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PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES FOR JULY 1984
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THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN JULY 1984 ROSE BY 33 PER CENT, OR \$3 242 MILLION OVER THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, TO REACH \$13 095 MILLION, ACCORDING TO PROVISIONAL FIGURES PUBLISHED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS ALSO INCREASED, BY 49 PER CENT, OR \$2 324 MILLION, TO \$7 042 MILLION. TAKING DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS TOGETHER, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS, AT \$20 137 MILLION, WAS 38 PER CENT, OR \$5 566 MILLION, HIGHER THAN A YEAR AGO.

THE VALUE OF IMPORTS REACHED \$19 816 MILLION IN JULY 1984, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 31 PER CENT, OR \$4 632 MILLION, OVER THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR. AS THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS WAS GREATER THAN THAT OF IMPORTS, THE VISIBLE TRADE ACCOUNT RECORDED A SURPLUS OF \$321 MILLION. THIS IS THE FIRST JULY SURPLUS SINCE 1976.

PUTTING THE MONTH'S TRADE FIGURES INTO CONTEXT, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS FOR THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF 1984 WAS \$120 009 MILLION, MADE UP OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF \$75 736 MILLION AND RE-EXPORTS OF \$44 273 MILLION. COMPARED WITH THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF 1983, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS HAD INCREASED BY \$38 303 MILLION OR 47 PER CENT, DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY \$22 722 MILLION OR 43 PER CENT, AND RE-EXPORTS BY \$15 581 MILLION OR 54 PER CENT. THE VALUE OF IMPORTS HAD INCREASED BY \$34 112 MILLION OR 37 PER CENT, TO \$125 370 MILLION. AS THE GROWTH RATE OF THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS WAS FASTER THAN THAT OF IMPORTS, THE VISIBLE TRADE GAP NARROWED TO FOUR PER CENT IN THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF 1984 FROM 10 PER CENT IN THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

COMMENTING ON THESE COMPARATIVE FIGURES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE STRONG TRADE PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN SUSTAINED. EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF COMPARISON TO THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JULY 1984, THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE INCREASES IN VALUE WERE 40 PER CENT FOR DOMESTIC EXPORTS, 50 PER CENT FOR RE-EXPORTS, 44 PER CENT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS AND 37 PER CENT FOR IMPORTS.

THE FOLLOWING TABLE PRESENTS THE PROVISIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FIGURES FOR JULY 1984:-

<u>MERCHANDISE:</u>	DOMESTIC EXPORTS	:	\$13 095 MILLION
	RE-EXPORTS	:	\$ 7 042 MILLION
	TOTAL EXPORTS	:	\$20 137 MILLION
	IMPORTS	:	\$19 816 MILLION
	TRADE BALANCE	:	\$ 321 MILLION (IN SURPLUS)

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

<u>LATEST 3 MONTHS</u>	<u>MAY - JULY</u> 1984	<u>MAY - JULY</u> 1983	<u>INCREASE OR</u> <u>DECREASE</u>	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	37 172	26 772	+10 400	+38.8
RE-EXPORTS	20 462	13 370	+ 7 092	+53.0
TOTAL EXPORTS	57 634	40 142	+17 492	+43.6
IMPORTS	58 058	43 590	+14 468	+33.2
TRADE BALANCE	- 424	- 3 448	+ 3 024	

<u>SAME MONTH LAST YEAR</u>	<u>JULY 1984</u>	<u>JULY 1983</u>	<u>INCREASE OR</u> <u>DECREASE</u>	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	13 095 (65.0%)	9 853 (67.6%)	+ 3 242	+32.9
RE-EXPORTS	7 042	4 718	+ 2 324	+49.3
TOTAL EXPORTS	20 137	14 571	+ 5 566	+38.2
IMPORTS	19 816	15 184	+ 4 632	+30.5
TRADE BALANCE	+ 321	- 613	+ 934	

<u>LAST MONTH</u>	<u>JULY 1984</u>	<u>JUNE 1984</u>	<u>INCREASE OR</u> <u>DECREASE</u>	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	13 095 (65.0%)	12 366 (64.6%)	+ 729	+ 5.9
RE-EXPORTS	7 042	6 775	+ 267	+ 3.9
TOTAL EXPORTS	20 137	19 141	+ 996	+ 5.2
IMPORTS	19 816	19 378	+ 438	+ 2.3
TRADE BALANCE	+ 321	- 237	+ 558	

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CALENDAR YEAR TO-DATE	JANUARY - JULY 1984	JANUARY - JULY 1983	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	75 736 (63.1%)	53 014 (64.9%)	+22 722	+42.9
RE-EXPORTS	44 273	28 692	+15 581	+54.3
TOTAL EXPORTS	120 009	81 706	+38 303	+46.9
IMPORTS	125 370	91 258	+34 112	+37.4
TRADE BALANCE	- 5 361	- 9 552	+ 4 191	
LAST 12 MONTHS	AUG 1983 TO JULY 1984	AUG 1982 TO JULY 1983	INCREASE OR DECREASE	
	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	127 127	90 548	+36 579	+40.4
RE-EXPORTS	71 875	48 056	+23 819	+49.6
TOTAL EXPORTS	199 002	138 604	+60 398	+43.6
IMPORTS	209 555	153 087	+56 468	+36.9
TRADE BALANCE	- 10 553	- 14 483	+ 3 930	

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**NEW POLICE COMMISSIONER
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THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THE APPOINTMENT OF MR RAY ANNING AS THE NEXT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, TO SUCCEED MR ROY HENRY WHO WILL RETIRE IN APRIL 1985.

BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MR ROY HENRY, CBE, MVO, QPM, CPM

AGED 57. SERVED IN MALAYA, SARAWAK AND FIJI BEFORE COMING TO HONG KONG. JOINED THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE IN JANUARY 1973 AS SENIOR ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE. PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF COMMISSIONER OF POLICE IN MARCH 1979. WILL PROCEED ON LEAVE PRIOR TO RETIREMENT IN APRIL 1985 AFTER A LONG AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER.

MR RAY ANNING, CBE, QPM

AGED 54. SERVED AS ONE OF HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORS OF CONSTABULARY FOR ENGLAND AND WALES AT THE HOME OFFICE BEFORE JOINING THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE IN JULY 1983 AS DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

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NEW COMPANY ORDINANCES GAZETTED
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THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1984 TOGETHER WITH THE COMPANIES (FEES) REGULATIONS 1984, THE COMPANIES (FORMS) REGULATIONS 1984 AND THE COMPANIES (WINDING-UP)(AMENDMENT) RULES 1984 WILL COME INTO OPERATION ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 31, 1984).

THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1984, PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE ON JANUARY 27, 1984, INTRODUCES A LARGE NUMBER OF AMENDMENTS TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDINANCE COVERING AREAS SUCH AS THE INCORPORATION OF COMPANIES, SHARE CAPITAL AND DEBENTURES, REGISTRATION OF CHARGES, MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION, WINDING-UP, RECEIVERS AND MANAGERS, AND OVERSEAS COMPANIES.

THE BANKRUPTCY ORDINANCE (CAP. 6) AND THE BANKRUPTCY RULES HAVE ALSO BEEN AMENDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1984, AND THE AMENDED ORDINANCE AND RULES WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON THE SAME DATE.

THE REPRINT OF THE PRINCIPAL COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 32) INCLUDING THE AMENDMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRES FROM AUGUST 31, 1984.

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AGREEMENT ON U.S. EXPORT LIMITS
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RESUMED CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND UNITED STATES OFFICIALS ON THREE OUTSTANDING EXPORT AUTHORISATION (EA) CALLS HAVE RESULTED IN AGREEMENT ON EXPORT LIMITS IN 1984 FOR TWO OF THE CATEGORIES.

THE TALKS ON ALL THREE CATEGORIES TOOK PLACE IN WASHINGTON ON AUGUST 22.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRADE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT, DURING THE ONE-DAY TALKS, HONG KONG AGREED TO A LIMIT OF 950 000 LBS FOR EXPORTS IN 1984 IN PART OF CATEGORY 359 (COTTON COVERALLS, ETC) AND ALSO ON A LIMIT OF 1 050 000 LBS FOR EXPORT IN 1984 IN PART OF CATEGORY 659 (MAN-MADE FIBRE COVERALLS, ETC).

ON PART OF CATEGORY 659 (MAN-MADE PULLOVER JACKETS), THE SPOKESMAN SAID DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD-OVER PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY HONG KONG OF PROPOSALS TABLED BY THE U.S. DELEGATION.

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LAW ON SAFETY OFFICERS BEING PREPARED
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LEGISLATION IS NOW BEING PREPARED WHICH, IF ENACTED, WILL REQUIRE ALL THE LARGER FIRMS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TO EMPLOY TRAINED AND QUALIFIED SAFETY OFFICERS.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR RON BRIDGE, AT THE OPENING OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY'S SAFETY OFFICERS COURSE.

MR BRIDGE SAID THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION, AND OTHER BODIES REPRESENTING THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY, HAD ENDORSED THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION IN PRINCIPLE BUT WERE CONCERNED THAT THERE SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT QUALIFIED SAFETY OFFICERS AVAILABLE BY THE TIME THE LEGISLATION COMES INTO EFFECT.

HE SAID THE CITA COURSE, WHICH OFFERED 80 PLACES IN ONE-YEAR EVENING AND DAY-RELEASE COURSES, WAS INTENDED TO HELP FILL THIS NEED, AND WOULD BE A MOST WELCOME ADDITION TO THE COURSES ALREADY BEING PROVIDED BY THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC.

+THE POLYTECHNIC COURSES, WHICH STARTED IN 1979, ORIGINALLY PROVIDED PLACES FOR 40 PEOPLE, BUT THEY HAVE EXPANDED OVER THE YEARS AND THIS YEAR'S COURSE HAS THREE CLASSES PROVIDING A TOTAL OF 120 PLACES,+ MR BRIDGE ADDED.

+TAKING INTO ACCOUNT BOTH COURSES, WE ESTIMATE THAT A TOTAL OF ABOUT 430 SAFETY OFFICERS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE BY JULY 1985, AND ABOUT 140 SHOULD COME AVAILABLE EACH YEAR AFTER THAT.+

MR BRIDGE THANKED THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY AND ITS CHAIRMAN, DR GEOFFREY YEH, FOR TAKING THE INITIATIVE IN PROVIDING MORE SAFETY OFFICERS. HE ALSO COMMENDED THE BUILDING CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION FOR ITS SUPPORT FOR THE COURSE AND FOR ALLOWING PARTICIPANTS TO USE BCA PREMISES.

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HELPING TO GET VOTERS
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SEVERAL LAUNCHES WILL TOUR THE ABERDEEN HARBOUR TOMORROW (THURSDAY) MORNING TO HELP THE FLOATING POPULATION TO REGISTER AS DISTRICT BOARD VOTERS.

ON BOARD THE LAUNCHES WILL BE THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE MOBILE REGISTRATION TEAM AND A NUMBER OF CIVIC-MINDED LEADERS OF THE FISHING POPULATION, WHO WILL APPEAL TO THE BOAT PEOPLE TO REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR'S DB ELECTIONS.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO COVER THE EVENT ARE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE AT 10 AM (SHARP) AT THE JUMBO PIER ON THE ABERDEEN WATERFRONT (OPPOSITE THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AT ABERDEEN CENTRE).

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HOSPITAL FOR TSING YI RECLAMATION
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THIRTY HECTARES OF LAND ARE TO BE FORMED FOR A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AND A DISTRICT HOSPITAL AT TSING YI ISLAND FOLLOWING THE AWARD OF A \$45.5 MILLION CONTRACT TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THE CONTRACT WAS SIGNED BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER (SOUTH) OF THE TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, MR DIAN MITCHELL, AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE HARBOUR ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED, MR NICOLAS YEUNG.

THE CONTRACT WILL INVOLVE THE EXCAVATION AND FORMATION OF PLATFORMS WEST OF FUNG SHUE WO TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA. THESE WILL PROVIDE SITES FOR A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE FOR 12 000 PEOPLE AND A DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

LAND WILL ALSO BE FORMED TO THE EAST OF THE TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA FOR PHASE II OF TSING YI ESTATE AND FOR A HOUSING SOCIETY ESTATE TO ACCOMMODATE 17 800 PEOPLE.

THE EXCAVATED MATERIAL WILL BE USED TO RECLAIM LAND AT TSING YI BAY ON WHICH TSING YI TOWN CENTRE, A SPORTS GROUND AND A DISTRICT OPEN SPACE WILL BE BUILT.

THE MOON TSAI TONG TYPHOON SHELTER, WHERE THE SECOND AND THIRD PHASES OF CHEUNG ON ESTATE FOR 30 000 PEOPLE IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED, WILL BE RECLAIMED AS WELL.

PHASE II OF CHEUNG ON ESTATE WILL TAKE ITS FIRST RESIDENTS BY THE END OF 1988, WHILE PHASE III WILL BE READY FOR OCCUPATION IN MAY, 1989.

WORK UNDER THE CONTRACT WILL START AT THE END OF THIS WEEK AND TAKE 20 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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AMERICA'S OLDEST ORCHESTRA VISITS HK
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THE NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC, THE OLDEST ORCHESTRA IN AMERICA, ARRIVED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) TO GIVE FOUR PERFORMANCES AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL AND HONG KONG COLISEUM -- FROM THIS EVENING TO SEPTEMBER 1 (SATURDAY).

THE 115-MEMBER ORCHESTRA INCLUDES MUSIC DIRECTOR AND CONDUCTOR ZUBIN MEHTA, MANAGING DIRECTOR ALBERT WEBSTER, AND VIOLIN SOLOIST CHO-LIANG LIN. THE VISIT TO HONG KONG BY THE 142-YEAR-OLD ORCHESTRA MARKS A NUMBER OF +FIRSTS+ IN LOCAL MUSICAL HISTORY.

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THIS IS THE ORCHESTRA'S FIRST APPEARANCE IN HONG KONG, ALTHOUGH IT HAS GIVEN MORE THAN 10 000 CONCERTS ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD, AND ITS PERFORMANCE AT THE HONG KONG COLISEUM IS THE FIRST CLASSICAL CONCERT EVER HELD THERE.

IN ORDER TO CREATE AN ACOUSTIC EFFECT IN THE COLISEUM SIMILAR TO THAT ACHIEVED IN A CONCERT AUDITORIUM, AN ARRAY OF PLASTIC SOUND REFLECTORS, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN HONG KONG, WILL BE INSTALLED ABOVE THE STAGE. THE EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DONATED BY CITIBANK.

WHEN TICKETS FOR THE ORCHESTRA'S PERFORMANCES WENT ON SALE IN JUNE, THEY WERE THE FIRST TICKETS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE URBAN COUNCIL'S TELEPHONE BOOKING SERVICE.

TICKETS FOR THE CITY HALL PERFORMANCES TONIGHT, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY ARE SOLD OUT BUT A SMALL QUANTITY OF TICKETS FOR THE COLISEUM CONCERT ON FRIDAY IS STILL AVAILABLE AT THE BOX OFFICES OF THE CITY HALL, QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM, HONG KONG COLISEUM AND SPACE MUSEUM.

DURING THEIR STAY IN HONG KONG, MEMBERS OF THE ORCHESTRA WILL GIVE THREE MASTER CLASSES ON TRUMPET, CLARINET AND DOUBLE BASS FOR THE BENEFIT OF LOCAL STUDENTS. THESE FREE CLASSES ARE FULL.

THE NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC IS PRESENTED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HONG KONG. ITS ASIAN TOUR IS SPONSORED BY CITIBANK.

THE MASTER CLASSES ARE PRESENTED JOINTLY BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE CITIBANK, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HONG KONG.

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BRIEFING FOR BOARD MEMBERS

NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE BRIEFED ON THE WORKING PROGRESS OF A PROPOSED RURAL CENTRE IN TA KWU LING AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY) MORNING.

A POSSIBLE SITE HAS BEEN FOUND AT PING CHE FOR THE CENTRE, WHICH WILL INCLUDE PLANS FOR EDUCATIONAL, MEDICAL AND HOUSING FACILITIES.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS CLEANSING SERVICES IN SHEK WU HUI THROUGH A CONTRACT-OUT SYSTEM BY THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE MEETING AT 9.30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT OFFICE IN KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO.

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JING YING RETURNS FROM U.K.
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FIFTEEN DELIGHTED YOUNG MUSICIANS AND DANCERS OF THE HONG KONG JING YING RETURNED TODAY AFTER THEIR MONTH-LONG PERFORMING TOUR IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

THE GROUP, COMPRISING SEVEN MUSICIANS, EIGHT DANCERS AND FOUR OFFICIALS WERE GREETED ON ARRIVAL AT THE AIRPORT BY THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MRS DORIS HO, AND OTHER SENIOR STAFF MEMBERS OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT.

MRS HO CONGRATULATED THE JING YING ON THEIR SUCCESS AND, IN PARTICULAR, ON THE HIGH PRAISE THEY EARNED FROM THE BRITISH PRESS FOR THEIR +MAGNIFICENT+ PERFORMANCES AT FOLKLORE FESTIVALS IN SIDMOUTH, BILLINGHAM AND MAIDSTONE.

THE OVERSEAS TOUR WAS AIMED AT WIDENING THE HORIZONS OF THE YOUNG AMATEUR MUSICIANS AND DANCERS AS WELL AS IMPROVING INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING THROUGH ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS.

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REFRESHER COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH
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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HAS COMMISSIONED THE BRITISH COUNCIL TO RUN A SERIES OF REFRESHER COURSES FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE 90-HOUR COURSES WILL BE TO INTRODUCE TEACHERS TO THE REVISED PRIMARY ENGLISH SYLLABUS; TO ACQUAINT THEM WITH A RANGE OF TEACHING TECHNIQUES AND TO IMPROVE TEACHERS' FLUENCY AND ACCURACY IN SPOKEN ENGLISH.

THE FIRST COURSE WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM SEPTEMBER 24 TO DECEMBER 13, AND WILL CATER FOR 25 TEACHERS.

LESSONS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS IN TWO ALTERNATIVE SESSIONS. THE MORNING SESSIONS WILL BE HELD FROM 9 AM TO 11.30 AM, AND THE AFTERNOON SESSIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM 2 PM TO 4.30 PM.

HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOLS ARE REQUESTED TO NOMINATE TEACHERS TO ATTEND THE COURSES.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD REACH THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (ENGLISH), EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, FIFTH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG ON, OR BEFORE, SEPTEMBER 14.

ALL CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE BRITISH COUNCIL, EASEY COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 255 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.

ENQUIRIES MAY BE MADE ON 5-8392442.

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INDUSTRIAL SITE FOR RENT

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A YUEN LONG INDUSTRIAL SITE IS TO BE OFFERED FOR SHORT-TERM TENANCY BY THE LANDS DEPARTMENT.

THE SITE, MEASURING ABOUT 440 SQUARE METRES IS IN THE TUNG TAU INDUSTRIAL AREA AND MAY BE USED FOR THE STORAGE AND/OR REPAIR OF THE TENANT'S GOODS AND/OR THE REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE (INCLUDING PAINT SPRAYING), OF MOTOR VEHICLES NOT EXCEEDING AN UNLADEN WEIGHT OF TWO TONNES.

THE INITIAL TENANCY WILL BE FOR TWO YEARS, RENEWABLE QUARTERLY.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR TENDERS IS SEPTEMBER 14.

TENDER FORMS, NOTICES AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM: THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, YUEN LONG; THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY DIVISION, MURRAY BUILDING, 5TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; OR THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT

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VEHICLES EXCEEDING 5.5 TONNES GROSS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF WATER STREET BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST AND DES VOEUX ROAD WEST FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 31), FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH. THE RESTRICTION WILL BE IN FORCE TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS.

ALSO FROM 10 AM ON THE SAME DAY, THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF THE SAME ROAD SECTION WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED

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THE GOVERNOR, AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ADVICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, HAS DECIDED THAT THE DEATH SENTENCES PASSED ON LAM CHIU-LAU, TSANG KAM-HUNG AND LAM KOR-WAN ON JUNE 9, 1982, SEPTEMBER 1, 1983 AND APRIL 8, 1984, RESPECTIVELY, SHOULD BE COMMUTED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

LAM CHIU-LAU WAS FOUND GUILTY OF THE MURDER OF WONG MING-GIN ON AUGUST 2, 1979.

TSANG KAM-HUNG WAS FOUND GUILTY OF THE MURDER OF TAM SIN-LAN AND TAM LAI-HING ON JANUARY 16, 1982.

LAM KOR-WAN WAS FOUND GUILTY OF THE MURDER OF CHAN FUNG-LAN, CHAN WAN-KIT, LEUNG SAU-WAN AND LEUNG WAI-SUM ON FEBRUARY 3, MAY 29, JUNE 16 AND JULY 2, RESPECTIVELY, IN 1982.

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