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COUNTRY AND COMMODITY BREAKDOWN FIGURES FOR HONG KONG'S
EXTERNAL TRADE FOR JANUARY - FEBRUARY 1979
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MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF 1979 INCREASED BY 36 PER CENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 1978, AMOUNTING TO \$19,973 MILLION.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 30 PER CENT TO \$6,286 MILLION, RE-EXPORTS BY 59 PER CENT TO \$2,639 MILLION, AND IMPORT BY 35 PER CENT TO \$11,048 MILLION, ACCORDING TO DETAILED MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) FOR JANUARY-FEBRUARY, 1979.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO TEN MAJOR OVERSEAS MARKETS ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

	JAN.-FEB. 79 (HK\$ MN)	JAN.-FEB. 78 (HK\$ MN)	INCREASE (HK\$ MN)	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
U.S.A.	2,042	1,742	+300	+17
F.R. OF GERMANY	760	525	+235	+45
U.K.	709	381	+328	+86
JAPAN	320	190	+131	+69
AUSTRALIA	245	212	+ 33	+16
CANADA	187	153	+ 34	+22
SINGAPORE	171	139	+ 32	+23
NETHERLANDS	163	109	+ 54	+50
SWEDEN	114	71	+ 43	+61
SWITZERLAND	105	100	+ 5	+ 5

DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF CLOTHING (\$733 MILLION, +9 PER CENT), PLASTIC TOYS AND DOLLS (\$163 MILLION, +48 PER CENT) AND WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$108 MILLION, +42 PER CENT) TO THE U.S.A. CONTINUED ON AN UPWARD TREND. THUS, IN SPITE OF THE DECLINES IN RADIO BROADCAST RECEIVERS (\$67 MILLION, -9 PER CENT), PLASTIC ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS (\$29 MILLION, -17 PER CENT) AND GRAMOPHONES, DICTATING MACHINES, TELEVISION IMAGE AND OTHER SOUND RECORDERS OF REPRODUCERS (\$13 MILLION, -28 PER CENT), THERE WAS STILL AN OVERALL INCREASE OF 17 PER CENT IN SALES TO THIS MARKET.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO F.R. OF GERMANY ALSO MOVED UPWARDS, DUE MAINLY TO RISES IN DEMAND FOR CLOTHING (\$450 MILLION, +52 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING EQUIPMENT (\$82 MILLION, +22 PER CENT), AND WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$52 MILLION, +119 PER CENT).

/PROMINENT GROWTH

PROMINENT GROWTH WAS REGISTERED IN DELIVERIES OF CLOTHING (\$389 MILLION, +96 PER CENT), TEXTILES (\$69 MILLION, +108 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS, SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING EQUIPMENT (\$37 MILLION, +136 PER CENT) AND WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$35 MILLION, +66 PER CENT) TO THE U.K.

THE INCREASE IN SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN WAS ATTRIBUTED CHIEFLY TO AN ACTIVE DEMAND FOR CLOTHING (\$67 MILLION, +77 PER CENT) AND WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$35 MILLION, +156 PER CENT).

INCREASES WERE ALSO REGISTERED IN SALES OF CLOTHING TO CANADA (\$77 MILLION, +20 PER CENT) AND NETHERLANDS (\$69 MILLION, +46 PER CENT), AND OF TEXTILES TO AUSTRALIA (\$58 MILLION, +41 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (\$48 MILLION, +34 PER CENT).

AN ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS IS PRESENTED AS FOLLOWS:-

	JAN.-FEB. 79 (HK\$ MN)	JAN.-FEB. 78 (HK\$ MN)	INCREASE (HK\$ MN)	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
ARTICLES OF APPAREL AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES	2,306	1,808	+498	+28
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (MAINLY PLASTIC TOYS AND DOLLS)	987	744	+243	+33
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, OPTICAL GOODS, WATCHES AND CLOCKS	513	372	+141	+38
TEXTILE YARN, FABRICS, MADE-UP ARTICLES AND RELATED PRODUCTS	486	352	+134	+38
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING EQUIPMENT	434	347	+ 87	+25
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (MAINLY TRANSISTORS AND DIODES AND HOUSEHOLD TYPE APPLIANCES)	367	265	+102	+38

BY COMMODITY, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES WERE REGISTERED IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$426 MILLION, +40 PER CENT), TEXTILE FABRICS (\$384 MILLION, +48 PER CENT), PLASTIC TOYS AND DOLLS (\$357 MILLION, +38 PER CENT), RADIO BROADCAST RECEIVERS (\$211 MILLION, +12 PER CENT) AND TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR CONTAINERS (\$143 MILLION, +37 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, DECLINES WERE RECORDED IN SALES OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS AND PARTS FOR COMPUTERS (\$107 MILLION, -4 PER CENT), PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CONTROLLING INSTRUMENT AND APPARATUS (\$10 MILLION, -45 PER CENT) AS WELL AS CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS (\$10 MILLION, -47 PER CENT).

THE CHANGES IN IMPORTS FROM 10 MAJOR SOURCES ARE SUMMARISED AS FOLLOWS:-

	JAN.-FEB. 79 (HK\$ MN)	JAN.-FEB. 78 (HK\$ MN)	INCREASE (HK\$ MN)	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
JAPAN	2,422	1,766	+656	+37
CHINA	1,797	1,391	+406	+29
U.S.A.	1,310	946	+364	+38
TAIWAN	784	506	+278	+55
SINGAPORE	555	456	+ 99	+22
U.K.	465	384	+ 81	+21
F.R. OF GERMANY	399	275	+124	+45
REP. OF KOREA (S. KOREA)	369	287	+ 82	+29
SWITZERLAND	366	248	+118	+48
AUSTRALIA	200	141	+ 59	+42

IMPORTS FROM JAPAN ROSE BY 37 PER CENT, DUE MAINLY TO INCREASED ARRIVALS OF TEXTILES (\$374 MILLION, +19 PER CENT), ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (\$244 MILLION, +100 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING EQUIPMENT (\$221 MILLION, +74 PER CENT), WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$207 MILLION, +35 PER CENT) AND ROAD VEHICLES (\$156 MILLION, +19 PER CENT).

INCREASES WERE ALSO REGISTERED IN DELIVERIES FROM CHINA, COMPRISING MOSTLY TEXTILES (\$387 MILLION, +79 PER CENT), PETROLEUM AND RELATED MATERIALS (\$151 MILLION, +55 PER CENT) AND FOODSTUFFS INCLUDING MAINLY VEGETABLES AND FRUITS (\$119 MILLION, +4 PER CENT), MEAT AND MEAT PREPARATIONS (\$94 MILLION, +17 PER CENT) AND FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSCS (\$76 MILLION, +28 PER CENT).

THE INCREASE IN IMPORTS FROM THE U.S.A. WAS ACCOUNTED FOR CHIEFLY BY THE GROWTH IN ARRIVALS OF PEARLS, PRECIOUS AND SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES (\$136 MILLION, +110 PER CENT), TEXTILE FIBRES (\$130 MILLION, +4 PER CENT), OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (\$117 MILLION, +36 PER CENT), AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (\$111 MILLION, +27 PER CENT).

A MAJOR PROPORTION OF THE INCREASE IN SHIPMENTS FROM TAIWAN CONSTITUTED OF TEXTILES (\$341 MILLION, +60 PER CENT), ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (\$66 MILLION, +47 PER CENT).

THE FOLLOWING TABLE ILLUSTRATES THE MORE IMPORTANT CHANGES IN IMPORTS BY COMMODITY SECTIONS:-

	JAN.-FEB. 79 (HK\$ MN)	JAN.-FEB. 78 (HK\$ MN)	INCREASE (HK\$ MN)	PERCENTAGE CHANGE
MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (MAINLY TEXTILE PRODUCTS AND DIAMONDS)	3,639	2,477	+1,162	+47
MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT	2,365	1,547	+ 818	+53
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (MAINLY WATCHES AND CLOCKS AND ARTICLES OF APPAREL)	1,451	1,034	+ 417	+40
FOOD AND LIVE ANIMALS CHIEFLY FOR FOOD	1,326	1,187	+ 139	+12
CHEMICALS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	831	571	+ 260	+46

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES WERE FOUND IN IMPORTS OF RAW MATERIALS SUCH AS TEXTILES (\$1,694 MILLION, +51 PER CENT), IRON AND STEEL (\$364 MILLION, +54 PER CENT) AND ALSO IN IMPORTS OF CAPITAL GOODS LIKE ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (\$720 MILLION, +59 PER CENT) AND GENERAL INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT (\$259 MILLION, +43 PER CENT). IMPORTS OF WATCHES AND CLOCKS CONTINUED TO RISE, REACHING \$520 MILLION FOR THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THE YEAR.

RE-EXPORT SHOT UP BY 59 PER CENT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1978, ATTRIBUTED MAINLY TO AN ACTIVE DEMAND FROM JAPAN (\$447 MILLION, +64 PER CENT), TAIWAN (\$238 MILLION, +67 PER CENT), U.S.A. (\$236 MILLION, +62 PER CENT) AND SINGAPORE (\$232 MILLION, +13 PER CENT). PROMINENT INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN RE-EXPORTS OF TEXTILES (\$406 MILLION, +150 PER CENT), AND CLOTHING (\$99 MILLION, +103 PER CENT). OTHER PRODUCTS LIKE PEARLS, PRECIOUS AND SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES (\$326 MILLION, +41 PER CENT), WATCHES AND CLOCKS (\$146 MILLION, +23 PER CENT), AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES (\$135 MILLION, +77 PER CENT) ALSO REGISTERED SIGNIFICANT GROWTH.

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THE TRADE INDEX NUMBERS FOR JANUARY 1979 (1973=100) WERE RELEASED AS FOLLOWS:-

	VALUE INDEX	UNIT VALUE INDEX	QUANTUM INDEX
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	235	147	160
IMPORTS	222	152	146

THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX FOR JANUARY 1979 WAS 97.

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MORE HOMES ON LAND FOR FISHERFOLK
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HONG KONG'S FISHING COMMUNITY HAS BEEN STEADILY MOVING FROM THEIR TRADITIONAL FLOATING HOMES TO SELF-CONTAINED BUNGALOW-TYPE BUILDINGS ASHORE.

WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT AND THE DISTRICT OFFICES, NEARLY 9,000 FISHERMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE BEEN SETTLED ASHORE IN VILLAGE COMMUNITIES SINCE EARLY 1960.

ACCORDING TO MR. CHU PAK-SUI, A SENIOR FISHERIES SUPERVISOR OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, THE VILLAGES WERE FORMED BY THE FISHERMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.

IT IS A SEMI-GOVERNMENTAL BODY CREATED TO IMPROVE THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE FISHING COMMUNITY. ITS FUNCTIONS ARE PRIMARILY TO ASSIST FISHERMEN TO OBTAIN CREDIT TO MODERNISE THEIR CRAFT, EDUCATION FOR THEIR CHILDREN AND HOUSING ON LAND.

AT PRESENT, 69 FISHERMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES ARE REGISTERED WITH AFD --- 10 UNDER THE NAME OF +BETTER LIVING+ CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.

FISHERFOLK AFFILIATED TO THE BETTER LIVING SOCIETIES CAN APPLY TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR CONVENIENT SITES TO BUILD THEIR OWN HOUSES.

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APART FROM GRANTING LAND FOR BUILDING PROJECTS, THE GOVERNMENT ALSO PROVIDES THE NECESSARY INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES — LAYING WATER PIPELINES, SUPPLYING ELECTRICITY, ACCESS ROADS, INCINERATORS AND STREET LIGHTING.

AFTER A VILLAGE HAS BEEN COMPLETED, THE GOVERNMENT WILL CLOSELY SUPERVISE MANAGEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND WELFARE OF THE FISHERFOLK.

SPEAKING OF THE IMPORTANCE OF VILLAGES FOR FISHERMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES, MR. CHU DESCRIBED IT AS A WELCOME BOON TO THE FISHING COMMUNITY IN REGARD OF THEIR LIVELIHOOD.

+THESE VILLAGES ALSO MEAN SECURITY AND STABILITY FOR THE ELDERLY AS WELL AS PLACES FOR THE CHILDREN TO STUDY AND PLAY,+ MR. CHU ADDED.

HE POINTED OUT THAT AT PRESENT NEARLY EVERY FISHERMEN'S VILLAGE HAS A SCHOOL.

IN ADDITION, A WIDE RANGE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF EITHER A RECREATION CENTRE OR PLAYGROUND FOR YOUNGSTERS AND ALSO AS A VENUE FOR CEREMONIES AND GATHERINGS.

ON THE LATEST PROJECT, MR. CHU SAID THAT BY THE END OF THIS YEAR, 14 MORE HOUSING UNITS WILL BE COMPLETED IN SHUI BIN TSUEN, HANG HAU.

THERE ARE AT PRESENT 10 +FISHERMEN VILLAGES+ AT AP CHAU, SAI KUNG, TSING YI, MA WAN, TAP MUN, WONG YI AU, SAM MUN TSAI, HA HANG, SAN PUI CHUNG HAU AND HANG HAU.

MR. CHU SAID LATEST FIGURES SHOW THAT 50 PER CENT OF THE ESTIMATED 80,000 FISHERFOLK HAVE MOVED ASHORE TO LIVE.

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INDUSTRIAL SITE IN YUEN LONG

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THE GOVERNMENT IS PROVIDING AN EIGHT-HECTARE INDUSTRIAL SITE WITHIN THE TONG YAN SAN TSUEN LAYOUT AREA IN YUEN LONG FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TWO-STOREY FACTORIES.

THE SITE IS WITHIN A 67-HECTARE AREA WHICH WILL HAVE EVERY ESSENTIAL FACILITIES WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED.

HOWEVER, THE TIMING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION DEPENDS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS TO SERVICE THE AREA WITH ROADS AND DRAINAGE, ACCORDING TO THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. MICHAEL CARTLAND.

THE DEVELOPMENT AREA FRONTS THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD OPPOSITE THE LAU FU SHAN TURNOFF AND IS AT THE MOMENT DOMINATED BY CLUSTERS OF SMALL INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS IN TEMPORARY STRUCTURES WHICH HAVE SPRUNG UP IN RECENT YEARS.

HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT IS KEEN TO TRANSFORM THE AREA INTO A PROPERLY PLANNED LAYOUT AND HAS DRAWN UP A PLAN THAT INCLUDES TWO-STOREY HOUSING, COMMERCIAL AREAS, AND GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

BUT IT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PROCEED, UNTIL A PROPER ROADS AND DRAINAGE SYSTEM HAS BEEN INSTALLED AND AT THE MOMENT THIS ITEM IS IN CATEGORY B OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S PROJECT PRIORITIES.

ACCORDING TO MR. CARTLAND, THERE IS A STRONG DEMAND FOR BOTH HOUSING AND WORKSHOP SITES IN THE AREA. +ONCE FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE, WE WILL WANT TO MOVE AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN,+ HE SAID.

THE LAND WOULD BE DEVELOPED THROUGH INSITU EXCHANGES, A SYSTEM THAT HAS WORKED WELL FOR MANY YEARS IN YUEN LONG.

+THE LANDOWNERS WOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP THEIR LAND THEMSELVES OR BY SELLING IT TO SOMEONE ELSE WHO IS INTERESTED IN DOING SO,+ HE SAID.

MR. CARTLAND SAID THE DISTRICT ALREADY HAD A SMALLER-SCALE DEVELOPMENT ON SIMILAR LINES AT KIU TAU WAI ON PING HAU ROAD BETWEEN CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND LAU FAU SHAN.

NEARLY HALF OF A 13.5-HECTARE LAYOUT MARKED FOR LIGHT INDUSTRY HAD ALREADY BEEN DEVELOPED OR WAS BEING DEVELOPED, MR. CARTLAND SAID. +AT THE MOMENT WE HAVE ABOUT 10 TWO-STOREY FACTORIES ENGAGED IN SUCH TRADES AS PAPER MILLING, PRINTING, COTTON PROCESSING, METAL WORKS AND CHEMICALS+ MR. CARTLAND SAID.

+MOST ARE OWNER OCCUPIED ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE PREMISES HAVE BEEN RENTED TO OTHER INDUSTRIAL OPERATORS.

+THESE TWO-STOREY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS ARE VERY ATTRACTIVE TO SMALL INDUSTRIES AND THOSE NOT SUITABLE FOR HIGH-RISE FACTORIES AND, OF COURSE, RENTS ARE LOWER THAN IN THE URBAN AREAS.+

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PUBLIC URGED TO SUPPORT CLEAN BEACH CAMPAIGN
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AS SWIMMING IS BY FAR THE MOST POPULAR FORM OF SUMMER RECREATION IN HONG KONG, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) URGED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC NOT TO LITTER THE BEACHES.

HIS CALL TO SUPPORT THE +CLEAN BEACH CAMPAIGN+ CAME AS MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO FLOCK TO THE SEASIDE.

HE POINTED OUT THAT BETWEEN JUNE AND AUGUST LAST YEAR, LITTER WARDENS ISSUED 1,300 SUMMONSES TO BEACHGOERS, INCLUDING 400 AT THE BEACHES IN TUEN MUN, 200 IN REPULSE BAY AND 160 IN DEEP WATER BAY.

ACCORDING TO THE SPOKESMAN, THE MOST COMMON LITTER FOUND ON BEACHES ARE PLASTIC BAGS, SOFT DRINK CANS, STRAWS AND CIGARETTE ENDS.

+IT USUALLY TAKES OUR CLEANSING STAFF SEVERAL DAYS TO CLEAR THE RUBBISH AFTER WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

+WE HOPE ALL BEACHGOERS WILL BE CONSCIENTIOUS CLEAN BEACH SUPPORTERS THIS YEAR. ALL IT ENTAILS IS A FEW MORE STEPS TO DUMP REFUSE INTO LITTER BINS,+ HE ADDED.

HE SAID THE U.S.D. HAS PROVIDED SOME 1,000 PLASTIC LITTER BINS ON THE BEACHES. THEY ARE SCATTERED WITHIN SHORT DISTANCES AND WILL BE CLEANED ONCE THEY ARE FULL.

IN ORDER TO PREVENT SELFISH AND CARELESS PEOPLE FROM LITTERING AND PRESERVE THE CLEANLINESS OF BEACHES, LITTER WARDENS WILL BE REINFORCED ON BEACHES AT WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

+LITTER WARDENS' MAIN JOB IS TO DETER PEOPLE FROM LITTERING. THEY CAN'T MAKE BEACHES CLEAN WITHOUT THE FULL CO-OPERATION AND ASSISTANCE OF BEACHGOERS,+ STRESSED THE SPOKESMAN.

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SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR TUEN MUN

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS TO BUILD A SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS IN TUEN MUN TO COPE WITH THE NEEDS RESULTING FROM THE POPULATION GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT TAKING PLACE IN THE NEW TOWN.

AN \$11 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE PROJECT, THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PILLAR POINT SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS, WAS SIGNED YESTERDAY (FRIDAY).

MR. WONG WAN-MING, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE PWD'S CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE, SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND MR. TAI SHUI TING FOR CHUI HING CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD., THE CONTRACTOR.

MR. WONG SAID THAT CIVIL ENGINEERING WORK WOULD START NEXT WEEK AND WOULD TAKE ABOUT 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

HE ADDED THAT THIS CONTRACT INCLUDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUMPING STATION, SCREEN CHAMBERS, GRIT REMOVAL TANKS, SUPERSTRUCTURES TO HOUSE THE SCREENINGS PRESS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND ANCILLIARY DRAINAGE AND ROADWORK.

THE CONTRACT IS THE FIFTH AND FINAL ONE FOR THIS STAGE OF THE TREATMENT WORKS.

MR. WONG SAID: + THE PLANT AIMS TO SERVE THE EXISTING AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN TUEN MUN AND WILL BE CAPABLE OF HANDLING SEWAGE FLOW FROM AN ESTIMATED POPULATION OF 530,000.+

ON COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT, SEWAGE FROM THE NEW TOWN WILL BE GIVEN PRELIMINARY TREATMENT THROUGH FINE SCREENS AND GRIT REMOVAL DEVICE BEFORE BEING DISCHARGED THROUGH A SUBMARINE PIPE INTO DEEP WATER FOR DILUTION AND SATISFACTORY DISPERSION.

THE WORKS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE DRAINAGE WORKS DIVISION OF THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE ON BEHALF OF THE TUEN MUN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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NEW APPROACH ROAD AND BUS TERMINUS PROPOSED

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO BUILD AN APPROACH ROAD TO KAU WA KENG VALLEY AND A NEW BUS TERMINUS AT LAI CHI KOK.

THE KAU WA KENG VALLEY APPROACH ROAD WILL RUN FROM LAI WAN ROAD TO LAI KING HILL ROAD. IT WILL PROVIDE A 10.3-METRE WIDE CARRIAGEWAY FOR THREE LANES OF TRAFFIC WITH 3.5-METRE WIDE FOOTPATHS ON BOTH SIDES.

THIS ROAD, WHEN COMPLETED, WILL PROVIDE PROPER ACCESS TO EXISTING AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE KAU WA KENG AREA AND WILL IMPROVE THE ACCESS TO THE PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS PROJECT, LAI WAN ROAD NORTH OF MEI LAI ROAD AND LAI KING HILL ROAD EAST OF THE PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL WILL BE WIDENED AT THE SAME TIME.

AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE KAU WA KENG VALLEY APPROACH ROAD, THE UNNAMED ROAD BETWEEN LAI WAN ROAD AND LAI KING HILL ROAD IN FRONT OF THE LAI CHI KOK AMUSEMENT PARK WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE NEW LAI CHI KOK BUS TERMINUS, WHEN COMPLETED, WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING TEMPORARY BUS TERMINUS WITH IMPROVED TERMINAL FACILITIES AND NEW SERVICES WILL BE INTRODUCED.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT GIVING NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED UNDERTAKING WAS MADE IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE YESTERDAY (FRIDAY).

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSED UNDERTAKING MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. IT SHOULD REACH HIS OFFICE NOT LATER THAN MAY 20, 1979.

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GOVERNOR TO PRESENT DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WILL PRESENT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S GOLD AWARD TO 54 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN AT THE CITY HALL AT 6 P.M. ON MONDAY.

THE RECIPIENTS, INCLUDING STUDENTS, FACTORY WORKERS AND CLERKS, HAVE QUALIFIED FOR THE AWARD BY GAINING OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS IN A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES.

DURING THE CEREMONY, MR. ALEX WU, CHAIRMAN OF THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD HONG KONG COMMITTEE AND ALSO AN UNOFFICIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, WILL GIVE THE OPENING ADDRESS, AFTER WHICH SIR MURRAY WILL MAKE THE PRESENTATION.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WILL PRESENT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S GOLD AWARD TO 54 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN IN THE EXHIBITION HALL OF THE CITY HALL LOW BLOCK AT 6 P.M. ON MONDAY.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESENTATION.

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SPORTS-FOR-ALL DAY TO MARK QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
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THE SPORTS-FOR-ALL DAY HELD TO MARK THE BIRTHDAY OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IS SO POPULAR THAT IT HAS BECOME AN EVENT WHICH THE COMMUNITY LOOKS FORWARD TO EVERY APRIL, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR JACK CATER SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SIR JACK, WHO WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY SPORTS-FOR-ALL DAY IN MORSE PARK, KOWLOON, SAID THE EVENT ORIGINATED THREE YEARS AGO ON THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY.

+ I AM PERSONALLY DELIGHTED TO SEE MORE AND MORE FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND SPORT BEING PROVIDED IN HONG KONG AND WHAT IS AVAILABLE HERE IN MORSE PARK PROVIDES FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF SPORTING INTERESTS COVERING FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL AND SWIMMING AS WELL AS INDOOR SPORTS SUCH AS BADMINTON, TABLE TENNIS AND GYMNASTICS WHICH TAKE PLACE IN THE INDOOR GAMES HALL, + HE ADDED.

MEANWHILE CELEBRATIONS WERE HELD SIMULTANEOUSLY AT 10 DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG. THESE INCLUDED CONCERTS BY BANDS OF THE ARMY AND THE POLICE AND AN ORCHESTRAL CONCERT IN THE CITY HALL ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND ATTENDED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE.

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FIRING PRACTICE
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE FOR FIVE DAYS NEXT WEEK.

THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING DURING THE TIME OF PRACTICE.

THE PRACTISING TIMES ARE:

DATE -----	TIME -----
APRIL 23 (MONDAY)	8 A.M. - 6 P.M.
APRIL 24 (TUESDAY)	8 A.M. - 6 P.M.
APRIL 25 (WEDNESDAY)	8 A.M. - 10 P.M.
APRIL 26 (THURSDAY)	8 A.M. - 4 P.M.
APRIL 27 (FRIDAY)	8 A.M. - 4 P.M.

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WATER CUT
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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN THE NORTH POINT AREA WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON MONDAY TO 6 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR NIGHT LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY THE NORTH SIDE OF KING'S ROAD FROM TIN CHIU STREET TO MANSION STREET, JAVA ROAD FROM TIN CHIU STREET TO KING'S ROAD, MARBLE ROAD FROM TIN CHIU STREET TO HEALTHY STREET WEST, AND TIN CHIU STREET.

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