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YUEN LONG TO CELEBRATE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

THE POPULATION OF YUEN LONG NEW TOWN ARE EXPECTED TO TURN OUT IN FORCE FROM TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) EVENING TO ATTEND A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES ORGANISED FOR THEM IN CELEBRATION OF THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL.

ORGANISED BY THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE AND A NUMBER OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WITH DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD FUNDS, THE WEEK-LONG CELEBRATION WILL FEATURE A WIDE VARIETY OF CULTURAL EVENTS DAILY.

THE CELEBRATION WILL BEGIN WITH A GRAND OPENING AT THE YUEN LONG HEUNG YEE KUK SECONDARY SCHOOL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AT 8 P.M. WHEN THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER (NORTHWEST) OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR. JIMMY SWEETMAN OFFICIALLY STARTS THE ACTIVITIES WHICH WILL LAST UNTIL OCTOBER 9.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE A CONCERT BY THE YUEN LONG YOUTH AND CHILDREN CHOIR, A FUN FAIR FOR 6 000 PEOPLE, A BALLET, CANTONESE OPERA PERFORMANCES BY THE OPERA CLASS OF THE YUEN LONG ARTS COMMITTEE, A VARIETY SHOW AND A LANTERN DESIGN COMPETITION WHICH HAS ATTRACTED OVER 1 000 ENTRIES.

YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. K.K. FUNG SAID TODAY (TUESDAY) THE CELEBRATION PROGRAMME REPRESENTED A CONCERTED EFFORT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

+IT HAS BEEN ORGANISED NOT ONLY TO ENTERTAIN THE LOCAL PEOPLE AND TO PROMOTE THEIR INTEREST IN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, BUT ALSO TO BUILD UP THE COMMUNITY AND TO DEVELOP A STRONGER SENSE OF BELONGING,+ HE SAID.

+JUDGING FROM ALL THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES, THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS AND THE FAVOURABLE PUBLIC RESPONSE, I CAN SAY THAT THE OBJECTIVES HAVE ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED.+

MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE AND LOCAL MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES ARE HELPING WITH THE DECORATIONS OF THE NEW TOWN TO GIVE IT A FESTIVE LOOK.

AT THE EASTERN AND WESTERN ROUNDABOUT IN THE TOWN CENTRE, TWO SEVEN-METRE-HIGH LANTERNS HAD BEEN ERECTED WHILE THE MAIN STREETS ARE BEING FLOODED WITH COLOUR FLAGS AND LANTERNS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE YUEN LONG MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL CELEBRATION AT YUEN LONG HEUNG YEE KUK SECONDARY SCHOOL AT 8 P.M. TOMORROW. LIAISON STAFF OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES.

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DSW VISITS OLD PEOPLE'S HOMES

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING VISITED THREE PRIVATE OLD PEOPLE'S HOMES RUN BY THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR IN NGAU CHI WAN, SAI KUNG AND ABERDEEN.

THIS WAS PART OF MR. LEE'S SERIES OF VISITS TO VOLUNTARY WELFARE AGENCIES TO UPDATE HIMSELF ON THEIR OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S DISTRICT OFFICER (WONG TAI SIN/SAI KUNG), MRS. LYDIA PANG, HE CALLED ON THE ST. JOSEPH'S HOME FOR THE AGED IN NGAU CHI WAN AND THE BRUNA CELESTE HOME FOR THE AGED IN SAI KUNG.

HE THEN VISITED THE ST. MARY'S HOME FOR THE AGED IN ABERDEEN, WHERE HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S DISTRICT OFFICER (SOUTHERN), MR. WALLACE LEE.

DURING THE VISITS, MR. LEE WAS IMPRESSED BY THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES PROVIDED BY THE HOMES.

HE MET STAFF OF THE HOMES AND ENQUIRED ABOUT THEIR DAILY WORK. HE ALSO TALKED TO SOME OF THE OLD PEOPLE LIVING IN THE HOMES, AND LEARNED THAT THE OLD AGE ALLOWANCE, WHICH WAS EXPANDED LAST YEAR TO PEOPLE UNDER INSTITUTIONAL CARE, HAD BEEN USEFUL IN MEETING THE VARYING NEEDS OF THE INMATES.

THE ST. JOSEPH'S HOME ACCOMMODATES 265 OLD PEOPLE- THE BRUNA CELESTE HOME, 27- AND THE ST. MARY'S HOME, 270.

ALL THREE HOMES CATER FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE AGED OVER 60 YEARS WHO ARE UNABLE TO FUNCTION INDEPENDENTLY IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES AND PERSONAL CARE.

THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR IS A WORLD-WIDE RELIGIOUS WELFARE ORGANISATION WITH ITS HEADQUARTERS BASED IN FRANCE. IT OPERATES INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES FOR OLD PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD.

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TRIBUTE TO SUMMER FUN ORGANISERS

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THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR. LI FOOK-KOW, TODAY (TUESDAY) THANKED ALL WHO HAVE HELPED TOWARDS THE SUCCESS OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME - THE ELEVENTH IN THE SERIES.

IN A MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION, MR. LI SAID THAT THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAMME, OVER 8 000 EVENTS INCLUDING CAMPING, OUTINGS, SPORTS AND GAMES, TRAINING COURSES, FUN FAIRS, YOUTH BALLS, FASHION SHOWS, VARIETY SHOWS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECTS WERE ORGANISED.

MR. LI PAID TRIBUTE TO THE MANY YOUNG PARTICIPANTS THEMSELVES, AND SAID MANY OF THE EVENTS WERE OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

+THERE IS NOW IN HONG KONG AN INCREASING AWARENESS TO MAKE GOOD USE OF ONE'S LEISURE TIME AND, IN MANY CASES, OF BEING OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AS WELL,+ MR. LI SAID.

+AS WAS THE PRACTICE IN PREVIOUS YEARS, JOCKEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS WOULD AGAIN BE AWARDED TO THE THREE MOST UNDERSTANDING YOUNG PEOPLE TO ATTEND STANDARD COURSES AT THE OUTWARD BOUND SCHOOL,+ HE ADDED.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, THE BIGGEST SINGLE DONOR OF FUNDS TOWARDS THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME SINCE 1969, CONTRIBUTED \$2 MILLION THIS YEAR.

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CONTRACT FOR TUEN MUN WATER MAINS SIGNED

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ABOUT 6 900 METRES-LONG WATER MAINS WILL BE LAID SHORTLY IN TUEN MUN TO BRING FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SOUTH-WESTERN PART OF THE NEW TOWN.

THE PIPELINE, RANGING FROM 600 TO 700 MM IN DIAMETER, WILL RUN ALONG LUNG MUN ROAD.

A CONTRACT FOR THE LAYING OF THE WATER MAINS WAS SIGNED THIS (TUESDAY) MORNING BETWEEN THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF ENGINEER (CONSTRUCTION), MR. LEE GUN-CHEUNG, AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MCCONNELL DODWELL CONTRACTORS LIMITED AT THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT OFFICES IN LEIGHTON CENTRE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

WORK ON THE LAYING OF THE WATER MAINS WILL START SOME TIME NEXT WEEK AND THE WHOLE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO TAKE 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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SNT RETURNS FROM ANNUAL LEAVE

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THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES HAS RETURNED FROM ANNUAL LEAVE AND RESUMED OFFICE TODAY (TUESDAY).

MR. JOHN TODD, WHO HAD BEEN ACTING SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, HAS RESUMED HIS OFFICE AS DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT ITS PORT COMMUNICATION CENTRE AND CARGO WORKING AREAS IN WAN CHAI, YAU MA TEI, KWUN TONG AND TSUEN WAN WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 6) WHICH IS A GENERAL HOLIDAY.

MACAU FERRY WHARF UNIT OFFICES WILL ALSO BE WORKING FROM 7.30 A.M. ON SATURDAY TO 1.30 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY.

OTHER SECTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLOSED ON THAT DAY.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN TSIM SHA TSUI

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY) THAT A SECTION OF CAMERON ROAD BETWEEN NATHAN ROAD AND CAMERON LANE IN TSIM SHA TSUI WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED FROM 10 A.M. TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) FOR ONE MONTH TO FACILITATE REPAIR WORKS OF THE CARRIAGEWAY.

DURING THE PERIOD, THE SECTION OF CAMERON ROAD BETWEEN CAMERON LANE AND CARNARVON ROAD WILL BECOME A TWO-WAY CARRIAGEWAY.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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