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NEW KCR LEGISLATION PROPOSED

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A BILL SEEKING TO REPLACE THE EXISTING KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY ORDINANCE WITH NEW LEGISLATION DEALING ALSO WITH THE NEW ELECTRIFIED SERVICES WILL BE INTRODUCED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT THE NEXT SITTING ON MARCH 10.

THE BILL, WHICH IS PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, IS MORE UP-TO-DATE IN ITS WORDING, MORE LOGICAL IN ITS PRESENTATION AND EASIER TO ADMINISTER.

THE FIRST PHASE OF THE ELECTRIFIED SERVICE BETWEEN KOWLOON AND SHA TIN WILL BEGIN ON MAY 6, AND THE SECOND PHASE, BETWEEN SHA TIN AND LO WU, WILL BEGIN IN MID 1983, A KCR SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SUBSTANCE OF THE BILL IS SIMILAR TO THAT CONTAINED IN THE EXISTING ORDINANCE.

+BASICALLY IT INVOLVES THE TIDYING UP OF THE PRESENT ORDINANCE TO MAKE IT MORE LOGICAL IN PRESENTATION AND THE ADDITION OF NEW SECTIONS AND REGULATIONS TO COPE WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE ELECTRIFIED SERVICE,+ HE SAID.

HE SAID THE FRESH LEGISLATION WAS PROPOSED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF A NEW RAILWAY, WHICH WAS NOT ONLY A NEW CONCEPT OF SERVICE IN EVERY SENSE BUT ALSO AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT AND NEW PRODUCT.

+SOME SECTIONS OF THE EXISTING ORDINANCE WHICH DEAL WITH THE OPERATION OF THE RAILWAY HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE PRINCIPAL ORDINANCE AND INCORPORATED INTO THE REVISED REGULATIONS.

+THE INTENTION IS THAT THE PRINCIPAL ORDINANCE SHOULD BE CONFINED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE RAILWAY WHILE THE REGULATIONS SHOULD COVER THE OPERATING DETAILS, PARTICULARLY THOSE AFFECTING THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE MODERNISED AND ELECTRIFIED SERVICE INCLUDE THE INTRODUCTION OF AN AUTOMATIC REVENUE COLLECTION SYSTEM AND THE ENHANCED SAFETY OF THE RAILWAY.

THE BILL ALSO PROVIDES FOR HIGHER PENALTIES FOR ANYONE CAUGHT TAMPERING WITH ANY OF THE EQUIPMENT OR INSTALLATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ELECTRIFICATION OF THE RAILWAY.

FLYING OF KITES, BALLOONS OR MODEL AIRCRAFT IN THE VICINITY OF THE RAILWAY IS ALSO PROHIBITED BECAUSE THIS COULD INTERFERE WITH, OR CAUSE DAMAGE TO, THE OVERHEAD WIRES AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

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## MOVE TO PLUG LOOPHOLES IN VIDEO GAMES LAW

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IN RESPONSE TO REQUESTS FROM UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT ALL THREE READINGS OF THE MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL WILL BE TAKEN IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION ON WEDNESDAY (MARCH 10).

IF PASSED, THE BILL WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON FRIDAY (MARCH 12).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID, +THE BILL DOES NOT INVOLVE ANY NEW POLICY AND IS MERELY PLUGGING LOOPHOLES, HENCE THE INTENTION TO ENACT IT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.+

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## INVESTMENTS WELCOME, VISITING US BUSINESSMEN TOLD

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OVERSEAS INVESTMENT, PARTICULARLY FROM THE UNITED STATES, WAS MOST WELCOME, THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR JOHN BREMRIDGE, TOLD MEMBERS OF THE ASIA PACIFIC COUNCIL OF AMERICAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE THIS MORNING AT THE HILTON HOTEL.

THE COUNCIL IS HOLDING ITS SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING IN HONG KONG.

AMONG THE FACTORS MAKING HONG KONG ATTRACTIVE TO AMERICAN AND OTHER INVESTORS WERE THE EXCELLENT RELATIONS WITH CHINA, A STABLE ECONOMIC POLICY WITH MINIMUM BUREAUCRATIC INTERFERENCE, AND NON-DISCRIMINATION AGAINST OVERSEAS COMPANIES, HE SAID.

OTHER FACTORS OF ENCOURAGEMENT WERE THE LOW STANDARD RATES OF TAXATION, A FREE MONEY MARKET AND SOPHISTICATED BACK-UP SERVICES IN THE FIELDS OF FINANCE, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS.

MR BREMRIDGE SAID THERE WERE REAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION WITH CHINA — +FOR OUR MUTUAL BENEFIT+.

THESE OPPORTUNITIES WOULD BECOME INCREASINGLY THE FOCUS OF MUCH OF THE BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN HONG KONG.

HONG KONG HAD CONSOLIDATED ITS POSITION AS A MANUFACTURING CENTRE, HAD BEEN RAPIDLY EXPANDING ITS ENTREPOT TRADE AND, WITH ITS GROWING COMMERCIAL SERVICES, INCLUDING BANKING, FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE, AND CONSULTING, HAD RAPIDLY BECOME A LEADING FINANCIAL CENTRE, HE SAID.

+NOT JUST IN THE REGION, BUT ALSO ON A WORLD SCALE WHERE IT IS ONLY SURPASSED TO ANY SIGNIFICANT EXTENT BY NEW YORK AND LONDON,+ HE SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG HAD EVERY INTENTION OF ENSURING THAT THESE FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS WOULD CONTINUE TO APPLY, MR BREMRIDGE SAID.

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INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION OFFICE OPENED IN TOKYO
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THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WAS EMBARKING ON A MORE CONSISTENT AND SYSTEMATIC BASIS TO ATTRACT SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED JAPANESE COMPANIES TO ESTABLISH OR ENGAGE IN JOINT VENTURES IN HONG KONG, THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR BILL DORWARD, SAID IN TOKYO TODAY (FRIDAY).

OPENING HONG KONG'S FIRST INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION OFFICE, MR DORWARD SAID:

+WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE SHALL OPEN MORE, IN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES. BUT THE FACT THAT THE FIRST ONE IS IN TOKYO EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE WE PLACE ON INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATION WITH OUR FRIENDS IN JAPAN.+

AS THE SAME ELEMENTS WERE GENERALLY PRESENT WHEREVER JAPANESE TECHNOLOGY WAS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE, HONG KONG PROBABLY HAD NOTHING UNIQUE TO OFFER THAT OTHER COUNTRIES COMPETING FOR SUCH INVESTMENT DID NOT. BUT, MR DORWARD SAID, WHAT MATTERED WAS THE MIXTURE OF THOSE ELEMENTS.

+ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY NEEDS A RECEPTIVE ATMOSPHERE, SUPPORT FACILITIES, A HEALTHY COMMERCIAL CLIMATE AND A GOOD AND RELIABLE LABOUR FORCE IF IT IS TO SUCCEED. I BELIEVE THIS IS WHAT HONG KONG NOW OFFERS JAPAN. THE CURRENT MODERNISATION POLICY OF OUR GREAT NEIGHBOUR, CHINA, HAS ADDED A NEW AND DYNAMIC ELEMENT TO THE WHOLE PICTURE,+ HE STRESSED.

MR DORWARD, WHO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE SENIOR UNOFFICIAL EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR, SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG, SAID THERE WERE ALREADY MORE THAN 100 MANUFACTURING COMPANIES IN HONG KONG WITH SOME DEGREE OF JAPANESE PARTICIPATION. MR DORWARD THEN INTRODUCED MR MICHAEL KIKUCHI WHO HAD BEEN APPOINTED TO HEAD THE TOKYO OFFICE.

MR KIKUCHI HAD SERVED AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE JAPAN TRADE CENTRE IN HONG KONG FROM 1974 TO 1977, HE SAID.

MR JOHN WHITEHEAD, MINISTER AT THE BRITISH EMBASSY, TOKYO DESCRIBED THE DECISION TO OPEN THE TOKYO OFFICE AS FAR SIGHTED.

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU, MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI), MR T. NAKAZAWA, ADDED CONGRATULATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, AND THE OPENING OF THE OFFICE WAS SYMBOLICALLY CELEBRATED BY THE CRACKING OF A BARREL OF SAKE.

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NO CAUSE FOR DESPAIR SEEN AT NT TRANSPORT PROBLEM
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THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR RICHARD BUTLER, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) HE SAW NO CAUSE FOR DESPAIR AT THE NEW TERRITORIES TRANSPORT PROBLEM.

DR BUTLER, WHO SPENT MANY YEARS WITH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, WAS SPEAKING AT A LIONS CLUB OF HONG KONG CENTRAL LUNCH MEETING.

+THE WORST PROBLEM, IT SEEMS TO ME, IS THE ROAD CONGESTION CENTERING ON THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL AND STRETCHING BACK TO LION ROCK TUNNEL, THE LUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND WEST KOWLOON,+ HE SAID.

+I DON'T MYSELF SEE ANY WAY TO EXPAND CAPACITY ON A SIGNIFICANT SCALE IN THIS CORRIDOR.+

THE 1979 WHITE PAPER ON TRANSPORT POLICY INDICATED A REAL NEED FOR GENERAL RESTRAINTS ON ROAD USE, WITH A VIEW TO KEEPING THE LESS NECESSARY MOTOR VEHICLES OFF OUR MORE CONGESTED ROADS AT CONGESTION-PRONE TIMES.

+CLEARLY, THAT WOULD HELP IN REDUCING CONGESTION ON THIS PARTICULAR ARTERIAL CONNEXION,+ DR BUTLER SAID.

+IT IS ALSO RELEVANT THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS TAKING A HARD LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF A LEI YUE MUN BRIDGE WHICH, TIED IN WITH THE PRESENTLY-CONSTRUCTED ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR ROAD AND NEW ROAD LINKS ON THE KOWLOON SIDE, COULD DO A GREAT DEAL OF GOOD BY THE LATER 1980'S.

+REALLY, OF COURSE, WE NEED A WESTERN HARBOUR CROSSING, BUT THAT WOULD BE SO EXPENSIVE THAT IT DOES NOT SEEM TO ME TO BE VERY LIKELY TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE PRESENT DECADE. FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF, I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO LOOK TO THE MTR AND KCR.+

ON WHAT HE CALLED +THE RAILWAY SITUATION IN THE NEW TERRITORIES+ DR BUTLER SAID BEFORE MID-YEAR WE SHOULD SEE THE OPENING OF THE TSUEN WAN EXTENSION OF THE MTR AND THE ELECTRIFICATION OF THE KCR TO SHA TIN.

BOTH THESE EVENTS SHOULD HAVE A TREMENDOUSLY BENEFICIAL IMPACT ON LIFE IN SHA TIN AND TSUEN WAN- AND THE TWO RAILWAYS, IN COMBINATION, SHOULD HELP EASE THE STRAIN ON THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL PINCH-POINT BY INDUCING PEOPLE TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT WHICH IS UNCLOGGED BY ROAD CONGESTION.

CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF BOTH KCR ELECTRIFICATION, WHICH WOULD BE EXTENDED TO LO WU DURING 1983, AND THE ENLARGED MTR WOULD BE THE CAPACITY OF THE KCR/MTR INTERCHANGE AT KOWLOON TONG, THE HUNG HOM INTERCHANGE BETWEEN KCR, FERRIES AND BUSES AND THE ARGYLE STREET CROSS-PLATFORM INTERCHANGE FOR PASSENGERS ON THE KWUN TONG LINE OF THE MTR.

+THESE SENSITIVE POINTS WILL, I BELIEVE, BE PLACED UNDER CLOSE EXAMINATION DURING 1982 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS TO SEE JUST WHAT CAPACITY CONSTRAINTS THEY IMPOSE ON THE JOINT RAILWAY SYSTEM AND WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT THEM.

/+WE WILL .....

+WE WILL ALSO BE WATCHING THE MTR'S NATHAN ROAD AND CROSS HARBOUR SECTION TO SEE HOW THAT BEARS UP WHEN THE ISLAND LINE OPENS IN 1986.+

FINALLY, ON RAILWAY MATTERS, DURING THE PRESENT CALENDAR YEAR, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD REACH A DECISION ON WHETHER TO EXTEND THE MTR TO JUNK BAY, WITH A VIEW TO DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN OF 300 000 PEOPLE THERE.

SPEAKING ABOUT TUEN MUN NEW TOWN, DR BUTLER SAID IT WAS RELATIVELY ISOLATED, BUT THE HOVERFERRY SERVICE INTRODUCED LAST YEAR HAD NEATLY LINKED THE TOWN, BY A 30-MINUTE AIR-CONDITIONED JOURNEY, WITH KOWLOON AND HONG KONG ISLAND.

MOREOVER, THE BUS SERVICE THERE WAS PRETTY REASONABLE FROM READING OF THE FIGURES AND FROM THE REACTIONS FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD AND LETTERS TO THE PRESS.

+ONCE THE TSUEN WAN EXTENSION OPENS LATER THIS YEAR, THE PEOPLE OF TUEN MUN SHOULD HAVE A PARTICULARLY GOOD TRANSPORT SERVICE LINKING THEM BY BUS AND RAIL WITH KOWLOON/HONG KONG ISLAND,+ DR BUTLER SAID.

+LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE, I HOPE THAT THE TUEN MUN TRAMWAY NEGOTIATIONS REACH A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION - BUT IF THEY DO NOT, THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION IN MY MIND BUT THAT TUEN MUN MUST STILL HAVE ITS TRAMWAY, WHOSOEVER OPERATES IT.+

AN OBVIOUS GAP IN OUR PRESENT RAILWAY PLANNING WAS FOR A RAIL LINK BETWEEN TUEN MUN AND TSUEN WAN - AND THIS POSSIBILITY WOULD SOON, HE HOPED, BE INVESTIGATED.

+I HAVE SPOKEN OF THREE OF OUR NEW TOWNS - SHA TIN, TSUEN WAN AND TUEN MUN,+ DR BUTLER SAID.

AS REGARDS THE OTHERS, TAI PO, FANLING/SHEK WU HUI AND YUEN LONG, APART FROM THE FIRST TWO BEING SERVED BY THE ELECTRIFIED KCR IN 1983, WE WERE WELL UNDERWAY WITH THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD AND THE SHA TIN/TAI PO COASTAL ROAD.

THESE AND THE CASTLE PEAK ROAD WOULD ALL BE ESSENTIALLY DUAL CARRIAGEWAY EACH OF THREE LANES BY THE MID-1980'S.

+SO THINGS LOOK QUITE BRIGHT ON THAT FRONT: PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT WE GENERALLY RESTRAIN THE EXPANDING DEMAND FOR ROAD USE IN LINE WITH THE EXPANDING SUPPLY OF ROAD SPACE,+ HE SAID.

+FINALLY+, DR BUTLER SAID, +LET ME SAY A WORD ABOUT THE PHILOSOPHY GUIDING US ON BALANCED DEVELOPMENT IN THE NEW TOWNS.

+WHILST IT IS OBVIOUSLY SENSIBLE TO ESTABLISH JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN LINE WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY PROVIDING FLATS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, IT IS EQUALLY OBVIOUS THAT THERE IS ALWAYS BOUND TO BE A MIS-MATCH IN AS SMALL A PLACE AS THE TERRITORY OF HONG KONG.+

BECAUSE DISTANCES WERE SO SHORT HERE YOUNGER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY WOULD OFTEN CONTINUE WITH THEIR JOBS IN THE OLDER URBAN AREA AFTER PARENTS HAD MOVED TO A NEW HOME IN SHA TIN OR TUEN MUN.

/SIMILARLY, JOB .....

SIMILARLY, JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN SHA TIN PULLED IN WORKERS FROM AS FAR AWAY AS WAH FU - IF GOOD TRANSPORT EXISTED.

+IN FACT, THE NO. 170 BUS ROUTE BETWEEN WAH FU AND SHA TIN, ON WHICH I OFTEN TRAVEL MYSELF, HELPS TO DO JUST THAT - CARRYING PEOPLE LIVING AT WAH FU TO WORK AT SHA TIN,+ DR BUTLER SAID.

+SO I THINK THAT OUR PHILOSOPHY IN THE NEW TOWNS MUST BE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE EMPLOYMENT IN EACH OF THEM FOR THE WORKERS RESIDENT THERE, BUT ALSO TO ACCEPT THE FACTS AND PLAN TO PROVIDE INTER-URBAN TRANSPORT FACILITIES FOR A DEGREE OF COMMUTING.

+ALL IN ALL, THEN, I SEE NO CAUSE FOR DESPAIR ON THE NEW TERRITORIES TRANSPORT PROBLEM, BUT LIKE MY COLLEAGUES I BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT DISTRICT BOARDS CONTINUE TO KEEP US ALL ON OUR TOES IN THIS REGARD, INFORMING AND STIMULATING US TO TAKE THE ACTIONS NECESSARY TO KEEP HONG KONG MOVING,+ HE SAID.

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## TWO HIGHWAYS CONTRACTS AWARDED

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THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TODAY LET TWO CONTRACTS, WORTH ABOUT $6 MILLION, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY IN KWUN TONG AND A TEMPORARY BUS TERMINUS IN WAN CHAI.

THE FIRST CONTRACT, WORTH ABOUT $4.8 MILLION, IS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY ACROSS KWUN TONG ROAD AT HOW MING LANE.

IT WAS AWARDED TO CHUN WO CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED.

THE NEW SUBWAY WILL PROVIDE A SAFE CROSSING AT THE LOCATION FOR PEDESTRIANS BY SEPARATING THEM FROM THE ROAD TRAFFIC AND WILL ALSO HELP IMPROVE THE FLOW OF VEHICLES.

TWO LANES OF TRAFFIC IN EACH DIRECTION ALONG KWUN TONG ROAD WILL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES DURING CONSTRUCTION.

WORK ON THIS CONTRACT WILL START LATER THIS MONTH AND TAKE ABOUT 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE SECOND CONTRACT, VALUED AT $1.2 MILLION, IS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TEMPORARY BUS TERMINUS AT WAN CHAI RECLAMATION.

IT WAS AWARDED TO STABILITY CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING CO. LTD.

ON COMPLETION, THE NEW BUS TERMINUS WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING ONE FRONTING THE FERRY PIER, WHICH WILL BE DEMOLISHED LATER THIS YEAR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND STAGE OF THE WAN CHAI RECREATION CENTRE.

WORK ON THE PROJECT WILL TAKE ABOUT FOUR MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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## FIRST TSUEN WAN CAREERS EXHIBITION OPENS TOMORROW

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THE FIRST CAREERS EXHIBITION EVER HELD IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED AT TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL AT 10 AM TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE FIVE-DAY EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

OFFICIATING AT THE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES, MR TANG HSIANG-CHIEN; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD INDUSTRIAL SUB-COMMITTEE, MR LAM KIN-MING; THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, DR JAMES HAYES; AND THE TSUEN WAN TOWN MANAGER, MR HAMISH MACLEOD.

THERE WILL BE 15 EXHIBITORS FROM THE MANUFACTURING AND SERVICE INDUSTRIES, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

IN ADDITION, VARIOUS STUDENT PROJECTS, PROVIDING INFORMATION ON CAREERS AND FURTHER TRAINING WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE TOWN HALL'S CULTURAL ACTIVITIES HALL, AND CAREERS TALKS WILL BE GIVEN.

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## TEN-YEAR DIGEST OF STATISTICS ON SALE

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THE HONG KONG ANNUAL DIGEST OF STATISTICS 1981 EDITION, WHICH PROVIDES A WIDE RANGE OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STATISTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT HONG KONG IS NOW ON SALE.

THE 220-PAGE EDITION IS PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AND COVERS THE PERIOD FROM 1971 TO 1980.

IT ALSO INCLUDES A NEW SECTION ON +DISTRIBUTIVE TRADES AND SERVICES+, NOT AVAILABLE IN ITS FIRST EDITION PUBLISHED IN 1978.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE PUBLICATION WILL BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL FOR LONG-TERM PLANNING AND RESEARCH AND WILL NOW BE PUT OUT ANNUALLY.

IT IS PRICED AT $60 A COPY AND IS AVAILABLE FROM TODAY (FRIDAY) AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG.

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR KOWLOON WALK FOR MILLION
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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN KWUN TONG, LAM TIN AND MA YAU TONG BETWEEN 7 AM AND 3 PM ON SUNDAY (MARCH 7) FOR A KOWLOON +WALK FOR A MILLION+ EVENT.

THEY ARE:

* THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF JUNK BAY ROAD BETWEEN LEI YUE MUN ROAD AND KAI TIN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 7 AM TO 11.30 AM.

* THE SECTION OF KAI TIN ROAD BETWEEN PING TIN STREET AND LEI YUE MUN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC (EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES AND MAXICABS) BETWEEN 7 AM AND 11.30 AM. TRAFFIC TO LAM TIN ESTATE MAY USE SAU MAU PING ROAD AND KAI TIN ROAD, AND KMB ROUTES 15C, 15M AND 16 ON JOURNEYS TO LAM TIN ESTATE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA LEI YUE MUN ROAD AND KAI TIN ROAD.

* PO LAM ROAD, THE ACCESS ROAD FROM SAU MAU PING ROAD TO ANDERSON ROAD AND THE SECTION OF ANDERSON ROAD NEAR PO LAM ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC (EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES) BETWEEN 9 AM AND 3 PM. AT THE SAME TIME, KMB ROUTE 90 WILL RUN LIMITED SERVICE.

* ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING RIGHT FROM LEI YUE MUN ROAD INTO TSUI PING ROAD BETWEEN 7 AM AND 11.30 AM.

* THE SECTION OF KO CHIU ROAD NEAR LEI YUE MUN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 8 AM TO 12 NOON, AND KMB ROUTE NO. 14A ON JOURNEY TO KO CHIU ROAD BUS TERMINUS WILL BE DIVERTED VIA LEI YUE MUN ROAD AND KO LONG ROAD.

* ALL PARKING SPACES IN KAI LIM ROAD WILL BE SUSPENDED BETWEEN 7 AM AND 3 PM.

POLICE OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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## ANTI-SMOKING EXHIBITION AT SHA TIN

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AN EXHIBITION ON THE HEALTH HAZARDS OF SMOKING WILL BE MOUNTED AT THE SHA TIN HEALTH EDUCATION CENTRE AT LEK YUEN HEALTH CENTRE FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY (MARCH 8-12).

IT IS PART OF AN ANTI-SMOKING CAMPAIGN FOR YOUTHS ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL HEALTH EDUCATION UNIT OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THE PROJECT IS DESIGNED TO DISCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM PICKING UP THIS ANTI-SOCIAL HABIT.

HE EXPLAINED THAT THIS TARGET GROUP HAD BEEN CHOSEN ON THE BASIS OF A SERIES OF SURVEYS WHICH SHOW THAT MOST HABITUAL SMOKERS HAVE THEIR FIRST PUFF IN ADOLESCENCE AND THEN FIND IT DIFFICULT TO GET RID OF THE HABIT.

THE EXHIBITION, WHICH IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DAILY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM, WILL CARRY THE MESSAGE +DON'T SAY YES TO SMOKING+ THROUGH VISUAL MEANS SUCH AS DISPLAY, SLIDES AND FILM SHOWS, AND DEMONSTRATIONS OF THE HARM CAUSED BY SMOKING.

SIMILAR EXHIBITIONS WILL LATER BE STAGED AT TSUEN WAN AND YUEN LONG TOWN HALLS.

A SERIES OF EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS ARRANGED FOR CHILDREN IN LOWER FORMS WILL ALSO BE HELD IN DIFFERENT DISTRICTS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.

EACH WORKSHOP WILL INCLUDE FILM AND SLIDE SHOWS, A GUIDED TOUR OF INFORMATIVE EXHIBITS AND A DISCUSSION SESSION.

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