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GOVERNOR PAYS TRIBUTE TO IMMIGRATION SERVICE ON ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY

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THE IMMIGRATION SERVICE WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN MAINTAINING THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF THE TERRITORY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE GOVERNOR WAS ADDRESSING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY PARADE OF THE HONG KONG IMMIGRATION SERVICE.

NOTING THAT HONG KONG WOULD FACE NEW CHALLENGES AS WE APPROACHED 1997, SIR DAVID SAID THE TERRITORY COULD COUNT ON MEMBERS OF THE SERVICE TO CONTINUE TO PERFORM THEIR DUTIES TO THE SAME HIGH STANDARDS PEOPLE HAD COME TO EXPECT.

HE SAID THE 6,000-MEMBER IMMIGRATION SERVICE, BEING THE YOUNGEST DISCIPLINED SERVICE IN HONG KONG, HAD ACHIEVED A GREAT DEAL IN THE PAST 30 YEARS.

"THE SCALE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S WORK TODAY IS IMPRESSIVE. IN 1990, SOME 63 MILLION TRAVELLERS CAME THROUGH OUR IMMIGRATION CHECK POINTS.

"OVER TWO MILLION APPLICATIONS FOR TRAVEL DOCUMENTS WERE PROCESSED AND OVER A MILLION IDENTITY CARDS WERE ISSUED.

"THE FIGURES HAVE CONTINUED TO RISE IN 1991," THE GOVERNOR SAID, ADDING THAT THE SERVICE HAD UNDERTAKEN THIS TREMENDOUS WORKLOAD WITH ENTHUSIASM AND CARE.

HE POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY FOR THE SERVICE, BUT FOR THE TERRITORY AS A WHOLE BECAUSE THE SERVICE WAS THE FIRST FACE OF HONG KONG THAT THE VISITOR SAW AND MOST OF THE PEOPLE HERE CALLED ON THE SERVICE AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER.

"A GREAT DEAL DEPENDS ON YOUR EFFICIENCY AND COURTESY IN CARRYING OUT YOUR JOB. THE EFFICIENCY OF THE SERVICE HAS RECENTLY BEEN INCREASED BY TECHNOLOGY.

"BUT WHAT WILL ALWAYS BE THE KEY FACTOR - WHAT WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED BY THOSE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WHO COME IN CONTACT WITH THE IMMIGRATION SERVICE - IS THE PERSONAL TOUCH," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, THE GOVERNMENT AND THE COMMUNITY HAD ASKED THE SERVICE TO UNDERTAKE MANY ADDITIONAL TASKS.

"THE DEPORTATION OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS AND THE SCREENING OF VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS ARE OBVIOUS EXAMPLES. THESE ARE DIFFICULT BUT ESSENTIAL DUTIES.

"THE SERVICE CAN TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN THE FACT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED WITH PROFESSIONALISM AND SENSITIVITY," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

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DUKE OF KENT SEES PORT AND AIRPORT PROJECTS

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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF KENT TODAY (FRIDAY) TOOK A CLOSER LOOK AT HONG KONG'S MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURAL PROJECTS AND WAS BRIEFED ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS THAT INCLUDE THE NEW PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENTS.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS WAS ALSO BRIEFED ON POLICE ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT OPERATIONS DURING A VISIT TO THE BORDER.

THE DUKE BEGAN THE DAY WITH A CAR RIDE ALONG THE TERRITORY'S MASSIVE ROAD NETWORKS WHICH INCLUDED THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING, THE KWUN TONG BY-PASS, THE PRINCE EDWARD ROAD INTERCHANGE, AND TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL.

AT THE SHA TIN END OF TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS TOURED THE CONTROL ROOM AND WAS BRIEFED ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF TRAFFIC CONTROL IN THE TUNNEL, WHICH IS THE LONGEST IN THE TERRITORY.

THE DUKE THEN BOARDED A ROYAL AIR FORCE HELICOPTER FOR A TOUR OF THE BORDER AREA AND WAS LATER BRIEFED ON POLICE ANTI-ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT OPERATIONS WHICH INCLUDE THE USE OF THERMAL IMAGER AND THE MINIATURE INTRUSION DETECTION SYSTEM.

IN THE AFTERNOON, THE DUKE VISITED THE NEW AIRPORT PROJECTS CO-ORDINATION OFFICE, WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED ON THE AIRPORT CORE PROJECTS. HE WAS LATER FLOWN BY HELICOPTER TO SEE THE LATEST PROGRESS IN CONSTRUCTION WORKS ON CHEK LAP KOK AND RELATED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

LATER ON THE DUKE VISITED THE CHINA LIGHT POWER STATION IN CASTLE PEAK WHERE HE WAS MET BY LORD KADOORIE, CHAIRMAN OF CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS TOURED FACILITIES AT THE POWER STATION INCLUDING THE TURBINE HALL AND BOILER HOUSE, THE CENTRAL CONTROL ROOM AND THE TRAINING AND INFORMATION CENTRE.

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DUCHESS OF KENT VISITS APA AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

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HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF KENT TODAY (FRIDAY) VISITED THE HONG KONG ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS (APA) AND THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

IN THE MORNING, THE DUCHESS, WHO IS A SPECIAL PATRON OF THE APA, VISITED THE ACADEMY WHERE SHE WAS MET BY THE APA COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, DR HELMUT SOHMEN, APA DIRECTOR, DR JOHN HOSIER, AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR, MR GEORGE DERBYSHIRE.

THE DUCHESS TOURED THE ACADEMY TO SEE STUDENTS ATTEND A VARIETY OF CLASSES ON DANCE, DRAMA, PIANO AND STAGE TECHNOLOGY.

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IN THE AFTERNOON, HER ROYAL HIGHNESS VISITED THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN SANDY BAY.

THE 150-BED HOSPITAL, CAME UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITY ON DECEMBER 1, PROVIDES FREE TREATMENT, REHABILITATION AND SCHOOLING FOR DISABLED CHILDREN.

SHE FIRST TOURED THE PHYSIOTHERAPY DEPARTMENT TO SEE FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR THE SEVERELY MENTALLY HANDICAPPED. THEN SHE VISITED THE CHILD ASSESSMENT CENTRE AND SAW A PERFORMANCE BY THE CHILDREN.

THE DUCHESS WAS ACCOMPANIED ON THE TOUR BY CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CHILDREN (SRDC), MR BRIAN HOLROYD; A SRDC'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER, LADY FORD; HEAD OF THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY'S ORTHOPAEDICS DEPARTMENT, PROFESSOR JOHN LEONG; AND MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE HOSPITAL, DR ERIC HO.

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HK AND MACAO AFFAIRS OFFICE DEPUTY DIRECTOR TO VISIT HK

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MR CHEN ZIYING, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE HONG KONG AND MACAO AFFAIRS OFFICE OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, WILL VISIT HONG KONG FROM SUNDAY (DECEMBER 8) TO DECEMBER 13, AT THE INVITATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

THIS WILL BE MR CHEN'S FIRST VISIT TO HONG KONG SINCE TAKING UP HIS PRESENT POSITION. THE MAIN PURPOSE WILL BE TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH THE CURRENT SITUATION IN HONG KONG.

DURING HIS VISIT HE WILL BE MEETING THE GOVERNOR, THE CHIEF SECRETARY AND OTHER SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

MR CHEN WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE FIRST DEPARTMENT, MR DENG QIANG, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE SECOND DEPARTMENT, MR XU ZE, AND MR ZHOU JUN AND MR WONG HAIBO ALL OF THE HONG KONG AND MACAO AFFAIRS OFFICE.

FROM DECEMBER 14 TO 17, MR CHEN WILL STAY ON IN HONG KONG AS THE GUEST OF MR ZHOU NAN, DIRECTOR OF THE NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY.

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LAW CHANGE TO RECOGNISE CITY POLYTECHNIC  
GRADUATES' LAW QUALIFICATIONS

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS IN LAW AWARDED BY THE CITY POLYTECHNIC OF HONG KONG WILL BE FORMALLY RECOGNISED UNDER PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES AIMED AT ENABLING THE POLYTECHNIC'S LAW GRADUATES TO BECOME BARRISTERS OR SOLICITORS.

THE CITY POLYTECHNIC STARTED ITS THREE-YEAR BACHELOR OF LAWS DEGREE PROGRAMME IN 1988. IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR A POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LAWS (PCLL) COURSE WAS INTRODUCED FOR GRADUATES HOLDING A BACHELOR OF LAWS DEGREE.

THE PCLL IS A NECESSARY QUALIFICATION FOR ENTERING INTO A TRAINEE SOLICITOR CONTRACT, WHICH WILL LEAD TO SOLICITOR QUALIFICATION, OR PUPILLAGE, WHICH IS FOR BECOMING A BARRISTER.

THE FIRST STUDENTS OF THE PCLL COURSE, WHICH GIVES STUDENTS PRACTICAL SKILLS AND PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY WILL REQUIRE AS SOLICITORS OR BARRISTERS, WILL COMPLETE THEIR STUDIES IN JUNE NEXT YEAR.

IN ORDER FOR THE HIGH COURT TO ADMIT A PERSON AS A BARRISTER, THE PERSON MUST SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 27 OF THE LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE, WHICH NOW ONLY REFERS TO THE BACHELOR OF LAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND THE PCLL AWARDED BY THAT UNIVERSITY.

THAT SECTION OF THE ORDINANCE WILL INCLUDE THE BACHELOR OF LAWS DEGREE AND THE PCLL OF THE CITY POLYTECHNIC UNDER THE LEGAL PRACTITIONERS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1991 PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE BILL IS DUE TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 18.

THE ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS NECESSARY FOR ADMISSION AS A SOLICITOR ARE GOVERNED BY THE TRAINEE SOLICITORS RULES.

THESE RULES, WHICH ARE MADE BY THE LAW SOCIETY, WILL BE AMENDED TO RECOGNISE CITY POLYTECHNIC'S BACHELOR OF LAWS DEGREE AND PCLL IN ORDER FOR GRADUATES TO BECOME TRAINEE SOLICITORS.

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SWAC APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

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THE GOVERNOR HAS REAPPOINTED EIGHT PEOPLE TO THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC) FOR ANOTHER YEAR FROM DECEMBER 1, 1991 TO NOVEMBER 30, 1992, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THEY ARE MR HUI YIN-FAT, PROFESSOR FELICE LIEH-MAK, MR HERMAN HU, DR LAM KUI-CHUN, MR LI WAH-MING, DR AGNES NG, MR PAUL T.K. YOUNG AND MR LINCOLN SOO HUNG-LEUNG.

THE APPOINTMENTS WERE GAZETTED TODAY.

FOUR NEW FACES HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO FILL THE VACANT SEATS ON THE COMMITTEE LEFT BY OUTGOING MEMBERS.

THE FOUR ARE MISS ELSIE LEUNG OI-SIE, MRS CHONG WONG CHOR-SAR, PROFESSOR RANCE LEE PUI-LEUNG AND DR WONG HOI-KWOK.

PROFESSOR NELSON CHOW WAS APPOINTED SWAC CHAIRMAN LAST JULY.

THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE SWAC ARE TO KEEP SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICES UNDER CONTINUOUS REVIEW, AND TO ADVISE THE GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, ON ALL MATTERS OF SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY.

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NEW MTRC BOARD MEMBER APPOINTED

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THE GOVERNOR HAS APPOINTED MR EDWARD HO SING-TIN TO THE BOARD OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS FROM DECEMBER 1, 1991 TO FILL A VACANCY LEFT BY MR CHENG HON-KWAN.

MR HO IS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS. HE IS ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION, FROM WHICH HE WILL RETIRE ON DECEMBER 24, 1991 AFTER THREE YEARS OF SERVICE.

IN ANNOUNCING THE APPOINTMENT, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN TODAY (FRIDAY) SAID THE MTRC BOARD IS CHAIRED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CORPORATION, MR HAMISH MATHERS.

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE MR GORDON MACWHINNIE, MR HO SAI-CHU, MR JOHN STRICKLAND, MR DAVID GLEDHILL, MR DAVID GAIRNS, THE SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS MR DAVID NENDICK, AND THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT MR MICHAEL LEUNG.

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264 VM'S RETURN TO VIETNAM

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A GROUP OF 264 VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS TODAY (FRIDAY) RETURNED TO VIETNAM UNDER THE UNHCR'S VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION PROGRAMME.

COMPRISING 107 MEN, 60 WOMEN, 44 BOYS AND 53 GIRLS, THEY WERE THE 80TH BATCH TO GO BACK UNDER THE PROGRAMME.

THIS GROUP BROUGHT TO 6,881 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS WHO HAVE RETURNED VOLUNTARILY THIS YEAR, AND TO 13,200 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RETURNEES SINCE THE PROGRAMME STARTED IN MARCH 1989.

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IMPORTANCE OF ERADICATING ROOT CAUSES  
OF STUDENTS' BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS STRESSED

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A SYSTEM OF MASS EDUCATION CARRIES AN OBLIGATION TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF ALL CHILDREN, WHATEVER THEIR ABILITY, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR JOHN WINFIELD, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL SPEECH DAY OF COGNITO COLLEGE IN KOWLOON, HE SAID THE SYSTEM WAS BOUND TO INCLUDE SOME WHO WERE NOT BY NATURE WELL MOTIVATED TO SCHOOL LIFE AND WHO WOULD THEREFORE LIKELY TO LACK SELF-DISCIPLINE.

"IT IS IMPORTANT THAT EVERY EFFORT SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE MADE TO ERADICATE THE ROOT CAUSES OF BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS," HE SAID.

"BEARING IN MIND THAT LOW MOTIVATION AND POOR SELF-DISCIPLINE ARE OFTEN ASSOCIATED, AND FOLLOWING THE SIMPLE PRECEPT THAT PREVENTION IS MUCH BETTER THAN CURE, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HAS RECENTLY SET UP AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES TO REPLACE THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON UNRULY AND DELINQUENT BEHAVIOUR WHICH, AS ITS NAME IMPLIES, HAD A RATHER NARROW AND RESTRICTED FOCUS," HE ADDED.

HE SAID THAT THE NEW COMMITTEE WOULD TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE INTERACTIVE ROLES OF STUDENTS, PARENTS AND TEACHERS IN MAKING THE SUPPORT SERVICES FULLY EFFECTIVE.

THE COMMITTEE, HE ADDED, HAS BEEN SET UP TO COINCIDE WITH THE RECENT POLICY DECISION ON A PACKAGE OF ENHANCEMENT MEASURES AND SUPPORT SERVICES, BASED ON THE EDUCATION COMMISSION'S REPORT NO. 4.

THESE COVERED PUPILS WITH MODERATE LEARNING DIFFICULTIES, PUPILS WHO WERE UNMOTIVATED AND SUFFERED FROM SEVERE LEARNING DIFFICULTIES AND, AT THE OTHER END OF THE SPECTRUM, PUPILS WHO WERE GIFTED.

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THE APPROVED POLICY BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, HE SAID, INCLUDED THE IMPORTANT DECISION THAT THE "WHOLE SCHOOL APPROACH" SHOULD BE ADOPTED IN HONG KONG WITH ALL TEACHERS IN A SCHOOL ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN ASSISTING PUPILS TO RESOLVE THEIR DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS WHICH WOULD ENCOURAGE POSITIVE ATTITUDES AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR.

HE SAID THESE WERE IMPORTANT BECAUSE THEY RECOGNISED THE IMMENSE DIVERSITY OF ABILITY AMONG STUDENTS, AND THE WIDE RANGE OF INDIVIDUAL NEED THAT THE SCHOOL SYSTEM MUST PROVIDE FOR.

"THEY ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF STUDENT BEHAVIOUR BY CREATING CONDITIONS IN WHICH ALL STUDENTS CAN FLOURISH HAPPILY TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY, THUS HELPING TO PREVENT THE BOREDOM AND FRUSTRATION WHICH IS SO OFTEN AT THE ROOT OF BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS," HE SAID.

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FOSTER AND SMALL GROUP HOMES -- A FUTURE  
DEVELOPMENT IN CHILD CARE

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HONG KONG'S OWN CHILD CARE POLICY AS SET OUT IN THE 1991 SOCIAL WELFARE WHITE PAPER EMPHASISES THAT NON-INSTITUTIONAL CARE IN THE FORM OF FOSTER HOMES AND SMALL GROUP HOMES WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER INSTITUTIONAL CARE IN FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS.

THIS WAS STATED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR M. D. CARTLAND, AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHENG KUNG HUI DIOCESAN WELFARE COUNCIL 90/91 AT ST ANDREW'S CHURCH.

"AT ANY ONE TIME ABOUT 2,500 CHILDREN, WHO ARE DEPRIVED OF A NORMAL FAMILY LIFE WITH THEIR NATURAL PARENTS, ARE IN NEED OF CARE," HE SAID.

MR CARTLAND NOTED THAT THE APPROACH TO LOOKING AFTER THEM HAD IN THE PAST BEEN MAINLY TO PLACE THEM IN CHILDREN'S HOMES WITH CAPACITIES RANGING FROM 50 TO 200 PLACES.

HE ADDED THAT SUCH INSTITUTIONS CERTAINLY ADDRESSED THE PRIMARY REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD, SHELTER, CLOTHING, HEALTH AND EDUCATION.

"BUT, ALTHOUGH RUN WITH GREAT SKILL AND DEDICATION, THEY CANNOT HOPE TO DELIVER THE WARMTH, INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION AND STIMULATION WHICH ARE SO IMPORTANT TO A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT AND WHICH CAN ONLY REALLY BE PROVIDED SATISFACTORILY IN A FAMILY SETTING," HE STRESSED.

IN MANY DEVELOPED SOCIETIES THE APPROACH TO RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE HAD THUS MOVED AWAY FROM INSTITUTIONAL CARE AND WAS HEAVILY BASED ON FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION, MR CARTLAND SAID.

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THAT THINKING WAS ALSO REFLECTED IN OUR OWN CHILD CARE POLICY AS SET OUT IN THE 1991 SOCIAL WELFARE WHITE PAPER, HE NOTED.

"IN THIS CONTEXT, I WELCOME THE INITIATIVE OF THE DIOCESAN WELFARE COUNCIL AND THE MANAGEMENT OF ST CHRISTOPHER'S HOME WHO HAVE TAKEN THE LEAD BY DECIDING THAT THE HOME CAN BE CONVERTED INTO A SERIES OF SMALL GROUP HOMES, EACH PROVIDING FOR EIGHT CHILDREN UNDER THE CARE OF HOUSE-PARENTS," HE ADDED.

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CONSULTANCY STUDY ON ISLAND WEST REFUSE TRANSFER STATION

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) HAS COMMISSIONED A CONSULTANCY STUDY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SECOND REFUSE TRANSFER STATION ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

THIS ISLAND WEST REFUSE TRANSFER STATION WILL BE LOCATED INSIDE A MAN-MADE ROCK CAVERN UNDERNEATH MOUNT DAVIS.

THE AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSULTANCY STUDY WAS SIGNED TODAY (FRIDAY) BETWEEN AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EPD, MR MIKE STOKOE, AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF SCOTT WILSON KIRKPATRICK & COMPANY LTD.

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID THE SITE WAS SELECTED BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF SUITABLE LAND IN THE URBAN AREA FOR THE REFUSE TRANSFER STATION DEVELOPMENT.

IT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY PREVIOUS CONSULTANCY STUDIES THAT THE SITING OF REFUSE TRANSFER STATION INSIDE UNDERGROUND CAVERN WILL RESULT IN ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS AS WELL AS ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE THROUGH RELEASING OTHER PIECES OF VALUABLE LAND IN THE URBAN AREA FOR ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENTS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE CONSULTANT WILL CARRY OUT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT, INVESTIGATE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE REFUSE TRANSFER STATION, AND ADDRESS THE PARTICULAR CAVERN ENGINEERING ASPECTS.

IT WILL ALSO PREPARE TENDER DOCUMENTS AND CARRY OUT TENDER INVITATION AND ASSESSMENT.

STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS TO AVOID ODOUR, DUST, WATER AND NOISE NUISANCE WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN OF THE STATION AND THE ASSOCIATED FACILITIES SO AS TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENTALLY ACCEPTABLE WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROVISION OF THE TRANSFER STATION FORMS PART OF THE OBJECTIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S "WASTE DISPOSAL PLAN", APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL IN DECEMBER 1989.

THE PLAN STATES THAT THE LONG TERM MUNICIPAL WASTE DISPOSAL STRATEGY OF HONG KONG REQUIRES THE PROVISION OF THREE STRATEGIC LANDFILLS AND A NETWORK OF TRANSFER STATIONS FOR TRANSPORTING WASTE IN BULK TO THESE LANDFILLS.

MUNICIPAL WASTE COLLECTED BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE TRANSFER STATIONS WHERE IT WILL BE COMPACTED INTO ENCLOSED CONTAINERS.

THE REFUSE WILL THEN BE TRANSPORTED IN AN ENVIRONMENTALLY ACCEPTABLE MANNER TO LARGE STRATEGIC LANDFILLS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES BY BULK VEHICLES OR BARGES.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE FIRST REFUSE TRANSFER STATION IN KOWLOON BAY HAS BECOME OPERATIONAL SINCE APRIL 1990 AND THE ISLAND EAST TRANSFER STATION IN CHAI WAN IS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF ANOTHER REFUSE TRANSFER STATION IN SHA TIN IS BEING INVESTIGATED UNDER ANOTHER CONSULTANCY STUDY.

THE CONSULTANCY STUDY ON ISLAND WEST TRANSFER STATION, AT A COST OF HK\$8.9 MILLION, WILL TAKE 23 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

CONSTRUCTION WORK FOR THE TRANSFER STATION IS EXPECTED TO START UPON COMPLETION OF THE CONSULTANCY STUDY BY THE END OF 1993. WHEN BECOMES OPERATIONAL IN LATE 1995, THE TRANSFER STATION WILL ACCEPT ABOUT 1,000 TONNES OF DOMESTIC REFUSE EACH DAY.

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#### TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS SURVEY COMMISSIONED

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS COMMISSIONED A TRAVEL CHARACTERISTICS SURVEY TO COLLECT UP-TO-DATE TRAVEL DATA AND INFORMATION IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE TERRITORY.

FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY WILL BE USED FOR RE-CALIBRATING AND ENHANCING, OR RE-STRUCTURING IF NECESSARY, THE DATABASE AND TRANSPORT MODELS FOR THE TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAMME AND POLICY PLANS FOR THE TERRITORY UP TO THE YEAR 2011.

A CONTRACT FOR THE \$8.56 MILLION CONSULTANCY STUDY WAS SIGNED BY THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR PANG HAU-CHUNG, WITH MVA ASIA LTD TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE STUDY WOULD ALSO PROVIDE A TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT DATA BANK FOR ALL FUTURE TERRITORIAL AND SUB-REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLANNING AND STUDIES, A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

USING THE PRELIMINARY DATA OF THE 1991 POPULATION CENSUS AS BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE INTERVIEWING ABOUT 30,000 HOUSEHOLDS IN THE TERRITORY, REPRESENTING A SAMPLE SIZE OF TWO PER CENT OF THE POPULATION.

HOME INTERVIEWS FOR THE 12-MONTH STUDY WILL BE CONDUCTED AFTER THE CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS AND BEFORE EASTER NEXT YEAR.

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SURVEYORS CARRYING IDENTITY CARDS WILL VISIT THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED TO INTERVIEW EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ON INFORMATION RELATING TO TRIP-MAKING.

THIS WILL INCLUDE THE DETAILS OF PRIVATE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRIPS MADE BY THE HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS DAILY. THE DURATION OF THE TRIPS AND THEIR PURPOSES WILL ALSO FORM AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE DATA TO BE COLLECTED.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT ALL DATA THUS COLLECTED WOULD BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL AND WOULD ONLY BE USED FOR STATISTICAL ANALYSES.

HE SAID THE LAST SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED IN 1981 COVERING TWO PER CENT OF THE THEN LAND-BASED POPULATION OR 28,000 HOUSEHOLDS.

FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY HAD BEEN THE PRIME DATA BASE FOR FORMULATING TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAMME AND POLICY PLANS FOR THE TERRITORY UP TO THE YEAR 2001.

"OVER THE PAST DECADE, THE TRAVEL PATTERNS OF PEOPLE HAVE UNDERGONE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES AS A RESULT OF THE RAPID GROWTH IN THE ECONOMY, EXTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TOWNS, AS WELL AS MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE.

"THERE IS AN OBVIOUS NEED TO UPDATE THE TRANSPORT INFORMATION FOR BETTER TRAFFIC PROJECTIONS BASED ON THE LATEST AND MORE RELIABLE TRAVEL INFORMATION," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

IN JANUARY, A PILOT SURVEY WILL BE CONDUCTED TO INTERVIEW A SMALL SAMPLE OF HOUSEHOLDS. HE CALLED ON ALL THOSE TO BE INTERVIEWED TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE SURVEYORS.

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#### TRANSPORT DEPT CALLS FOR MORE CAR TESTING CENTRES

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL SUITABLE PREMISES AS CAR TESTING CENTRES (CTC'S) FOR EXAMINING PRIVATE CARS AND LIGHT GOODS VEHICLES WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT NOT EXCEEDING 1.9 TONNES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT IT WAS HOPED THAT THE DESIGNATION OF MORE CTC'S WOULD PROVIDE A BETTER GEOGRAPHIC SPREAD OF SUCH CAR TESTING FACILITIES.

THERE ARE AT PRESENT 17 CTC'S, MOST OF WHICH ARE SITUATED IN THE URBAN AREAS.

TO QUALIFY FOR INCLUSION IN THE LIST OF DESIGNATED CTC'S, AN APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE PROVEN EXPERIENCE IN THE MAINTENANCE OF AND REPAIRS TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

WHEN APPLYING, GARAGE OPERATORS SHOULD MAKE AVAILABLE EVIDENCE OF THEIR FINANCIAL STATUS, PERMANENT ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE, WORKSHOP AND LABOUR RESOURCES, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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A DESIGNATION SHALL BE VALID FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS FROM THE DATE THE CTC IS DESIGNATED.

THE FEE PAYABLE FOR DESIGNATION OR RENEWAL OF DESIGNATION OF ANY PREMISES AS A CTC IS \$10,000.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE IN THE SPECIFIED FORM WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S PRIVATE CAR INSPECTION MONITORING UNIT AT ROOM 3402, WAN CHAI TOWER II, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR TUNG CHUNG DEVELOPMENT PHASE I SITE FORMATION

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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT HAS INVITED SEVEN PRE-SELECTED CONSORTIA TO TENDER FOR THE TUNG CHUNG DEVELOPMENT PHASE I SITE FORMATION WORKS.

TUNG CHUNG IS TO BE DEVELOPED AS A NEW TOWN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NEW AIRPORT AT CHEK LAP KOK.

THE FIRST PHASE DEVELOPMENT IS FOR A TOWNSHIP OF 20,000 PEOPLE WITH THE PROVISION OF THE ASSOCIATED GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

UPON FULL DEVELOPMENT, THE TUNG CHUNG NEW TOWN WILL HOUSE A POPULATION OF ABOUT 200,000 PEOPLE.

SITE FORMATION WORKS MAINLY COMPRISE ABOUT 49 HECTARES OF RECLAMATION AND 16 HECTARES OF LAND SITE FORMATION, DREDGING OF MARINE MUD FOR THE RECLAMATION AND A FAIRWAY, AND PLACEMENT OF MARINE FILL IN THE RECLAIMED AREAS, TOGETHER WITH ASSOCIATED SEAWALLS AND BOX CULVERT CONSTRUCTION.

THE VARIOUS WORKS ARE SCHEDULED TO START IN MARCH NEXT YEAR AND TAKE TWO YEARS TO COMPLETE.

THE SEVEN CONSORTIA ARE A.F.D.D.T. JOINT VENTURE, CHINA HARBOURS ENGINEERING COMPANY, DRAGAGES-BOSKALIS-PENTA-SHUI ON JOINT VENTURE, KUMAGAI-HAM-MAEDA-UDL JOINT VENTURE, LEIGHTON-HYUNDAI JOINT VENTURE, TUNG CHUNG DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTORS JOINT VENTURE, AND CHINA STATE/VAN OORD/GREAT LAKES JOINT VENTURE.

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LDC DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLAN APPROVED

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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS RECENTLY APPROVED THE WING LOK STREET/QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLAN, WHICH IS PREPARED BY THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (LDC) FOR THE PURPOSE OF URBAN RENEWAL.

THE PLAN IS THE SECOND OF ITS KIND PREPARED BY THE LDC UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ORDINANCE FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF A SIMILAR PLAN EARLIER THIS YEAR FOR THE QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL/JUBILEE STREET AREA IN CENTRAL.

THE PURPOSE OF THESE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLANS IS TO PROVIDE A FRAMEWORK FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE AREAS CONCERNED BY RESTRUCTURING THE EXISTING LAND USE PATTERNS AND PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS.

THE WING LOK STREET/QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLAN COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 0.72 HECTARE LOCATED AT THE FRINGE OF CENTRAL DISTRICT.

TO THE SOUTH IT IS BOUNDED BY QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND BONHAM STRAND; TO THE WEST BY A GROUP OF BUILDINGS MOSTLY BUILT IN THE LATE SEVENTIES; TO THE NORTH BY WING LOK STREET; AND TO THE EAST BY WING WO STREET.

THE AREA HAS A DISTINCTIVE CHARACTER DRAWN FROM ITS NARROW LANEWAYS AND THE WHOLESALE AREA WHICH IS INVOLVED IN TRADITIONAL CHINESE TRADES SUCH AS THE EGG AND PRESERVED EGG TRADING MARKET.

ALMOST HALF OF THE EXISTING BUILDINGS WITHIN THE AREA IS MADE UP OF PRE-WAR BUILDINGS.

PART OF THE AREA IS GOVERNMENT LAND, MUCH OF WHICH IS OCCUPIED BY TEMPORARY STRUCTURES; THE REMAINDER IS USED AS A SITTING-OUT AREA AND A PUBLIC TOILET. THEY ARE GENERALLY IN DILAPIDATED CONDITION.

ALTHOUGH LYING AT THE FRINGE OF THE CENTRAL DISTRICT AND RIPE FOR REDEVELOPMENT, SATISFACTORY REDEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA HAS BEEN INHIBITED BY A NUMBER OF FACTORS INCLUDING THE SMALL SIZE OF EXISTING LOTS AND FRAGMENTED OWNERSHIP.

THE PRESENCE OF A MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY RESERVE ALSO COMPLICATES THE REDEVELOPMENT PROCESS.

ACCORDING TO THE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLAN, THE AREA WILL BE REDEVELOPED IN A COMPREHENSIVE MANNER.

APART FROM ALLOWING LAND FOR PUBLIC OPEN SPACE PURPOSE, THE DESIGN WILL MAKE PROVISION FOR COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT WITH A RANGE OF GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES INCLUDING GOVERNMENT OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, A COOKED FOOD CENTRE, A PUBLIC TOILET AND A MARKET.

THE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME PLAN WAS EXHIBITED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN MARCH LAST YEAR.

PRIOR TO ITS EXHIBITION, THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD WAS CONSULTED ON THE PLAN.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE PLAN, RECOGNISING THAT COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT WOULD PROVIDE THE MUCH-NEEDED GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND IMPROVE THE GENERAL ENVIRONMENT.

BEFORE SUBMITTING THE PLAN TO THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD HAD FULLY CONSIDERED THE OBJECTIONS LODGED, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE INTERESTS OF THOSE AFFECTED AND THE PUBLIC GAINS WHICH WOULD ONLY BE ACHIEVED THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT AND REPLANNING OF THE AREA.

AT PRESENT, THE LDC IS ACQUIRING AFFECTED PROPERTIES THROUGH NEGOTIATION WITH THE PROPERTY OWNERS.

SHOULD IT BE UNABLE TO ACQUIRE ALL THE AFFECTED PROPERTIES, THE CORPORATION MAY REQUEST THE SECRETARY FOR PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS TO RECOMMEND RESUMPTION UNDER THE CROWN LANDS RESUMPTION ORDINANCE.

THE PLAN CAN BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

- \* CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL; AND
- \* DISTRICT PLANNING BRANCH, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, 16TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

COPIES OF THE APPROVED PLAN, AT \$10 EACH UNCOLOURED AND \$50 EACH COLOURED PRINTED VERSION, ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAP AND PLAN SALES SECTIONS OF THE SURVEY AND MAPPING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT AT 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, AND AT 382 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT TAI PO OUTLINE ZONING PLAN

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THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCED AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT TAI PO OUTLINE ZONING PLAN.

MAJOR AMENDMENTS INCLUDE THE EXTENSION OF THE DRAFT PLAN COVERAGE TO INCLUDE HONG LOK YUEN AND THE ADJOINING RAILWAY LAND, AND THE REZONING OF AN AREA ADJOINING THE TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE FROM "OPEN SPACE" TO "OTHER SPECIFIED USES (INDUSTRIAL ESTATE)".

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OTHER AMENDMENTS INCLUDE THE REZONING OF LAND NEAR HA HANG VILLAGE AND AN AREA SOUTH OF SAN UK KA VILLAGE FROM "GREEN BELT" TO "VILLAGE TYPE DEVELOPMENT", AND ADDITIONALLY TO "OPEN SPACE" FOR HA HANG VILLAGE; AND THE REZONING OF LAND IN FUNG YUEN FROM "OTHER SPECIFIED USES (COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA)" TO "VILLAGE TYPE DEVELOPMENT".

THE AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT PLAN CAN NOW BE INSPECTED AT:

- \* THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, 16TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; AND
- \* THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, TAI PO GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, TING KOK ROAD, TAI PO.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE AMENDMENTS MAY SUBMIT HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O PLANNING DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 6 NEXT YEAR.

COPIES OF THE AMENDMENT PLAN ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE SURVEY AND MAPPING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG OR AT THE KOWLOON MAP SALES SECTION, 382 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON AT \$10 EACH UNCOLOURED AND \$60 EACH COLOURED.

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#### TENDERS FOR EAST KOWLOON SEWERAGE PLAN

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THE DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR SEWERAGE WORKS IN SAN PO KONG AND KOWLOON BAY UNDER THE EAST KOWLOON SEWERAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND POLLUTION CONTROL, STAGE I.

A NOTICE OF TENDER WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE WORKS UNDER THIS CONTRACT WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 1,200-METRE LONG BOX CULVERT, 2,000 METRES OF PIPE SEWERS OF 1.05 METRES TO 1.8 METRES IN DIAMETER, AND THREE SMALL PUMPING STATIONS.

THESE TRUNK SEWERS AND BOX CULVERTS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED FROM CHOI HUNG ROAD AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST THROUGH THE EASTERN ROAD AND RUN ALONG WANG KWONG ROAD.

THIS SEWERAGE NETWORK WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING TRUNK SEWER SYSTEM AND WILL EVENTUALLY DISCHARGE THE SEWAGE TO THE KWUN TONG SEWERAGE SCREENING PLANT.

THE THREE PUMPING STATIONS WILL BE IN SAN PO KONG AND KOWLOON BAY AND WILL INTERCEPT THE BASE FLOWS FROM THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

THE EAST KOWLOON SEWERAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND POLLUTION CONTROL STAGE I WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING FOUL TRUNK SEWERAGE SYSTEM AND INTERCEPT THE FOUL FLOWS WHICH AT PRESENT POLLUTE THE EXISTING STORMWATER SYSTEM.

WORKS ARE EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL NEXT YEAR AND LAST FOR 18 MONTHS.

THE PROJECT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND WILL BE SUPERVISED BY CONSULTING ENGINEER DONOHUE/JRP ASIA PACIFIC LTD IN ASSOCIATION WITH CHARLES HASWELL AND PARTNERS (FAR EAST) LTD FOR THE DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

FORMS OF TENDER AND FURTHER PARTICULARS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM CHARLES HASWELL AND PARTNERS (FAR EAST) LIMITED, THIRD FLOOR, BAY TOWER, 2-4 SUNNING ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON JANUARY 3.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR WATER MAINS LAYING  
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF SALT WATER MAINS IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE LAYING OF SOME 5,200 METRES OF SALT WATER MAINS FOR PROVIDING SALT WATER FLUSHING TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN THE AREA.

IT WILL REPLACE THE TEMPORARY FRESH WATER FLUSHING SYSTEM IN THE AREA.

THE WORKS FOR THE LAYING OF MAINS ALONG PUBLIC CARRIAGEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS IS EXPECTED TO START IN MARCH NEXT YEAR AND WILL TAKE SOME 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS 12 NOON ON DECEMBER 27.

FORMS OF TENDER AND PARTICULARS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT, 44TH FLOOR, WANCHAI TOWER II, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.

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## SHIPPING PROTECTION TO TSING YI TOWER

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AUTHORISED WORKS OF THE LANTAU FIXED CROSSING.

THE AMENDMENT COMPRISES AN ADDITIONAL RECLAMATION OF FORESHORE AND SEABED FOR SHIPPING PROTECTION TO THE TSING YI TOWER OF THE TSING MA BRIDGE.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS IS GAETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

PLANS SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES:

- \* CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICES CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL;
- \* KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, KWAI CHUNG & TSING YI PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICES CENTRE, 2ND FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 166-174 HING FONG ROAD, KWAI CHUNG, NEW TERRITORIES; AND
- \* DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE/KWAI TSING, 10TH FLOOR, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 4, NEXT YEAR DESCRIBING HIS INTEREST AND THE MANNER IN WHICH HE ALLEGES HE WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED WORKS.

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## REALIGNMENT OF SOUTHERN APPROACH RAMP OF KAI CHEUNG ROAD FLYOVER

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THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO REALIGN ONE OF THE TWO EXISTING RAMPS SOUTH OF KAI CHEUNG ROAD FLYOVER NEAR THE EASTERN PORTAL OF THE AIRPORT TUNNEL.

A SPOKESMAN SAID THE WORKS AIMED AT FACILITATING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A VEHICULAR ACCESS ROUND THE NORTHERN PERIPHERY OF THE FUTURE SOUTH APRON OF THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

THIS VEHICULAR ACCESS WILL FORM PART OF THE FUTURE SOUTH APRON DEVELOPMENT.

THE PROPOSAL INCLUDES REALIGNMENT OF THE WEST RAMP SOUTH OF KAI CHEUNG ROAD FLYOVER TO ONE WAY NORTH-BOUND; CONSTRUCTION OF A RETAINING WALL AND MODIFICATION TO THE EXISTING BUS STOP AT THE JUNCTION OF KAI FUK ROAD.

THE PROJECT IS SCHEDULED TO START IN APRIL NEXT YEAR AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE. THE EXTENT OF THE WORKS WAS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE PLAN AND SCHEME OF THE WORKS MAY BE INSPECTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES:-

- \* CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE,  
PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR,  
HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL,  
HONG KONG;
- \* DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON WEST,  
YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR,  
250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON; AND
- \* KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE,  
KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING,  
6 TUNG YAN STREET, 1ST, 3RD AND 4TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, 2ND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 4, 1992 DESCRIBING HIS INTEREST AND THE MANNER IN WHICH HE ALLEGES HE WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED WORKS.

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UNAUTHORISED BUILDING IN SHAM SHUI PO TO BE CLOSED

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE AN UNAUTHORISED BUILDING STRUCTURE ON A BUILDING IN SHAM SHUI PO SO THAT IT CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS AND THE PUBLIC.

THE UNAUTHORISED STRUCTURE IS LOCATED ON THE ROOF OVER THE SECOND FLOOR OF 189 NAM CHEONG STREET.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT ON MARCH 4 NEXT YEAR WAS POSTED ON THE PREMISES TODAY (FRIDAY).

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WORKS WILL START AS SOON AS THE CLOSURE ORDER IS ISSUED.

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REMINDER ON PAYMENT OF CROWN RENTS

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DEMAND NOTES HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR CROWN RENTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 25 IN RESPECT OF CROWN RENTS EXCEEDING \$100 PER ANNUM, A TREASURY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

PAYMENT OF THESE DEMAND NOTES MAY BE MADE BY POST ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING SERVICES, P.O. BOX 8000, GPO, HONG KONG, OR, IN PERSON, AT

- \* THE TREASURY HEADQUARTERS COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OFFICE, WANCHAI TOWER II, FIRST FLOOR, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI;
- \* THE CENTRAL SUB-TREASURY, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), 11 ICE HOUSE STREET;
- \* THE NORTH POINT SUB-TREASURY, ODEON BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR, 28 SHU KUK STREET;
- \* THE SAI WAN HO SUB-TREASURY, EASTERN LAW COURTS BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, 29 TAI ON STREET, SAI WAN HO;
- \* THE YAU MA TEI SUB-TREASURY, FOURTH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD (MARKET STREET ENTRANCE);
- \* THE KOWLOON CITY SUB-TREASURY, MAN SANG COMMERCIAL BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR, 348-352 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD (CORNER OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD AND JUNCTION ROAD); AND
- \* THE DISTRICT OFFICES AT SAI KUNG, SHA TIN, TAI PO, NORTH, YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN OR KWAI TSING.

CROWN RENT PAYERS WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED THEIR DEMAND NOTES MAY BRING A CROWN RENT DEMAND NOTE OF ANY PREVIOUS PERIOD AND MAKE PAYMENT AT THE TREASURY HEADQUARTERS COLLECTION AND PAYMENT OFFICE OR AT ANY SUB-TREASURY.

IF THE PAYERS CANNOT PRODUCE A CROWN RENT DEMAND NOTE FOR ANY PREVIOUS PERIOD, THEY SHOULD INQUIRE AT THE CROWN RENT UNIT OF THE TREASURY AT WANCHAI TOWER II, 30TH FLOOR, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD.

NON-RECEIPT OF THE DEMAND NOTE DOES NOT ALTER THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ABOVE CROWN RENTS MUST BE PAID BY DECEMBER 25.

CROWN RENT PAYERS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED A VALID DIRECT DEBIT AUTHOISATION SHOULD NOTE THAT IF THE WORDING "PAYMENT TO BE MADE BY AUTOPAY" IS SHOWN ON THE DEMAND NOTES, PAYMENT OF CROWN RENT WILL BE MADE BY DIRECT DEBIT TO THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS ON DECEMBER 25. THEY SHOULD THEN ENSURE THAT THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS CONTAIN THE NECESSARY FUNDS ON THAT DATE.

IF SUCH WORDING IS NOT SHOWN ON THE DEMAND NOTES, CROWN RENT PAYERS SHOULD MAKE PAYMENTS ACCORDING TO THE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS AS STIPULATED IN THE DEMAND NOTES.

TO AVOID THE POSSIBLE INCONVENIENCE OF QUEUEING, CROWN RENT PAYERS ARE URGED TO PAY BY CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER SENT BY POST OR BY EARLY PERSONAL ATTENDANCE AT ANY OF THE OFFICES LISTED ON THE BACK OF THE DEMAND NOTE.

CROWN RENT PAYERS SHOULD NOTE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- \* TO AVOID LEGAL ACTION FOR RE-ENTRY OF A PROPERTY THE OWNER FOR THE TIME BEING OF THAT PROPERTY IS OBLIGED TO PAY CROWN RENT INCLUDING ANY ARREARS AS DEMANDED.
- \* THE CROWN RENT PAYABLE UNDER A LEASE OF A PROPERTY WHICH HAS BEEN RENEWED UNDER THE CROWN LEASES ORDINANCE AND REDEVELOPED, WILL BE THREE PER CENT OF THE RATEABLE VALUE OF THAT PROPERTY AS ASSESSED FOLLOWING THE REDEVELOPMENT.

PENDING COMPLETION OF THE ASSESSMENT AND OTHER RELATED PROCEDURES, CROWN RENT DEMANDS WILL BE BASED UPON THE PRE-REDEVELOPMENT RATEABLE VALUE.

IN DUE COURSE, CROWN RENT FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE RENT BASED UPON PRE AND POST REDEVELOPMENT RATEABLE VALUES WILL BE DEMANDED AND THE OWNER FOR THE TIME BEING IS OBLIGED TO PAY THE RENT AS DEMANDED. IF HE DOES NOT, LEGAL ACTION FOR RE-ENTRY OF THE PROPERTY MAY BE INSTITUTED.

PURCHASERS OF PROPERTY ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO INSTRUCT THEIR SOLICITORS TO ENSURE THAT AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE THE CROWN RENT IS PAID UP TO DATE.

IF A PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO THE CROWN LEASES ORDINANCE AND HAS BEEN REDEVELOPED BUT THE RENTAL PAID UP TO THE DATE OF THE PURCHASE IS NOT BASED UPON AN ASSESSMENT OF THE RATEABLE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY SINCE ITS REDEVELOPMENT, APPROPRIATE STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE PURCHASER OR HIS SOLICITORS TO PROTECT THE PURCHASER.

ENQUIRIES ON OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS IN RESPECT OF CROWN RENT MAY BE ADDRESSED TO THE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING SERVICES. THE FEE IS \$45 FOR EACH ENQUIRY PER PROPERTY.

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CIVIC EDUCATION CARNIVAL IN SAI KUNG

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SAI KUNG RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE "CONCERN FOR SAI KUNG DISTRICT" CARNIVAL IN TSEUNG KWAN O ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 8).

ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION COMMITTEE, THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM AT THE TSUI LAM COMMUNITY HALL IN TSUI LAM ESTATE.

ITS AIM IS TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SO AS TO ENHANCE THEIR SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.

APART FROM GAME STALLS, MORE THAN 30 CHILDREN AND ELDERLY PEOPLE WILL WORK TOGETHER TO PAINT A 2.5 SQUARE METRE CARTOON DEPICTING THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES OF THROWING OBJECTS OUT OF WINDOWS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY FOR THE "PREVENTION OF THROWING OBJECTS FROM HEIGHT" SLOGAN DESIGN COMPETITION.

OFFICIATING AT THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PARRISH NG; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR WILLIAM WAN; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE PROMOTION COMMITTEE, MR LOUR TSANG-TSAY.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE "CONCERN FOR SAI KUNG DISTRICT" CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 8) AT THE TSUI LAM COMMUNITY HALL IN TSUI LAM ESTATE, TSEUNG KWAN O. IT WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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CIVIC EDUCATION CARNIVAL IN SHAM SHUI PO

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A CARNIVAL TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND IN SHAM SHUI PO BEGINNING AT 3 PM.

THE CARNIVAL, ADMISSION TO WHICH IS FREE, IS ORGANISED BY THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

IT IS ALSO ONE OF THE EVENTS OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT FESTIVAL NOW IN FULL SWING.

THE CARNIVAL WILL FEATURE GAME STALLS AND PERFORMANCES BY A SILVER BAND AND POPULAR SINGERS.

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AN EXHIBITION ON ENTRIES FOR A CREATIVE COMPETITION ON THE RECYCLING OF WASTE MATERIALS HELD EARLIER WILL ALSO BE HELD AT THE VENUE.

OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOY WAI-SHEK; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALAN FUNG; AND A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, MR CHAN CHUN-FAT.

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TELEMATCHES FOR CENTRAL AND WESTERN ELDERLY  
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MORE THAN 160 ELDERLY PEOPLE, WHOSE AGES ADD UP TO MORE THAN 10,000 YEARS, WILL TAKE PART IN A SERIES OF TELEMATCHES ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 8) TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR VIGOUR AND SPORTING SKILLS.

THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN "TELEMATCH GAMES FOR THE ELDERLY" IS ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, DISTRICT OFFICE, THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE DISTRICT'S RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION (DRSA) AS AN EVENT OF THE DISTRICT'S FESTIVAL FOR THE ELDERLY.

IT WILL BE HELD FROM 1 PM TO 5 PM IN THE INDOOR GAMES HALL OF THE SHEUNG WAN UC COMPLEX.

A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN TODAY (FRIDAY) SAID THAT SOME OF THE PARTICIPANTS ARE AS OLD AS 85 YEARS WHILE THE AVERAGE AGE IS 66.

"DESPITE THIS, THEY WILL BE DEMONSTRATING THEIR SKILLS IN GOLF, SOCCER, BASKETBALL AND ATHLETICS DURING THE TELEMATCHES," HE ADDED.

THE CONTESTANTS HAVE BEEN ENTERED INTO THE GAMES BY EIGHT ELDERLY CENTRES AND HOSTELS IN THE DISTRICT.

OFFICIATING AT THE EVENT WILL BE THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR PAUL LEUNG; CENTRAL AND WESTERN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS MARY TSANG; A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR SAMMY POONE; DRSA'S PRESIDENT, MR LEUNG SIK-WAH; AND THE DISTRICT'S RECREATION AND SPORTS OFFICER, MR WOO MAN-LAI.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE "CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT TELEMATCH GAMES FOR THE ELDERLY" TO BE HELD FROM 1 PM TO 5 PM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 8) IN THE SHEUNG WAN UC COMPLEX'S INDOOR GAMES HALL.

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CARNIVAL FOR SYCAMORE RESIDENTS

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RESIDENTS IN MONG KOK ARE INVITED TO SHARE THE JOY AND FUN OF A CARNIVAL AT THE SYCAMORE PLAYGROUND IN TAI KOK TSUI TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

IT WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM. ADMISSION IS FREE.

ORGANISED BY THE SYCAMORE AREA COMMITTEE AND THE URBAN COUNCIL WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD, THE CARNIVAL AIMS AT PROMOTING RESIDENTS' COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

THE EVENT ALSO MARKS THE RENAMING OF THE PLAYGROUND, FORMERLY CALLED WILLOW STREET PLAYGROUND.

IN ADDITION TO TELEMATCHES, AND CHESS AND TABLE TENNIS COMPETITIONS, THERE WILL BE DANCING AND SINGING PERFORMANCES AND A LUCKY DRAW.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, DR RONALD LEUNG DING-BONG; YAU TSIM AND MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ANNIE TANG; AND MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR CHOW CHUN-FAI.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CARNIVAL AT THE SYCAMORE PLAYGROUND IN TAI KOK TSUI TOMORROW (SATURDAY), BEGINNING AT 2 PM.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND  
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS

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CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT ON	5.12.91	500
EFFECT OF FORWARDS TO BE SETTLED ON	6.12.91	+211
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS MORNING		-211
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS AFTERNOON		NEUTRAL
TRADE WEIGHTED INDEX 110.4 *-0.2* 6.12.91		

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND

EF BILLS		HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BONDS				
TERMS	YIELD	TERM	ISSUE	COUPON	PRICE	YIELD
1 WEEK	3.29 PCT	24 MONTHS	2311	6.25	101.71	5.38
1 MONTH	3.84 PCT					
3 MONTHS	3.88 PCT					
6 MONTHS	4.00 PCT					
12 MONTHS	4.75 PCT					

TURNOVER - BILLS 7,872 MN, BONDS 137 MN

CLOSED 6 DECEMBER 1991

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