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GREATER HK-JAPAN MUTUAL TRADE EFFORT URGED

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THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR BILL DORWARD TODAY (WEDNESDAY) CALLED FOR GREATER MUTUAL EFFORT BETWEEN HONG KONG AND JAPAN TO DEVELOP BILATERAL TRADE.

ADDRESSING THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SECOND HONG KONG/KAGOSHIMA CONFERENCE, MR DORWARD TOLD THE JAPANESE DELEGATES THAT HONG KONG LOOKED TO KAGOSHIMA - A LONG ESTABLISHED GATEWAY THROUGH WHICH JAPAN DEVELOPED ITS EARLY CONTACTS WITH THE WEST - FOR SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE IN THE EFFORTS IT WAS MAKING TO DEVELOP EXPORTS TO JAPAN.

+LAST YEAR NEARLY A QUARTER OF OUR IMPORTS CAME FROM YOUR COUNTRY. THEY WERE WORTH OVER HK\$25 THOUSAND MILLION AND MADE HONG KONG JAPAN'S FOURTH LARGEST EXPORT MARKET - LARGER THAN THE UNITED KINGDOM, AUSTRALIA OR CANADA.

+WE IN HONG KONG DO NOT THINK IN TERMS OF BALANCED BILATERAL TRADE, BUT THE DEGREE OF THE IMBALANCE WITH JAPAN - CURRENTLY OF THE ORDER OF 11 TO 1 - IS A SOURCE OF SOME CONCERN AND DISAPPOINTMENT,+ SAID MR DORWARD.

+WE KNOW THAT MANY OF THE FAULTS ARE OURS. WE MUST LEARN TO CATER TO THE SPECIAL TASTES AND STANDARDS OF THE JAPANESE MARKET AND MAKE MORE EFFORT TO COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY. BUT WE ALSO THINK THAT MORE COULD BE DONE IN JAPAN TO STIMULATE A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL IMPORT TRADE. I HOPE THAT THIS ASPECT WILL BE TOUCHED UPON DURING THE CONFERENCE TODAY.+

+THERE ARE, OF COURSE, MANY OTHER TOPICS OF CONSIDERABLE MUTUAL INTEREST - TOURISM, CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC EXCHANGES, INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT AND, ABOVE ALL, THE IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATION,+ MR DORWARD ADDED.

THE CONFERENCE, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KAGOSHIMA PREFECTURAL AUTHORITIES AND THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WAS ATTENDED BY SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, BUSINESSMEN AND 35 DELEGATES FROM JAPAN LED BY GOVERNOR KAMADA.

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**\$191M CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEW SUPREME COURT BUILDING**  
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A \$191-MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW SUPREME COURT BUILDING AT QUEENSWAY WAS AWARDED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BY THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE CONTRACT, ONE OF THE BIGGEST LET BY THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT THIS YEAR, WAS FORMALLY SIGNED THIS AFTERNOON BY MR JOHN AITKEN, DIRECTOR OF BUILDING DEVELOPMENT, AND MR JOHN LOO OF NGO KEE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD.

MR AITKEN SAID THAT THE WORK WOULD TAKE ABOUT THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE.

+THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING WILL BE 22 STOREYS HIGH, COMPRISING A SIX-STOREY PODIUM AND A 16-STOREY TOWER BLOCK,+ HE SAID.

+THE TOWER BLOCK WILL HOUSE 36 COURTS AND ANCILLARY ACCOMMODATION.

+THE PODIUM, WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY LINK UP WITH A PROPOSED GOVERNMENT OFFICE BLOCK ON AN ADJOINING SITE, WILL CONSIST OF REGISTRAR'S CHAMBERS, THE SUPREME COURT LIBRARY, THE SUPREME COURT REGISTRY, DIVORCE AND PROBATE REGISTRIES, GENERAL AND PERSONNEL REGISTRIES, ACCOMMODATION FOR THE BAR ASSOCIATION AND THE LAW SOCIETY AND A HOLDING UNIT FOR THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT.+

VEHICULAR ACCESS TO THE BUILDING WILL BE VIA A NEW FLYOVER OVER QUEENSWAY, TENDERS FOR WHICH ARE BEING INVITED BY THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE.

THE FLYOVER WILL CONSIST OF A TWO-LANE ROAD BRIDGE AND SLIP ROADS.

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**BUILDING DECLARED DANGEROUS**

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TODAY DECLARED NOS. 2B AND 2C, 17TH LANE, SOCIAL AVENUE, SHEUNG YUEN LING (S.D. 2 LOT 606 S.B. AND R.P. AND S.D. 2 LOT 564 S.B.) TO BE IN A DANGEROUS CONDITION.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING, THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING SURVEYOR SAID THAT THE TWO-STOREY SUB-STANDARD BUILDING HAD BEEN SEVERELY DAMAGED BY FIRE. AS THERE IS A RISK OF COLLAPSE IT IS CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO CLOSE AND DEMOLISH THE BUILDING.

A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER IN KOWLOON DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON DECEMBER 2, 1981 WAS POSTED TODAY.

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### REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

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A REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 8) AT THE CENOTAPH IN STATUE SQUARE IN HONOUR OF THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

THIS CEREMONY WILL COMBINE THE THREE SEPARATE CEREMONIES - A WREATH-LAYING AT THE CHINESE WAR MEMORIAL IN THE BOTANICAL GARDENS AND AT THE CENOTAPH, AND A SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL INCLUDING THE TWO-MINUTE SILENCE - HELD ON PAST REMEMBRANCE DAYS.

THIS YEAR AND IN FUTURE, ALL THESE OBSERVANCES WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO A SINGLE CEREMONY AT THE CENOTAPH.

WREATHS WILL BE LAID BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, MAJOR-GENERAL J.L. CHAPPLE, AND OTHER SERVICE COMMANDERS, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR. P.T. MOOR, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, COMMONWEALTH COMMISSIONERS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMANDING OFFICERS' COMMITTEE, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MERCHANT NAVY, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, SERVICE UNITS, TRADITIONAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS, AND EX-SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS.

THE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM AND WILL END AT ABOUT 11.27 AM, WHEN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND SERVICE OFFICERS WHO WISH TO LAY WREATHS AT THE CENOTAPH MAY DO SO.

AN INSCRIPTION IN CHINESE HAS BEEN ENGRAVED RECENTLY ON THE CENOTAPH, CORRESPONDING TO THE ENGLISH INSCRIPTION 'THE GLORIOUS DEAD'.

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### QUIZ COMPETITION HELD IN NORTH DISTRICT

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AS PART OF THE NORTH DISTRICT FESTIVAL, A QUIZ COMPETITION FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS WAS HELD TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

EIGHTEEN SCHOOLS TOOK PART IN THE COMPETITION AT THE KEI SUN TECHNICAL SCHOOL, FANLING.

THE WINNING SCHOOL IN THE PRIMARY SECTION WAS WAN CHOW PRIMARY SCHOOL, WHICH SCORED 210 POINTS.

THE MING SUN SECONDARY SCHOOL, WHICH SCORED 130 POINTS, WON IN THE SECONDARY SECTION.

EXPENDITURE ON THE FESTIVAL CAME TO \$190 000, WITH THE DISTRICT BOARD PROVIDING \$60 000 AND THE BALANCE BEING MET BY LOCAL DONATIONS.

OTHER FESTIVAL EVENTS INCLUDE A DANCING COMPETITION, A WATER TELE-MATCH AND FOOTBALL MATCHES.

OPENED ON SATURDAY BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, THE FESTIVAL WILL CLOSE ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 8) WITH A CEREMONY WHICH WILL INCLUDE A CONCERT.

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MAYOR OF SHANGHAI VISITS PWD  
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THE MAYOR OF SHANGHAI, MR WANG DAOHAN, AND HIS DELEGATION SPENT AN HOUR THIS MORNING VISITING THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE PARTY WAS BRIEFED ON HONG KONG'S TRANSPORT POLICY, THE FUNCTIONS OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE AND VARIOUS MAJOR ROAD PROJECTS.

AMONG THOSE PRESENT AT THE BRIEFING WERE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR MICHAEL SUEN= SENIOR STAFF OFFICER (DEVELOPMENT), NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, DR RICHARD BUTLER= PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER, MR HAROLD BEATON= PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT CIVIL ENGINEER, MR CHOW CHE-KING AND GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER, MR CHEN SHAO-CHI.

MR WANG SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN TRANSPORT PLANNING AND IN THE VARIOUS ROAD PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

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EXPERTS TO CONDUCT MUSIC SEMINARS FOR TEACHERS  
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A SERIES OF SEMINARS FOR MUSIC TEACHERS WILL BE HELD LATER THIS MONTH TO DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC IN THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

MADAM ATARAH BEN-TOVIN, AND MR DOUGLAS BOYD, DIRECTORS OF THE CHILDREN'S CONCERT CENTRE IN ROSSENDALE IN ENGLAND WILL BE CONDUCTING THE SEMINARS.

VARIOUS ASPECTS OF MUSIC-LEARNING AND TEACHING WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE SEMINARS, IN ADDITION TO EXPLORING WAYS OF MAKING MUSIC PERFORMANCE MORE ACCESSIBLE TO YOUNG LISTENERS.

ENTITLED 'MUSIC IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOU THINK', THE SEMINARS HAVE BEEN ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MUSIC OFFICE.

THE THEME WILL BE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND AN INDISPENSABLE ELEMENT OF A TRULY LIBERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME.

TWO SEMINARS WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 15 AT ST PAUL'S CONVENT SCHOOL ON MUSIC FOR CHILDREN UNDER AND OVER THE AGE OF 12.

ON NOVEMBER 16 A SEMINAR ON THE PRESENTATION OF LIVE MUSIC TO MODERN CHILDREN WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE MUSIC OFFICE IN THE HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE.

A PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE VALIDITY OF AESTHETIC EDUCATION WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 17 AT THE RECITAL HALL OF THE HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE.

IN ADDITION, AN INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 16 AT THE HONG KONG CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC IN THE HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE AND TEACHERS INVOLVED WITH INSTRUMENTAL TEACHING ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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