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CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR JANUARY PUBLISHED

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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR JANUARY 1988.

THE CPI(A) AND CPI(B) (OCT. 84/SEP. 85 = 100) FOR JANUARY 1988 WERE 112.5 AND 112.8 RESPECTIVELY, REPRESENTING INCREASES OF 6.3 PER CENT AND 6.2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER JANUARY 1987.

COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1987 AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS COMPARISON MAY BE AFFECTED BY SEASONAL FACTORS, THE CPI(A) DECREASED BY 0.5 PER CENT AND THE CPI(B), BY 0.2 PER CENT.

THE AVERAGE CPI(A) AND AVERAGE CPI(B) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 1988, AT 109.9 AND 110.1 RESPECTIVELY, WERE 5.7 PER CENT AND 5.4 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THE AVERAGE FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 1987.

DURING THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 1988, THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED CPI(A) AND CPI(B) BOTH INCREASED AT AN AVERAGE RATE OF 0.6 PER CENT PER MONTH.

DURING JANUARY, RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES, FRESH FRUIT, FRESH-WATER FISH AND OUTER CLOTHING DECREASED. ON THE OTHER HAND, CHARGES FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES INCREASED.

THE CPI(A) AND THE CPI(B) ARE BASED ON THE EXPENDITURE PATTERNS OF 50 PER CENT AND 30 PER CENT, RESPECTIVELY, OF URBAN HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG, WHICH WERE DERIVED FROM THE 1984-85 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY.

THE CPI(A) REFERS TO HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN \$2,000 AND \$6,499 A MONTH AT THAT TIME AND THE CPI(B) BETWEEN \$6,500 AND \$9,999 A MONTH.

CHANGES IN THE INDEXES FOR JANUARY 1988 IN RESPECT OF THE NINE COMMODITY/SERVICE SECTIONS IN THE TWO CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES, AS COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1987 AND JANUARY 1987, ARE GIVEN BELOW.

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(OCTOBER 1984 TO SEPTEMBER 1985 AVERAGE = 100)

SECTION	CPI(A)			CPI(B)		
	INDEX FOR JAN. 88	% CHANGE OVER DEC. 87	% CHANGE OVER JAN. 87	INDEX FOR JAN. 88	% CHANGE OVER DEC. 87	% CHANGE OVER JAN. 87
FOODSTUFFS	109.3	-1.4	+6.6	110.1	-1.0	+6.7
HOUSING	111.6	+0.2	+2.9	109.0	+0.4	+2.4
FUEL AND LIGHT	92.8	+0.5	+3.5	93.2	+0.3	+2.9
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO (FOR HOME CONSUMPTION)	117.5	+0.2	+6.5	118.1	+0.3	+7.1
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	119.7	-0.6	+10.1	121.4	-0.7	+10.8
DURABLE GOODS	114.4	+1.0	+5.6	113.4	+0.8	+5.5
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	119.9	+0.2	+7.7	119.6	+0.2	+8.0
TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES	117.4	+0.3	+9.4	116.4	+0.2	+9.1
SERVICES	121.7	+0.3	+6.2	121.2	+0.3	+6.5
ALL ITEMS	112.5	-0.5	+6.3	112.8	-0.2	+6.2

COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1987, THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS DECREASED BY 1.4 PER CENT IN CPI(A) AND BY 1.0 PER CENT IN CPI(B).

THIS WAS MAINLY DUE TO DECREASES IN THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES, FRESH FRUIT AND FRESH-WATER FISH, WHICH MORE THAN OFFSET THE INCREASE IN THE AVERAGE CHARGE FOR MEALS IN RESTAURANTS AND OTHER EATING PLACES.

THE EFFECT OF MOVEMENTS IN THE RETAIL PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS ON THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS WAS INSIGNIFICANT.

THE INDEX FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR DECREASED BY 0.6 PER CENT IN CPI(A) AND BY 0.7 PER CENT IN CPI(B) DUE TO LOWER PRICES OF OUTER CLOTHING.

/THE INDEX

THE INDEX FOR DURABLE GOODS INCREASED BY 1.0 PER CENT IN CPI(A) AND BY 0.8 PER CENT IN CPI(B) AS A RESULT OF HIGHER PRICES OF ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, WATCHES, CAMERAS AND OPTICAL GOODS.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

FIGURES HEREIN REFER TO CPI SERIES NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. ALL PERCENTAGE CHANGES ARE DERIVED FROM CPI FIGURES TAKEN TO MORE THAN ONE DECIMAL PLACE.

MORE DETAILS ARE GIVEN IN THE "CONSUMER PRICE INDEX REPORT" FOR JANUARY 1988.

THIS REPORT IS AVAILABLE AT \$3.50 PER COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG; OR FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, 19TH FLOOR, WANCHAI TOWER I, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG; OR FROM THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT, FRENCH MISSION BUILDING, 1 BATTERY PATH, HONG KONG FOR LOCAL AND OVERSEAS MAILINGS.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE INDEXES MAY BE MADE TO THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON 5-8235089.

THE HANG SENG CPI WAS 116.3 IN JANUARY 1988, DOWN BY 0.3 PER CENT COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1987 AND UP BY 7.3 PER CENT OVER JANUARY 1987.

THE HANG SENG CPI IS BASED ON THE EXPENDITURE PATTERN OF THE 10 PER CENT OF URBAN HOUSEHOLDS IN HONG KONG THAT SPENT \$10,000-\$24,999 A MONTH DURING THE 1984-85 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY.

FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING THIS INDEX ARE INCLUDED IN THE HANG SENG CPI REPORT ISSUED BY THE ECONOMIC RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF HANG SENG BANK LTD.

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AG TO ATTEND WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR MICHAEL THOMAS, WILL LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON ON TUESDAY (MARCH 1) TO ATTEND THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA.

HE HAS BEEN INVITED TO SPEAK ON HONG KONG'S EFFORTS TO COMBAT DRUG ABUSE AND TRAFFICKING AT A FORUM TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

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SECTION 4, WHICH ALSO COMES INTO EFFECT TODAY, REQUIRES THE LAND OFFICER TO MAKE A NOTE OF ALL SPECIAL PURPOSE LEASES IN THE LAND OFFICE REGISTER BEFORE THE APPOINTED DAY.

A LEASE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE A LEASE FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES IF, BEFORE APRIL 25, 1988, A NOTE HAS BEEN MADE BY THE LAND OFFICER IN THE LAND OFFICE REGISTER TO THE EFFECT THAT IT IS SUCH A LEASE.

IF NO SUCH NOTE HAS BEEN MADE BY THE LAND OFFICER IN THE REGISTER BY THAT DATE, IT SHALL BE DEEMED NOT TO BE A LEASE FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

AN UPDATED AND FINAL LIST OF ALL THE LEASES WHICH ARE DEEMED TO BE FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON APRIL 25.

ANY QUESTIONS OR ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE NEW TERRITORIES (EXTENSION) ORDINANCE SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT ON 3-884111, EXT. 367.

THEY MAY ALSO BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405, NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

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LIBERAL MEASURES ON WORKING HOURS FOR WOMEN, YOUNG PERSONS

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THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS (INDUSTRY) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1988, WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, CAME INTO OPERATION TODAY (FRIDAY).

A NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT WAS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE.

THE NEW REGULATIONS ARE AIMED AT LIBERALISING THE LAW GOVERNING THE WORKING HOURS OF WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS IN INDUSTRY AS WELL AS IMPROVING CERTAIN EXISTING PROVISIONS.

PREVIOUSLY, THE WORKING HOURS FOR WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS IN INDUSTRY WERE LIMITED TO EIGHT HOURS PER DAY AND 48 HOURS PER WEEK, EXCLUDING OVERTIME.

HOWEVER, AS MORE AND MORE EMPLOYERS ARE OPERATING SPECIAL WORK SCHEMES (SUCH AS FIVE-DAY WEEK, FIVE-AND-A-HALF-DAY WEEK, AND ALTERNATE FIVE AND SIX-DAY WEEK SCHEMES), THE OLD REGULATIONS HAD BECOME OUT OF DATE.

"THE NEW REGULATIONS THEREFORE ENABLE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS, BY AGREEMENT WITH THEIR EMPLOYERS, TO WORK LONGER HOURS IN ONE WEEK PROVIDED THAT THE TOTAL HOURS WORKED DO NOT EXCEED 96 HOURS IN ANY TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS," A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

/"THE NEW

"THE NEW REGULATIONS ALSO ALLOW WOMEN EMPLOYED IN INDUSTRY TO WORK UP TO 11 PM, INSTEAD OF 8 PM AS IN THE PAST.

"THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT EMPLOYEES CAN BE ASKED TO WORK EXCESSIVELY LONG HOURS AS THE REGULATIONS STILL STIPULATE THAT WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS MUST BE GIVEN AT LEAST ONE REST DAY PER WEEK AND THE TOTAL HOURS WORKED DURING ONE DAY MUST NOT EXCEED 10 HOURS, INCLUDING OVERTIME," HE SAID.

"BUT YOUNG PERSONS AGED 15 TO 17 ARE STILL PROHIBITED FROM BEING EMPLOYED IN OVERTIME WORK."

AS FOR THE METHOD OF CALCULATING OVERTIME, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE ANNUAL QUOTA OF 200 HOURS FOR EACH INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKING REMAINED UNCHANGED.

HOWEVER, TO ENABLE EMPLOYERS TO MAKE MORE FLEXIBLE USE OF THE QUOTA, THE NEW REGULATIONS ENABLED EMPLOYERS TO CHOOSE A METHOD OF CALCULATION BEST SUITED TO THEIR NEEDS.

"AN EMPLOYER MAY NOW OPT TO CALCULATE OVERTIME BY REFERENCE TO DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE FACTORY, OR DIFFERENT GROUPS OF WOMEN EMPLOYED IN DIFFERENT PROCESSES, OR BY REFERENCE TO INDIVIDUAL WOMEN," HE SAID.

"EMPLOYERS WHO OPT FOR ANY OF THESE ALTERNATIVE WAYS OF CALCULATING OVERTIME MUST COMPLY WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, FAILING WHICH THEY MAY BE REQUIRED TO REVERT TO THE STANDARD METHOD OF CALCULATING THE HOURS OF OVERTIME BY REFERENCE TO THE FACTORY AS A WHOLE,"

OTHER AMENDMENTS PROVIDE FOR THE REMOVAL OF DIFFERENCES IN THE PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUNG PERSONS AGED UNDER 16 AND THOSE AGED 16 AND OVER, AND THE REVOCATION OF THE REGULATION PROHIBITING THE USE OF WORK ROOMS BY WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS DURING MEAL OR REST INTERVALS.

THEY ALSO PROVIDE FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE RESTRICTION ON OVERTIME WORK BY WOMEN WORKERS ENGAGED ON SHIFTS, AND THE DELETION OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE REGISTER OF WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT THE NEW MEASURES WOULD LEAD TO ABUSES AS ENFORCEMENT ACTION WOULD CONTINUE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE PROPER COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW.

THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL WRITE TO INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYERS WHO ARE KNOWN TO EMPLOY WOMEN ON OVERTIME WORK, TO EXPLAIN TO THEM HOW TO EXERCISE THEIR OPTION FOR CALCULATING OVERTIME.

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THE DEPARTMENT WILL ALSO ISSUE A LEAFLET EXPLAINING THE NEW REGULATIONS TO SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING GUIDE TO THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS (INDUSTRY) REGULATIONS.

PERSONS WHO WISH TO MAKE FURTHER ENQUIRIES MAY CALL AT ANY OF THE BRANCH OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT'S WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS DIVISION OR TELEPHONE:

HONG KONG : 5-8524173

KOWLOON : 3-490788, 3-7153982 AND 3-7712239

NEW TERRITORIES : 0-235969 AND 0-6065519

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TWO OUTLINE ZONING PLANS PUBLISHED

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THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED THE AMENDED DRAFT OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR QUARRY BAY AND THE APPROVED OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR MID-LEVELS EAST.

BOTH PLANS WERE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE BOARD EXPLAINED THAT THE DRAFT OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR QUARRY BAY HAD BEEN AMENDED TO REFLECT ADJUSTMENTS IN THE DESIGN OF THE LANDFALL AREA OF THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING ON THE HONG KONG SIDE AND ITS ASSOCIATED ROAD/RAIL NETWORKS.

IN ORDER TO ENABLE BETTER UTILISATION OF LAND AND TO IMPROVE THE INTEGRATION OF THE KING'S ROAD OPEN SPACE CORRIDOR WITH THE QUARRY BAY PARK, THE HOI CHAK STREET AREA HAS BEEN REPLANNED.

AN AREA TO THE EAST OF THE STREET IS REZONED FROM "GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTION/COMMUNITY" TO "RESIDENTIAL (GROUP A)" TO ALLOW FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PROPOSED HOUSING AUTHORITY PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME.

MINOR CHANGES IN LAND USE ZONES WITHIN TAIKOO SHING DEVELOPMENT AND ALONG QUARRY BAY STREET HAVE ALSO BEEN INCORPORATED IN THIS AMENDMENT.

WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF QUARRY BAY GENERALLY TOWARDS THAT OF A SIGNIFICANT COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL AREA IN RECENT YEARS, THE DRAFT PLAN IS INTENDED TO INTEGRATE THE VARIOUS MAJOR PROPOSALS WHICH ARE LIKELY TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE AREA.

OBJECTIONS TO THE AMENDMENTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD BY MARCH 17.

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THE BOARD ALSO PUBLISHED THE APPROVED OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR MID-LEVELS EAST WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 1 LAST YEAR.

THE DRAFT PLAN FOR THE AREA WAS GAZETTED ON AUGUST 9, 1985, AND WAS EXHIBITED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION. NO OBJECTION HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

THE PLAN COVERS AN AREA OF 62.49 HECTARES BOUNDED BY KENNEDY ROAD ON THE NORTH, STUBBS ROAD ON THE EAST, BOWEN ROAD ON THE WEST AND THE 200-230 METRE CONTOUR ON THE SOUTH.

THE EXISTING CHARACTER OF THE PLANNING AREA AS A RESIDENTIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT FRINGED BY AN EXTENSIVE GREEN BELT WOULD BE RETAINED.

A BOARD SPOKESMAN STATED THAT THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE PLANS IS TO PROVIDE A STATUTORY LAND USE PATTERN AND ROAD NETWORK AS A BASIS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT OF THE AREAS.

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CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW CEMETERIES

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TWO NEW CEMETERIES, NAMELY, THE LAI CHI YUEN CEMETERY (A PUBLIC CEMETERY) AND THE JUNK BAY CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERY (A PRIVATE CEMETERY) HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE FIFTH SCHEDULE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 132.

THIS WAS INCLUDED IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES (AMENDMENT OF FIFTH SCHEDULE) ORDER 1988, GAZETTED EARLIER THIS MONTH.

THE LAI CHI YUEN CEMETERY, LOCATED IN MUI WO ON LANTAU ISLAND, HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION SINCE APRIL LAST YEAR.

THERE WILL BE THREE PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THIS CEMETERY WHICH, ON COMPLETION, WILL PROVIDE 2,700 BURIAL SPACES. THE FIRST PHASE, WITH 300 BURIAL SPACES, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST THIS YEAR.

MEANWHILE, CONSTRUCTION WORK FOR THE JUNK BAY CHINESE PERMANENT CEMETERY LOCATED IN SAI KUNG WILL START SOON.

THERE WILL BE FOUR PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THIS CEMETERY WHICH, ON COMPLETION, WILL PROVIDE 30,000 BURIAL SPACES. THE FIRST PHASE, WITH 9,115 BURIAL SPACES, IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR.

A MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH SPOKESMAN TODAY (FRIDAY) SAID THAT THE INCLUSION OF THE TWO NEW CEMETERIES IN THE FIFTH SCHEDULE TO CHAPTER 132 IS TO ENABLE THE REGIONAL COUNCIL TO EXERCISE OVERALL MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF CEMETERIES IN ITS AREA.

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KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT ROAD TO BE IMPROVED

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO IMPROVE THE NORTHERN SECTION OF CONTAINER PORT ROAD IN KWAI CHUNG TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CAPACITY FOR TRAFFIC USING THE CONTAINER PORT.

THE IMPROVEMENTS INVOLVE THE REALIGNMENT AND EXTENSION OF NORTHERN CONTAINER PORT ROAD WHICH WILL COMPRISE THREE NORTHBOUND LANES AND TWO SOUTHBOUND LANES.

THE WORKS WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE WIDENING OF KWAI TAI ROAD, MODIFICATIONS TO THE JUNCTION OF KWAI TAI ROAD AND KWAI TSING ROAD, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BOX CULVERT ADJACENT TO KWAI CHUNG NULLAH AND MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE EXISTING FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS KWAI CHUNG ROAD AT TSUEN WAN ROAD.

SECTIONS OF THE EXISTING CONTAINER PORT ROAD AND THE SLIP ROAD FROM KWAI CHUNG ROAD TO CONTAINER PORT ROAD WILL NEED TO BE PERMANENTLY CLOSED.

THIS WILL BE DONE AFTER THE RESPECTIVE REPROVISIONING OF THE AFFECTED SLIP ROAD AND THE COMPLETION OF NEW CONTAINER PORT ROAD ALONG ITS REVISED ALIGNMENT.

IT WILL ALSO BE NECESSARY TO DEMOLISH A STAIRCASE LEADING TO THE PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGE CROSSING KWAI CHUNG ROAD AT TSUEN WAN ROAD AFTER CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW STAIRCASE HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

THE WORKS WILL START LATE THIS YEAR AND WILL TAKE ABOUT TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

DETAILS OF THE WORKS WERE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY) AND A NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED ON THE SITE.

PLANS SHOWING THE WORKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY; THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, 10TH-11TH FLOOR, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN; AND THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 166-174 HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE WORKS MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG, NOT LATER THAN APRIL 26 THIS YEAR.

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ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR AMENDMENT WORKS

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO CARRY OUT AMENDMENT WORKS ON THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR.

THE PROPOSED WORKS INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY ACROSS THE GROUND LEVEL ROADS UNDERNEATH THE CORRIDOR NEAR MONG LUNG STREET.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, HONG KONG EAST, HARBOUR CENTRE, 25 HARBOUR ROAD, HONG KONG; THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, 880-886 KING'S ROAD, GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG; AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, SHAU KEI WAN SUB-OFFICE, 347 SHAU KEI WAN ROAD, GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG, NOT LATER THAN APRIL 26 THIS YEAR.

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PUBLIC INSPECTION OF RATING VALUATION LISTS

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RATING VALUATION LISTS FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 1988, WILL BE OPEN FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE TREASURY DURING OFFICE HOURS FROM MARCH 1 TO 31.

THE ADDRESS IS CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, 11 ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG.

A NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT, BY THE COLLECTOR OF RATES, WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

COPIES OF APPROPRIATE PORTIONS OF THE LISTS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT DISTRICT OFFICES.

NOTICES WILL BE SENT OUT NEXT WEEK TO ALL RATEPAYERS INFORMING THEM OF THE NEW RATEABLE VALUES OF THEIR PROPERTIES. THESE SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1 OR ONE OR TWO DAYS THEREAFTER.

RATEPAYERS SHOULD AWAIT RECEIPT OF THESE NOTICES BEFORE MAKING ANY ENQUIRIES.

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ATTACHED TO THE NOTICES WILL BE THE SECOND QUARTER 1988 RATE DEMANDS ISSUED EARLIER THAN USUAL SO THAT THE ACTUAL EFFECT OF THE REVALUATION ON THE QUARTERLY RATES PAYABLE CAN BE SEEN.

HOWEVER, A RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THE EARLIER ISSUE OF THE DEMANDS, THE SECOND QUARTER'S RATES ARE NOT DUE FOR PAYMENT UNTIL THE USUAL DATE OF APRIL 30, 1988.

THOSE PAYING THEIR RATES BY AUTOPAY WERE REMINDED TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS IN THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS ON APRIL 30 SO THAT PAYMENT OF THE REVISED AMOUNT OF RATES CAN BE MADE WITHOUT ANY DELAY.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO POINTED OUT THAT IF RATEPAYERS HAVE ANY ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE NEW RATEABLE VALUES THEY SHOULD WRITE TO OR TELEPHONE THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT AT HENNESSY CENTRE, 17TH FLOOR, 500 HENNESSY ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. 5-8957888).

THE DEPARTMENT HAS ALSO PREPARED A BOOKLET "YOUR RATES IN 1988-89" WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND DISTRICT OFFICES FROM MARCH 1.

IF NOT SATISFIED WITH THE EXPLANATIONS GIVEN RATEPAYERS MAY, DURING MARCH, MAKE PROPOSALS OBJECTING TO THE RATEABLE VALUE.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED THE PUBLIC THAT THESE OBJECTIONS MUST BE MADE ON THE SPECIFIED FORM AND MUST BE SENT TO THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT EITHER BY HAND OR BY POST BETWEEN MARCH 1 AND 31 INCLUSIVE.

EARLY OR LATE OBJECTIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

THE APPROPRIATE FORMS (R.20A) CAN BE OBTAINED FREE OF CHARGE FROM THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT OR DISTRICT OFFICES.

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LADY YOUDE TO PRESENT AWARDS TO STUDENTS

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ABOUT 540 STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL PRIZES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

LADY YOUDE WILL PRESENT THE AWARDS TO THE STUDENTS AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD IN THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CEREMONY. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL LOW BLOCK AT 10.15 AM.

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LADY YOUDE OPENS MEMORIAL PAVILION

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A PAVILION BUILT BY THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD TO COMMEMORATE THE DISTINGUISHED GOVERNORSHIP OF SIR EDWARD YOUDE WAS TODAY (FRIDAY) OPENED BY LADY YOUDE.

THE PROJECT, WHICH WAS INITIATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, WAS FUNDED BY MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS ALONG WITH DONATIONS FROM SEVERAL LOCAL ORGANISATIONS IN THE DISTRICT.

AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, LADY YOUDE UNVEILED A PLAQUE AFFIXED TO A COMPASS SITED IN FRONT OF THE MEMORIAL PAVILION. THE PAVILION IS LOCATED IN TSAT MUK KIU, WITHIN THE LUK KENG COUNTRY PARK, SHA TAU KOK.

LADY YOUDE ALSO PLANTED A TREE NEARBY, AND AFTERWARDS JOINED GUESTS AT A TEA RECEPTION HELD AT THE PAVILION.

THOSE PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY INCLUDED THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR LAWRENCE LEE; CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG; NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR MATTHEW CHEUNG; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, MR RAYMOND PANG.

THE PAVILION IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN HONG KONG. IT COMMANDS A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE SHA TAU KOK AREA.

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COUNTDOWN PUBLICITY STARTS TOMORROW FOR DB POLLS

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A SERIES OF TERRITORY-WIDE PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES WILL BEGIN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO REMIND RESIDENTS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS POLLING DAY ON MARCH 10.

THE ACTIVITIES ARE INTENDED TO SERVE AS A COUNTDOWN TO POLLING DAY.

VIDEO WALLS WILL BE SET UP AT PROMINENT LOCATIONS TO BROADCAST THE DISTRICT BOARD THEME SONG AS WELL AS ELECTION API'S (ANNOUNCEMENTS IN PUBLIC INTEREST).

THE FIRST WALL WILL BE SET UP AT CITYPLAZA IN TAIKOO SHING TOMORROW.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU, WILL OFFICIATE AT A SHORT INAUGURAL CEREMONY THERE AT 2 PM. ACCOMPANYING HIM WILL BE MISS HONG KONG, MISS PAULINE YEUNG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE VIDEO WALL INAUGURAL CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 2 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF CITYPLAZA, TAIKOO SHING (THE WALKWAY BETWEEN CITYPLAZA 1 AND CITYPLAZA 2).

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SHA TIN DB CANDIDATES' FORUM ON SUNDAY

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SHA TIN RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A PUBLIC FORUM AT THE FOOTBRIDGE GALLERY, THIRD LEVEL, NEW TOWN PLAZA ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) TO OBTAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE VIEWS AND PLATFORMS OF CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS IN THE SHA TIN DISTRICT.

ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE FULL-DAY FORUM WILL COVER SEVEN CONSTITUENCIES. THE STARTING TIME FOR EACH CONSTITUENCY IS AS FOLLOWS:

SHING MUN EAST	9.00 AM
MA ON SHAN	10.10 AM
SHA KOK	11.50 AM
TAI WAI	1.00 PM
CHE KUNG TEMPLE	2.25 PM
TIN SUM	3.35 PM
TOWN CENTRE	5.00 PM

AS THE CANDIDATES FOR THE OTHER TWO CONSTITUENCIES IN SHA TIN - YUEN WO AND TSANG TAI UK - ARE UNOPPOSED, THE FORUM WILL NOT COVER THESE TWO CONSTITUENCIES.

PUBLICITY MATERIALS PRODUCED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE TO PROMOTE THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WILL ALSO BE DISTRIBUTED DURING THE FORUM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS CANDIDATES' FORUM TO BEGIN AT THE FOOTBRIDGE GALLERY, THIRD LEVEL, NEW TOWN PLAZA, AT 9 AM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28).

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GREWAL VISITS INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT

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THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, MR HARNAM GREWAL, TODAY (FRIDAY) VISITED THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH ITS WORK.

MR GREWAL FIRST VISITED THE HONG KONG STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY AND WAS MET BY THE HEAD OF THE LABORATORY, MR BRIAN TYLER.

MAINTAINED AND OPERATED BY THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT, THE MEASUREMENT STANDARDS LABORATORY PROVIDES PRECISION MEASUREMENT AND CALIBRATION SERVICES TO MANUFACTURERS.

MR GREWAL THEN PROCEEDED TO THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, MR ANDREW LEUNG, HE TOURED THE "ONE-STOP" UNIT WHICH IS STAFFED BY SPECIALIST OFFICERS WITH INDUSTRIAL BACKGROUNDS TO HELP OVERSEAS INVESTORS SET UP MANUFACTURING CONCERNS.

MR GREWAL ALSO SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN THE DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTERISED CENTRAL DATA BANK SYSTEM -- A NETWORK OF FIVE WORK-STATIONS WHICH FACILITATES FAST AND ACCURATE UPDATING AND RETRIEVAL OF INFORMATION.

CONCLUDING HIS TOUR, MR GREWAL WAS TAKEN TO THE PRODUCT STANDARDS LIBRARY WHICH KEEPS NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRODUCT STANDARDS APPLYING IN HONG KONG'S MAIN MARKETS FOR THE REFERENCE OF MANUFACTURERS.

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16 RESIDENTS PRAISED FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

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SIXTEEN KWAI TSING RESIDENTS WHO HAVE SERVED THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 10 YEARS WERE PRESENTED CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION BY THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR LEO KWAN, AT A LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE CELEBRATION WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD AND DISTRICT OFFICE.

EIGHT OF RECIPIENTS ARE CHAIRMEN OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES. THEY ARE MR CHING TO-KEE, MR YIU YUK-LING, MR CHAN WING-CHEUNG, MR CHEUNG ON, MR TSANG KOON-HUNG, MR LAI FEE, MS YIP SIU-YING AND MR LEE MAN-KEUNG. TWO ARE VICE-CHAIRMEN OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES - MR LO CHUNG-CHOW AND MR YIU YU-HUNG.

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THE REMAINING SIX PEOPLE INCLUDE CHAIRMEN OF OWNERS' INCORPORATION - MR MOK KAM, MR LEE YAT-MING AND MR CHAN KING-GEE; VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVES - MR CHAN FOOK-NAM AND MR CHEUNG YING-LOI; AND THE CHAIRMAN OF SHEK LEI ESTATE HAWKER'S FRATERNITY ASSOCIATION, MR MAN HOI-TONG.

AT THE CELEBRATION, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK, NOTED THAT THE INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT OF KWAI TSING HAD SEEN MUCH ECONOMIC SUCCESS IN THE YEAR OF THE RABBIT AS REFLECTED BY THE 30 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CONTAINER VEHICLE TRAILERS, WHICH COULD SERVE AS A KIND OF ECONOMIC BAROMETER.

MR COAK BELIEVED THAT THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON WOULD BE EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL WITH THE CONTINUAL HARD WORK OF KWAI TSING RESIDENTS, THE ASSIDUITY OF INDUSTRIALISTS, AND THE DILIGENCE OF COMMUNITY LEADERS.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE FUNCTION, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD, MR HO TUNG-CHING, SAID WITH THE CONTAINER PORT SITUATED IN KWAI CHUNG AND THE CONTINUOUS GROWTH IN THE DISTRICT'S POPULATION, THE GOVERNMENT HAD GREATLY IMPROVED THE COMMUNITY AND TRANSPORT FACILITIES OF THE DISTRICT.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES IN THE DISTRICT AND EXPRESSED HIS CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S DOING SO.

MR HO SAID AN IMPORTANT ROLE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD WAS THE PROMOTION OF CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. IN KWAI TSING DISTRICT, THE RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE CULTURE AND ARTS CO-ORDINATING ASSOCIATION WERE SET UP IN 1986.

THE PARTICIPATION OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS IN DISTRICT BOARD ACTIVITIES HAD HELPED PROMOTE CIVIC AWARENESS AND A SENSE OF BELONGING AMONG RESIDENTS, MR HO NOTED.

GUESTS ATTENDING THE CELEBRATION TODAY ALSO ENJOYED A DANCING PERFORMANCE PRESENTED BY THE CULTURE AND ARTS CO-ORDINATING ASSOCIATION.

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VARIETY SHOW TO SPREAD ANTI-TRIAD MESSAGE
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AROUND 1,200 SAI KUNG RESIDENTS AND STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND AN ANTI-TRIAD VARIETY SHOW TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE SAI KUNG JOCKEY CLUB TOWN HALL.

ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, THE VARIETY SHOW AIMS AT SPREADING THE ANTI-TRIAD MESSAGE IN THE DISTRICT AND HIGHLIGHTING THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR ANYONE WHO GETS INVOLVED WITH TRIAD MEMBERS.

APART FROM PERFORMANCES BY WELL KNOWN SINGERS, THE VARIETY SHOW WILL FEATURE A SPECIAL 30-MINUTE PLAY WHICH IS PART OF THIS YEAR'S ANTI-TRIAD PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE.

THE PLAY DEPICTS HOW TRIADS TRY TO INFILTRATE SCHOOLS.

THE VARIETY SHOW WILL START AT 3 PM. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR CHEUNG CHUN-HOI, WILL ATTEND.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT ANTI-TRIAD VARIETY SHOW BEGINNING AT 3 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE SAI KUNG JOCKEY CLUB TOWN HALL.

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VARIETY SHOW IN CENTRAL TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION
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THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION WILL HOLD A VARIETY SHOW AT NOON ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) AT EDINBURGH PLACE. IT IS ONE OF THE COMMITTEE'S MAJOR PROMOTIONAL PROJECTS.

AROUND 1,500 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY AND LEADERS OF DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS IN THE FIELD WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND.

THE SHOW, TO BE PRODUCED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, IS AIMED AT ENCOURAGING THE PUBLIC TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS AND TO CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATE IN ITS AFFAIRS. IT WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON TVB JADE BETWEEN NOON AND 1 PM.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE SINGING, A TALK SHOW AND GAMES. THE COMMITTEE'S CHAIRMAN, MRS RITA FAN, AND HER FELLOW LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLORS, MRS ROSANNA TAM AND MR EDWARD HO, WILL TAKE PART AND SPREAD THE CIVIC EDUCATION MESSAGE.

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THE LEADING SINGERS IN THE SHOW WILL BE LOWEL LO, ALBERT AU, MICHAEL KWAN AND LESLIE CHEUNG, WHO HAS COMPOSED A NEW THEME SONG SPECIALLY FOR THE OCCASION.

A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, MR ALLEN LEE, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR BOWEN LEUNG, WILL ALSO ATTEND AND WILL PRESENT SOUVENIRS TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO PERFORM IN THE SHOW.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE VARIETY SHOW OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION AT EDINBURGH PLACE ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28). PRESS REPRESENTATIVES ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE AT THE VENUE NOT LATER THAN 11.30 AM BY USING THE ENTRANCE OPPOSITE THE HMS TAMAR HEADQUARTERS WHERE GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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LONG DISTANCE RUN ON CHEUNG CHAU

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MORE THAN 250 RUNNERS WILL TAKE PART IN THE CHEUNG CHAU LONG DISTANCE RUN ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) TO CONCLUDE A SERIES OF LONG DISTANCE RUNS HELD ON THE FOUR MAIN ISLANDS OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT.

THE SIX-KILOMETRE RACE WILL START FROM CHEUNG CHAU SPORTS GROUND AT 10.30 AM, PASS THROUGH PEAK ROAD TO THE C.A.R.E. VILLAGES AT SAI WAN AND BACK TO THE STARTING POINT.

THE RUN IS AN ANNUAL EVENT JOINTLY ORGANISED BY REGIONAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS SPORTS ASSOCIATION, AND THE ISLANDS POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS SECTION. IT IS SPONSORED BY ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD.

THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JONATHAN NG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT CHEUNG CHAU SPORTS GROUND AT 11.30 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ISLANDS DISTRICT LONG DISTANCE RUN'S PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT CHEUNG CHAU SPORTS GROUND AT 11.30 AM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28).

THE GOVERNMENT LAUNCH "CLEMENTI" WILL LEAVE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER, TSIM SHA TSUI FOR CHEUNG CHAU AT 10 AM.

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TUEN MUN DB TO CONSIDER FUNDING REVISION

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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE REVISION OF PROCEDURES FOR RECOMMENDING DISTRICT BOARD GRANTS AT A MEETING ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 29).

IT WILL ALSO DISCUSS FUNDING ESTIMATES FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE BUILDING OF ROADS AND DRAINAGE IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE DISTRICT; FORMATION OF A COMBINED FOOTWAY AND CYCLEWAY ADJACENT TO SIU HONG COURT; AND A REPORT BY MR HO SUN-KUEN, A BOARD REPRESENTATIVE ON THE REGIONAL COUNCIL.

IN ADDITION, THE 1987 EDITION OF THE TUEN MUN TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME WILL BE CONSIDERED.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD BEGINNING AT 9 AM ON MONDAY IN THE DISTRICT BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR, GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, NO. 1, TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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KWUN TONG MELODIES GALA

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MORE THAN 600 KWUN TONG RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO AN EVENING OF MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT TOMORROW (SATURDAY) EVENING.

ORGANISED TO CELEBRATE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, THE KWUN TONG MELODIES GALA WILL START AT 7.30 PM AT THE TELFORD GARDENS WELLINGTON COLLEGE, KOWLOON BAY.

THE PROGRAMME INCLUDES SOLO AND CHORUS SINGING, PIANO SOLO, AND PERFORMANCES IN CHINESE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

THE CONCERT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT'S CULTURE AND RECREATION PROMOTION ASSOCIATION. IT IS SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT SPRING RECEPTION

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THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD A SPRING RECEPTION ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) AFTERNOON FOR ABOUT 700 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITY.

THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NG HON-WAH, WILL ALSO ATTEND THE RECEPTION WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 3.30 PM IN THE FUNG MING HALL OF WONG TAI SIN TEMPLE.

AT THE FUNCTION, MR NG WILL PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION TO 13 LOCAL PERSONALITIES AND ORGANISATIONS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE EVENT.

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SPRING RECEPTION FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS, EDUCATORS

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THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, TODAY (FRIDAY) HOSTED A SPRING RECEPTION FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS AND EDUCATORS TO THANK THEM FOR THE ADVICE AND SUPPORT THEY HAVE GIVEN TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN THE PAST YEAR.

MORE THAN 300 GUESTS ATTENDED THE RECEPTION. THEY INCLUDED MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, EDUCATION COMMISSION, BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT BOARDS, SCHOOL COUNCILS, UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS OF TEACHING PROFESSION, COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB, DISTRICT COMMITTEES, AND SCHOOL SPONSORING BODIES.

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DTC REGISTRATION REVOKED

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING ANNOUNCED THAT THE REGISTRATION OF ONTARIO FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED AS A DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY HAS BEEN REVOKED TODAY (FRIDAY) AT ITS OWN REQUEST UNDER SECTION 31(2) OF THE BANKING ORDINANCE.

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NEW POST OFFICE FOR WO CHE

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A NEW POST OFFICE SERVING THE WO CHE AREA IN SHA TIN WILL BE OPENED AT 9 AM ON MARCH 7, A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

LOCATED AT SHOP NO. B1A ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF WO CHE COMMERCIAL CENTRE IN TAK HAU STREET, THE OFFICE WILL REPLACE THE PRESENT WO CHE STREET POST OFFICE IN LEK YUEN STREET WHICH WILL CLOSE FOR BUSINESS AT 1 PM ON MARCH 5.

THE OPENING HOURS OF THE NEW POST OFFICE ARE 9 AM TO 5 PM ON WEEKDAYS AND 9 AM TO 1 PM ON SATURDAYS. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 0-6911501.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ON MARCH 5 HAND-BACK SERVICE WOULD BE GIVEN AT THE WO CHE STREET POST OFFICE TO LOCALLY ADDRESSED COVERS BEARING THE SUPERScription "LAST DAY OF SERVICE" OR "LAST DAY COVER".

ON MARCH 7, THE SERVICE WOULD BE GIVEN TO LOCALLY ADDRESSED COVERS BEARING THE SUPERScription "FIRST DAY COVER" AT THE NEW POST OFFICE, HE ADDED.

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LONG-SERVING MARINE STAFF RETIRE

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THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE, MR GERRY HIGGINSON, PRESENTED RETIREMENT GIFTS TO NINE LONG-SERVING STAFF AT A CEREMONY HELD AT THE GOVERNMENT DOCKYARD THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE CEREMONY MARKED THE RETIREMENT OF THE NINE MEN WHO HAD SERVED THE MARINE DEPARTMENT FOR BETWEEN 12 AND 35 YEARS.

"BETWEEN THEM, THEY HAVE A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 260 YEARS' LOYAL SERVICE WITH THE DEPARTMENT," MR HIGGINSON SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS HAD MADE POSSIBLE THE SMOOTH OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT FLEET AND THAT THEY HAD PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PORT OF HONG KONG.

THE RETIRING STAFF WERE OF THE RANKS OF COXSWAIN, LAUNCH MECHANIC AND SAILOR.

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FIRING PRACTICE IN MARCH

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON 17 DAYS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH.

THE PUBLIC IS WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE HOISTED.

THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE PRACTICE ARE:

DATE	TIME
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MARCH 1 (TUESDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 2 (WEDNESDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 3 (THURSDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 4 (FRIDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 10 (THURSDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 11 (FRIDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 17 (THURSDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 21 (MONDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 22 (TUESDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 23 (WEDNESDAY)	8.30 AM - 6 PM
MARCH 24 (THURSDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 25 (FRIDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 26 (SATURDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 28 (MONDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 29 (TUESDAY)	8.30 AM - 5 PM
MARCH 30 (WEDNESDAY)	8.30 AM - 11.59 PM
MARCH 31 (THURSDAY)	MIDNIGHT - 5 PM

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NEW IDENTITY CARDS FOR MEN BORN IN 1957-58

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MEN BORN IN 1957 AND 1958 WILL BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR NEW IDENTITY CARDS FROM MARCH 7 TO APRIL 23, THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

"MEN OF THE ABOVE AGE GROUP CAN CALL AT ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT NEW IDENTITY CARD ISSUE OFFICES DURING THIS PERIOD," A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE OFFICES ARE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 9.30 PM DAILY, EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

TO AVOID HAVING TO QUEUE UP FOR A LONG TIME AT THE ISSUE OFFICES OR TO COME BACK ON ANOTHER DAY, THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED APPLICANTS TO GO TO THESE OFFICES IN THE MORNINGS AND AFTERNOONS AS THE ISSUE OFFICES ARE GENERALLY VERY CROWDED IN THE EVENINGS.

APPLICANTS MAY ALSO MAKE USE OF THE PHONE-IN SERVICE TO ARRANGE FOR AN APPOINTMENT BY CALLING THE OFFICE OF THEIR CHOICE.

THE ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE ISSUE OFFICES ARE:

- HONG KONG : BASEMENT, 151 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI.
TEL. NO. 5-747070
- EAST KOWLOON : AMOY PLAZA, SECOND FLOOR, 77 NGAU TAU KOK ROAD.
TEL. NO. 3-7553679
- WEST KOWLOON : CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SECOND FLOOR, 393 CANTON ROAD, YAU MA TEI.
TEL. NO. 3-7232424
- TSUEN WAN : EAST ASIA COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, 29-37 TSUEN FU STREET.
TEL. NO. 0-4981259
- SHA TIN : SHA TIN CENTRE, PODIUM FLOOR, 2-16 WANG POK STREET.
TEL. NO. 0-6059108
- YUEN LONG : HOP YICK CENTRE, SECOND FLOOR, 31 HOP YICK ROAD.
TEL. NO. 0-793291
- TUEN MUN : CHI LOK COMMERCIAL CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, CHI LOK FA YUEN.
TEL. NO. 0-4580862
- SHEUNG SHUI : TSUEN WO TAI LAU, GROUND FLOOR, 82-84 SAN FUNG AVENUE, SHEK WU HUI.
TEL. NO. 0-927155

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO REMINDED MEN BORN IN 1959 AND 1960 WHO HAVE NOT APPLIED FOR THEIR NEW IDENTITY CARDS TO COME FORWARD WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY AS THERE IS ONLY ONE MORE WEEK LEFT BEFORE THE CURRENT PHASE CLOSES ON MARCH 5.

HE POINTED OUT THAT FAILURE TO APPLY FOR A NEW IDENTITY CARD WITHIN THE SPECIFIED PERIOD IS AN OFFENCE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$3,000.

HE REITERATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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PART-TIME LECTURERS SOUGHT FOR ADULT EDUCATION

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THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM QUALIFIED PERSONS TO FILL THE EVENING PART-TIME LECTURER VACANCIES FOR THE VARIOUS COURSES TO BE OPERATED IN THE 1988-89 SESSION.

THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION CURRENTLY RUNS A NUMBER OF COURSES, INCLUDING THE EVENING SCHOOL OF HIGHER CHINESE STUDIES, TEACHERS' COURSES, ENGLISH COURSE, GOVERNMENT EVENING SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSE, ADULT EDUCATION COURSES (GENERAL AND PRACTICAL BACKGROUND), AND COURSES CONDUCTED IN THE ADULT EDUCATION AND RECREATION CENTRES.

THE CENTRES ARE LOCATED IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

APPLICANTS FOR TEACHING POSTS IN THE EVENING SCHOOL OF HIGHER CHINESE STUDIES, TEACHERS' COURSES, ENGLISH COURSE, GOVERNMENT EVENING SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSE, ADULT EDUCATION COURSE (GENERAL BACKGROUND) SHOULD BE QUALIFIED TEACHERS WITH A GENUINE INTEREST IN THE TEACHING OF YOUNG ADULTS IN THE EVENING.

EXPERIENCE IN SUCH TEACHING AT THE SENIOR SECONDARY/POST SECONDARY LEVELS AND/OR POSSESSION OF A DIPLOMA/CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION OR ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN TEACHER TRAINING WOULD BE AN ADVANTAGE.

FINAL YEAR STUDENTS OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES MAY ALSO APPLY BUT THEIR APPOINTMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THEIR DEGREE COURSES.

APPLICANTS FOR TEACHING POSTS IN DRESSMAKING, SEWING AND KNITTING, COOKERY AND WOODWORK OF THE ADULT EDUCATION COURSES (PRACTICAL BACKGROUND) SHOULD BE QUALIFIED TEACHERS WITH SPECIAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN THE RESPECTIVE SUBJECTS.

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APPLICANTS FOR POSTS OF HOBBY INSTRUCTORS IN SINGING, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS PLAYING AND CONDUCTING, SOCIAL DANCE, AEROBIC DANCE, PAINTING, HAIR-STYLING, JAPANESE, PUTONGHUA, HANDICRAFTS, AND SO ON IN THE ADULT EDUCATION AND RECREATION CENTRES SHOULD BE HOLDERS OF SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OR EQUIVALENT, WITH SPECIAL SKILLS IN THE RESPECTIVE SUBJECTS OR HOBBIES.

SERVING TEACHERS WITH THE ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE IN ORGANISING RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES OR EXPERIENCED COMMUNITY WORKERS WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY CONSIDERATION.

EXISTING REMUNERATIONS FOR PART-TIME LECTURERS ARE: POST-SECONDARY LEVEL \$150 PER HOUR; SENIOR SECONDARY LEVEL \$125 PER HOUR; JUNIOR SECONDARY LEVEL \$100 PER HOUR; PRIMARY LEVEL \$90 PER HOUR; AND HOBBY GROUPS \$85 PER HOUR.

APPLICATIONS FORMS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT LEE GARDENS, FIFTH FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, FROM TUESDAY (MARCH 1).

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD REACH THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION BEFORE MARCH 31. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE TO THE SECTION ON 5-8392309 DURING OFFICE HOURS.

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FIRE PREVENTION EXHIBITION IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST

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A FIRE PREVENTION EXHIBITION, ORGANISED BY THE FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY WORKING GROUP, WILL BE HELD FROM NOON TO 3 PM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28) AT THE CENTENARY GARDEN, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

THE EXHIBITION IS THE LAST OF A SERIES OF EIGHT MOBILE EXHIBITIONS HELD IN DENSELY POPULATED AREAS TO ALERT RESIDENTS TO THE HIGH FIRE RISK IN THE DRY SEASON.

PANELS PROVIDED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES AND THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENTS ON FIRE PREVENTION IN BOTH THE COUNTRYSIDE AND THE URBAN AREAS WILL BE DISPLAYED TO BRING OUT THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN "FIRE LAWS PROTECT".

VISITORS TO THE EXHIBITION WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION LEAFLETS ON FIRE PREVENTION AND SOUVENIR ITEMS SPONSORED BY KWONG ON BANK.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CHANGES IN SHEUNG WAN

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN KO SHING STREET, SHEUNG WAN, FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 29) FOR ROAD WORKS.

THE EXISTING BAN ON VEHICLES EXCEEDING 11 METRES IN LENGTH IN KO SHING STREET, BETWEEN QUEEN STREET AND SUTHERLAND STREET, WILL BE EXTENDED TO VEHICLES EXCEEDING SEVEN METRES IN LENGTH.

THIS MEASURE WILL BE IN FORCE FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS.

MEANWHILE, THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF KO SHING STREET BETWEEN HOUSE NOS. 19 AND 77 WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE EXISTING 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE ON THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF KO SHING STREET, BETWEEN HOUSE NOS. 16 AND 66, WILL BE LIFTED.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

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A 90-METRE STRETCH OF FUNG CHI ROAD IN YUEN LONG, NORTH OF THE ROAD'S JUNCTION WITH WANG TAT ROAD, WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TRAFFIC TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 29).

THE MEASURE WILL BE IN FORCE FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS. IT WILL FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WESTERN NULLAH BRIDGES ON YUEN LONG NORTHERN BYPASS.

VEHICLES FROM LONG PING ESTATE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA FUNG CHI ROAD, LONG PING ROAD, FUK HI STREET AND WANG LOK STREET.

FROM THE SAME DAY, LEARNER DRIVERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SECTION OF INVERNESS ROAD BETWEEN MUNSANG COLLEGE AND HOLY FAMILY CANOSSIAN COLLEGE IN KOWLOON CITY DAILY BETWEEN 6 AM AND 7 PM.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN MID-LEVELS

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THE SLIP ROAD IN THE MID-LEVELS LEADING FROM CAINE ROAD TO CARITAS CENTRE WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 12.30 PM TO 4 PM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 28).

THIS MEASURE IS BEING IMPLEMENTED BECAUSE OF THE FUND-RAISING WALKATHON ORGANISED BY THE CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF LAN KWAI FONG IN CENTRAL

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TO FACILITATE CABLE INSTALLATION WORK, LAN KWAI FONG IN CENTRAL WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

THIS MEASURE WILL BE IN FORCE FROM 9 AM ON FEBRUARY 29 (MONDAY) TO 6 PM ON MARCH 3.

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