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AMENDMENT TO HK LETTERS PATENT

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THE HONG KONG LETTERS PATENT WILL BE AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW PARAGRAPH PROVIDING THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS (ICCPR) AS APPLIED TO HONG KONG SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH THE LAWS OF HONG KONG.

THE NEW PARAGRAPH, WHICH WILL BE ADDED TO ARTICLE VII OF THE PRINCIPAL LETTERS PATENT, ALSO PROVIDES THAT AFTER THE COMING INTO OPERATION OF THE AMENDMENT, NO LAW OF HONG KONG SHALL BE MADE UNDER WHICH THE RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS ENJOYED IN HONG KONG WILL BE RESTRICTED IN A MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH THE ICCPR AS APPLIED TO HONG KONG.

ANNOUNCING THIS, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THE HONG KONG LETTERS PATENT 1991 (NO. 2) WHICH HAD RECENTLY BEEN APPROVED WOULD BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TOMORROW.

"THE AMENDMENT WILL COME INTO OPERATION ON SATURDAY (JUNE 8), THE SAME DAY THAT THE HONG KONG BILL OF RIGHTS ORDINANCE COMES INTO EFFECT," HE SAID.

"THE BILL OF RIGHTS ORDINANCE WILL, SUBJECT TO A FREEZE ON SIX ORDINANCES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR WHICH MAY BE EXTENDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, STRIKE DOWN ANY LEGISLATION ENACTED BEFORE ITS COMMENCEMENT WHICH IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE ICCPR AS APPLIED TO HONG KONG, WHILE THE AMENDED LETTERS PATENT WILL PREVENT ANY SUCH LEGISLATION FROM BEING VALIDLY ENACTED ON OR AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT DATE OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS ORDINANCE," THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED.

HE NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION OF SEEKING THE AMENDMENT TO THE LETTERS PATENT WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY ON JULY 25, 1990 WHEN INTRODUCING THE HONG KONG BILL OF RIGHTS BILL 1990 INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE AMENDMENT REFLECTED A SIMILAR PROVISION IN ARTICLE 39 OF THE BASIC LAW, HE ADDED.

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ACTIVE TRADING IN EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

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THE OFFICE OF THE EXCHANGE FUND TODAY (THURSDAY) PUBLISHED A REPORT REVIEWING THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE EXCHANGE FUND BILLS PROGRAMME SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN MARCH 1990.

AS AT MAY 31, 1991, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILLS OUTSTANDING WAS AROUND \$10.7 BILLION, THE REPORT NOTED.

/THE REPORT

THE REPORT ALSO NOTED THAT THE BILLS ARE VERY ACTIVELY TRADED IN THE SECONDARY MARKET, AS CAN BE SEEN FROM HIGH TURNOVER FIGURES. THE AVERAGE DAILY TURNOVER SINCE JANUARY THIS YEAR IS \$4 BILLION, WHICH IS NEARLY 40 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF BILLS OUTSTANDING.

EVEN AFTER THE UNEXPECTED INTEREST RATE HIKE BY ONE PER CENT ON MAY 24, THE BILLS MARKET HAS REMAINED ACTIVE, THE REPORT SAID.

THE AVERAGE DAILY TURNOVER IN THE SECONDARY MARKET HAS ACTUALLY BEEN HIGHER AT AROUND \$5.6 BILLION. THE BILLS TENDERED ON MAY 28 AND JUNE 4 WERE OVERSUBSCRIBED.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF THE EXCHANGE FUND, MR JOSEPH YAM, SAID HE WAS PLEASED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EXCHANGE FUND BILLS PROGRAMME.

HE SAID WITH THE JOINT EFFORT OF THE MARKET MAKERS, THE SECONDARY MARKET REMAINED ACTIVE AND LIQUID DESPITE THE RECENT VOLATILITY IN INTEREST RATES.

"THIS IS A GOOD REFLECTION OF THE INTEGRITY OF THE BILLS MARKET," MR YAM SAID.

IN ORDER TO DEVELOP GREATER DEPTH OF THE BILLS MARKET, THE OFFICE OF THE EXCHANGE FUND WILL SHORTLY APPOINT ADDITIONAL MARKET MAKERS.

"THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR AN EFFECTIVE PAPERLESS MARKET HAS BEEN BUILT UNDER THE BILLS PROGRAMME. THIS WOULD PAVE THE WAY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EFFICIENT MARKET FOR GOVERNMENT DEBT, A FEATURE WHICH HAS HITHERTO BEEN LACKING IN A FINANCIAL CENTRE OF HONG KONG'S STATUS," MR YAM SAID.

THE OFFICE OF THE EXCHANGE FUND ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM MONDAY (JUNE 10), IT WILL PUBLISH EACH DAY THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXCHANGE FUND BILLS TRANSFERRED BETWEEN BILLS ACCOUNTS MAINTAINED WITH IT AND THE CLOSING YIELDS OF BILLS WHICH WILL MATURE IN APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK, ONE MONTH, THREE MONTHS, SIX MONTHS AND ONE YEAR'S TIME.

"WITH A SUBSTANTIAL TURNOVER, THE CLOSING YIELDS CAN SERVE AS USEFUL BENCHMARKS FOR INTERBANK DEPOSITS OF SIMILAR MATURITIES.

"I EXPECT THAT THE PUBLICATION OF THE INFORMATION CAN HELP GENERATE MORE ACTIVITY IN THE INTERBANK MARKET, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN LONGER MATURITIES OF SIX MONTHS TO ONE YEAR," MR YAM SAID.

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SWD BUILDS NEW GIRLS' HOME IN TUEN MUN

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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR M.D. CARTLAND, TODAY (THURSDAY) VISITED A SITE IN TUEN MUN TO UPDATE HIMSELF ON THE PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT'S EIGHTH CORRECTIONAL HOME.

THE HOME IN YEUNG TSING ROAD IS PLANNED TO ACCOMMODATE 120 GIRLS HAVING PERSONAL PROBLEMS FROM OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

"THE OPENING OF THIS NEW RESIDENTIAL TRAINING CENTRE FOR GIRLS AGED SEVEN TO 18 WILL GO SOME WAY TOWARDS IMPROVING THE PROVISION OF SEPARATE FACILITIES FOR GIRLS IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION AND THOSE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS," MR CARTLAND SAID.

HE SAID THE BUILDING OF THE TUEN MUN HOME WAS TIMELY IN COPING WITH THE FORECAST RISE IN NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE REQUIRING CARE AND PROTECTION.

EARLIER, MR CARTLAND, ACCOMPANIED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S SENIOR SOCIAL WORK OFFICER (CORRECTIONS), MR KWAN KAM-CHUEN, VISITED THE O PUI SHAN BOYS' HOME IN LAI CHI KOK.

THE HOME IS A REFORMATORY SCHOOL WITH A CAPACITY OF 80 FOR BOYS AGED BETWEEN SEVEN AND 16.

MR CARTLAND WAS BRIEFED ON THE OPERATION OF THE HOME AND TOURED ITS VARIOUS FACILITIES.

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ACAN ISSUES ANTI-DRUG POSTAL COVER

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THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) WILL ISSUE A SOUVENIR POSTAL COVER TO COMMEMORATE THE BEGINNING OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE (1991-2000) AND THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING ON JUNE 26.

A TOTAL OF 200,000 COPIES OF THE POSTAL COVER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FREE OF CHARGE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH VARIOUS CHANNELS FROM SATURDAY (JUNE 8).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NARCOTICS DIVISION OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THE ISSUE OF THE POSTAL COVER WAS PART OF A SERIES OF PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES TO ECHO THE UN APPEAL FOR INTENSIFYING AND SUSTAINING EFFORTS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS.

"OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE A 'HONG KONG FIGHTS DRUGS' EXHIBITION TO BE STAGED AT THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN PLAZA FROM JUNE 25 TO 27.

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"ALSO, THE 'SAY NO TO DRUGS' SLOGAN WILL BE STAMPED ON ALL MATLS PASSING THROUGH THE POST OFFICE STAMP CANCELLING MACHINES ON JUNE 26 AND BETWEEN JULY 2 AND 20," HE SAID.

REPRODUCED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE COLOURED SOUVENIR COVER CARRIES A PAINTING OF A LOTUS WHICH SYMBOLISES THAT EVEN FROM A BED OF MUD, A PURE AND BEAUTIFUL PLANT CAN GROW.

IT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS AND POST OFFICES OVER THE NEXT THREE WEEKS:

LOCATION	DATE

HONG KONG ISLAND	

WAH FU ESTATE (OUTSIDE WAH FU RESTAURANT), ABERDEEN	JUNE 8 (SATURDAY)
MAXI MALL, NORTH POINT	JUNE 9 (SUNDAY)
GENERAL POST OFFICE, CENTRAL	JUNE 20 AND 21 (THURSDAY AND FRIDAY)
KOWLOON	

TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE, MIDDLE ROAD	JUNE 11 AND 12 (TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY)
TELFORD GARDENS (MAIN SQUARE), KOWLOON BAY	JUNE 18 (TUESDAY)
MEI FOO SUN CHUEN (OUTSIDE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE OFFICE IN STAGE V), SHAM SHUI PO	JUNE 23 (SUNDAY)
NEW TERRITORIES	

OUTSIDE TSUEN WING STREET POST OFFICE, TSUEN WAN	JUNE 13 AND 14 (THURSDAY AND FRIDAY)
TAI WO SHOPPING CENTRE, TAI PO	JUNE 15 (SATURDAY)
TUEN MUN TOWN PLAZA, TUEN MUN	JUNE 17 (MONDAY)

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IN VIEW OF THE EXPECTED LARGE DEMAND, ONLY 10,000 COPIES OF THE COVER WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED EACH DAY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM AT THE SPECIFIED LOCATIONS AND POST OFFICES ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. EACH PERSON CAN TAKE AT MOST THREE COVERS AT A TIME.

"COPIES OF COVER WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE DURING THE THREE-DAY EXHIBITION AT THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN PLAZA," HE SAID.

"ALL SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN THE TERRITORY HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH ABOUT 60,000 COPIES OF THE COVER FOR THEIR STUDENTS."

TO COINCIDE WITH THE ISSUE OF THE ACAN COVER, THE POST OFFICE WILL PROVIDE A HAND-BACK SERVICE ON JUNE 26 TO ALL COVERS BEARING STAMPS WITH A TOTAL DENOMINATION OF NOT LESS THAN 80 CENTS AT ITS SEVEN PHILATELIC OFFICES.

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BUS PARADE TO PROMOTE VOTER REGISTRATION

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A BUS PARADE WILL BE HELD IN WAN CHAI ON SATURDAY (JUNE 8) TO REMIND RESIDENTS TO SIGN UP AS ELECTORS.

THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS CECILIA YEN, WILL HELP DISTRIBUTE SOUVENIRS CARRYING THE VOTER REGISTRATION MESSAGE WHEN THE BUS STOPS AT HOPEWELL CENTRE, WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD TRAM TERMINUS AND MORETON TERRACE.

THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S COMMUNITY ORGANISERS WILL ASSIST PASSERS-BY TO REGISTER DURING THE HALF-DAY PROMOTION EXERCISE.

THE PARADE, TO BE HELD BETWEEN 1.30 PM AND 6 PM, IS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S THREE-MONTH VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE WHICH BEGAN IN EARLY APRIL.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WAN CHAI VOTER REGISTRATION BUS PARADE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 1.30 PM ON SATURDAY (JUNE 8) AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE HOPEWELL CENTRE, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WAN CHAI.

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CHILDREN'S DRAMA TO PROMOTE KEEP CLEAN MESSAGE

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A CHILDREN'S DRAMA IN SUPPORT OF THE 1991 WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (JUNE 9) AFTERNOON AT THE AMPHITHEATRE OF SHA TIN CENTRAL PARK.

ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE AND THE HONG KONG FRINGE CLUB, THE DRAMA AIMS TO SPREAD THE KEEP CLEAN MESSAGE TO THE YOUNGER GENERATION AND ENHANCE THEIR AWARENESS OF WASTE MINIMISATION AND RE-USE.

THE 40-MINUTE DRAMA, ENTITLED "PRINCESS CLEAN VS LITTER MONSTER", WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE "TOGETHER TRY" GROUP OF THE HONG KONG FRINGE CLUB.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, DR PANG HOK-TUEN, WILL ATTEND THE SHOW AND OFFICIATE AT A SOUVENIR PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

THE DRAMA WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM. ADMISSION IS FREE AND SOUVENIRS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE AUDIENCE.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE DRAMA.

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EARLY REGISTRATION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS AND
MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGISTS URGED

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PEOPLE PRACTISING AS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS AND MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGISTS BUT HAVE NOT YET APPLIED FOR REGISTRATION ARE REMINDED TO DO SO WITHOUT DELAY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SECRETARIAT OF THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS BOARD AND MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGISTS BOARD SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THESE TWO PROFESSIONS WERE REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE REGISTERED BY AUGUST 1 THIS YEAR.

"ALTHOUGH APPLICATIONS FOR FULL REGISTRATION WILL CONTINUE TO BE ACCEPTED, RELEVANT STATUTORY BOARDS MAY NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES BEFORE AUGUST 1 IF APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED AT TOO LATE A STAGE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

AS FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THIS WAS A ONE-OFF EXERCISE AND APPLICATIONS WOULD ONLY BE ACCEPTED UNTIL END OF THIS MONTH.

"LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AND THOSE WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION ARE DEEMED TO BE REGISTERED UNTIL THE RESULTS OF THEIR APPLICATIONS ARE KNOWN," HE ADDED.

APPLICATION FORMS AND A "GUIDE TO APPLICANTS" BOOKLET WHICH CONTAINS DETAILS ON THE REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE SECRETARIAT OF THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS BOARD AND THE MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGISTS BOARD AT SUNNING PLAZA, SIXTH FLOOR, 10 HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 890 0843 OR 890 0514.

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HOLIDAY MAIL DELIVERY ARRANGEMENT

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THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR DOMINIC S.W. WONG, ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT DURING THE FORTHCOMING HOLIDAY PERIOD FROM JUNE 15 TO 18 ALL POST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

THERE WILL BE ONE MAIL DELIVERY EACH ON JUNE 15 (SATURDAY) AND JUNE 17 (MONDAY). NO DELIVERIES WILL BE MADE ON JUNE 16 AND 18.

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GRADING OF BEACH WATER QUALITY

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED GRADES ON THE BACTERIOLOGICAL WATER QUALITY OF ALL BATHING BEACHES IN HONG KONG.

THE PURPOSE OF THE GRADING SYSTEM IS TO INFORM SWIMMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATE OF BACTERIOLOGICAL POLLUTION AT VARIOUS BEACHES.

THE GRADING WILL BE ANNOUNCED BIWEEKLY DURING THE BATHING SEASON, TO COINCIDE WITH THE FREQUENCY AT WHICH BEACH WATERS ARE USUALLY SAMPLED.

THE GRADING IS BASED ON THE MOST RECENT E. COLI DATA OBTAINED BY THE EPD IN ITS ROUTINE MONITORING PROGRAMME. AS WITH LAST YEAR, THE GRADING ALSO INCLUDES AN ESTIMATE OF THE RISK OF SUFFERING SOME MINOR SKIN OR GASTROINTESTINAL COMPLAINTS AS A RESULT OF SWIMMING AT A BEACH WHICH HAS SOME DEGREE OF POLLUTION.

THE ESTIMATE IS BASED ON A VERY LARGE BODY OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION GATHERED IN HONG KONG IN RECENT BATHING SEASONS.

THE GRADING OF SOME BEACHES MAY VARY DURING THE SUMMER. THIS REPRESENTS A NATURAL FLUCTUATION IN THE BACTERIOLOGICAL QUALITY OF BATHING WATERS IN MOST CASES, AS RAIN AND TIDES BRING MORE OR LESS POLLUTION TO THE BEACHES.

HOWEVER, THE GRADES GIVE A GOOD GENERAL PICTURE OF THE WATER QUALITY AT BATHING BEACHES AT THE TIME OF REPORTING AND FORM THE BEST AVAILABLE FORECAST FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID: "BEACHES WITH HIGHLY DEVELOPED HINTERLANDS ARE LIKELY TO BE MORE POLLUTED THAN THE GRADES SUGGEST DURING AND AFTER HEAVY RAIN.

"BATHERS SHOULD AVOID SUCH BEACHES FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS AFTER A STORM, LONGER IF THE WEATHER REMAINS OVERCAST OR LESS IF THERE IS STRONG SUNSHINE."

/THE SYSTEM

THE SYSTEM FOR GRADING BEACH WATER QUALITY IS AS FOLLOWS:

GRADE "1" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS GOOD. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 24 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED RISK OF MINOR ILLNESS TO SWIMMERS IS UNDETECTABLE.

GRADE "2" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS FAIR. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 180 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS NO MORE THAN 10 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

GRADE "3" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS ACCEPTABLE. THE E. COLI COUNT IS NO MORE THAN 610 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS NO MORE THAN 15 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

GRADE "4" INDICATES THAT THE WATER QUALITY IS POOR. THE E. COLI COUNT IS MORE THAN 610 PER 100 MILLILITRES AT EACH BEACH SO GRADED, AND THE EXPECTED HEALTH RISK IS MORE THAN 15 CASES OF MINOR ILLNESS PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

THE DECISION WHETHER OR NOT TO CLOSE A BEACH TO SWIMMERS IS BASED ON A JUDGEMENT OF WHAT DEGREE OF POLLUTION IS ACCEPTABLE.

NORMALLY, THE CLOSURE OF A BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED BY THE URBAN OR REGIONAL COUNCIL IF A "4" GRADE OCCURRED REPEATEDLY, SO THAT THE AVERAGE HEALTH RISK OVER THE BATHING SEASON EXCEEDED 15 CASES PER 1,000 SWIMMERS.

SIMILARLY, THE REOPENING OF A CLOSED BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF A "3" GRADE OR BETTER WERE CONSISTENTLY OBTAINED.

AT PRESENT, TWO BATHING BEACHES, NAMELY CASTLE PEAK AND OLD CAFETERIA, HAVE BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES, BASED ON THE WATER QUALITY DURING PAST SEASONS.

THEY ARE POLLUTED BY FAECAL WASTES AND FAIL TO ACHIEVE CONSISTENTLY THE HONG KONG STANDARDS. THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED NOT TO SWIM IN THE WATER AT THESE TWO BEACHES.

IN ADDITION, ROCKY BAY BEACH HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES BY THE URBAN COUNCIL. THESE THREE BEACHES ARE IDENTIFIED BY AN "X" IN THE FOLLOWING LIST.

THE GRADES ON THE BACTERIOLOGICAL WATER QUALITY OF VARIOUS BEACHES IN HONG KONG AS AT TODAY ARE LISTED BELOW:

/BEACH

BEACH -----	PREVIOUS GRADING ----- (AS AT 23.5.91)	PRESENT GRADING ----- (AS AT 6.6.91)
HONG KONG SOUTH -----		
BIG WAVE BAY	2	1
CHUNG HOM KOK	1	1
DEEP WATER BAY	1	1
HAIRPIN	2	1
MIDDLE BAY	1	1
REPULSE BAY	1	1
SHEK O	2	1
SOUTH BAY	1	1
ST STEPHEN'S	1	1
TURTLE COVE	1	1
STANLEY MAIN	2	2
ROCKY BAY	X	X
TO TEI WAN*	1	1
TUEN MUN DISTRICT -----		
OLD CAFETERIA	X	X
NEW CAFETERIA	2	2
CASTLE PEAK	X	X
KADOORIE	2	2
BUTTERFLY	2	2
SAI KUNG DISTRICT -----		
CAMPERS	1	1
CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST BEACH	1	1
CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND BEACH	1	1
HAP MUN BAY	1	1
KIU TSUI	1	1
PAK SHA CHAU	1	1
SILVERSTRAND	2	1
TRIO (HEBE HAVEN)	1	1
ISLANDS DISTRICT -----		
CHEUNG SHA UPPER	1	1
CHEUNG SHA LOWER	2	2
DISCOVERY BAY*	1	1
HUNG SHING YEH	1	1
KWUN YAM WAN	1	1
TONG FUK	1	1
LO SO SHING	1	1
PUI O	2	2
SILVERMINE BAY	3	3
TUNG WAN, CHEUNG CHAU	2	2
TUNG O*	1	1

TSUEN WAN DISTRICT

ANGLERS'	3	3
APPROACH	3	2
CASAM	2	2
GEMINI	2	2
HOI MEI WAN	2	2
LIDO	2	2
TING KAU	3	3
TUNG WAN, MA WAN	1	1

NOTE: "X" THE BEACH HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES.
* * NON-GAZETTED BEACHES.

THE FOLLOWING BEACHES HAVE CHANGED GRADING ON THIS OCCASION:

BIG WAVE BAY, HAIRPIN, SHEK O AND SILVERSTRAND, FROM "2" TO "1"; APPROACH, FROM "3" TO "2".

THE CHANGES ARE WITHIN THE NORMAL RANGE OF FLUCTUATION OF THE BACTERIOLOGICAL WATER QUALITY OF THESE BEACHES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT THE PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER (WATER POLICY) OF EPD, MR P.R. HOLMES, ON TEL. 835 1234.

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IMMIGRATION DEPT OFFICES ON MOVE

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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT'S CHINESE EXTENSION SECTION AND REGISTRATION OF PERSONS - QUEENSWAY OFFICE, CURRENTLY SITUATED AT NEW RODNEY BLOCK, 99 QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG WILL BE REPROVISIONED TO MA TAU KOK ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 MA TAU KOK ROAD, KOWLOON FROM JUNE 10.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT THE QUEENSWAY OFFICE WILL BE RENAMED MA TAU WAI OFFICE UPON REMOVAL.

THE CHINESE EXTENSION SECTION WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR EXTENSION OF STAY, RE-ENTRY VISAS, UNCONDITIONAL STAY, DOCUMENTS OF IDENTITY AND OTHER IMMIGRATION FACILITIES FROM EXTRANTS FROM CHINA HOLDING ONE-WAY CHINESE EXIT PERMITS.

/THE REGISTRATION

THE REGISTRATION OF NEW ARRIVALS WITH CHINESE EXIT PERMITS AND REPLACEMENT OF IDENTITY CARDS FOR HOLDERS OF CHINESE EXIT PERMITS AFTER OBTAINING UNCONDITIONAL STAY FROM THE CHINESE EXTENSION SECTION WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE AT THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS - MA TAU WAI OFFICE.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY TELEPHONE 824 6111 FOR ENQUIRIES.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS
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	DATE	\$ MILLION
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CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT ON	5.6.91	380
EFFECT OF FORWARDS TO BE SETTLED ON	6.6.91	+69
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS MORNING		-69
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS AFTERNOON		NEUTRAL
TRADE WEIGHTED INDEX 113.9 *+0.0* 6.6.91		

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND
91-DAY EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

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ISSUE NUMBER	MATURING ON	OUTSTANDING \$ MILLION	
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Q115	10.7.91	420	+60
Q116	17.7.91	420	+60
Q117	24.7.91	648.5	-168.5
Q118	31.7.91	540	-60
Q119	7.8.91	408.5	+71.5
Q120	14.8.91	360	+120
Q121	21.8.91	435	+45
Q122	28.8.91	430	+50
Q123	4.9.91	410	+70
Q111	12.6.91	299	+181
Q112	19.6.91	475	+5
Q113	26.6.91	550	-70
Q114	3.7.91	607	-127

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND
182-DAY EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

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ISSUE NUMBER	MATURING ON	OUTSTANDING \$ MILLION	
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H164	13.11.91	190	+70
H165	27.11.91	190	+70
H004	12.6.91	80	+180
H005	26.6.91	180	+80
H101	10.7.91	53	+207
H156	24.7.91	210	+50
H157	7.8.91	179.5	+80.5
H158	21.8.91	220	+40
H159	4.9.91	110	+150
H160	18.9.91	420	-160
H161	2.10.91	180	+80
H162	17.10.91	124	+136
H163	30.10.91	120	+140

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND
364-DAY EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

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ISSUE NUMBER	MATURING ON	OUTSTANDING \$ MILLION	
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Y187	26.2.92	205	+55
Y188	25.3.92	230	+30
Y189	22.4.92	220	+40
Y190	20.5.92	240	+20

AVERAGE DAILY TRANSFER FOR WEEK ENDING 31.5.91 WAS 5,474 MN