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\$1 300 MILLION FOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS

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GOVERNMENT WILL BE PRESSING AHEAD WITH DEVELOPMENT BY SPENDING \$1 300 MILLION ON TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IN FISCAL 1985-86, THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR NICKY CHAN, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORT, HE SAID THAT THIS SUM WOULD ENABLE A START TO BE MADE ON A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT PROJECTS. THESE INCLUDED \$745 MILLION FOR THE SHA TIN TO TSUEN WAN ROUTE LINK, \$101 MILLION FOR AN ACCESS TO THE WAN CHAI RECLAMATION, AND \$160 MILLION FOR THE VEHICULAR BORDER LINK AT LOK MA CHAU.

MR CHAN SAID THAT DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS, GOVERNMENT HAD SPENT OVER \$9 BILLION FOR THE COMPLETION OF MANY TRANSPORT PROJECTS.

A NUMBER OF MAJOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN PARTICULAR HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN REDUCING THE LEVEL OF CONGESTION IN CERTAIN AREAS.

THESE WERE THE TSUEN WAN BYPASS STAGE I, THE TWIN-TUBE ABERDEEN TUNNEL, WEST KOWLOON CORRIDOR BETWEEN TAI KOK TSUI AND SHAM SHUI PO, THE CAUSEWAY BAY TO TAIKOO SHING SECTION OF THE HONG KONG ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR, THE SHA TIN TO TAI PO COASTAL ROAD AND THE CORNWALL STREET FLYOVER.

+GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIVE IS CLEAR: IT IS TO ENSURE THAT THE MOVEMENT OF GOODS AND THE MASS TRANSPORT SERVICES, WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TO HONG KONG'S WELL-BEING, ARE AS UNHINDERED AS POSSIBLE AND, IF NECESSARY, GIVEN PREFERENCE,+ MR CHAN SAID.

IN PLANNING THE LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, ONE OF THE MAJOR CONSIDERATIONS WAS TO ENSURE THAT THE TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD BEST MATCH FUTURE POPULATION DISTRIBUTIONS.

SUCH AN ANALYSIS WAS COMPLEX, PARTICULARLY IN A CROWDED CITY LIKE HONG KONG.

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NEW DEPARTMENT STARTS WORK ON APRIL 1

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A NEW GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT, THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WILL BECOME OPERATIONAL ON APRIL 1, AND WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, CULTURE, SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL SERVICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE RSD WILL TAKE ADVICE FROM THE NEW PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL IN DISCHARGING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

THE RSD WILL BE MADE UP OF THE PRESENT NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, TOGETHER WITH PART OF THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY PROVIDING RELATED SERVICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, APART FROM ADVISING THE RSD ON DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES, WILL ALSO ADVISE THE GOVERNOR ON THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONAL MATTERS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PERMANENT REGIONAL COUNCIL.

THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, WITH FULL FINANCIAL AUTONOMY, WILL BE ESTABLISHED ON APRIL 1 1986.

THE FORMER DIRECTOR OF COUNCILS AND ADMINISTRATION BRANCH, MR TONY HAMMOND, WILL ASSUME HIS OFFICE AS THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL SERVICES ON APRIL 1.

MR MICHAEL SUEN WILL BECOME THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES WITH EFFECT FROM THE SAME DATE.

THE RSD COMPRISES SIX DIVISIONS - THE ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, THE RECREATION AND CULTURE, THE TRANSPORT, THE ACCOUNTS AND SUPPLIES, THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE HEADQUARTERS DIVISIONS.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE DIVISION IS TO BE HEADED BY AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MR LI TIN-MING. HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DIRECTING, CO-ORDINATING AND MONITORING THE WORK OF THE NINE DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE SECTIONS AS WELL AS PROVIDING OPERATIONAL SERVICES FOR LICENSING, PROSECUTION, MANAGEMENT OF CEMETERIES AND CREMATORIA, HAWKERS AND MARKETS, PRIVATE SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND CENTRALIZED MECHANIZED CLEANSING SERVICES.

MR DAVID WEEKS WILL BE THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DIVISION. HE WILL LOOK AFTER THE WORK OF RECREATION, AMENITIES AND SPORTS SECTION IN THE NINE DISTRICTS AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROVISION OF CENTRALISED RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES INCLUDING THE MANAGEMENT OF HOLIDAY CAMPS, SPORTS AND WATER SPORTS CENTRES, LIBRARIES, CIVIC CENTRES, MUSEUMS AND CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS.

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THE HEADQUARTERS DIVISION WILL BE HEADED BY ANOTHER ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MR GEOFFREY ORR. HE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.

AT DISTRICT LEVEL, THE RSD HAS AN OFFICE IN EACH OF THE NINE DISTRICTS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES - ISLANDS, NORTH, KWAI CHUNG, SAI KUNG, SHA TIN, TAI PO, TSUEN WAN, TUEN MUN AND YUEN LONG PROVIDING THE FULL RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, CULTURAL, RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICES OF THE RSD.

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SCHOOLS MUST APPLY NOW FOR JSEA  
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SCHOOLS WISHING TO TAKE PART IN THE 1986 JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSESSMENT (JSEA) SYSTEM SHOULD APPLY TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BY MARCH 30.

PRIVATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS NOT IN THE BOUGHT PLACE SCHEME WHICH CHOOSE NOT TO TAKE PART MUST NOTIFY PARENTS THAT THEIR CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ALLOCATION TO SUBSIDISED FORM 4 PLACES.

ALL GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS, AIDED SCHOOLS, NON-PROFIT-MAKING PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE BOUGHT PLACE SCHEME WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE PART IN THE JSEA SYSTEM NEXT YEAR.

SCHOOLS WHICH TOOK PART THIS YEAR ARE REQUESTED TO REAFFIRM WITH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO IN 1986.

SINCE THE IDENTITY CARD NUMBER OF EACH PARTICIPATING STUDENT WILL BE PRINTED ON HIS CERTIFICATE, STUDENTS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE THEIR PERSONAL IDENTITY CARD BEFORE THEY ENTER FOR THE SCALING TEST, THAT IS, BEFORE SEPTEMBER OF THE YEAR THEY ENTER FORM 3.

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### NEW BLOCK FOR NURSING SCHOOL

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TENDERS FOR BUILDING AN EXTENSION BLOCK FOR THE CASTLE PEAK HOSPITAL PSYCHIATRIC NURSE TRAINING SCHOOL ARE BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE THREE-STOREY BLOCK WILL PROVIDE A TOTAL OF 1 895 SQUARE METRES OF FLOOR AREA FOR TWO CLASSROOMS, TWO DEMONSTRATION ROOMS, A LECTURE THEATRE, A SEMINAR ROOM, A DISPENSARY, A LIBRARY, OFFICES AND OTHER ANCILLARY FACILITIES.

THE WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN JUNE AND BE COMPLETED IN 15 MONTHS.

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### LUNAR NEW YEAR CARNIVAL

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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD AT THE MACPHERSON PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON TO CELEBRATE THE LUNAR NEW YEAR IN MONG KOK.

PROGRAMMES IN THE CARNIVAL INCLUDE A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING SINGING, MAGIC SHOW AND ACROBATICS GAMES STALLS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO PROVIDE FUN AND GAMES FOR PARTICIPANTS.

THE CARNIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION, AND IS SPONSORED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD AND THE TRUSTEES OF THE HONG KONG BANK FOUNDATION.

MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION, MR LAM KIN-MING AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE HONG KONG BANK FOUNDATION WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CARNIVAL.

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#### NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE NEW YEAR CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT THE SAI YEE STREET MACPHERSON PLAYGROUND AT 1.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

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FUN FAIR FOR CHILDREN

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THE DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR TOM TOMLINSON, WILL BE OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT'S 23RD LUNAR NEW YEAR CHILDREN'S FUN FAIR TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE ANNUAL EVENT, WHICH FEATURES LION DANCES, ACROBATICS AND MAGIC SHOWS, SONGS AND DANCES AND A VARIETY OF GAMES STALLS, WILL BE HELD AT THE WAH YAN COLLEGE IN WATERLOO ROAD, KOWLOON.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE EVENT WHICH WILL BE HELD BETWEEN 12.30 PM AND 3.45 PM.

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CROSS COUNTRY RACE IN NT

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MORE THAN 600 ATHLETES WILL COMPETE IN A CROSS-COUNTRY RACE IN NORTH DISTRICT TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AS PART OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR FESTIVITIES.

THE RACE IS DIVIDED INTO WOMEN'S AND MEN'S SECTIONS. THE WOMEN WILL RUN AN EIGHT-KILOMETRE ROUTE AND THE MEN TEN KILOMETRES.

THE WOMEN WILL START THE RACE AT 3.15 PM AT A JUNCTION OF PING CHE ROAD, TA KWU LING WHILE THE MEN WILL START AT 3.30 PM AT SING PING PUBLIC SCHOOL, TA KWU LING.

THE FINISHING POINT FOR THE RACE IS AT SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND, SHEUNG SHUI.

SPONSORED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD, THE RACE IS ORGANISED BY THE SHEUNG SHUI SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR IAN WOTHERSPOON, WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO THE WINNERS AT A CEREMONY AT 4.45 PM.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE RACE AND THE PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONY.

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WOMAN HEALTH INSPECTOR JOINS A MAN'S WORLD

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A WOMAN HEALTH INSPECTOR HAS JOINED THE CLEANSING SECTION OF THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

MISS WONG CHING-CHING, WHO IS ATTACHED TO THE KWAI CHUNG URBAN SERVICES OFFICE, HAS TAKEN A JOB WHICH HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN REGARDED AS A MAN'S WORLD.

MISS WONG, WHO OBTAINED A DIPLOMA IN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FROM THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC LAST YEAR, SAID IT WAS OUT OF CURIOSITY THAT SHE HAD DECIDED TO JOIN THE CLEANSING SECTION.

+THE COURSE OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT WHICH I TOOK IS A VERY CHALLENGING ONE BECAUSE THE PASSING RATE OF THE EXAMINATION IS RATHER LOW,+ SHE SAID.

+IT IS COMPETENCE WHICH COUNTED MOST IN THE JOB REGARDLESS OF THE PERSON BEING A MAN OR A WOMAN,+ SHE SAID.

+WOMAN CAN BE MORE CAREFUL IN DEALING WITH CERTAIN THINGS UNDER SOME CIRCUMSTANCES,+ MISS WONG SAID.

THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICER OF KWAI CHUNG, MR LEE SHEUNG-YEE, COMMENTED THAT MISS WONG CARRIED OUT HER JOB AS EFFICIENTLY AS HER MALE COUNTERPARTS.

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TAPS OFF IN CHAI WAN

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CHAI WAN WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 12) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY WING TAI ROAD, SHEUNG ON STREET, KA YIP STREET, FUNG YIP STREET, SUN ON STREET, ON YIP STREET AND 391-399 CHAI WAN ROAD.

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NO U-TURNS HERE  
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FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 12), TRAFFIC ON JORDAN ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM MAKING U-TURNS INTO JORDAN ROAD WESTBOUND AT THE JUNCTION OF SHANGHAI STREET.

THE PROHIBITION IS INTRODUCED TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING SAFETY.

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NOTE TO TV NEWS EDITORS:

FOR THE INTEREST OF MOTORISTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO BROADCAST THE ABOVE TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN YOUR MORNING TRAFFIC BULLETINS.

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RESTRICTED ZONES  
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TWO ROADS IN KWUN TONG AND ONE IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE DESIGNATED RESTRICTED ZONES FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 12).

IN KWUN TONG, THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF ROADS WILL BE DESIGNATED 24-HOUR RESTRICTED ZONES:

- \* THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF NGAU TAU KOK ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 150 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ON SHIN ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 80 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.
- \* THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF NGAU TAU KOK ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 80 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ON SHIN ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 120 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION.

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IN SHAM SHUI PO, THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF PO ON ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 40 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH HING WAH STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 60 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO 12 MIDNIGHT DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONES, ALL MOTOR VEHICLES EXCEPT THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM PICKING UP OR SETTING DOWN PASSENGERS OR LOADING OR UNLOADING GOODS.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

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A SECTION OF BROADWOOD ROAD NEAR THE JUNCTION WITH TAI HANG ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 6 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 11) UNTIL 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR ROAD WORK.

DURING THE PERIOD, TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD.

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FIRING PRACTICE

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON SIX DAYS NEXT WEEK.

THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE HOISTED.

THE PRACTICE WILL BE FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM ON MONDAY (MARCH 11), FRIDAY (MARCH 15) AND SATURDAY (MARCH 16); AND FROM 8 AM TO 11 PM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 12), WEDNESDAY (MARCH 13) AND THURSDAY (MARCH 14).

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