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PERFORMING ARTS COUNCIL FOR HONG KONG  
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AN ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS WILL BE FORMED THIS YEAR BY APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

ANNOUNCING THIS AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF VICTORIA TODAY (MONDAY), THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM SAID THE COUNCIL WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERFORMING ARTS IN HONG KONG.

STEPS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN TO SET UP A SECRETARIAT TO SERVICE THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS SO THAT IT COULD BE ESTABLISHED LATER THIS YEAR, HE SAID.

MR WIGGHAM SAID THAT THE RAPID GROWTH OF PERFORMING ARTS -- MUSIC, SINGING, DANCE, DRAMA AND OPERA -- IN RECENT YEARS HAD UNDERLINED THE NEED TO ENSURE A MEASURE OF CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN VARIOUS BODIES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED, TO AVOID DUPLICATION OF EFFORT AND WASTAGE OF RESOURCES.

AND IF THE GOVERNMENT IS TO BE EFFECTIVE IN ITS SUPPORT IN THIS AREA, IT WILL NEED TO BE ADVISED ON NEEDS AND THE CONTRIBUTION IT CAN MAKE TOWARDS THE PROMOTION OF THE PERFORMING ARTS, HE ADDED.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL WILL INCLUDE SOME GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BUT THE MAJORITY WILL BE UNOFFICIALS, MR WIGGHAM SAID.

HE DEFINED PERFORMING ARTS AS CHINESE AND WESTERN MUSIC, SINGING, DANCE, DRAMA AND OPERA.

THE ROLE OF THE NEW COUNCIL WOULD BE +AN ACTIVE AND POSITIVE ONE, ENCOURAGING BOTH GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR- SELECTING AREAS OF EMPHASIS AND DEVELOPMENT- AND PROVIDING A FORUM FOR THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS, INFORMATION AND EXPERTISE+.

THE ADVISORY COUNCIL WILL CONCENTRATE ON THREE MAIN AREAS OF ACTIVITY IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ON THE PERFORMING ARTS. THESE ARE :

- \* COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES : THESE INCLUDE INTRODUCTORY TRAINING, AMATEUR PERFORMANCE GROUPS AND PERFORMANCES AND DEMONSTRATIONS IN THE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE RESIDENTS WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR BENEFICIAL USE OF THEIR LEISURE TIME, TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN THE PERFORMING ARTS-

/x TRAINING .....

\* TRAINING : THIS ENCOMPASS THE PROVISION OF PRE-VOCATIONAL TRAINING, AT PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LEVEL, AND VOCATIONAL OR TERTIARY TRAINING FOR THE POTENTIAL PERFORMER OR TEACHER= AND

\* GENERAL SUPPORT : THESE AIMS INCLUDE FURTHER ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, SUPPORTING THE WORK OF INDIVIDUALS THROUGH THE ORGANISATIONS THEY HAVE HELPED BUILD. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE CONSIDERED, CO-OPERATION AND SHARING OF RESOURCES WILL BE ENCOURAGED AND A LINK WITH LOCAL AND OVERSEAS SOURCES OF EXPERTISE WILL BE PROVIDED.

+THE GOVERNMENT'S ROLE WILL BE FIRMLY SUPPORTIVE, NOT COMPETITIVE,+ MR WIGGHAM EMPHASISED.

SPECIFYING THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT, URBAN COUNCIL AND PRIVATE SECTOR, IN THE PROMOTION OF THE PERFORMING ARTS, MR WIGGHAM SAID : +FOR THE VERY REASON THAT SO MUCH IS GOING ON, WE HAVE RECENTLY TAKEN A GOOD LOOK AT GOVERNMENT'S OVERALL POLICY IN THIS FIELD.

+THE REVIEW HAS BEEN BACKED-UP BY A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF DETAILED WORK BY PLANNING COMMITTEES CONSISTING OF OFFICIALS AND UNOFFICIALS INTERESTED IN THE PERFORMING ARTS : AND ALSO BY GOVERNMENT'S OWN MUSIC CONSULTANT,+ SAID MR WIGGHAM.

PARTLY AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DIVISION WILL BE UPGRADED TO A FULLY-FLEDGED SEPARATE DEPARTMENT.

+WHILE IT CAN BE EXPECTED THAT THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT POLICIES ON PUBLIC CULTURAL VENUES AND PERFORMANCES, THE NEW DEPARTMENT WILL CONCENTRATE ON OTHER AREAS NOT ALREADY PROVIDED FOR.

+THUS THE WORK OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE URBAN COUNCIL CAN BE SEEN AS COMPLEMENTARY, SINCE THEY EMPHASISE DIFFERENT AREAS,+ HE WENT ON.

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THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE PERFORMING ARTS

\* COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL INCLUDE INTRODUCTORY...  
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PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF EXTERNAL TRADE FOR APRIL  
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PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND OF IMPORTS ROSE BY EIGHT PER CENT AND 11 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN APRIL 1981 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1980, STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SHOW.

AS A RESULT, THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX (EXPRESSED AS A RATIO OF THE DOMESTIC EXPORT PRICE INDEX TO THE IMPORT PRICE INDEX) DECLINED BY THREE PER CENT. THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS INCREASED BY SEVEN PER CENT WHILE THAT OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE MARGINALLY.

THE PRICES OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 10 PER CENT, WITH VOLUME UP BY 32 PER CENT, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, PRICES ROSE BY EIGHT PER CENT AND VOLUME ROSE BY 10 PER CENT.

PRICES ARE BASED ON UNIT VALUES WHICH DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF GOODS TRADED.

CHANGES IN THE VOLUME OF TRADE ARE DERIVED FROM CHANGES IN TRADE VALUES, AFTER DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

	CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1981 WITH APRIL 1980		
	EXPORT VALUE	EXPORT UNIT VALUE	EXPORT VOLUME
CLOTHING (EXCEPT FUR)	+ 6%	+ 8%	- 1%
TEXTILE FABRICS	+11%	+ 5%	+ 5%
TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD	-26%	+ 8%	-32%
TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES	+ 5%	+12%	- 6%
ALL TRANSISTORISED RADIOS	- 9%	+10%	-18%
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	+24%	+18%	+ 5%
FOOTWEAR	+23%	- 2%	+26%
METAL MANUFACTURES	- 6%	+ 8%	-13%
METAL ORES AND SCRAP	-12%	- 2%	-10%
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	+36%	- 5%	+43%
ALL COMMODITIES	+ 8%	+ 8%	INSIGNIFICANT

THE EXPORT PRICES OF MOST COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED, FROM FIVE PER CENT FOR TEXTILE FABRICS TO 18 PER CENT FOR ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE EXPORT PRICES OF FOOTWEAR, METAL ORES AND SCRAP, AS WELL AS WATCHES AND CLOCKS FELL BY TWO PER CENT, TWO PER CENT AND FIVE PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

CONSIDERABLE GROWTH IN THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS WAS RECORDED FOR WATCHES AND CLOCKS (+43 PER CENT) AND FOOTWEAR (+26 PER CENT). HOWEVER, SIGNIFICANT DECLINES WERE REGISTERED IN THE EXPORT VOLUME OF TRANSISTORISED RADIOS (-18 PER CENT) AND TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD (-32 PER CENT).

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1981 WITH APRIL 1980

	IMPORT VALUE	IMPORT UNIT VALUE	IMPORT VOLUME
FOODSTUFFS	+18%	+17%	INSIGNIFICANT
CONSUMER GOODS	+32%	+ 6%	+24%
FUELS	+27%	+40%	-10%
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	+13%	+ 9%	+ 3%
CAPITAL GOODS	+17%	+ 9%	+ 7%
ALL COMMODITIES	+20%	+11%	+ 7%

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FUELS, THE PRICE OF WHICH JUMPED BY 40 PER CENT, THE PRICES OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY INCREASED MODERATELY, RANGING FROM SIX PER CENT TO 17 PER CENT.

ONLY SOME MAJOR IMPORTED FOODSTUFFS ROSE IN VOLUME TERMS, THE MORE SIGNIFICANT ONES BEING RICE, TEA AND COFFEE, AND VEGETABLES. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF SOYA BEAN OIL, PEANUT OIL AND LARD, AND FRUIT DECLINED.

IN THE CONSUMER GOODS CATEGORY, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR RADIOS, TELEVISION SETS, GRAMOPHONES, RECORDS, AND TAPE RECORDERS, HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING. THE IMPORT VOLUME OF SOAPS, CLEANSING AND POLISHING PREPARATIONS DECLINED.

IMPORTS OF FUELS DECREASED BY 10 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

THE IMPORT VOLUME OF VARIOUS KINDS OF RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES SHOWED A MIXED TREND. WHEREAS PURCHASES OF FABRICS OF MAN-MADE FIBRES, AND WOOL AND OTHER ANIMAL HAIR ROSE SUBSTANTIALLY, DEMAND FOR COTTON YARN AND THREAD, PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AND RAW COTTON DECLINED.

AS FOR CAPITAL GOODS, MAJOR INCREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE RECORDED FOR OFFICE MACHINES AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY ARE SHOWN BELOW:-

CHANGES COMPARING APRIL 1981 WITH APRIL 1980			
	RE-EXPORT VALUE	RE-EXPORT UNIT VALUE	RE-EXPORT VOLUME
FOODSTUFFS	+103%	+12%	+81%
CONSUMER GOODS	+ 38%	+ 5%	+31%
FUELS	+ 25%	+45%	-14%
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	+ 49%	+12%	+33%
CAPITAL GOODS	+ 32%	+16%	+14%
ALL COMMODITIES	+ 45%	+10%	+32%

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FUELS, THE RE-EXPORT VOLUME OF THE MAJOR END-USE CATEGORIES SHOWED SIGNIFICANT INCREASES, RANGING FROM 14 PER CENT FOR CAPITAL GOODS TO 81 PER CENT FOR FOODSTUFFS.

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HONG KONG-SWISS TEXTILE PACT RENEWED  
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THE CURRENT HONG KONG-SWITZERLAND TEXTILE AGREEMENT, DUE TO EXPIRE TOMORROW (JUNE 30) WAS TODAY RENEWED FOR A FURTHER YEAR.

THIS IS THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR THAT THE AGREEMENT, ORIGINALLY CONCLUDED IN JULY 1978, HAS BEEN EXTENDED.

IT PROVIDES FOR AN EXPORT AUTHORISATION COVERING SEVEN GARMENT CATEGORIES, AS WELL AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY HONG KONG SUPPLIES CERTAIN EXPORT LICENCE STATISTICS TO THE SWISS AUTHORITIES.

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AQUEDUCT PLANNED FOR CHINA WATER

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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT INTENDS SHORTLY TO INVITE TENDERS FROM SELECTED CONTRACTORS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AQUEDUCT BETWEEN MUK WU, AU TAU AND TAI LAM CHUNG.

THE WORK FORMS PART OF STAGE ONE OF A \$1 300 MILLION SCHEME FOR THE RECEPTION OF ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES OF WATER FROM CHINA OVER THE NEXT 12 YEARS.

IT WILL INCLUDE THE DRIVING OF ABOUT 13.8 KILOMETRES OF WATER TUNNEL AND THE LAYING OF ABOUT 6.8 KILOMETRES OF WATER MAIN.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START EARLY NEXT YEAR.

GROUP +C+ CONTRACTORS AND OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS IN THE WATERWORKS CATEGORY OF THE PWD LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS OR OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION.

APPLICATIONS FOR INCLUSION ON THE LIST MUST REACH THE CHIEF ENGINEER (RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT) OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT, LEIGHTON CENTRE, 12TH FLOOR, 77 LEIGHTON ROAD, HONG KONG ON OR BEFORE JULY 24, 1981.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS CONTRACT MAY BE OBTAINED, IF REQUIRED, FROM THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT'S CONSULTING ENGINEER, KAMPSAX-KRUGER-HASWELL CONSULTING ENGINEERS HONG KONG, AIA BUILDING, 9TH FLOOR, 1 STUBBS ROAD, HONG KONG.

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WORKERS TOLD TO CONSIDER OTHERS' SAFETY AS WELL  
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A WORKER WHO FLOUTS SAFETY REGULATIONS ENDANGERS NOT ONLY HIMSELF BUT ALSO OTHER INNOCENT PEOPLE, THE ACTING CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR YIP YUK-LUN, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

A CASE IN POINT, HE ADDED, WAS A FIRE WHICH BROKE OUT IN A FURNITURE SHOP IN JANUARY THIS YEAR, KILLING AN APPRENTICE.

THE FIRE WAS CAUSED BY A LIGHTED MATCH DISCARDED BY A WORKER AFTER LIGHTING A CIGARETTE.

THE WORKER WAS SUBSEQUENTLY SUMMONSED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND FINED \$500 BY THE COURT.

+THIS TRAGEDY UNDERLINES THE IMPORTANCE FOR ALL EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES TO BE CONSCIOUS OF SAFETY AND TO COMPLY WITH SAFETY REGULATIONS AT ALL TIME.+

MR YIP SAID THAT THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TOOK A SERIOUS VIEW OF WORKERS PUTTING THE LIVES OF OTHERS IN JEOPARDY THROUGH FAILURE TO OBSERVE SAFETY RULES, OR THROUGH SELFISH ACTS OR INCONSIDERATION.

HE POINTED OUT THAT UNDER THE CONSTRUCTION SITES (SAFETY) REGULATIONS AND THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS REGULATIONS, IT IS AN OFFENCE FOR ANY WORKER TO DO ANYTHING LIKELY TO ENDANGER HIMSELF OR OTHERS.

THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR THE OFFENCE IS \$10 000.

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OLD BUILDING NOT SAFE  
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TODAY DECLARED NOS. 5 AND 7 TSE MI ALLEY, HONG KONG TO BE IN A DANGEROUS CONDITION AND NO. 9 TSE MI ALLEY LIABLE TO BECOME DANGEROUS.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING, THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING SURVEYOR SAID THIS GROUP OF TWO STOREY, PRE-WAR BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTED WITH LOAD BEARING WALLS AND TIMBER FLOORS AND ROOFS, HAD BEEN UNDER SURVEILLANCE SINCE 1967.

RECENT DETERIORATION HAD BEEN NOTED IN THE CHINA FIR TIMBERS OF NOS. 5 AND 7 TSE MI ALLEY. IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THERE IS A RISK OF COLLAPSE AND IT IS THEREFORE NECESSARY TO CLOSE AND DEMOLISH THESE BUILDINGS.

ALTHOUGH NO. 9 TSE MI ALLEY IS IN A SLIGHTLY BETTER CONDITION, IT WOULD NOT SAFELY WITHSTAND THE DEMOLITION OF THE ADJOINING BUILDINGS.

ACCORDINGLY NOTICES OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS IN VICTORIA DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON JULY 27, 1981 WERE POSTED TODAY.

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BIG NT REFUSE CLEAN-UP STARTS

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REFUSE BLACKSPOTS THROUGHOUT THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL GET A +FACE-LIFT+ IN THE COMING MONTHS TO PREPARE FOR THE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN.

A SERIES OF PRE-CAMPAIGN OPERATIONS AIMED AT CLEARING AWAY GARBAGE AT MORE THAN 200 BLACKSPOTS IN TUEN MUN, YUEN LONG, NORTH DISTRICT, TAI PO, SAI KUNG, SHA TIN, KWAI CHUNG, TSUEN WAN AND OUTLYING ISLANDS IS NOW BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HOPED THAT THE SUSTAINED EFFORT WILL AROUSE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGE MORE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO HELP CLEAN THEIR LIVING SURROUNDINGS AND IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE.

THIS WAS REVEALED BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (NORTH REGION) OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES, MR BOWEN LEUNG, WHEN HE INSPECTED THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION AT THE RUBBISH-RIDDEN MOUSE ISLAND, TUEN MUN, TODAY (MONDAY).

MR LEUNG, ACCOMPANIED BY THE SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT OF NORTH REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS OF NTSD, MR LEE SAI-HEI, AND THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICER OF TUEN MUN, MR YUE KAI-CHUI, TOURED THE MILE-LONG EMBANKMENT ALONG CASTLE PEAK BAY AND SAW FOR HIMSELF THE PROBLEM OF GARBAGE ACCUMULATION.

TONNES OF DOMESTIC WASTE, BULKY ITEMS, WOOD PLANKS, TINS, BOTTLES AND BAMBOO BASKETS INDISCRIMINATELY DUMPED INTO THE WATER BY SOME 4 000 PEOPLE LIVING IN HOUSE-BOATS AND FISHING JUNKS MOORED AT THE BAY ARE WASHED ASHORE DAY AFTER DAY.

TO CLEAR AWAY SOME 200 TONNES OF LITTER FROM THE ROCKS OF THE BREAKWATER AT CASTLE PEAK BAY AND THE WATERFRONT AREA, THE NTSD WILL HAVE TO CALL ON THE SERVICES OF 70 CLEANSING STAFF AND DEPLOY 10 VEHICLES. THE JOB WHICH IS EXPECTED TO LAST FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

MR LEUNG URGED THE BOAT PEOPLE TO BE MORE CIVIC-MINDED BY MAKING FULL USE OF THE REFUSE CONTAINERS, COLLECTION POINTS AND BIN SITES LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE OF VARIOUS JETTIES AND EMBANKMENTS.

/THE VILLAGE .....

THE VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE OF SAM SING VILLAGE, MR YIP CHUEN, ALSO URGED HIS FELLOW VILLAGERS TO MOUNT THEIR OWN TIDY-UP OPERATIONS.

MEANWHILE, OFFICERS OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE ADVISED SHOPKEEPERS OF MARINE STORES OPERATING ALONG THE WATERFRONT OF CASTLE PEAK BAY TO HELP CLEAR AWAY BULKY ITEMS IN THEIR SURROUNDING AREA.

A HARBOUR SWEEPER AND REFUSE COLLECTION SAMPANS OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT WERE ALSO AT WORK IN THE HARBOUR TO COLLECT THE FLOATING DEBRIS. A BOAT TO BOAT REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE IS ALSO EXPECTED TO BE CARRIED OUT VERY SOON.

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#### PIG FARMERS' COOPERATION SOUGHT

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PIG FARMERS WERE TODAY URGED TO TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS IN KEEPING THE NEW TERRITORIES FREE FROM POLLUTION AND TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT IN THIS EFFORT.

ONE OF THE CHALLENGES FACING THE PIG-RAISING INDUSTRY AT PRESENT CONCERNED THE INDISCRIMINATE DISCHARGE OF PIG WASTE, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR C.T. WONG SAID.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT A CEREMONY TO PRESENT HIGH-QUALITY PIGS PURCHASED RECENTLY BY HONG KONG PIG FARMERS FROM THE UNITED STATES FOR BREEDING.

FORTY-TWO PIGS WERE BOUGHT FOR SUCH PURPOSES BY PIG FARMERS OF THE FEDERATION OF PIG RAISING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES DURING A STUDY TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES IN APRIL THIS YEAR.

THE PIGS HAVE UNDERGONE THE 28-DAY QUARANTINE PERIOD AND HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO THE PIG FARMERS FOR RAISING.

DR WONG PRAISED THE FEDERATION FOR ITS EFFORTS DURING THE PAST YEAR IN KEEPING THE COSTS OF RAISING PIGS DOWN BY THE BULK PURCHASE OF FEEDS, BREEDING STOCKS AND MEDICINE FOR LIVESTOCK COLLECTIVELY.

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TUEN MUN MAC MEMBERS URGED TO HELP WITH PUBLICITY  
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MEMBERS OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES IN TUEN MUN WERE TODAY (MONDAY) URGED TO HELP PUBLICISE THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME AT GRASS-ROOTS LEVEL.

MAKING THE APPEAL WAS THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS SARAH WU, WHO WAS SPEAKING AT THE INAUGURATION FOR A FIFTH TERM OF OFFICIALS OF THE MAC IN BLOCK 3 OF SAN FAT ESTATE.

MISS WU SAID BESIDES ORGANISING RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR NEIGHBOURS AND TAKING PART IN MANAGEMENT OF BUILDINGS MAC'S COULD PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

SHE SAID MORE CHANNELS WOULD BE OPENED UP WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND THAT REGISTRATION OF VOTERS FOR THIS WOULD TAKE PLACE IN AUGUST AND THE FIRST ELECTIONS HELD NEXT MARCH.

+ I HOPE MAC MEMBERS WILL ACTIVELY TAKE PART IN THE REGISTRATION AND THE ELECTIONS AND ENCOURAGE THEIR NEIGHBOURS TO DO SO, + MISS WU SAID.

THE SAN FAT ESTATE BLOCK 3 MAC, THE FIRST TO BE SET UP IN A TUEN MUN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE, WAS FORMED IN 1977 WITH ASSISTANCE OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

OVER THE YEARS IT HAS ORGANISED OUTINGS, SEMINARS, FUNFAIRS, AND ALSO TAKEN PART IN THE FIGHT CRIME AND CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGNS.

IT HAS NINE MEMBERS, WITH MR LEUNG FOOK-CHEUNG AS CHAIRMAN.

THERE ARE AT PRESENT 44 MACS IN TUEN MUN, OF WHICH 14 ARE IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WAS HEUNG YEE KUK CHAIRMAN, MR LAU WONG-FAT.

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RECREATIONAL MAXICAB ROUTE SERVICE REVIVED FOR SUMMER  
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NEW TERRITORIES MAXICAB ROUTE NO. 5 SERVICE WILL BE REVIVED FROM WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, TO HELP TAKE PASSENGERS TO CLEAR WATER BAY BEACH ON FINE SATURDAY AFTERNOONS, SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE SERVICE, BETWEEN LUK LAU AVENUE IN CHOI HUNG AND TAI O MUN, WILL OPERATE ONLY IF THE WEATHER IS FINE.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE MAXICAB ROUTE WILL HELP SUPPLEMENT THE CARRYING CAPACITY PROVIDED BY KMB ROUTE NO. 91 OVER THE SAME ROUTE.

THE ROUTE FROM CHOI HUNG IS VIA LUK LAU AVENUE, CHOI HUNG ROUNDABOUT, HAMMER HILL ROAD, LUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD. THE RETURN JOURNEY WILL BE VIA CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD, LUNG CHEUNG ROAD, WONG KUK AVENUE, LAM CHUNG AVENUE AND LUK LAU AVENUE.

THE FARE FOR A SINGLE JOURNEY WILL BE \$3.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF BULLOCK LANE  
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A SECTION OF BULLOCK LANE, BETWEEN WAN CHAI ROAD AND CROSS LANE, WILL BE CLOSED TEMPORARILY FOR 12 HOURS EACH DAY ON JULY 1 AND JULY 5 FROM 9 AM TO 9 PM.

DURING THE CLOSURE PERIOD OF BULLOCK LANE, CROSS LANE BETWEEN BULLOCK LANE AND BURROWS STREET WILL BE CHANGED TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC.

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT BULLOCK LANE WAS BEING CLOSED TO FACILITATE THE LAYING OF A TELEPHONE DUCT.

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PROMENADE EXTENSION

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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO RECLAIM AN AREA OFF THE EXISTING SEAWALL IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST TO PROVIDE AN EXTENSION TO THE PROMENADE NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

THE EXTENSION WILL BE TRIANGLE IN SHAPE, WILL MEASURE ABOUT 390 SQUARE METRES, AND WILL BE SITUATED NEAR THE JUNCTION OF CHATHAM ROAD AND SALISBURY ROAD.

IT WILL PROVIDE AN UNINTERRUPTED AND BETTER CONTINUATION OF THE PROMENADE, STRETCHING FROM TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, THROUGH THE SECTION OF PROMENADE NOW BEING CONSTRUCTED BY THE NEW WORLD CENTRE AND OTHER DEVELOPERS, TO THE OPEN SPACE AND CULTURAL CENTRE TO THE WEST.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR ANY CLAIMS OF PRIVATE RIGHT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE, WITH ITS RELATED PLAN, SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED, CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD= THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

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