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SIR GEOFFREY INTERVIEWED ON PEKING VISIT  
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FOLLOWING IS AN INTERVIEW WITH THE FOREIGN SECRETARY BY GEORGE YEATMAN OF THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF INFORMATION, BEFORE HE LEFT LONDON:

G YEATMAN: SIR GEOFFREY WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR VISIT NOW TO PEKING AND HONG KONG?

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE: I AM GOING TO PEKING AT THE INVITATION OF THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER TO DISCUSS A NUMBER OF MATTERS WITH HIM, OF COURSE INCLUDING HONG KONG. THIS BREAK IN PARLIAMENTARY TIMETABLE, THE EASTER RECESS HERE, DOES GIVE ME A VERY GOOD CHANCE TO GET UP TO DATE WITH THE PROGRESS OF THE TALKS ON ALL THOSE MATTERS THERE AND THEN. I AM GOING ON TO HONG KONG IN ORDER TO TAKE THE SAME OPPORTUNITY OF BRINGING MYSELF UP TO DATE ON THE GROUND WITH OPINION AND FACT IN HONG KONG ITSELF. I THINK PEOPLE PERHAPS DO NOT REALISE THE IMPORTANCE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER AND I ATTACH TO THESE NEGOTIATIONS AND TO THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG, WHICH IS ONE OF OUR TOP FOREIGN POLICY PREOCCUPATIONS.

I HAVE SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME KEEPING VERY CLOSELY IN TOUCH ABOUT IT, TALKING TO EVERYONE AND ANYONE I CAN LAY MY HANDS ON, WHO OBVIOUSLY CAN LAY THEIR HANDS ON ME, ABOUT THE FUTURE FOR HONG KONG BECAUSE IT IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

G YEATMAN: WHAT ARE BRITAIN'S AIMS IN CONTINUING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC?

SIR GEOFFREY: WELL OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO SECURE A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THAT WILL ASSURE THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG, THAT IS ONE OF THE AGREED COMMON AIMS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, ON A BASIS THAT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG, TO PARLIAMENT AS WELL AS TO THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

I KNOW VERY MUCH HOW MUCH IMPORTANCE THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ATTACH TO THE NEED FOR STABILITY AND CONTINUITY OF THE FREEDOMS AND SYSTEMS WHICH HAVE EXISTED THERE THUS FAR AND IT WILL BE MY JOB TO EXPLORE WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT EVERY FEASIBLE OPTION WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO CONTINUE THAT STABILITY AND PROSPERITY.

G YEATMAN: MAY WE KNOW HOW THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING SIR GEOFFREY?

SIR GEOFFREY: WELL IT HAS BEEN AGREED THROUGHOUT THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONFIDENTIAL BUT YOU WILL HAVE SEEN THAT THE TALKS HAVE BEEN DESCRIBED ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS AS USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE AND THAT IS FOR REAL. THEY HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE AND OUR OBJECTIVE MUST BE TO CONTINUE THEM ON THAT BASIS, ON THE SEARCH FOR DETAIL WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO REACH A SATISFACTORY NEGOTIATION.....

G YEATMAN: HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH HONG KONG OPINION?

/SIR GEOFFREY: .....

SIR GEOFFREY: WELL THAT HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE AS A CONTINUOUS PROCESS EVER SINCE I CAME INTO THIS JOB LAST SUMMER. WE HAVE HAD CONTINUOUS CONSULTATION WITH THE WIDEST POSSIBLE RANGE OF OPINION IN HONG KONG, THROUGH THE GOVERNOR OF COURSE, THROUGH A SERIES OF MEETINGS, I THINK FOUR NOW ALTOGETHER, WITH MEMBERS OF EXCO, AND MY OWN VISIT THIS TIME, WHICH WILL GIVE ME A CHANCE TO RENEW ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH HONG KONG, WILL BRING ME UP TO DATE ON MY OWN KNOWLEDGE OF CONDITIONS AND ANXIETIES THERE. IN MY PREVIOUS EXISTENCE WHEN I WAS LANGUISHING IN OPPOSITION I WAS ASSOCIATED, I THINK, WITH THREE DIFFERENT COMPANIES THAT HAD BUSINESS INTERESTS OF AN INTERESTING AND ENCOURAGING KIND IN HONG KONG - ONE OF THOSE COMPANIES ACTUALLY MOVED INTO HONG KONG FOR THE FIRST TIME DURING THAT PERIOD, AND THIS WILL BE MY THIRD VISIT. MY WIFE AND I HAVE BEEN THERE TWICE BEFORE, THE FIRST TIME NOW MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO WHEN I WAS MINISTER FOR TRADE AND I KNOW THAT I SHALL SEE, AS I DID LAST TIME, TREMENDOUS SIGNS OF THE ENTERPRISE AND SUCCESS THAT HONG KONG HAS ACHIEVED, SO I DO KNOW THE SCENE, TO SOME EXTENT, AS WELL AS SOMEONE AS FAR AWAY AS I CAN DO. THAT DOES NOT PREVENT ME DOING EVERYTHING I CAN TO TOP UP ON MY KNOWLEDGE IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.

G YEATMAN: WHERE DOES THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT COME INTO ALL THIS? WHAT ROLE WILL IT PLAY?

SIR GEOFFREY: WELL IT HAS A VERY IMPORTANT PART TO PLAY. THERE IS OF COURSE A GREAT DEAL OF INFORMED INTEREST AMONGST MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT ABOUT HONG KONG AND ABOUT ITS FUTURE - A SPECIAL GROUP OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT VISITS HONG KONG QUITE FREQUENTLY, AND MAINTAINS A CLOSE WATCH ON IT, AND IT WILL BE FOR PARLIAMENT TO DECIDE AT THE END OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE CONCLUSION TO PARLIAMENT ITSELF, TAKING VERY CLOSE ATTENTION OF COURSE OF THE OPINIONS OF PEOPLE IN HONG KONG.

G YEATMAN: WHEN LORD CARRINGTON VISITED CHINA IN 1981 DENG XIAOPING GAVE A RARE INTERVIEW WITH WESTERN CORRESPONDENTS, HE WAS PRESSED ABOUT THE POSITION OF INVESTORS IN HONG KONG AND HE SAID AND I QUOTE - I HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS MATTER MANY TIMES, IN SIXTEEN YEARS TIME, EVEN IF THAT..THERE ARE CHANGES, INVESTORS' INTERESTS WILL NOT BE HARMED. NOW IN VIEW OF THE NEGOTIATIONS SINCE THEN, SIR GEOFFREY, DO YOU BELIEVE THAT INVESTORS' INTERESTS IN HONG KONG WILL NOT BE HARMED?

SIR GEOFFREY: THAT MUST BE ONE OF OUR OBJECTIVES, THIS IS ONE OF THE AGREED OBJECTIVES OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, I THINK THAT THE REMARKABLE THING IS THE EXTENT TO WHICH HONG KONG HAS BEEN SEEN NOW FOR MANY YEARS AS A STRIKING EXAMPLE, A GROWING EXAMPLE, OF A SUCCESSFUL ECONOMY. WHEN I WAS CONCERNED WITH ECONOMIC POLICY IN THIS COUNTRY AS CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, I PUT FORWARD PROPOSALS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ENTERPRISE ZONES TO TRY AND PROMOTE THE ACTIVITY OF OUR OWN ECONOMY AND PEOPLE SAID THAT I WAS TRYING TO PROMOTE HONG KONG IN BRITAIN. IN A SENSE THAT IS AN ILLUSTRATION OF HOW MUCH HONG KONG'S SUCCESS IS ADMIRERD. THE OBJECT OF THE EXERCISE IS TO ENSURE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF THAT KIND INTO THE FUTURE, AS THE COMMON OBJECTIVE, WE MUST BE WORKING TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH INVESTMENT REMAINS AS ATTRACTIVE AS IT HAS BEEN TODAY - THAT IS THE OBJECTIVE WE ARE SHARING IN THESE TALKS.

G YEATMAN: SIR GEOFFREY THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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MERCHANDISE TRADE RISES SHARPLY  
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TOTAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FOR JANUARY - FEBRUARY 1984, VALUED AT \$59 328 MILLION, INCREASED BY 45 PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1983, ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS ROSE BY 47 PER CENT TO \$17 613 MILLION, IMPORTS BY 41 PER CENT TO \$30 647 MILLION AND RE-EXPORTS BY 55 PER CENT TO \$11 068 MILLION.

DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS TOGETHER INCREASED BY 50 PER CENT.

(CHANGES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE TEN MAJOR OVERSEAS MARKETS ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 1.)

DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE U.S.A. ROSE BY 63 PER CENT IN VALUE.

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN CLOTHING (BY \$1 195 MILLION OR 67 PER CENT), OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$356 MILLION OR 107 PER CENT) AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$348 MILLION OR 68 PER CENT). ON THE OTHER HAND, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN WATCHES AND CLOCKS (BY \$58 MILLION OR 14 PER CENT) AND TRANSISTORS AND DIODES (BY \$24 MILLION OR 70 PER CENT).

MOST COMMODITIES EXPORTED TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY INCREASED IN VALUE, INCLUDING CLOTHING (BY \$262 MILLION OR 40 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$32 MILLION OR 46 PER CENT) AND OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$28 MILLION OR 136 PER CENT).

INCREASES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO THE UNITED KINGDOM WERE REGISTERED FOR OFFICE MACHINES AND AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT (BY \$166 MILLION OR 1 510 PER CENT), CLOTHING (BY \$160 MILLION OR 41 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$37 MILLION OR 90 PER CENT) AND TEXTILES (BY \$37 MILLION OR 59 PER CENT).

SIGNIFICANT INCREASES WERE REGISTERED IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO CHINA OF TEXTILES (BY \$113 MILLION OR 66 PER CENT) AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$96 MILLION OR 144 PER CENT); AND IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO JAPAN OF CLOTHING (BY \$78 MILLION OR 71 PER CENT).

(CHANGES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS ARE PRESENTED IN TABLE 2. CHANGES IN IMPORTS FROM THE TEN MAJOR SOURCES ARE SUMMARISED IN TABLE 3.)

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DEMAND FOR IMPORTED GOODS FROM CHINA REMAINED STRONG. INCREASES WERE RECORDED MAINLY IN TEXTILES (BY \$1 202 MILLION OR 138 PER CENT), CLOTHING (BY \$522 MILLION OR 77 PER CENT), TEXTILE FIBRES (OTHER THAN WOOL TOPS) AND THEIR WASTES (BY \$188 MILLION OR 239 PER CENT), TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND SOUND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT (BY \$89 MILLION OR 173 PER CENT) AND VEGETABLES AND FRUIT (BY \$85 MILLION OR 31 PER CENT).

AS FOR IMPORTS FROM JAPAN, INCREASES WERE NOTED FOR ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$445 MILLION OR 80 PER CENT), AND TEXTILES (BY \$345 MILLION OR 60 PER CENT). HOWEVER, DECREASES WERE REGISTERED FOR FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND MOLLUSCS, AND PREPARATION THEREOF (BY \$8 MILLION OR 13 PER CENT), AND FURNITURE AND PARTS THEREOF (BY \$7 MILLION OR 23 PER CENT).

INCREASES IN IMPORTS FROM THE U.S.A. WERE MOSTLY OF ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$328 MILLION OR 108 PER CENT), TEXTILE FIBRES (OTHER THAN WOOL TOPS) AND THEIR WASTES (BY \$113 MILLION OR 333 PER CENT) AND ORGANIC CHEMICALS (BY \$69 MILLION OR 101 PER CENT).

ON THE OTHER HAND, DECREASES WERE REGISTERED IN IMPORTS OF CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS (BY \$11 MILLION OR 21 PER CENT), AND GENERAL INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT, AND MACHINE PARTS (BY \$9 MILLION OR 11 PER CENT).

DECREASES WERE REGISTERED IN IMPORTS FROM TAIWAN OF NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES (BY \$5 MILLION OR 8 PER CENT) AND IN IMPORTS FROM SINGAPORE OF PETROLEUM, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND RELATED MATERIALS (BY \$53 MILLION OR 5 PER CENT). HOWEVER, IMPORTS OF TEXTILES FROM TAIWAN INCREASED (BY \$293 MILLION OR 63 PER CENT); AND IMPORTS OF ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF FROM SINGAPORE ALSO INCREASED (BY \$85 MILLION OR 75 PER CENT).

(TABLE 4 ILLUSTRATES THE CHANGES IN IMPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY SECTIONS.)

INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN RE-EXPORTS TO CHINA (BY \$1 797 MILLION OR 159 PER CENT), U.S.A. (BY \$719 MILLION OR 76 PER CENT), TAIWAN (BY \$354 MILLION OR 102 PER CENT), JAPAN (BY \$334 MILLION OR 95 PER CENT), REPUBLIC OF KOREA (SOUTH KOREA) (BY \$208 MILLION OR 73 PER CENT), AUSTRALIA (BY \$103 MILLION OR 90 PER CENT), MACAU (BY \$66 MILLION OR 27 PER CENT) AND FED. REP. OF GERMANY (BY \$66 MILLION OR 73 PER CENT). ON THE OTHER HAND, DECLINES WERE REGISTERED IN RE-EXPORTS TO INDONESIA (BY \$199 MILLION OR 24 PER CENT) AND NIGERIA (BY \$165 MILLION OR 81 PER CENT).

(CHANGES IN RE-EXPORTS TO THE TEN MAJOR MARKETS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 5.)

MOST COMMODITIES RE-EXPORTED THROUGH HONG KONG EXHIBITED STRONG GROWTH, THE MORE SIGNIFICANT ONES BEING TEXTILES (BY \$757 MILLION OR 87 PER CENT), ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND APPLIANCES, AND ELECTRICAL PARTS THEREOF (BY \$552 MILLION OR 108 PER CENT), CLOTHING (BY \$405 MILLION OR 70 PER CENT) AND TEXTILE FIBRES (OTHER THAN WOOL TOPS) AND THEIR WASTES (NOT MANUFACTURED INTO YARN OR FABRIC) (BY \$187 MILLION OR 175 PER CENT). DECREASES WERE REGISTERED IN THE RE-EXPORTS OF OIL SEEDS AND OLEAGINOUS FRUIT (BY \$74 MILLION OR 77 PER CENT), METALLIFEROUS ORES AND METAL SCRAP (BY \$21 MILLION OR 53 PER CENT) AND ROAD VEHICLES (INCLUDING AIR-CUSHION VEHICLES) (BY \$19 MILLION OR 5 PER CENT).

(CHANGES IN RE-EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS ARE GIVEN IN TABLE 6.)

THE FEBRUARY 1984 ISSUE OF THE +HONG KONG TRADE STATISTICS - SUMMARY+ WILL BE ON SALE LATER THIS MONTH AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT HK\$5 PER COPY.

A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT, +HONG KONG EXTERNAL TRADE+, WITH A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS, EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS IN FEBRUARY 1984 WILL BE ON SALE IN EARLY MAY,, AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT HK\$10 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THESE REPORTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT BASKERVILLE HOUSE, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. : 5-214375). ENQUIRIES CONCERNING TRADE STATISTICS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (TEL. NO. : 5-444436).

FOLLOWING ARE THE TABLES:

TABLE 1 : DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY TEN MAJOR MARKETS

| MAJOR MARKETS   | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| U.S.A.          | 7 542                        | 4 627                        | +2 914              | +63                         |
| F.R. OF GERMANY | 1 441                        | 1 035                        | + 405               | +39                         |
| U.K.            | 1 338                        | 922                          | + 416               | +45                         |
| CHINA           | 1 199                        | 635                          | + 564               | +89                         |
| JAPAN           | 609                          | 425                          | + 184               | +43                         |
| CANADA          | 583                          | 412                          | + 171               | +42                         |
| AUSTRALIA       | 556                          | 357                          | + 199               | +56                         |

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|-------------|-----|-----|------|-----|
| SINGAPORE   | 373 | 279 | + 95 | +34 |
| NETHERLANDS | 351 | 273 | + 78 | +28 |
| SWITZERLAND | 281 | 221 | + 61 | +27 |

TABLE 2 : DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS

| COMMODITY<br>DIVISIONS  | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| ARTICLES OF<br>APPAREL AND<br>CLOTHING<br>ACCESSORIES   | 6 211                        | 4 195                        | +2 017              | +48                         |
| MISCELLANEOUS<br>MANUFACTURED<br>ARTICLES<br>(MAINLY<br>PLASTIC TOYS<br>AND DOLLS,<br>JEWELLERY,<br>GOLDSMITHS'<br>AND<br>SILVERSMITHS'<br>WARES, AND<br>ARTIFICIAL<br>FLOWERS) | 2 315                        | 1 751                        | + 564               | +32                         |
| ELECTRICAL<br>MACHINERY,<br>APPARATUS<br>AND<br>APPLIANCES<br>(MAINLY<br>TRANSISTORS<br>AND DIODES<br>AND<br>HOUSEHOLD<br>TYPE<br>APPLIANCES)                                   | 1 470                        | 956                          | + 515               | +54                         |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS<br>AND SOUND<br>RECORDING AND<br>REPRODUCING<br>APPARATUS<br>AND EQUIPMENT   | 1 358                        | 806                          | + 553               | +69                         |

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| PHOTOGRAPHIC<br>APPARATUS,<br>EQUIPMENT,<br>SUPPLIES AND<br>OPTICAL GOODS,<br>WATCHES AND<br>CLOCKS | 1 312 | 1 184 | + 128 | +11 |
| TEXTILE YARN,<br>FABRICS,<br>MADE-UP<br>ARTICLES<br>AND RELATED<br>PRODUCTS                         | 1 277 | 830   | + 447 | +54 |

TABLE 3 : IMPORTS FROM TEN MAJOR SOURCES

| MAJOR SOURCES                      | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| CHINA                              | 8 060                        | 5 130                        | +2 930              | +57                         |
| JAPAN                              | 6 730                        | 4 689                        | +2 041              | +44                         |
| U.S.A.                             | 3 207                        | 2 300                        | + 907               | +39                         |
| TAIWAN                             | 2 200                        | 1 469                        | + 731               | +50                         |
| SINGAPORE                          | 1 721                        | 1 557                        | + 164               | +11                         |
| U.K.                               | 1 415                        | 998                          | + 417               | +42                         |
| REPUBLIC OF KOREA<br>(SOUTH KOREA) | 905                          | 598                          | + 307               | +51                         |
| F.R. OF GERMANY                    | 732                          | 577                          | + 155               | +27                         |
| SWITZERLAND                        | 491                          | 406                          | + 85                | +21                         |
| AUSTRALIA                          | 486                          | 300                          | + 186               | +62                         |

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TABLE 4 : IMPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY SECTIONS

| COMMODITY<br>SECTIONS   | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE/<br>DECREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| MANUFACTURED<br>GOODS<br>CLASSIFIED<br>CHIEFLY BY<br>MATERIAL<br>(MAINLY<br>TEXTILE<br>PRODUCTS,<br>DIAMONDS,<br>IRON AND<br>STEEL, AND<br>PAPER) | 8 987                        | 5 424                        | +3 563                           | +66                         |
| MACHINERY AND<br>TRANSPORT<br>EQUIPMENT   | 7 198                        | 4 799                        | +2 398                           | +50                         |
| MISCELLANEOUS<br>MANUFACTURED<br>ARTICLES<br>(MAINLY<br>WATCHES AND<br>CLOCKS,<br>ARTICLES OF<br>APPAREL)   | 5 081                        | 3 820                        | +1 261                           | +33                         |
| FOOD AND LIVE<br>ANIMALS<br>CHIEFLY FOR<br>FOOD   | 3 189                        | 2 659                        | + 530                            | +20                         |
| CHEMICALS AND<br>RELATED<br>PRODUCTS,<br>N.E.S.   | 2 197                        | 1 518                        | + 679                            | +45                         |
| MINERAL FUELS,<br>LUBRICANTS<br>AND RELATED<br>MATERIALS  | 1 799                        | 1 908                        | - 109                            | - 6                         |

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TABLE 5 : RE-EXPORTS BY TEN MAJOR MARKETS

| MAJOR MARKETS                      | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE/<br>DECREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CHINA                              | 2 931                        | 1 134                        | +1 797                           | +159                        |
| U.S.A.                             | 1 671                        | 952                          | + 719                            | + 76                        |
| SINGAPORE                          | 720                          | 656                          | + 64                             | + 10                        |
| TAIWAN                             | 701                          | 347                          | + 354                            | +102                        |
| JAPAN                              | 686                          | 352                          | + 334                            | + 95                        |
| INDONESIA                          | 636                          | 835                          | - 199                            | - 24                        |
| REPUBLIC OF KOREA<br>(SOUTH KOREA) | 492                          | 285                          | + 208                            | + 73                        |
| MACAU                              | 311                          | 245                          | + 66                             | + 27                        |
| AUSTRALIA                          | 218                          | 115                          | + 103                            | + 90                        |
| THAILAND                           | 211                          | 153                          | + 59                             | + 38                        |

TABLE 6 : RE-EXPORTS BY MAJOR COMMODITY DIVISIONS

| COMMODITY<br>DIVISIONS  | JAN.-FEB.<br>1984<br>(\$ MN) | JAN.-FEB.<br>1983<br>(\$ MN) | INCREASE<br>(\$ MN) | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>(%) |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| TEXTILE YARN,<br>FABRICS,<br>MADE-UP<br>ARTICLES<br>AND RELATED<br>PRODUCTS | 1 630                        | 874                          | + 757               | + 87                        |
| ELECTRICAL<br>MACHINERY<br>APPARATUS<br>AND<br>APPLIANCES                   | 1 061                        | 509                          | + 552               | +108                        |
| ARTICLES OF<br>APPAREL AND<br>CLOTHING<br>ACCESSORIES                       | 980                          | 575                          | + 405               | + 70                        |

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| PHOTOGRAPHIC<br>APPARATUS,<br>EQUIPMENT,<br>SUPPLIES<br>AND OPTICAL<br>GOODS,<br>WATCHES AND<br>CLOCKS | 663 | 529 | + 135 | + 25 |
| MISCELLANEOUS<br>MANUFACTURED<br>ARTICLES  | 573 | 417 | + 156 | + 37 |
| NON-METALLIC<br>MINERAL<br>MANUFACTURES  | 473 | 310 | + 163 | + 53 |

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PUBLIC URGED TO FIGHT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES  
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A SENIOR DOCTOR OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY) CALLED ON THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG TO JOIN IN THE FIGHT AGAINST COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

DR S.C. LEUNG, COMMUNITY PHYSICIAN OF THE NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL OFFICE, MADE THE CALL WHEN SHE SPOKE AT THE WEEKLY MEETING OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ROTARY CLUB.

DR LEUNG SAID HONG KONG WAS CONSTANTLY EXPOSED TO VARIOUS FACTORS WHICH COULD CAUSE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

SOME OF THESE FACTORS, SHE SAID, WERE POPULATION DENSITY, CLIMATIC CONDITIONS AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL.

DR LEUNG SAID THAT IN THE EARLY HALF OF THIS CENTURY, COMMUNICABLE DISEASES WERE RAMPANT.

BUT WITH THE IMPROVEMENT IN SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, THE INCIDENCE OF THESE DISEASES HAS BEEN GREATLY REDUCED.

+TODAY WE NO LONGER SEE PLAGUE AND SMALLPOX, AND WE ONLY HAVE ISOLATED CASES OF CHOLERA,+ SHE SAID.

MANY INFECTIOUS DISEASES, SUCH AS WHOOPING COUGH, POLIOMYELITIS, DIPHTHERIA, TUBERCULOSIS AND MEASLES, HAD BEEN ERADICATED OR THEIR INCIDENCE DRASTICALLY REDUCED, SHE ADDED.

SHE ATTRIBUTED THESE ACHIEVEMENTS MAINLY TO THE MANY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMMES CARRIED OUT BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

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ONE IMPORTANT CONTROL MEASURE AGAINST THESE DISEASES, DR LEUNG SAID, WAS ACTIVE IMMUNISATION.

+GOOD PERSONAL HABITS ARE ALSO IMPORTANT IN PREVENTING DISEASES SPREAD BY THE ORAL ROUTE.

+ATTENTION TO PERSONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE IS A SOUND MEASURE WHICH ONE SHOULD ADOPT TO PREVENT CHOLERA, VIRAL HEPATITIS, TYPHOID, DYSENTERY AND FOOD POISONING,+ DR LEUNG SAID.

NOWADAYS, SHE ADDED, THE CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES WAS MUCH LIKE A MINIATURE WAR-GAME WHICH COULD NOT BE WON BY THE EFFORTS OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT ALONE.

+THE CO-OPERATION AND INVOLVEMENT OF ALL CONCERNED IS NECESSARY FOR ITS SUCCESS.

+IT IS ONLY THROUGH THE CONTINUOUS AND LONG-TERM CONCERTED EFFORT BY ALL THAT THE RESULT OF OUR WORK IN THE CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES CAN BE MAINTAINED,+ DR LEUNG SAID.

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#### RECREATIONAL AREA PLANNED FOR TAI PO

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A CONTROLLED TIP BEING FORMED AT TAI PO WILL BE CONVERTED TO A RECREATIONAL AREA WHEN FILLED IN 30 MONTHS' TIME.

A \$20-MILLION CONTRACT TO FORM THE TIP HAS BEEN AWARDED TO KIN SHING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY BY THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE.

THE TIP IS AT SHEUN WAN, OFF TING KOK ROAD.

ABOUT ONE MILLION TONNES OF RUBBISH WILL BE DEPOSITED THERE FOR TREATMENT BY THE SANITARY LANDFILL METHOD OVER THE 30 MONTHS.

THE CONTRACT ALSO INVOLVES CONSTRUCTION OF ASSOCIATED SHORE PROTECTION AND DRAINAGE WORKS.

ABOUT FIVE HECTARES OF LAND WILL BE PROVIDED FOR RECREATION.

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### SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE FORMED

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A SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP IN THE ISLANDS DISTRICT TO HELP PROMOTE WIDER PARTICIPATION BY SCHOOLS IN COMMUNITY PROJECTS.

FORMED WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE, THE COMMITTEE WILL SERVE AS A LINK BETWEEN LOCAL SCHOOLS AND THE DISTRICT BOARD, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THE COMMUNITY.

THE COMMITTEE, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE DISTRICT, COMPRISES ABOUT 30 HEADS FROM PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE.

TWO SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, MR FONG CHAI-MAN, AND MADAM WU YUET-NUEN, HAVE BEEN ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN RESPECTIVELY.

EIGHT CONVENERS WERE ALSO CHOSEN TO CARRY OUT CONVENING AND LIAISON WORK IN THE DISTRICT'S EIGHT AREAS= NAMELY CHEUNG CHAU, TAI O, TUNG CHUNG, MUI WO, SOUTH LANTAO, NORTH LAMMA, SOUTH LAMMA, AND PENG CHAU. THEIR TERM OF OFFICE WILL EXPIRE AT THE END OF MARCH NEXT YEAR.

THE COMMITTEE WILL MEET THREE TIMES A YEAR TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL CONCERN. THE FIRST MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 28.

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### ARTS COUNCIL PRAISED FOR WORK

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THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL WAS PRAISED TODAY (MONDAY) FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROMOTION OF ARTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT.

+SINCE IT WAS FORMED THREE YEARS AGO, THE COUNCIL HAS ORGANISED A SERIES OF LARGE-SCALE ARTS AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMES WHICH INCLUDED THE FIRST DISTRICT ARTS FESTIVAL, AN ARTS FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN, AND THE 1983 DISTRICT FESTIVAL,+ THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PHILIP CHOK, SAID.

+ALL THESE PROGRAMMES HAVE PROVIDED GREAT FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT TO THE RESIDENTS.+

MR CHOK WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ARTS COUNCIL'S CLUB HOUSE AT LOWER WONG TAI SIN ESTATE.

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+I BELIEVE WITH THE PROVISION OF A FULLY-EQUIPPED PERMANENT BASE, THE COUNCIL CAN LOOK FORWARD TO A MORE PROMISING FUTURE IN ITS WORK,+ MR CHOK SAID.

ACCORDING TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, MR ALBERT LI, THE COUNCIL WILL SHORTLY LAUNCH A NUMBER OF TRAINING CLASSES ON CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY AND PAINTING, WESTERN PAINTING, AND DANCING.

IT WILL ALSO PRESENT A SECOND CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL JOINTLY WITH THE URBAN COUNCIL IN JUNE THIS YEAR.

OTHER GUESTS AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE AN URBAN COUNCILLOR, MRS SELINA CHOW, AND OFFICE-BEARERS OF THE DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL.

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#### RECREATION AREA FOR TUEN MUN

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A 9.2 HECTARE SITE AT BUTTERFLY BEACH, TUEN MUN, IS TO BE DEVELOPED AS A MAJOR RECREATIONAL AREA FOR THE NEW TOWN.

THE WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN TWO PHASES, THE FIRST STARTING IN SEPTEMBER.

THE SECOND WILL BEGIN IN 1986 AND THE WHOLE PROJECT WILL BE READY BY THE END OF 1987.

IT IS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

PHASE I WORK COVERING ABOUT ONE THIRD OF THE SITE INCLUDES A LAGOON GARDEN, FOOD CENTRE, REFRESHMENT KIOSK, PAVILIONS AND A PLAY AREA FOR CHILDREN.

AN AMPHITHEATRE SUITABLE FOR OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES WILL ALSO BE BUILT.

THERE WILL BE A SINGLE-STOREY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, PARKING SPACES FOR CARS AND COACHES AS WELL AS A BUS TERMINAL AND TAXI STAND.

WITHIN THE RECREATION AREA, A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF WALKWAYS AND THREE FOOTBRIDGES WILL BE BUILT.

THE WHOLE OF PHASE I WILL BE EXTENSIVELY LANDSCAPED.

WORK WILL TAKE ONE YEAR TO COMPLETE.

PHASE II DEVELOPMENT WILL INCLUDE A BARBEQUE AREA, A BUTTERFLY GARDEN, A PALM GARDEN, CAMP SITES AND A MINI-SOCCER PITCH.

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WORK ON THE SECOND PHASE WILL ALSO TAKE A YEAR TO COMPLETE. IT IS SCHEDULED TO START IN 1986.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED ROAD WORK IN PHASE I DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THE PLAN CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG; AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES, TUEN MUN, TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING, CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TUEN MUN.

ANY OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSAL MUST BE IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS BY JUNE 12.

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DB TO DISCUSS STREET SLEEPERS ISSUE  
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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS MEASURES TO HELP STREET SLEEPERS AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

ONE PROPOSAL IS TO IDENTIFY POSSIBLE PREMISES IN THE DISTRICT FOR USE BY VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AS CENTRES FOR STREET SLEEPERS.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF ABOUT 1 100 PEOPLE IN THE 14 SQUATTER AREAS AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN THESE AREAS.

A REVIEW OF COMMUNITY CENTRE FACILITIES AND A PROPOSED 10-MONTH PROGRAMME OF VISITS TO GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS WILL BE TABLED FOR MEMBERS' DISCUSSION.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WILL INCLUDE PROGRESS REPORTS ON THE DISTRICT'S PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AS WELL AS VARIOUS REPORTS BY THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 4 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF TUNG WAH MANSION, 201 HENNESSY ROAD, HONG KONG.

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U.K. MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED

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MUSICALLY GIFTED STUDENTS ARE BEING INVITED TO APPLY FOR A TWO-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDY MUSIC AT THE WELLS CATHEDRAL SCHOOL IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

THE RESIDENTIAL COURSE COVERS INSTRUMENTAL TRAINING AS WELL AS OTHER SCHOOL SUBJECTS.

IT WILL START IN SEPTEMBER 1984, LEADING TO THE G.C.E. ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION IN AT LEAST TWO SUBJECTS, ONE OF WHICH WILL BE MUSIC.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MUSIC OFFICE SAID TODAY THE SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE SPONSORED BY THE CHARLES RAYNER EDUCATIONAL TRUST ADMINISTERED BY THE HONG KONG BANK TRUSTEE LIMITED. IT WILL COVER TUITION, SUBSISTENCE AND AIR FARES FOR THREE ROUND TRIPS EACH YEAR BETWEEN HONG KONG AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

+HOWEVER, PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE ACCORDING TO THEIR MEANS TOWARDS SUBSISTENCE AND AIR FARES,+ HE ADDED.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 AND 18 AND HAVE RESIDED IN HONG KONG FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS.

THEY SHOULD PREFERABLY HAVE ATTAINED AT LEAST GRADE VIII IN A ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC PRACTICAL EXAMINATION OR EQUIVALENT AND SIX PASSES AT GRADE C OR ABOVE IN THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION (HKCEE) OR EQUIVALENT BY SEPTEMBER 1984.

STUDENTS PREPARING TO SIT FOR THE HKCEE THIS YEAR MAY APPLY AND QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AN AUDITION EARLY NEXT MONTH.

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE AND SHOULD BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE YAUMATEI MUSIC CENTRE, THIRD FLOOR, GOLDEN GATE COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 138 AUSTIN ROAD, KOWLOON (TEL. 3-7226240) BY APRIL 30, 1984.

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FURTHER JURY LIST TO BE POSTED

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A FURTHER LIST OF COMMON JURORS WILL BE POSTED ON THE NOTICE BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING AT JACKSON ROAD ON APRIL 24. THE REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT, MR NICHOLAS JOHN BARNETT, ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE LIST WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR 14 DAYS WHEN ANY PERSON MAY APPLY BY NOTICE IN WRITING TO THE REGISTRAR REQUIRING THAT HIS NAME OR THE NAME OF SOME OTHER PERSON BE POSTED OR REMOVED UPON CAUSE DULY ASSIGNED IN SUCH NOTICE.

THE REGISTRAR SHALL IN HIS DISCRETION, POST OR REMOVE SUCH NAME ACCORDINGLY AND SHALL IF NECESSARY ALTER THE LIST.

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FIRE STATION FOR DISCOVERY BAY

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ONE OF THE FEW FIRE STATIONS CONSTRUCTED BY A PRIVATE DEVELOPER FOR THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE DISCOVERY BAY FIRE STATION, WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED ON THURSDAY (APRIL 19) AT 11.30 AM.

THE OPENING WILL BE PERFORMED BY MR CHA CHI-MING, CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG RESORT COMPANY LTD, THE DEVELOPER.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

A FIRE BOAT WILL LEAVE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PIER AT 10.15 AM SHARP ON THURSDAY, WITH THE PRESS PARTY FOR DISCOVERY BAY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRESS CONFERENCE ON STUDY TOUR

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MEMBERS FROM THE EASTERN AND KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARDS WILL REPORT ON THEIR RECENT 10-DAY STUDY TOUR IN AUSTRALIA AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

TWENTY-THREE MEMBERS FROM THE TWO DISTRICT BOARDS LEFT FOR AUSTRALIA ON APRIL 7 TO LEARN ABOUT THE WORK AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CITY COUNCILS AND SEE HOW LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OPERATES IN THE COUNTRY.

THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR ALBERT LAM, AND THE TWO BOARDS' CHAIRMEN, MR LUI HAU-TUEN OF EASTERN AND MR GORDON JONES OF KOWLOON CITY.

DURING THEIR STAY IN AUSTRALIA, THE GROUP VISITED SYDNEY, CANBERRA AND MELBOURNE.

PRESENT AT TOMORROW'S PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE THE TWO BOARDS' CHAIRMEN AND SIX BOARD MEMBERS.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS ON THE 12TH FLOOR OF WORLD SHIPPING CENTRE, 7 CANTON ROAD.

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TWO ROADS TO BE CLOSED FOR CORRIDOR WORK  
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TWO ROADS ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 18) NIGHT FOR WORK ON THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR.

IN CAUSEWAY BAY, VICTORIA PARK ROAD EASTBOUND BETWEEN ITS FLYOVER AND HING FAT STREET WILL BE CLOSED FROM MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY. AT THE SAME TIME, THE NORTH POINT EXIT FROM CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL WILL ALSO BE CLOSED.

TRAFFIC ON VICTORIA PARK ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA VICTORIA PARK ROAD FLYOVER, GLOUCESTER ROAD WESTBOUND, CLEVELAND STREET, KINGSTON STREET, GLOUCESTER ROAD SOUTHBOUND AND CAUSEWAY ROAD.

IN NORTH POINT, KING'S ROAD WESTBOUND BETWEEN HEALTHY STREET CENTRAL AND HEALTHY STREET WEST WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 18) TO 4 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HEALTHY STREET CENTRAL, TSAT TZE MUI ROAD AND HEALTHY STREET WEST.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

DB MEMBERS TO VISIT SITES  
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KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL VISIT A NUMBER OF VACANT CROWN LAND SITES IN KOWLOON BAY TOMORROW (TUESDAY) MORNING.

BOARD MEMBERS WILL FIRST VISIT THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KOWLOON EAST) AND BE BRIEFED ON THE PROPOSED USE OF THE SITES BY THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICER, MR A.L.A. ALEXANDER-WEBBER.

THEY WILL THEN PROCEED TO KOWLOON BAY.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO COVER THE BRIEFING AND SITE VISIT SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT 9.15 AM AT THE CARPARK OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET.

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### TWO HOLIDAY MAIL DELIVERIES

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THERE WILL BE MAIL DELIVERY ON TWO DAYS - SATURDAY (APRIL 21) AND MONDAY (APRIL 23) - DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS, THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY.

AND ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY 36 POST OFFICES, INCLUDING THE GENERAL POST OFFICE ON HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON CENTRAL AND TSIM SHA TSUI IN KOWLOON, AND TSUEN WAN AND TAI PO POST OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, WILL BE OPEN FROM 9 AM TO NOON.

NAMES OF THE OTHER POST OFFICES WHICH WILL BE OPEN DURING THE HOLIDAY PERIOD MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE LOCAL POST OFFICE OR FROM THE POST OFFICE ENQUIRY BUREAU AT 5-2671222.

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### WATER FIGURES

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 69.4 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 406.838 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 452.647 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 77.2 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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### TAPS OFF IN TWO AREAS

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WATER MAINS WORK AND LEAKAGE TESTS WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN KENNEDY TOWN AND NORTH POINT ON THURSDAY (APRIL 19).

AS A RESULT IN KENNEDY TOWN, WATER SUPPLY WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (APRIL 19) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY 12-12T SMITHFIELD, FORBES STREET, CADOGAN STREET, KA WAI MAN ROAD AND 1-61 VICTORIA ROAD, INCLUDING SAI WAN ESTATE AND SAI NING STREET.

AT NORTH POINT, THE WATER SUPPLY WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM ON THURSDAY.

PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE AT 8-56 AND 11-49 CLOUD VIEW ROAD, 88-142 TIN HAU TEMPLE ROAD AND YEE KING ROAD.

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FLYOVER MAINTENANCE WORK  
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THE PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD FLYOVER WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 1 AM AND 6 AM ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY (APRIL 18 AND 19) TO FACILITATE MAINTENANCE WORK.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRESS CONFERENCE  
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MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A PRESS CONFERENCE TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON ON THE WORK OF THE BROADCASTING REVIEW BOARD.

PRESENT WILL BE THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, THE HON MR JUSTICE POWER, BOARD MEMBER MR T.L. TSIM, AND BOARD SECRETARY MR A.G. COOPER.

THE CONFERENCE WILL START AT 3.45 PM IN THE GIS THEATRE, 5TH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

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