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FOREIGN SECRETARY TO VISIT HK

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THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH SECRETARY, THE RT HON DOUGLAS HURD, CBE, MP, AND MRS HURD WILL VISIT HONG KONG FROM JANUARY 13 TO 16.

THIS WILL BE THE FIRST VISIT THAT MR HURD HAS MADE TO HONG KONG SINCE BECOMING FOREIGN SECRETARY ALTHOUGH HE HAS BEEN SPENDING A GREAT DEAL OF TIME WORKING ON HONG KONG ISSUES.

HE WILL BE HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNOR AND HIS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, AND MANY OTHERS IN HONG KONG, ABOUT WHAT BRITAIN IS DOING AND CAN DO IN THE FUTURE FOR HONG KONG.

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TWO SENIOR DIRECTORATE APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (WEDNESDAY) ANNOUNCED TWO SENIOR DIRECTORATE APPOINTMENTS.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR ALISTAIR ASPREY, WILL SUCCEED MR GEOFFREY BARNES AS THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY ON FEBRUARY 26 THIS YEAR. MR BARNES WILL BE RETIRING FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF MARINE, MR IAN STRACHAN, WILL SUCCEED MR ASPREY AS THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SECURITY IN MARCH.

AGED 45, MR ASPREY JOINED THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE IN 1965. HE HAS HELD VARIOUS POSTS IN THE FORMER COUNCILS BRANCH, THE FORMER NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

MORE RECENTLY HE HAS SERVED AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT (1980-83); ASSISTANT DIRECTOR IN THE FORMER COUNCILS AND ADMINISTRATION BRANCH (1983-84); PRIVATE SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT HOUSE (1984-86); AND DEPUTY SECRETARY IN THE FORMER LANDS AND WORKS BRANCH (1986-87).

MR ASPREY WAS SENT ON AN OVERSEAS COURSE IN 1988-89 AND BECAME THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SECURITY IN FEBRUARY 1989. HE WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE A ON DECEMBER 1, 1989.

MR STRACHAN, AGED 45, JOINED THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE IN 1971. HE HAS SERVED IN A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS AND BRANCHES.

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MORE RECENTLY HE HAS SERVED AS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES (1976-80), CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (WONG TAI SIN) (1980-83), ASSISTANT FINANCIAL SECRETARY (1984-86), DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HOUSING (1986-87), AND PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT FINANCIAL SECRETARY (1987-88).

MR STRACHAN BECAME THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF MARINE IN MAY 1988. HE WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STAFF GRADE B1 ON DECEMBER 1, 1989.

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EMPLOYMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ON AGENDA  
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A SET OF STATISTICS AND INFORMATION ON WORKING VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FROM CENTRES IN TUEN MUN WILL BE TABLED FOR EXAMINATION AND DISCUSSION TOMORROW (THURSDAY) AT A MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE.

THE STATISTICS INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED REFUGEES, THEIR SEX AND AGE, THE NATURE OF THEIR JOBS AND THE LOCATIONS OF THEIR WORK PLACES.

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE PAPER HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY THE HONG KONG CHRISTIAN AID FOR REFUGEES IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION RAISED BY A MEMBER AT A PREVIOUS MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 3.30 PM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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MONG KOK DB TO DISCUSS REPATRIATION OF VBP

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MEMBERS OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD WILL GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE MANDATORY REPATRIATION OF VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE AT A MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE DEVELOPMENT OF WELFARE SERVICES IN HONG KONG SO AS TO HELP THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT IN PRODUCING A WHITE PAPER ON FUTURE SOCIAL WELFARE POLICIES.

THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOW CHUN-FAI, WILL RAISE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE OUTSTANDING UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS COMPLAINT CASES REFERRED TO THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS.

THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS, MR PETER TSAO, WILL ATTEND THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD TO BE HELD TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, FIRST FLOOR, 157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, KOWLOON.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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TRAINING OF YOUTH LEADERS ON AGENDA

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THE TRAINING OF YOUNG COMMUNITY LEADERS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT A MEETING OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER WILL ASK THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE IF THERE ARE ANY FIRM PLANS TO SET UP DISTRICT YOUTH COMMITTEES TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES.

HE WILL ALSO ASK HOW MANY YOUNG PEOPLE ARE APPOINTED TO THE DISTRICT'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES, AND WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT HAS CONTACTED POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND YOUTH ORGANISATIONS TO IDENTIFY SUITABLE YOUTH LEADERS TO JOIN THESE ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

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ANOTHER QUESTION CONCERNS DELAYS IN THE INSTALLATION OF AIR CONDITIONERS IN COMMUNITY HALLS.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS OF WORKING GROUPS, APPLICATION FOR FUNDS AND THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE SIXTH FLOOR, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 4 PM.

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SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE TERRITORY-WIDE SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED IN THE 1990'S AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

MEMBERS WILL BE ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE CONTENTS AND FORMAT OF A PAMPHLET ON THE DISTRICT'S COMMUNITY SERVICES AND RESOURCES.

THE COMMITTEE'S REVISED WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE PERIOD UP TO MARCH 1991 WILL ALSO BE TABLED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN ROOM 1416, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

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PHOTO EXHIBITIONS TO PROMOTE TOURISM ON ISLANDS  
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THE WINNING ENTRIES IN A PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD'S TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE EXHIBITED AT SHUN TAK CENTRE, SHEUNG WAN FROM JANUARY 5 TO 9.

THE PICTURES SHOW ATTRACTIVE SCENERIES, HISTORICAL MONUMENTS, CONSTRUCTIONS AND DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ISLANDS, AS WELL AS THE LIVELIHOOD OF THE ISLANDERS. THEY WERE TAKEN IN THE DISTRICT'S EIGHT RURAL COMMITTEE AREAS.

THE COMPETITION WAS INITIATED BY THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE CHEUNG CHAU PHOTOGRAPHY SOCIETY, TO PROMOTE TOURISM ON THE ISLANDS.

THE EXHIBITION WILL MOVE TO NEW WORLD CENTRE, TSIM SHA TSUI FROM JANUARY 12 TO 14.

A CEREMONY TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD AT SHUN TAK CENTRE ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 5) AT 5.30 PM.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS MR MARTIN BARROW AND MR LAM WAI-KEUNG, AND ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KIM SALKELD, WILL BE THE OFFICIATING GUESTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ISLANDS DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION OPENING CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT SHUN TAK CENTRE, SHEUNG WAN ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 5) AT 5.30 PM.

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TWO MORE FARMS READY FOR DEMONSTRATION  
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TWO MORE PRIVATE FARMS TAKING PART IN THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS ON LIVESTOCK WASTE TREATMENT METHODS ARE EXPECTED TO BE READY FOR DEMONSTRATION BY THE END OF THIS MONTH.

AT A MEETING OF THE STEERING GROUP ON DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS ON PRIVATE FARMS TODAY (WEDNESDAY), MEMBERS WERE BRIEFED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PROJECTS.

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THEY LEARNT THAT OUT OF THE NINE PRIVATE FARMS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROJECTS, FIVE FARMS HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THE SIX-MONTH DEMONSTRATION PERIOD WHILE A PIG FARM USING THE HYBRID SYSTEM IS STILL AVAILABLE FOR DEMONSTRATION FOR TWO MORE MONTHS.

A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TOLD THE MEETING THAT A PIG FARM USING THE WET MUCK-OUT METHOD AND ANOTHER USING THE PIG-ON-LITTER METHOD WOULD BE READY FOR DEMONSTRATION BEFORE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

REGARDING THE REMAINING FARM FOR THE DEMONSTRATION OF THE HYBRID METHOD, THE REPRESENTATIVE SAID THE FARM OPERATOR HAD STARTED RECEIVING TRAINING ON THE OPERATION OF THE WASTE TREATMENT SYSTEM LAST MONTH.

THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS ARE AIMED AT ENABLING LIVESTOCK FARMERS, WHO WISH TO CONTINUE BUSINESS IN THE CONTROL AREAS, TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE VARIOUS TREATMENT METHODS WHICH CAN HELP THEM COMPLY WITH ANTI-POLLUTION REQUIREMENTS.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS ALSO DISCUSSED THE PROBLEMS IN SOME OF THE PRIVATE FARMS TAKING PART IN THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS AND SUGGESTED WAYS TO RESOLVE THEM.

AFTER THE MEETING, MEMBERS OF THE STEERING GROUP VISITED A PIG FARM IN SHEUNG SHUI AND A POULTRY FARM IN FANLING TO MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS THERE.

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AIDS EXHIBITION IN WAN CHAI  
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A THREE-DAY EXHIBITION ON AIDS WILL BEGIN ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 5) AT THE CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH IN WAN CHAI.

THE EXHIBITION IS THE THIRD IN A SERIES OF MOBILE EXHIBITIONS ORGANISED BY THE STEERING COMMITTEE ON AIDS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES.

"THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE EXHIBITION IS TO INCREASE COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING AIDS ESPECIALLY AMONG THE YOUNG PEOPLE," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE STEERING COMMITTEE SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

"IT ALSO AIMS AT FOSTERING A POSITIVE, SYMPATHETIC AND SUPPORTIVE ATTITUDE IN THE COMMUNITY TOWARDS AIDS PATIENTS AND CARRIERS," HE ADDED.

THE EXHIBITION, BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE AIDS COUNSELLING AND HEALTH EDUCATION SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, COVERS VARIOUS ASPECTS OF AIDS.

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APART FROM SHOWING THE WORLDWIDE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE, IT ALSO ILLUSTRATES HOW AIDS THREATENS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND THE WAYS IN WHICH THIS CAN BE COUNTERED.

MEDICAL STAFF WILL BE PRESENT AT THE EXHIBITION TO GIVE ADVICE AND ANSWER PUBLIC ENQUIRIES.

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION LEAFLETS ON AIDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO VISITORS, WHO WILL ALSO HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN HANDSOME PRIZES BY ANSWERING A QUIZ DESIGNED TO TEST THEIR KNOWLEDGE ON AIDS.

THE EXHIBITION WILL RUN UNTIL SUNDAY (JANUARY 7). THE NEXT ONE WILL BE HELD FROM JANUARY 12 TO 14 ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF CITYPLAZA 1, TAIKOO SHING.

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EARLY WELFARE PAYMENT

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RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND SPECIAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE HOLDING CASH ORDER BOOKS MAY RECEIVE EARLIER WELFARE PAYMENT IF THEIR PAY DAY FALLS ON THE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS BETWEEN JANUARY 26 AND 29.

A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THESE RECIPIENTS MAY CASH THEIR COUPONS FROM JANUARY 22 TO 25, OR AFTER THE HOLIDAYS AT THEIR DESIGNATED POST OFFICES, THE DEPARTMENT'S NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT OFFICES AND TREASURY SUB-OFFICES.

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BLANKETS FOR STREET SLEEPERS

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A TOTAL OF 160 FIELD STAFF OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT MOUNTED A TERRITORY-WIDE OPERATION TO DISTRIBUTE BLANKETS TO STREET SLEEPERS LAST (TUESDAY) NIGHT.

A TOTAL OF 534 BLANKETS AND SLEEPING BAGS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO 509 STREET SLEEPERS. THEY INCLUDED 172 STREET SLEEPERS ON HONG KONG ISLAND, 57 IN EAST KOWLOON, 246 IN WEST KOWLOON, 28 IN NEW TERRITORIES EAST AND SIX IN NEW TERRITORIES WEST.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN SHAU KEI WAN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE SLIP-ROAD LEADING FROM SHING TAI ROAD, HENG FA CHUEN TO ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR WESTBOUND, AND THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR GROUND LEVEL ROAD BETWEEN MONG LUNG STREET AND ITS EASTERN JUNCTION WITH A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD IN SHAU KEI WAN WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 5).

ALSO, SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST NORTH OF KAM WA STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND, AND KAM WA STREET BETWEEN MONG LUNG STREET AND SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR GROUND LEVEL ROAD BETWEEN MONG LUNG STREET AND ITS EASTERN JUNCTION WITH A KUNG NGAM VILLAGE ROAD WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR PUBLIC LIGHT BUS BAN ZONE.

ALL PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES, EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE ZONE 24 HOURS DAILY.

THE EXISTING PUBLIC LIGHT BUS BAN ZONE IN SHAU KEI WAN MAIN STREET EAST NORTHBOUND FROM FACTORY STREET TO KAM WA STREET WILL BE CANCELLED.

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SPEED LIMIT ON CASTLE PEAK ROAD

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT WITH EFFECT FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (JANUARY 5), THE SECTION OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN 14 MILESTONE, TSING LUNG TAU AND 15 MILESTONE, KA LOON TSUEN WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 50 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

THE EXISTING 70 KILOMETRES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT RESTRICTED ZONE ON THIS SECTION OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD WILL BE RESCINDED.

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