUBJECT.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER FIVE APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR BUILDING A STUDY KIOSK AT TAI HOM SOUTH VILLAGE AND A SITTING-OUT AREA AT TUNG YEUNG VILLAGE, AND FOR CUTTING GRASS AT TAI HOM NORTH VILLAGE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S SQUATTER AREAS COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, FOURTH FLOOR, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, KING FUK STREET, KOWLOON.

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TOWN PLANNING BILL ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA
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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE TOWN PLANNING (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER WILL SUBMIT A PAPER URGING THE GOVERNMENT TO CLEAR THE STRUCTURES AT PHASE I OF YUEN CHAU KOK TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE YOUTH GANG AND ILLEGAL HAWKING PROBLEMS IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, AND THE AVAILABILITY OF A SITE NEAR RAVANA GARDEN AND VISTA GARDEN, SIU LEK YUEN, FOR A SUPERMARKET.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE PROGRESS OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE CONVERSION WORKS IN THE TSANG TAI UK AREA AND THREE MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IN HA WO CHE AND MA LIU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS YOUTH PROBLEMS
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THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL LOOK INTO YOUTH PROBLEMS IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES IN THE DISTRICT AT A MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

MEMBERS WILL EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF DEPLOYING AN OUTREACHING SOCIAL WORK TEAM TO HELP THE PROBLEM YOUTHS.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE THE PREFERENTIAL TRAVEL SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY, AN EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN FOR SENIOR RESIDENTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, FANLING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 3 PIK FUNG ROAD, FANLING.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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TSUEN WAN DB TO DISCUSS TOWN PLANNING BILL
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THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE TOWN PLANNING (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO LOOK INTO THE MAINTENANCE OF FUK LOI ESTATE, THE PROVISION OF FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO TSUEN WAN RURAL AREA AND LAND RESUMPTION IN HOI PA VILLAGE.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE REPORTS OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND VARIOUS DISTRICT BOARD COMMITTEES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, SECOND FLOOR, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STORY CARPARK BUILDING, TSUEN WAN.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER FUND APPLICATIONS
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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER A NUMBER OF FUND APPLICATIONS AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE APPLICATIONS ARE FOR ORGANISING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING AN OUTREACHING PROGRAMME FOR THE ELDERLY, A SWIMMING GALA, A YACHT CRUISE AND A CARNIVAL IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS A PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE AN EMERGENCY HELPLINE IN THE DISTRICT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 4 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, 21ST FLOOR, SOUTHOEN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD.

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CIVIC EDUCATION ON DB AGENDA

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THE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR THE CIVIC EDUCATION DAY AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION DAY HAS BEEN FIXED ON DECEMBER 2 THIS YEAR AND PROPOSED ACTIVITIES INCLUDE AN INTER-SCHOOL PUBLIC AFFAIRS QUIZ AND A LYRIC WRITING, AND A SINGING COMPETITION.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR THE DISTRICT'S WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 1990 AND KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE A PROPOSAL TO INSTALL HEAT INSULATION FACILITIES AT AN OLD PEOPLE'S HOME IN LUNG TIN ESTATE, TAI O, THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAMME OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION, AND PROPOSED SITE VISITS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING TO BEGIN AT 2.15 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S CONFERENCE ROOM, 20TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

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WATER CUT IN KWUN TONG

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN KWUN TONG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 5) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT CERTAIN PREMISES AT 485-487 KWUN TONG ROAD AND TSUI PING ROAD, INCLUDING KWUN TONG (TSUI PING ROAD) ESTATE.

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TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURE IN SHA TIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 8 PM THIS EVENING (MONDAY) TO 8 PM ON SEPTEMBER 11, TWO TRAFFIC LANES OF TAI PO ROAD (SHA TIN) SOUTHBOUND NEAR SHA TIN RACECOURSE, FOR A SECTION OF ABOUT 400 METRES, WILL BE CLOSED FROM 8 PM TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY AND ONE TRAFFIC LANE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE REST OF THE DAY.

THE ABOVE LANE CLOSURE IS TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK.

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TRAFFIC RE-ARRANGEMENT IN HUNG HOM

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT A SECTION OF BAKER STREET BETWEEN PO LOI STREET AND HUNG HOM ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TRAFFIC TO ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 5).

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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