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SUMMARY RESULTS ON THE 1980 SURVEY OF WHOLESALE, RETAIL AND IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS

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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY RELEASED SUMMARY RESULTS OF THE 1980 SURVEY OF WHOLESALE, RETAIL AND IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS. THIS SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED IN 1981 AND EARLY 1982 TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE STRUCTURE AND PERFORMANCE OF THIS SECTOR IN 1980 SO THAT ANALYSIS CAN BE MADE OF THE CHANGES SINCE 1979.

THE DATA COLLECTED IN THE SURVEY INCLUDED TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, NUMBER OF PERSONS ENGAGED, LABOUR COSTS, OPERATING EXPENSES, PURCHASES OF GOODS FOR SALE, STOCKS, SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS, AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

(A SUMMARY OF THE SURVEY RESULTS TOGETHER WITH THE COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 1979 AND 1980 IS SHOWN IN A STATISTICAL TABLE, WHICH IS BEING TRANSMITTED BY FACSIMILE NETWORK AND BOXED SEPARATELY).

THE SURVEY RESULTS INDICATED THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 65 900 ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE WHOLESALE, RETAIL AND IMPORT/EXPORT TRADES, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS SECTOR IN 1980, WITH A TOTAL OF 452 506 PERSONS ENGAGED, REPRESENTING INCREASES OF NINE PER CENT AND TEN PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER 1979. DURING 1980, THEY INCURRED EXPENDITURE OF $10 474 MILLION IN LABOUR COSTS, $18 835 MILLION IN OPERATING EXPENSES, AND $201 749 MILLION IN PURCHASES OF GOODS FOR SALE. WHEN COMPARED WITH 1979, THEY SHOWED INCREASES OF 31 PER CENT, 38 PER CENT AND 32 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

IN 1980, THIS SECTOR GENERATED $240 758 MILLION IN SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS, UP BY 33 PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH 1979. THE VALUE ADDED BY THE SECTOR, COMPRISING LABOUR COSTS, INTEREST PAYMENTS AND OPERATING SURPLUS, GREW BY 30 PER CENT TO $25 739 MILLION IN 1980 FROM $19 762 MILLION IN 1979. THIS VALUE ADDED REPRESENTED THE SECTOR'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF HONG KONG.

THE SURVEY ALSO REVEALED THAT IN 1980, SOME 55 PER CENT OF THE 65 900 ESTABLISHMENTS WERE IN RETAIL TRADE, EMPLOYING 31 PER CENT OF ALL THE PERSONS ENGAGED AND ACCOUNTING FOR 17 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS, AND 22 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED IN THE SECTOR.

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IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE, REPRESENTING 23 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS AND 26 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL WORKFORCE, REGISTERED THE LARGEST SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS AT $152 778 MILLION OR 63 PER CENT OF THE SECTOR TOTAL. IT CONTRIBUTED 51 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED IN THE SECTOR.

WHOLESALE TRADE, COMPRISING 14 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS AND 12 PER CENT OF THE SECTOR'S WORKFORCE, ACCOUNTED FOR 14 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS AND NINE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED IN THE SECTOR.

RESTAURANTS REPRESENTED SIX PER CENT AND HOTELS/BOARDING HOUSES ONE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS. THEY EMPLOYED 26 PER CENT AND FOUR PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OF THE TOTAL WORKFORCE. RESTAURANTS RECORDED FOUR PER CENT OF THE TOTAL SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS AND 13 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED. HOTELS/BOARDING HOUSES ACCOUNTED FOR ONE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS AND FIVE PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE ADDED.

IN TERMS OF SALES AND OTHER RECEIPTS, WHOLESALE TRADE ATTAINED THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INCREASE OF 47 PER CENT, FOLLOWED BY RETAIL TRADE (36 PER CENT), IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE (29 PER CENT), RESTAURANTS (26 PER CENT) AND HOTELS/BOARDING HOUSES (20 PER CENT).

WHOLESALE TRADE AGAIN RECORDED THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN VALUE ADDED OF 46 PER CENT, FOLLOWED BY IMPORT/EXPORT TRADE (30 PER CENT), RETAIL TRADE AND RESTAURANTS (EACH OF 28 PER CENT) AND HOTELS/BOARDING HOUSES (22 PER CENT).

THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS NOW PREPARING A REPORT ON THE 1980 SURVEY, WHICH WILL CONTAIN A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE RESULTS BY MAJOR TRADE GROUPS AND ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS. ENQUIRIES ON THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE WHOLESALE/RETAIL TRADE STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (TEL. NO. : 3-7216024).

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一九七九年與一九八〇年批發零售等業按行業分析業績撮要統計數字
Summary statistics for reporting establishments analysed by activity for 1979 & 1980

Activity 行業		No. of establishments 機構數目	No. of persons engaged 僱員人數	Labour costs 工資成本	Operating expenses 雜項支出	Purchases of goods for sale 購入供銷售用貨物總值	Changes in stocks 存貨帳面值變動	Sales and other receipts 銷售及其他收益	Value added 生產增值	Interest payments * 利息支付
				百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million	百萬元計 $ Million
Wholesale trade 批發業	1979	8 122	45 658	737	1 174	20 624	288	23 103	1 668	101
	1980	9 416	53 831	1 032	1 589	30 709	588	34 037	2 430	180
	% change 百分率變動	+ 16%	+ 18%	+ 40%	+ 35%	+ 49%	+ 104%	+ 47%	+ 46%	+ 78%
Retail trade 零售業	1979	33 744	129 694	1 774	2 723	25 123	1 133	30 934	4 370	228
	1980	36 143	141 485	2 306	3 718	34 357	1 396	42 063	5 614	356
	% change 百分率變動	+ 7%	+ 9%	+ 30%	+ 37%	+ 37%	+ 23%	+ 36%	+ 28%	+ 56%
Import/Export trade 出入口業	1979	13 671	104 801	3 004	7 583	103 479	2 825	118 044	10 086	1 614
	1980	15 407	118 145	4 115	10 827	132 032	2 556	152 778	13 105	2 451
	% change 百分率變動	+ 13%	+ 13%	+ 37%	+ 43%	+ 28%	- 10%	+ 29%	+ 30%	+ 52%
Restaurants 酒樓餐廳	1979	3 949	113 239	2 112	1 558	3 583	43	7 681	2 600	30
	1980	4 216	119 772	2 571	1 993	4 395	37	9 669	3 323	27
	% change 百分率變動	+ 7%	+ 6%	+ 22%	+ 28%	+ 23%	- 14%	+ 26%	+ 28%	- 10%
Hotels/boarding houses 酒店/旅館	1979	770	18 702	387	618	220	6	1 845	1 038	49
	1980	732	19 273	449	708	257	7	2 211	1 266	45
	% change 百分率變動	- 5%	+ 3%	+ 16%	+ 15%	+ 17%	+ 17%	+ 20%	+ 22%	- 8%
Total 總數	1979	60 206	412 094	8 013	13 657	153 029	4 295	181 606	19 762	2 022
	1980	65 915	452 506	10 474	18 835	201 749	4 582	240 758	25 739	3 059
	% change 百分率變動	+ 9%	+ 10%	+ 31%	+ 38%	+ 32%	+ 7%	+ 33%	+ 30%	+ 51%

* Included in operating expenses. 已包括在雜項支出內。

ADVICE ON SAFETY IN SCHOOL LABORATORIES

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SUPERVISORS, SCHOOL HEADS, SCIENCE TEACHERS AND LABORATORY TECHNICIANS WERE URGED TODAY BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO SAFETY IN SCHOOL LABORATORIES.

IF A SCIENCE LABORATORY IS USED AS A CLASSROOM FOR NON-SCIENCE LESSONS DUE TO FLOATING CLASS ARRANGEMENTS, THE TEACHER INVOLVED SHOULD SEE TO IT THAT THE STUDENTS DO NOT ENTER THE LABORATORY UNLESS HE IS PRESENT AND THAT THEY DO NOT DISTURB OR REMOVE ANY OF THE SCIENCE MATERIALS IN THE LABORATORY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

EVERY LABORATORY SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH AT LEAST ONE APPROPRIATE FIRE EXTINGUISHER WHICH IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE, A FIRE BLANKET AND A BUCKET OF SAND.

WHENEVER A LABORATORY IS NOT IN USE, ITS GAS AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES SHOULD BE SWITCHED OFF AT THE MAINS, HE ADVISED.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO SAID THAT STUDENTS SHOULD BE TAUGHT HOW TO EVACUATE FROM A LABORATORY IN THE EVENT OF FIRE.

+IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ANY SUCH EVACUATION BE CARRIED OUT IN AN ORDERLY, CONTROLLED MANNER, AND THAT EVERYTHING BE DONE TO AVOID PANIC,+ HE SAID.

RECORDS SHOWED THAT ACCIDENTS IN SCHOOL LABORATORIES WERE MOSTLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE PREPARATION AND BURNING OF HYDROGEN, MIXING WATER WITH CONCENTRATED SULPHURIC ACID, MIXING CONCENTRATED ACIDS WITH POTASSIUM PERMANGANATE, GRINDING OR WARMING A MIXTURE OF AN OXIDIZING AGENT WITH CARBON OR SULPHUR PREPARATION OF CHLORINE AND HYDROGEN SULPHIDE, HANDLING OF BROMINE, SODIUM OR POTASSIUM, HEATING OF ALCOHOLS AND THE STORAGE OF YELLOW OR RED PHOSPHORUS, PHOSPHORUS TRICHLORIDE OR PHOSPHORUS PENTACHLORIDE.

+SCIENCE TEACHERS, LABORATORY STAFF AND PUPILS ARE THEREFORE STRONGLY ADVISED TO EXERCISE SPECIAL CARE AND TAKE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS WHEN PERFORMING THESE EXPERIMENTS AND WHEN HANDLING THESE CHEMICALS.

+THE ATTENTION OF SCIENCE TEACHERS AND LABORATORY TECHNICIANS IS ALSO DRAWN TO THE USE OF BENZENE, WHICH IS A SUSPECTED CARCINOGEN.

+CARCINOGENS CAN ENTER THE BODY NOT ONLY BY INGESTION, BUT ALSO BY INHALATION AND SKIN ABSORPTION. IN GENERAL, EFFECTS OF CHEMICAL CARCINOGENS ARE LONG-TERM AND INSIDIOUS, RATHER THAN IMMEDIATE AND OBVIOUS.

+BASED ON SAFETY GROUNDS, THE STORAGE, ISSUE AND USE OF CORROSIVE, POISONOUS AND CARCINOGENIC SUBSTANCES LIKE BROMINE, CONCENTRATED ACIDS AND ALKALIS AND BENZENE SHOULD ALWAYS BE SUPERVISED BY THE SENIOR SCIENCE TEACHERS OF THE SCHOOL,+ HE SAID.

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AN OUTLINE OF THE ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MINIMISING THE POSSIBILITY OF ACCIDENTS IN A SCIENCE LABORATORY IS CONTAINED IN THE PAMPHLET +SAFETY IN THE LABORATORY+ PUBLISHED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT SOME LOCAL SCIENCE PUBLICATIONS CARRIED MANY CHEMISTRY EXPERIMENTS WHICH CAN BE PERFORMED AT HOME BY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

+SOME OF THESE EXPERIMENTS ARE POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AND IT IS ESSENTIAL TO REMIND STUDENTS REPEATEDLY THAT SUCH HAZARDOUS EXPERIMENTS SHOULD NOT BE PERFORMED BY THEMSELVES AT HOME,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

GREAT CARE MUST BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT EVEN IF STUDENTS ARE TO CARRY OUT SIMPLE EXPERIMENTS ON THEIR OWN OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL, THEY SHOULD FIRST SEEK THE ADVICE OF THEIR SCIENCE TEACHERS ON THE NATURE OF THESE EXPERIMENTS, HE SAID.

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NEW BASKETBALL TEAMS FOR TSUEN WAN

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THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED $250 000 THIS YEAR TO PROMOTE INTEREST IN BASKETBALL AMONG RESIDENTS AT PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOUSING ESTATES IN THE DISTRICT.

THE FUNDS WILL BE SPENT MAINLY ON A TARGET NUMBER OF 60 BASKETBALL TEAMS TO BE FORMED FOR TRAINING AND INTER-ESTATE COMPETITIONS.

APPLICATIONS ARE BEING INVITED FROM RESIDENT GROUPS TO FORM THE NEW TEAMS.

AN ORGANISING GROUP, COMPRISING DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICIALS FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE RECREATION AND CULTURE AND NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENTS, HAS BEEN FORMED.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP SAID TODAY THAT THE SPORTS PROMOTION SCHEME WAS FIRST LAUNCHED LAST YEAR WHEN 39 TEAMS, ALL OF THEM FROM PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, WERE FORMED.

+WE THINK IT IS WORTHWHILE TO CONTINUE THE SCHEME FOR ANOTHER YEAR AND TO EXTEND IT TO COVER PRIVATE HOUSING ESTATES,+ HE SAID.

TRAINING FOR THE TEAMS WILL BEGIN LATER THIS MONTH UNTIL NOVEMBER, WHILE INTER-ESTATE COMPETITIONS WILL BE HELD BETWEEN DECEMBER AND NEXT MARCH.

COACHING, BASKETBALLS AND T-SHIRTS WILL BE PROVIDED FREE TO EACH TEAM.

APPLICATIONS FOR FORMING THE TEAMS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH LOCAL MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND COMPLETED FORMS, ENDORSED BY CHAIRMEN OF THESE COMMITTEES, MUST BE RETURNED TO THE TOWN MANAGEMENT OFFICES OF TSUEN WAN AND KWAI CHUNG BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15.

THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE ARE ALSO TAKING PART IN THE SCHEME.

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SCHEME FOR WATER SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS

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THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT'S RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE IS RUNNING A SPORT SCHEME AT ITS TAI MEI TUK WATER SPORT CENTRE WHEREBY PEOPLE ABOVE 14 MAY USE THE CENTRE'S FACILITIES ON WEEKDAYS OTHER THAN MONDAYS.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (MONDAY), AN RSS SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE SCHEME IS OPEN TO QUALIFIED SAILORS OF DINGHIES, CANOES AND CHINESE RACING BOATS.+

UNDER THE SCHEME, PARTICIPANTS MAY MAKE BOOKINGS BY TELEPHONE AT LEAST ONE DAY IN ADVANCE INSTEAD OF HAVING TO TRAVEL ALL THE WAY TO THE CENTRE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS,+ THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT.

ON JOINING, PARTICIPANTS WILL EACH RECEIVE A MEMBERSHIP CARD AND 15 COUPONS WHICH WILL ENTITLE THEM TO USE THE CENTRE'S LOCKERS, CANTEEN, SHOWER ROOM AND OTHER FACILITIES.

DINGHIES, CANOES AND CHINESE RACING BOATS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR RENT AT $3 TO $10 PER DAY.

APPLICANTS MUST HOLD RECOGNISED CERTIFICATES OR HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED TRAINING COURSES ORGANISED BY RSS, THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED.

MEMBERS MAY BRING ALONG GUESTS WHO MUST BE ABLE TO SWIM 50 METRES. GUEST COUPONS WILL COST $1 EACH.

THE SCHEME IS ALSO OPEN TO GROUPS OF AT LEAST TEN APPLICANTS EACH.

IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT QUALIFIED APPLICANTS IN A GROUP, THE TAI PO RSS DISTRICT OFFICE MAY RUN TRAINING COURSES FOR THEM.

THE SCHEME WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN TWO PHASES.

PHASE ONE COVERS OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER THIS YEAR WHILE PHASE TWO IS FROM JANUARY TO MARCH, 1983.

ENTRANCE FEE IS $15 PER INDIVIDUAL OR $150 PER GROUP.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE RSS HEADQUARTERS AT 11 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, 11TH FLOOR, WING ON CENTRE, OR FROM ANY OF ITS 19 DISTRICT OFFICES.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES MAY BE MADE BY DIALING 0-6577111, EXTENSION 140-141.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICES OFFICERS COMPLETE LEADERSHIP TRAINING

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FOURTEEN OFFICERS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATES TODAY (MONDAY) ON COMPLETION OF AN IN-SERVICE LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE.

CAPTAIN T. CARR, MASTER-AT-ARMS OF THE ARMY PHYSICAL TRAINING CORPS, PRESENTED THE CERTIFICATES AT A CEREMONY HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY.

THE EIGHT-DAY INTENSIVE COURSE, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE BRITISH FORCES AND THE DEPARTMENT, WAS DESIGNED TO HELP INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TO ACHIEVE A GREATER DEGREE OF PHYSICAL INDEPENDENCE.

THE COURSE, CONDUCTED BY INSTRUCTORS FROM THE BRITISH FORCES PHYSICAL AND ADVENTUROUS TRAINING CENTRE IN HONG KONG, COVERED A WIDE RANGE OF INDOOR AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING LAND AND SEA EXPEDITIONS, CANOEING, ROCK CLIMBING AND DEEP WATER RESCUE.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN TSUEN WAN

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CASTLE PEAK ROAD IN TSUEN WAN BETWEEN SHING MUN ROAD AND THE WESTERN SLIP ROAD OF KWOK SHUI ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1.30 AM TO 5.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 8) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE.

DURING THE CLOSURE, EASTBOUND TRAFFIC ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SHING MUN ROAD, CHEUNG PEI SHAN INTERCHANGE, TEXACO ROAD AND KWOK SHUI ROAD.

WESTBOUND TRAFFIC WILL USE KWOK SHUI ROAD, TSUEN FU STREET AND TSUEN WAH STREET.

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URBAN CLEARWAY IN SHAM SHUI PO

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CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON CHEUNG SHA WAN ROAD BETWEEN NAM CHEONG STREET AND YEN CHOW STREET IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE LIFTED DURING OFF PEAK PERIODS FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 9).

THE NEW OPERATING HOURS WILL BE FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY, WHEN VEHICLES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE SECTION.

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WATER CUTS IN MID-LEVELS AND YAU MA TEI

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN MID-LEVELS WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 9) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, TAI PING SHAN STREET, SQUARE STREET, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, ABERDEEN STREET AND WELLINGTON STREET.

MEANWHILE, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN YAU MA TEI WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR SEVEN AND A HALF HOURS FROM 10.30 PM ON FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 10) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A NIGHT LEAKAGE TEST.

THE ARRANGEMENT WILL AFFECT PREMISES BOUNDED BY JORDAN ROAD, NATHAN ROAD, AUSTIN ROAD AND COX'S ROAD, INCLUDING TAK SHING STREET AND TAK HING STREET.

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WATER FIGURES

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 79.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 460.749 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 261.007 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 45.2 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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