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HK'S INVESTMENT IN SHENZHEN BENEFICIAL TO BOTH SIDES

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HONG KONG'S INVESTMENT IN SHENZHEN, BELIEVED TO BE ABOUT 70 PER CENT IN THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE, IS BENEFICIAL TO BOTH SIDES, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER HIS RETURN FROM A ONE-DAY VISIT TO THE SEZ AT THE INVITATION OF THE MAYOR OF SHENZHEN, MR LI HAO, THE GOVERNOR SAID HE WAS STRUCK BY HOW MUCH SHENZHEN HAD DEVELOPED, INCLUDING THE SHEKOU AREA.

SIR DAVID SAID HE DISCUSSED MATTERS OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN HONG KONG AND SHENZHEN.

"I WAS TOLD BY THE SHENZHEN AUTHORITIES THAT OVER 70 PER CENT OF THE INVESTMENT IN THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE COMES FROM HONG KONG," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID HE REFLECTED THAT IT WAS GOOD FOR BOTH SIDES THAT THERE WAS THIS INVESTMENT.

"THEY BENEFIT FROM IT. WE IN HONG KONG BENEFIT, PARTICULARLY NOW WHEN WE HAVE A LABOUR SHORTAGE AND WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF PROCESSING A LOT OF OUR GOODS IN QUANGDONG PROVINCE AND IN SHENZHEN.

"THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HAS ENABLED US TO KEEP UP SUCH HIGH RATES OF GROWTH OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS," SIR DAVID SAID.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO DISCUSSED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS AT MAN KAM TO AND SHA TAU KOK BORDER CROSSINGS, WITH MAN KAM TO BEING VERY CROWDED.

"I WAS SUGGESTING THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO PUT SOME OF THE TRAFFIC ROUND SHA TAU KOK," SIR DAVID SAID.

"WE TALKED ABOUT PLANS FOR IMPROVING CUSTOMS FACILITIES AND PARKING FACILITIES ON THEIR SIDE, AT MAN KAM TO, AND OUR PLANS FOR WIDENING THE ROAD ON OUR SIDE," HE ADDED.

"WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE NEW BRIDGE AT LOK MA CHAU. THAT'LL COME INTO SERVICE NEXT YEAR. FIRST ONE BRIDGE AND THEN ABOUT NINE MONTHS LATER A SECOND BRIDGE IN THE SAME PLACE," SIR DAVID SAID.

"AT THAT POINT, THERE WILL BE CROSSING FACILITIES FOR ABOUT 50,000 VEHICLES A YEAR, WHICH WILL BE MORE THAN ADEQUATE TO MEET DEMAND," HE SAID.

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JLG TO REVIEW WORK OF EXPERT MEETINGS  
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THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT LIAISON GROUP ON HONG KONG WILL IN THEIR FORTHCOMING MEETING REVIEW THE WORK DONE IN THE VARIOUS EXPERT MEETINGS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THE LAST MEETING OF THE JLG, THE SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BRITISH TEAM, MR ROBIN MCLAREN, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT ON HIS ARRIVAL FROM LONDON, MR MCLAREN SAID THESE EXPERT MEETINGS INCLUDED ONE WHICH DEALT WITH THE RETURN OF FUGITIVE OFFENDERS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES, ONE TO CONSIDER THE LOCALISATION OF CIVIL AVIATION LEGISLATIONS AND THE USUAL MEETING OF THE SUB-GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, WHICH CONSIDERED HONG KONG'S STATUS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS.

HE SAID: "I CAN ALSO SAY, BECAUSE IT IS VERY OBVIOUS, WE SHALL BE DISCUSSING PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD AFTER JULY 1 THIS YEAR WHEN THE JLG ESTABLISHES ITS PRINCIPAL BASE IN HONG KONG.

"THAT IS NOT OF COURSE AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST BECAUSE AS I SAY, THE AGENDA IS CONFIDENTIAL, THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER THINGS WHICH WE SHALL BE DISCUSSING. BUT AT LEAST THIS WILL GIVE YOU AN IDEA SOME OF THE THINGS WHICH WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT," HE NOTED.

DURING THE NEXT FEW DAYS, MR MCLAREN SAID HE WOULD BE ENGAGED IN VERY THOROUGH PREPARATION FOR THE JLG MEETING ALONG WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH TEAM FROM LONDON, HONG KONG AND THE BRITISH EMBASSY IN PEKING.

HE SAID: "WE SHALL BE WORKING VERY HARD TO ENSURE A GOOD JLG MEETING. NEXT WEEK, WE'RE VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD RENEWING CONTACT WITH AMBASSADOR KE ZAISHUO AND THE CHINESE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM.

"AND I'M SURE WE'LL HAVE A VERY PRODUCTIVE MEETING," HE ADDED.

IN REPLY TO A QUESTION, MR MCLAREN SAID THE JLG WOULD NOT DISCUSS HONG KONG'S DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT TALKS WITH BRITAIN AS THIS WAS A MATTER BETWEEN THE BRITISH AND HONG KONG GOVERNMENTS.

"AND IT'S NOT A SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION IN THE JOINT LIAISON GROUP," HE NOTED.

ARRIVING FROM LONDON WITH MR MCLAREN WERE MR CHRISTOPHER HUM, THE HEAD OF THE HONG KONG DEPARTMENT IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND A FULL MEMBER OF THE BRITISH SIDE OF THE JLG, AND MR CHRIS WOOD, A FORMER ASSISTANT POLITICAL ADVISER AND CURRENTLY A SECTION HEAD IN THE HONG KONG DEPARTMENT, FCO.

THEY WERE MET AT THE AIRPORT BY THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR DICK CLIFT AND THE SECRETARY FOR GENERAL DUTIES, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM.

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FILM CENSORSHIP BILL 1988 TO BE GAZETTED  
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THE FILM CENSORSHIP BILL 1988, WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF A THREE-TIER SYSTEM OF FILM CLASSIFICATION, WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TOMORROW (FRIDAY). IT WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON MARCH 9.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE BILL REFLECTED MANY OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED DURING THE PUBLIC CONSULTATIVE PROCESS WHICH FIRST STARTED ON APRIL 3 LAST YEAR WITH THE PUBLICATION OF A DRAFT BILL FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION AND COMMENT.

"IN LIGHT OF THE COMMENTS RECEIVED A REVISED DRAFT BILL WAS PUBLISHED FOR FURTHER COMMENT ON NOVEMBER 5, 1987.

"THE PUBLISHED BILL IS THE PRODUCT OF THIS INTENSIVE CONSULTATIVE EXERCISE WHICH INVOLVED THE LEGCO AD HOC GROUP ON FILM CLASSIFICATION, AND CENSORSHIP, DISTRICT BOARDS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FILM INDUSTRY AND INTERESTED GROUPS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY," HE SAID.

AS REGARDS THE FILM CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM, THE BILL PROPOSES THAT FILMS INTENDED FOR EXHIBITION WOULD BE CLASSIFIED BY THE CENSOR INTO THE FOLLOWING THREE CATEGORIES: -

- CATEGORY I - APPROVED FOR EXHIBITION TO PERSONS OF ANY AGE;
- CATEGORY II - APPROVED FOR EXHIBITION TO PERSONS OF ANY AGE SUBJECT TO THE CONDITION THAT ANY ADVERTISING MATERIAL WHICH RELATES TO THE FILM SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OR A NOTICE TO THE LIKE EFFECT, IN BLOCK LETTERS AND CHINESE CHARACTERS PROMINENTLY AND LEGIBLY DISPLAYED - "NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN".
- CATEGORY III - APPROVED FOR EXHIBITION ONLY TO PERSONS WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE AGE OF 18.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CRITERIA FOR CENSORING FILMS HAD BEEN MODIFIED AND THE PROPOSALS REPRESENTED A MORE LIBERAL APPROACH.

"THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT ADVERTISING MATERIAL IN THE FORM OF POSTERS, NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS AND SO ON FOR EXAMINATION OR EXEMPTION FROM EXAMINATION HAS BEEN DROPPED," HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE PROPOSED CATEGORY III CLASSIFICATION WOULD PERMIT THE RESTRICTED VIEWING OF FILMS WHICH HITHERTO COULD NOT BE APPROVED FOR EXHIBITION.

THE BILL ALSO PROPOSES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOARD OF REVIEW, CHAIRED BY A NON-OFFICIAL WITH NINE OTHER PERSONS (FIVE OF WHOM SHALL BE NON-OFFICIALS). FILM DISTRIBUTORS, THE FILM CENSORSHIP AUTHORITY AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

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HK'S ROLE IN COMBATting INTERNATIONAL DRUG TRAFFICKING

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HONG KONG HAS A LONG RECORD OF CLOSE CO-OPERATION AND SUCCESS WITH U.S. LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN FIGHTING DRUG TRAFFICKING, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR MICHAEL THOMAS, SAID IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY (MARCH 2, WASHINGTON TIME).

SPEAKING BEFORE A DISTINGUISHED GATHERING OF LEADING INTERNATIONAL JURISTS AND NARCOTIC EXPERTS AT THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA, MR THOMAS SAID HONG KONG LAW MADE PROVISION FOR TRACING ILL-GOTTEN GAINS.

"A HONG KONG COURT MAY COMPEL A BANK OFFICIAL TO GIVE EVIDENCE AND PRODUCE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO BANK ACCOUNTS RELEVANT TO CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN OR ARE LIKELY TO BE INSTITUTED IN A FOREIGN JURISDICTION," HE SAID.

"GENERALLY SPEAKING, HONG KONG'S BANKING SYSTEM IS NO MORE PROTECTIVE, BY WAY OF 'SECRECY' PROVISIONS, THAN THE BANKING SYSTEMS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS," HE ADDED.

MR THOMAS SAID HONG KONG WAS CURRENTLY DEALING WITH 20 SUCH REQUESTS FROM THE U.S., SIX OF THEM CONCERNING DRUG-RELATED MATTERS. IN THE LAST THREE YEARS HONG KONG HAD PROCESSED SIX EXTRADITION REQUESTS FROM THE U.S. INVOLVING DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENDERS.

"HONG KONG IS FULLY COMMITTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL WAR AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING," HE SAID.

"WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON A DRAFT OF A MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE TREATY WITH THE U.S., AND SUPPORTIVE LEGISLATION, WHICH WILL FURTHER ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ARRANGEMENTS WE ALREADY HAVE TO DEAL WITH DRUG-MONEY LAUNDERING."

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ALSO NOTED THAT HONG KONG AND U.S. POLICE AND CUSTOMS AGENCIES CO-OPERATED INFORMALLY IN THE EXCHANGE OF INTELLIGENCE AND INFORMATION ON DRUG TRAFFICKING.

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INCREASES IN POSTAL RATES AND FEES  
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CERTAIN POSTAL RATES, AND TELECOMMUNICATION AND MISCELLANEOUS FEES WILL BE INCREASED FROM SEPTEMBER 1 AS ANNOUNCED IN THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S BUDGET SPEECH YESTERDAY (WEDNESDAY).

THESE RATES AND FEES WERE LAST INCREASED ON SEPTEMBER 2, 1985.

THE RATES FOR ALL LOCAL AND SURFACE LETTER MAIL AND PRINTED PAPERS WILL BE INCREASED, THE BASIC RATE INCREASE BEING 10 CENTS.

THE ONLY CHANGE BEING MADE TO AIRMAIL RATES WILL BE A 10 CENT INCREASE AT ALL WEIGHT STEPS. THIS MEANS THAT THE BASIC RATES FOR ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 WILL BE \$1.40 AND \$1.80 RESPECTIVELY.

THE EXPRESS FEE WILL BE INCREASED FROM \$4 TO \$5 AND THE REGISTRATION FEE FROM \$5 TO \$7.

ALL TELECOMMUNICATION FEES WILL BE INCREASED, FROM THE SAME DATE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM  
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FIXED STATION - FROM \$680 TO \$750

MOBILE STATION - FROM \$270 TO \$300

RADIO PAGING SYSTEM  
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FIXED TRANSMITTING STATION - FROM \$680 TO \$750

RECEIVING STATION - FROM \$70 TO \$80

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LUNAR NEW YEAR BORDER CROSSING FIGURES RELEASED  
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DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 13 TO 21, 577,400 PEOPLE WENT TO CHINA AND 317,000 RETURNED TO HONG KONG BY CROSSING THE BORDER AT LOWU, AND ON FEBRUARY 21, A RECORD OF 129,000 PASSENGERS CROSSED THE BRIDGE.

REVEALING THE ABOVE FIGURE, MR CHAN PO-KWONG, POLICE DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, BORDER, SAID: +OUR OFFICERS HAVE EXERCISED FULLY THEIR CROWD CONTROL TECHNIQUES. ASSISTANCE WAS ALSO SOUGHT FROM POLICE TACTICAL UNIT, EMERGENCY UNIT AND AUXILIARY POLICE STAFF.

+ON AVERAGE, THE DAILY BORDER CROSSING MOVEMENT IS IN THE REGION OF 50,000 AND THE HIGHEST RECORDED WAS 140,000.

+THERE HAS BEEN AN UPWARD TREND IN THE TOTAL PASSENGER MOVEMENT FIGURE FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. IT ROSE FROM 17,700,000 IN 1985 TO 18,800,000 IN 1986 AND 22,900,000 LAST YEAR.

+IN ADDITION TO THE PASSENGER TRAFFIC, SOME 60 PER CENT OF THE LIVESTOCK AND BULK OF CHINESE PRODUCTS IMPORTED INTO HONG KONG ARE BROUGHT ACROSS LO WU BRIDGE BY GOODS TRAINS.

+AND SOME 30 PER CENT ARE BROUGHT ACROSS THE BORDER BY VEHICLES USING MAN KAM TO BRIDGE.

+THE DAILY AVERAGE OF VEHICLES PASSING THE CROSSING POINT AT MAN KAM TO ROAD HAS INCREASED FROM SOME 4,000 TO 8,400 WITHIN 20 MONTHS.

+ON DECEMBER 31 LAST YEAR, A RECORD HIGH OF 9,460 VEHICLES WAS COUNTED, PROBABLY DUE TO THE FULFILMENT OF TRADING QUOTAS.+

INTRODUCING THE AREA, MR CHAN SAID: +THE POPULATION OF THE FRONTIER CLOSED AREA IS ABOUT 18,000. THE MAIN CONCENTRATIONS ARE IN SHA TAU KOK VILLAGE ON THE EAST COAST. THE MAJORITY ARE HAKKA FARMERS AND HOKLO FISHERMEN.

+THE REMAINDER OF THE AREA IS SPARSELY POPULATED WITH SOME 13,000 PEOPLE RESIDING IN 30 SMALL VILLAGES.

+MANY OF THE YOUNGER GENERATION HAVE EMIGRATED AND THE BULK OF POPULATION ARE ELDERLY WHO RELY MAINLY UPON REMITTANCES FROM ABROAD FOR THEIR EXISTENCE.+

ANYONE ENTERING THE CLOSED AREA IS REQUIRED TO POSSESS A FRONTIER CLOSED AREA PERMIT. A CURFEW IS MAINTAINED WITHIN THE CLOSED AREA BETWEEN MIDNIGHT AND 4 AM DAILY. CURFEW PASSES ARE REQUIRED IN CASES OF NECESSITY.

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PERMITS ARE NORMALLY ISSUED AT FRONTIER POLICE HEADQUARTERS. HOWEVER, PERMITS CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED FROM POLICE HEADQUARTERS, ARSENAL STREET, AND RESIDENTS' PERMITS CAN BE RENEWED AT THE APPROPRIATE FRONTIER SUB-DIVISIONAL POLICE STATIONS.

MR CHAN REGARDED THE BORDER FENCE AS SERVING AN EFFECTIVE COUNTER AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION.

THE CURRENT MAIN BORDER FENCE, WHICH WAS COMPLETED IN 1983, IS 18 MILES LONG AND 15 FEET HIGH.

THE ENTIRE FENCE IS EQUIPPED WITH AN ALARM PROTECTION SYSTEM WITH MONITORING STATIONS MANNED BY THE MILITARY.

SAID MR CHAN: +ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, OPERATIONS, ACTS AS A MILITARY LIAISON OFFICER. HE FREQUENTLY ATTENDS ARMY OPERATION MEETINGS, SO THAT BOTH HAVE UNDERSTANDING ON THE DEPLOYMENT OF STAFF AND TACTICS.

+REPATRIATION OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IS OUR DAILY WORK. ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE DETAINED AT SAN UK LING HOLDING CENTRE ARE REPATRIATED TO CHINA AFTER THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HAS DONE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION.

+THERE HAVE BEEN INCREASES IN REPATRIATION RATE FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. IT HAS GROWN FROM 16,000 IN 1985 TO 19,900 IN 1986 AND 27,000 LAST YEAR.+

ON NEW DEVELOPMENT MR CHAN REVEALED: +A NEW SHA TAU KOK POLICE POST HAS JUST BEEN OPENED AND THE BUILDING OF THE BORDER DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS WILL ALSO BE COMPLETED THIS MONTH.

+A LOK MA CHAU CROSS BORDER BRIDGE TO CHINA WHICH STARTED CONSTRUCTION IN 1986 IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED EARLY NEXT YEAR. THE CONSTRUCTION OF LOK MA CHAU BRANCH OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD IS UNDERWAY.

+BORDER AREA IS THE KEY POINT OF THE INCOMING AND OUTGOING OF PASSENGERS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA, AND OUR STAFF CONTINUE TO PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN MAINTAINING THE LAW AND ORDER OF THIS IMPORTANT PLACE.+

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IMPROVEMENTS AHEAD FOR SHA TIN DISTRICT

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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VICTOR YUNG, TODAY (THURSDAY) CALLED ON THE 90,000 REGISTERED ELECTORS IN SHA TIN TO VOTE IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

SPEAKING AT A SPRING RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, MR YUNG SAID SHA TIN HAD SHOWN STEADY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR AS A RESULT OF CO-OPERATION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND RESIDENTS.

"AN IMPORTANT JOB OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE THIS YEAR IS TO STRENGTHEN THE LINK WITH GRASSROOT ORGANISATIONS AND STEP UP ITS WORK IN COMMUNITY BUILDING," HE SAID.

HE NOTED THAT UNTIL NOW, THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAD ASSISTED WITH THE SETTING UP OF MORE THAN 220 MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND 24 OWNERS CORPORATIONS, AND THAT MORE SUCH BODIES WOULD BE SET UP THIS YEAR.

LOOKING AHEAD, MR YUNG SAID PROBLEMS IN THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING POLLUTION IN SHING MUN RIVER, SHORTAGE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES AND CONGESTION AT LION ROCK TUNNEL WOULD BE IMPROVED.

"TO IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY OF SHING MUN RIVER, DREDGING WORK AT THE RIVER HAS STARTED; THE DISCHARGE OF INDUSTRIAL EFFLUENT IS UNDER CONTROL; SLUDGE FROM THE SHA TIN WATER TREATMENT WORKS WILL BE TREATED FOR DISCHARGE IN TO THE SEA; AND THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL PROGRAMME WILL BE ENFORCED IN JUNE," HE SAID.

"ON THE PROVISION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES, 17 SCHOOLS WILL BE BUILT IN THE DISTRICT BY 1993. SHORT-TERM IMPROVEMENT MEASURES BEING TAKEN INCLUDE THE RUNNING OF MORE FORM ONE CLASSES, SETTING UP MORE REMEDIAL AND STANDARD CLASSROOMS, AND ADVANCING THE OPENING OF NEW SCHOOLS.

"IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE SHORTAGE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES WILL BE REDUCED FROM 2,300 IN 1987 TO ABOUT 880 BY 1993.

"ALSO, THE CONGESTION PROBLEM AT LION ROCK TUNNEL WILL BE RESOLVED WITH THE COMPLETION OF ROUTE 5 NEXT YEAR AND THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL IN 1991."

TODAY'S SPRING RECEPTION WAS ATTENDED BY DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, LOCAL DIGNITARIES, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES (SPECIAL DUTIES), MR LEO KWAN, WAS THE GUEST OF HONOUR.

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ELECTION EXHIBITION OPENS AT MTR STATION

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AN EXHIBITION PUBLICISING THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 10 WAS OPENED TODAY (THURSDAY) AT THE MTR MONG KOK STATION.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS BRENDA FUNG, URGED VOTERS IN THE MONG KOK EAST, WEST AND TAI KOK TSUI CONSTITUENCIES TO CAST THEIR VOTE ON THE POLLING DAY.

"AS REGISTERED VOTERS, THEY SHOULD EXERCISE THEIR CIVIC RIGHT TO CHOOSE THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO THE DISTRICT BOARD," SHE SAID.

ELECTIONS WILL ONLY BE HELD IN THREE OF THE SIX CONSTITUENCIES IN MONG KOK AS THE FIVE CANDIDATES FROM MONG KOK SOUTH, NORTH AND SYCAMORE ARE OPPOSED.

MRS FUNG POINTED OUT THAT ELECTIONS WILL START FROM 7.30 AM TILL 10.30 PM, AND VOTERS CAN ONLY POLL AT THE SPECIFIED POLLING STATIONS.

SHE REMINDED VOTERS TO BRING ALONG THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND POLL CARDS TO AVOID DELAY.

THE EXHIBITION, ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, FEATURES PHOTOGRAPHS, GRAPHIC DISPLAYS, ILLUSTRATIONS AND VIDEO BROADCAST TO PROMOTE THE ELECTION MESSAGE.

THE EXHIBITS ALSO DEPICT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME, ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DISTRICT.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD UNTIL MARCH 9.

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CYCLING PARADE TO PROMOTE DB ELECTIONS

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CYCLISTS AND RESIDENTS OF SHA TIN ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A LARGE-SCALE CYCLING PARADE AT THE CYCLE PARK, TAI WAI, ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5) MORNING TO PROMOTE THE COMING DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE SENIOR MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MISS LYDIA DUNN, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE PARADE, WHICH WILL FEATURE 11 TEAMS COMPRISING TVB ARTISTES, REPRESENTATIVES OF AREA COMMITTEES AND SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF.

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ALL CYCLISTS AND RESIDENTS WHO ATTEND THE FUNCTION WILL BE GIVEN SOUVENIRS BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VICTOR YUNG, AND TVB ARTISTES.

THE PARADE, WHICH WILL COVER THE NINE CONSTITUENCIES OF SHA TIN DISTRICT, WILL BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF A SERIES OF PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE.

A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID BANNERS AND POSTERS HAD BEEN PUT UP IN STRATEGIC POINTS IN THE DISTRICT AND A PUBLICITY SIGNBOARD HAD BEEN ERECTED IN THE CYCLE PARK.

APPEAL LETTERS FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICER HAD BEEN SENT TO THE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, OWNERS CORPORATIONS, SCHOOLS, FACTORIES AND OTHER LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, IN ADDITION TO PUBLICITY MATERIALS SUCH AS POSTERS, MEMO PADS, BOOKMARKS AND ADDRESS BOOKS WHICH WERE SENT EARLIER.

ALL REGISTERED ELECTORS IN THE DISTRICT HAD ALSO RECEIVED A COPY OF A NEWSPAPER SUPPLEMENT ON THE COMING DB ELECTIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE CANDIDATES' PLATFORMS, CONSTITUENCY MAPS AND NOTE TO VOTERS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID A PUBLICITY VAN WOULD TOUR THE DISTRICT ON MARCH 6, 9 AND 10.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CYCLING PARADE ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE AT THE CYCLE PARK, TAI WAI, ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5).

THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VICTOR YUNG, AND TVB ARTISTES WILL DISTRIBUTE SOUVENIRS AT 9.30 AM. THE OPENING CEREMONY, TO BE OFFICIATED BY THE SENIOR MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MISS LYDIA DUNN, WILL TAKE PLACE AT 10 AM.

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CARTOON CHARACTERS HELP SPREAD ELECTION MESSAGE

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RESIDENTS OF YAU MA TEI WILL BE REMINDED TO VOTE ON MARCH 10 DURING A PARADE OF CARTOON CHARACTERS ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5) AFTERNOON.

A BUS DECORATED WITH BANNERS AND POSTERS WILL TAKE THE CARTOON CHARACTERS ON A DISTRICT TOUR. IT WILL STOP AT THE NEW WORLD CENTRE, URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, STAR FERRY CONCOURSE, PARK LANE BOULEVARD AND ARTHUR STREET.

APPEAL MESSAGES AND THE ELECTION THEME SONG WILL BE BROADCAST AT THE VARIOUS STOPS WHILE PUBLICITY PAMPHLETS AND BALL-PENS BEARING A "SUPPORT THE ELECTIONS" SLOGAN WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

THE PAMPHLETS CONTAINING INFORMATION ON THE VOTING PROCEDURES AND A MAP SHOWING THE DISTRICT'S SEVEN POLLING STATIONS ARE A HANDY GUIDE FOR ELECTORS.

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EXHIBITION TO PUBLICISE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS

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AN EXHIBITION TO PUBLICISE THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD FROM TODAY (THURSDAY) TO MARCH 9 ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF CITYPLAZA, PHASE II, TAIKOO SHING.

MOUNTED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE EXHIBITION WILL DISPLAY INFORMATION ON THE VOTING PROCEDURES AND ON THE DISTRICT'S 45 CANDIDATES.

MEANWHILE, A PUBLICITY LAUNCH WILL VISIT BOAT DWELLERS IN THE CAUSEWAY BAY TYPHOON SHELTER, ALDRICH BAY TYPHOON SHELTER AND CHAI WAN CARGO HANDLING BASIN ON MARCH 6 AND 10 TO REMIND REGISTERED ELECTORS TO CAST THEIR VOTES.

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ELECTORS REMINDED TO CAST VOTES

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REGISTERED ELECTORS WILL BE REMINDED TO CAST THEIR VOTES IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 10 THROUGH ANNOUNCEMENTS IN PUBLIC INTEREST (API'S) BROADCAST ON TELEVISION AND RADIO FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

A SERIES OF SEVEN COUNT-DOWN API'S HAVE BEEN PRODUCED TO PROMOTE THE VOTING MESSAGE.

ALSO, A VIDEO WALL TO BROADCAST THE API'S AND THE DISTRICT BOARD THEME SONG WILL BE SET UP AT THE NEW WORLD CENTRE ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5) AND SUNDAY.

SIMILAR MESSAGES WILL BE BROADCAST BY A 72-MONITOR VIDEO WALL AT TUEN MUN TOWN PLAZA FROM TOMORROW UNTIL MARCH 10.

APART FROM THE TERRITORY-WIDE ACTIVITIES, VARIOUS PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES INCLUDING FORUMS, CARNIVALS AND EXHIBITIONS ARE BEING ORGANISED AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL.

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SAI KUNG DB TO DISCUSS WHITE PAPER

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MEMBERS OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD WILL EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE WHITE PAPER ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AT A MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMME FOR THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE A REPORT BY THE BOARD'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, MR WAN YUET-KAU; THE PROGRESS REPORT OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE; AND THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD.

A MEMBER, MR HO KOON-SHUN, WILL RAISE A MOTION CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN. IT WILL START AT 10 AM.

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WORK OF ABERDEEN POLICE COMMENDED

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ABERDEEN POLICE WERE HONOURED TODAY (THURSDAY) FOR THEIR UNCEASING EFFORT IN IMPROVING THE LAW AND ORDER SITUATION IN WAH FU ESTATE.

AT A CEREMONY IN ABERDEEN POLICE STATION, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WAH FU AREA COMMITTEE AND SEVERAL LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENTED SOUVENIR BANNERS AND PLAQUES TO VARIOUS OFFICERS, TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION.

THE BANNERS AND PLAQUES WERE RECEIVED BY THE DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, MR FRANK MURPHY; THE ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, CRIME, MR YU MUN-WAH; THE ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL COMMANDER, OPERATION, MR GEORGE MUNRO; AND OFFICERS IN CHARGE OF THE UNIFORMED BRANCH AND CID SQUADS.

NOTING THAT A TOTAL OF 19 CRIMINAL CASES, MOST OF WHICH WERE BURGLARIES AND THEFTS FROM VEHICLES, HAD BEEN REPORTED IN WAH FU ESTATE IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, CHIEF INSPECTOR YU MUN-WAH POINTED OUT THAT THE CRIME FIGURE IN THE AREA HAD DROPPED BY OVER 50 PER CENT IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 1987.

MR YU SAID THE DOWNWARD TREND REFLECTED THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN POLICE AND LOCAL RESIDENTS IN FIGHTING CRIME.

HE REASSURED THE GATHERING THAT LAW ENFORCERS WOULD CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACTS WITH THE RESIDENTS, IN A BID TO MAKE THE ESTATE A CRIME-FREE PLACE TO LIVE IN.

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IMPROVEMENT WORKS ON TSAN YUK HOSPITAL

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TSAN YUK HOSPITAL IS SOON TO UNDERGO A TWO-AND-A-HALF-YEAR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME.

THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT WORKS.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INVOLVE MODIFICATIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE HOSPITAL BUILDING AND BUILDING SERVICES LAYOUTS AND SYSTEMS, PROVISION OF NEW BUILDING SERVICES INSTALLATIONS, CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW LIFT CORE, AND CONSTRUCTION OF PLANT ROOM AND OFFICE EXTENSIONS.

TENDERS FOR THE WORKS, SCHEDULED TO START IN JUNE, MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE NOON ON MARCH 18.

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AUXILIARY AIR FORCE LOOKING FOR RECRUITS

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THE ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE IS RECRUITING ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO BE TRAINED AS OBSERVER/CREWMAN ON ITS FLEET OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTERS.

THE RECRUITS WILL BE REQUIRED TO UNDERGO AN INITIAL INTENSIVE TRAINING COURSE WHICH NORMALLY LASTS FOR ONE YEAR.

THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN OBSERVER/CREWMAN INCLUDE PASSENGER HANDLING, PREPARATION AND CARRIAGE OF UNDERSLUNG LOADS, OPERATING AIRBORNE FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT, CASUALTY EVACUATION AND ACTING AS A WINCHMAN OR WINCH OPERATOR DURING SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

THE PAY SCALE FOR THE POST IS \$4,895 TO \$12,060 PER MONTH.

THE CANDIDATES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE GRADE E OR ABOVE IN FIVE SUBJECTS, INCLUDING ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SYLLABUS B), IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION, OR EQUIVALENT; AND THREE YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN OPERATING AIRCRAFT OR ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT.

THEY SHOULD ALSO HAVE GOOD PHYSIQUE AND EYE-SIGHT, GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF FIRST AID, AND SHOULD BE FLUENT IN SPOKEN ENGLISH AND CANTONESE.

APPLICATION FOR THE POST SHOULD BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE COMMANDING OFFICER, ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE, HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AIRPORT TUNNEL EAST EXIT, KOWLOON, BEFORE MARCH 7.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 3-7698418.

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MULTI-PURPOSE MARKET COMPLEX FOR YAU MA TEI

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A MODERN MULTI-PURPOSE MARKET COMPLEX WILL BE BUILT IN YAU MA TEI FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION WORKS.

LOCATED ON A 3,216-SQUARE-METRE SITE AT KWUN CHUNG STREET IN YAU MA TEI, THE COMPLEX WILL BE KNOWN AS THE URBAN COUNCIL KWUN CHUNG COMPLEX.

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IT WILL COMPRISE A HALF BASEMENT FOR PARKING, TWO STOREYS OF MARKET, ONE STOREY OF COOKED FOOD CENTRE, TWO STOREYS OF OFFICE SPACE AND TWO STOREYS OF SQUASH COURTS AND GAMES HALL.

THERE WILL ALSO BE AN INDOOR GAMES HALL AS WELL AS A LIGHT REFRESHMENT RESTAURANT.

THE MARKET AREA ALONE WILL EXCEED 6,000 SQUARE METRES.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO START NEXT MONTH AND TAKE TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE NOON ON MARCH 18.

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ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN NORTH POINT TO BE DEMOLISHED

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING THE CLOSURE OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES ON THE MAIN ROOF OF A BUILDING IN NORTH POINT SO THAT THEY CAN BE DEMOLISHED.

THIS FOLLOWS THE OWNERS' FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE IN AUGUST LAST YEAR REQUIRING THE DEMOLITION OF THE ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS.

THE STRUCTURES ARE ON THE MAIN ROOF OF A BUILDING AT 10-14 NORTH POINT ROAD, HONG KONG.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT ON MAY 3 WAS POSTED ON THE STRUCTURES TODAY (THURSDAY).

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WILL START ONCE THE CLOSURE ORDERS ARE MADE.

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URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION AND BRIDGE CLOSURE

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FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5), THE EXISTING 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY PUBLIC LIGHT BUS URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE SECTION OF CHUNG HAU STREET IN HO MAN TIN FROM ITS NORTHERN JUNCTION WITH HAU MAN STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 70 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CHUNG MAN STREET WILL BE CUT SHORT TO OPERATE BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM ONLY.

WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAY, NO PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO PICK UP OR SET DOWN PASSENGERS.

MEANWHILE, ON SUNDAY (MARCH 6), TSING YI BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED FOR SEVERAL HOURS IN ORDER TO MONITOR ITS STRUCTURE.

THE CLOSING TIME WILL BE FROM 12.30 AM TO 2.30 AM, 6.30 AM TO 7.30 AM AND 3 PM TO 4 PM.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE BRIDGE WILL BE RE-OPENED TO GENERAL TRAFFIC AT A FIVE-MINUTE INTERVAL AND IMMEDIATELY FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES.

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TEMPORARY RESTRICTED ZONES IN NORTH POINT

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TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS IN NORTH POINT WILL BE DESIGNATED AS 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY RESTRICTED ZONES FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 5) DURING THE PERIODS SPECIFIED BELOW:

- \* FORT STREET FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH NORTH VIEW STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 57 METRES WEST OF THAT JUNCTION FOR ABOUT 10 WEEKS; AND
- \* THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF NORTH VIEW STREET FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH FORT STREET TO A POINT ABOUT SIX METRES SOUTH OF THAT JUNCTION FOR ABOUT FIVE WEEKS.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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