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INFLATIONARY IMPACT CONSIDERED IN POLICY DECISIONS

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THERE ARE LIMITATIONS ON THE SCOPE FOR DIRECTLY CONTROLLING INFLATION IN HONG KONG, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD REMAIN ENTIRELY PASSIVE TO RESTRAINING INFLATION.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, MADE THIS OBSERVATION TODAY IN A PAPER HE PRESENTED AT THE +LIVING WITH INFLATION+ SEMINAR ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION.

+THE GOVERNMENT, IN FACT, ALWAYS CONSIDERS THE POSSIBLE INFLATIONARY IMPACT OF ITS POLICY DECISIONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE INVOLVING EXPENDITURE AND, OVER TIME, HAS TRIED TO ENSURE THAT THE RELATIVE SIZE OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR HAS BEEN CONSISTENT WITH THE ECONOMY'S CAPABILITY,+ HE SAID.

+INDEED, I WOULD ARGUE THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN ANTI-INFLATIONARY ELEMENT, IMPLIED OR EXPLICIT, IN VARIOUS POLICY DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT IN RECENT YEARS,+ HE ADDED.

SIR PHILIP CAUTIONED, HOWEVER, AGAINST ANY ANTI-INFLATIONARY ACTION BY GOVERNMENT WHICH WOULD INVOLVE ABANDONING, EVEN IN PART, HONG KONG'S COMMITMENT TO FREE TRADE AND TO THE FREE FLOW OF EXCHANGE FUNDS. THIS WOULD SEVERELY DAMAGE THE GROWTH RATE OF THE ECONOMY AND SIMPLY COULD NOT BE CONTEMPLATED.

+LIKewise, I CAN SEE NO SCOPE FOR REMEDIAL ACTION AGAINST INFLATION WHICH INVOLVES ANY FORM OF PRICE CONTROL OR SUBSIDY IN RELATION TO THE PRICES OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, FOR THE COST OF SUCH ACTION WOULD BE REFLECTED IN LOWER REAL INCOME IN HONG KONG,+ HE SAID.

EVEN IF SUCH MEASURES WERE GATT-ABLE, HE ADDED, THEY MIGHT WELL RESULT IN RETALIATORY ACTION BEING TAKEN AGAINST HONG KONG.

SIR PHILIP CONTINUED THAT THE GOVERNMENT DID TAKE STEPS TO RESTRAIN INFLATION THROUGH POLICY DECISIONS IN BUDGETARY STRATEGY AND DEMAND AND SUPPLY CONSIDERATIONS.

INFLATION IN HONG KONG, HE SAID, HAD USUALLY BEEN EXTERNALLY GENERATED AND ASSOCIATED WITH PERIODS OF SUSTAINED ECONOMIC GROWTH AND RELATIVELY LOW UNEMPLOYMENT RATES.

+MUCH OF THE INTERNALLY GENERATED INFLATION EXPERIENCED IN HONG KONG CAN BE TRACED TO THE STRAINS ARISING FROM, AND THE SHIFTS IN RELATIVE PRICES NECESSITATED BY, A RAPID GROWTH RATE OF THE ECONOMY,+ SIR PHILIP CONTINUED.

HE SAID THE RAPID GROWTH DID NOT AFFECT ALL SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY EQUALLY AND THAT THE BENEFITS OF GROWTH CONSEQUENTLY WERE NOT EVENLY DISTRIBUTED.

+BUT AN AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF PER CAPITA GDP IN REAL TERMS OF 6.4 PER CENT, WHICH WAS WHAT WE ACHIEVED IN THE 1970'S, MUST HAVE RESULTED IN A SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN THE AVERAGE STANDARD OF LIVING FOR OUR PEOPLE,+ SIR PHILIP SAID IN CONCLUSION.

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PRISONS DEPT'S REHABILITATION PROGRAMME IMPRESSES UK MINISTER
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THE BRITISH MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE HOME OFFICE, MR TIMOTHY RAISON, TODAY (FRIDAY) VISITED TWO DIFFERENT PENAL INSTITUTIONS AND WAS IMPRESSED BY THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT'S DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT AND DETENTION CENTRE PROGRAMMES.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR TOM ECOB, MR RAISON FIRST WENT BY HELICOPTER TO THE HEI LING CHAU DRUG ADDICTION TREATMENT CENTRE WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT-IN-CHARGE, MR HIRO MANSUKHANI, ON THE COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT PROGRAMME PROVIDED FOR CONVICTED DRUG ADDICTS.

HE INSPECTED THE CENTRE'S VARIOUS FACILITIES WHICH INCLUDE THE HOSPITAL, DORMITORIES FOR INMATES, THE CARPENTRY, RATTANWARE AND TAILORING WORKSHOPS, THE LAUNDRY, THE KITCHEN AS WELL AS A PIG REARING UNIT.

MR RAISON THEN WENT TO SHA TSUI DETENTION CENTRE ON LANTAO, ALSO BY HELICOPTER, WHERE HE WAS MET ON ARRIVAL BY MR VICTOR NILSSON, THE SUPERINTENDENT-IN-CHARGE. HE WATCHED YOUNG INMATES UNDERGOING THE 'SHORT SHARP SHOCK' TRAINING PROGRAMME.

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INCREASES IN COMPENSATION FOR RESUMED LAND IN NEW TERRITORIES
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THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) INCREASES IN ITS COMPENSATION RATES FOR LAND RESUMED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

FROM OCTOBER 1, OWNERS OF AGRICULTURAL LAND RESUMED WITHIN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT AREAS WILL BE COMPENSATED AT THE NEW FULL RATE OF \$89 PER SQUARE FOOT INSTEAD OF \$63 PER SQUARE FOOT - AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 40 PER CENT.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCE OFFERED TO OWNERS OF RESUMED BUILDING LAND WITHIN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT AREAS WILL BE AT THE NEW FULL RATE OF \$200 PER SQUARE FOOT INSTEAD OF \$135 PER SQUARE FOOT - AN INCREASE OF ABOUT 48 PER CENT.

GIVING DETAILS OF THE NEW RATES TODAY, THE ACTING PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT LAND AGENT OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR TONY HARLAND, SAID THEY HAD BEEN DRAWN UP IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF CONDUCTING HALF-YEARLY REVIEWS OF NEW TERRITORIES COMPENSATION RATES.

THE POLICY WAS ADOPTED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE WORKING GROUP ON NEW TERRITORIES URBAN LAND ACQUISITION HEADED BY SIR YUET-KEUNG KAN.

MR HARLAND SAID THE NEW RATES WOULD BE EFFECTIVE UP TO MARCH 31, 1981, WHEN A FURTHER REVIEW WOULD BE CARRIED OUT.

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HE POINTED OUT THAT, UNDER THE REVISED GOVERNMENT LAND RESUMPTION POLICY IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, OWNERS OF RESUMED LAND OUTSIDE THE NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT AREAS WOULD BE COMPENSATED AT A PROPORTIONATE PERCENTAGE OF THE NEW FULL RATES DEPENDING ON THE LOCATION OF THE LAND RESUMED, AND MORE PARTICULARLY AS DEFINED ON A ZONAL PLAN AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY THE PUBLIC AT EACH OF THE EIGHT DISTRICT OFFICES OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

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TRANSPORT FOR SHA TIN RACE COURSE

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SPECIAL TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE FIRST RACE MEETING AT SHA TIN RACE COURSE ON SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 21).

BUS SERVICES FOR THE HORSE RACING SEASON ARE THE SAME AS LAST SEASON, EXCEPT THAT ROUTE 880 WHICH OPERATED FROM STAR FERRY TO SHA TIN HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

THERE WILL BE 12 SPECIAL BUS SERVICES, INCLUDING THREE CROSS HARBOUR ROUTES, OPERATING TO AND FROM THE SHA TIN RACE COURSE.

BUS FARES WILL RANGE FROM \$5 FOR CROSS-HARBOUR ROUTES TO \$1 FOR THE SHUTTLE SERVICE FROM SHA TIN MARKET.

RACEGOERS IN KOWLOON ARE ADVISED TO TAKE MTR TO KOWLOON TONG STATION WHERE ROUTE 870M WILL OPERATE AT A HIGH FREQUENCY TO AND FROM THE RACE COURSE.

THE 12 BUS ROUTES AND PERIODS OF OPERATION ARE:

NO 848	- FROM TSUEN WAN FERRY	(11.35 AM - 12.35 PM)
NO 870M	- FROM KOWLOON TONG MTR STATION	(11.50 AM - 1.22 PM)
NO 872	- FROM TAI PO MARKET	(12.15 PM - 1.10 PM)
NO 881	- FROM KENNEDY TOWN	(10.55 AM - 12.25 PM)
NO 882	- FROM CHAI WAN	(10.55 AM - 12.15 PM)
NO 884	- FROM ABERDEEN	(11.10 AM - 11.45 AM)
NO 886	- FROM LAI CHI KOK (BRIDGE)	(11.55 AM - 12.45 PM)
NO 887	- FROM TAI KOK TSUI FERRY	(11.40 AM - 1.00 PM)
NO 888	- FROM SHA TIN MARKET	(12.30 PM - 1.40 PM)
NO 889	- FROM KWUN TONG FERRY	(11.59 AM - 12.32 PM)
NO 890	- FROM CHOI HUNG	(12.15 PM - 12.52 PM)
NO 891	- FROM KOWLOON CITY FERRY	(11.50 AM - 12.50 PM)

FOR RETURN TRIPS, BUSES WILL STAND-BY AT THE RACE COURSE FROM THE FOURTH RACE UNTIL ABOUT ONE HOUR AFTER THE LAST RACE AND DEPART FROM THE RACE COURSE WHEN FULLY LOADED.

THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY WILL BE RUNNING SIX SPECIAL TRAINS TO THE RACE COURSE STATION ON SUNDAY.

THREE UP-TRAINS WILL LEAVE KOWLOON STATION AT 12.17 PM, 12.39 PM (THIS TRAIN WILL ALSO STOP AT MONG KOK STATION TO PICK UP PASSENGERS) AND 12.56 PM.

ON THE RETURN JOURNEY, TRAINS WILL LEAVE THE RACE COURSE STATION AT 6.09 PM, 6.25 PM AND 6.50 PM. ALL DOWN-TRAINS WILL STOP AT MONG KOK STATION.

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FIVE LOTS OF CROWN LAND FOR SALE

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FIVE LOTS OF CROWN LAND, TOTALLING ABOUT 22 000 SQUARE METRES, WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY AUCTION BY THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

THE AUCTION WILL BE AT THE SHOUSON THEATRE, HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE, AT 2.30 PM ON OCTOBER 20.

ONE LOT OF 8 377 SQUARE METRES IN KENNEDY ROAD IS INTENDED FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

THE REMAINING FOUR LOTS ARE IN THE KOWLOON BAY RECLAMATION. ONE OF THE SITES, MEASURING ABOUT 4 115 SQUARE METRES, IS FOR GODOWN PURPOSES.

THE OTHER THREE LOTS, MEASURING 3 230, 3 299 AND 2 942 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY, ARE FOR INDUSTRIAL AND OR GODOWN PURPOSES.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), HONG KONG- AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

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SUSPENSION OF BUS PRIORITY MEASURE ON REPULSE BAY ROAD

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THE BUS PRIORITY MEASURE ON REPULSE BAY ROAD BETWEEN THE WONG NAI CHUNG GAP ROUND-ABOUT AND ISLAND ROAD DURING SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 21).

ISLAND ROAD, WONG CHUK HANG ROAD AND DEEP WATER BAY ROAD WILL ALSO REVERT BACK TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC.

THE SCHEME WILL BE RE-INTRODUCED DURING THE NEXT SUMMER SEASON AND FURTHER NOTICES TO MOTORISTS WILL BE ISSUED.

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THREE PLANS IN ONE

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OUTLINE ZONING PLANS FOR CHA KWO LING, YAU TONG AND LEI YUE MUN HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED IN ONE ZONING PLAN WHICH WAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD SAID THAT AS THE PLANNING AREA IS AT THE FRINGE OF URBAN KOWLOON, IT WAS INTENDED THAT SUFFICIENT GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACE SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO ENABLE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SELF-CONTAINED COMMUNITY.

THE PLANNING AREA OF ABOUT 205 HECTARES, INCLUDES THE COMPLETED YAU TONG AND KO CHIU ROAD ESTATES AND THE PROPOSED YAU TONG HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME NEARING COMPLETION.

THE AREA BOUNDED BY CHA KWO LING ROAD AND KO FAI ROAD HAS BEEN DEVELOPED FOR GENERAL INDUSTRIES AND GODOWNS WHILE THE AREA FRONTING YAU TONG BAY HAS BEEN USED FOR BOAT BUILDING AND REPAIR YARDS, TIMBER YARDS AND SAWMILLS.

CHA KWO LING VILLAGE WILL BE DEVELOPED MAINLY FOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL USE, WHILE LEI YUE MUN VILLAGE WILL BE RETAINED IN ITS PRESENT FORM.

THE PLAN ALLOWS FOR A MAJOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE LEI YUE MUN FROM THE SOUTHEAST OF YAU TONG ESTATE TO LEI YUE MUN AND THEN TO HONG KONG ISLAND IF A DECISION TO BUILD A BRIDGE ACROSS THE CHANNEL IS FINALISED.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE EXISTING FERRY SERVICE, A SITE HAS BEEN RESERVED FOR A FERRY CONCOURSE AT SHUNG SHUN STREET TO REPLACE A TEMPORARY PIER ON THE BREAKWATER AT TSAU WAN.

ALTHOUGH THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE PIER HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED, THE FERRY CONCOURSE, WHEN COMPLETED, WILL INCORPORATE A BUS TERMINUS.

THE COMBINED PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, 17TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG= THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, CENTRAL= THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (KWUN TONG), 3RD FLOOR, KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET, KWUN TONG.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT PLAN ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, AT \$8.50 FOR AN UNCOLOURED COPY AND \$120 FOR A COLOURED COPY.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE DRAFT PLAN MAY SUBMIT OBJECTIONS IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY, TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG BY NOVEMBER 18, 1980.

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MORE OPEN SPACE AND GREEN BELTS
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MORE OPEN SPACE AND GREEN BELT AREAS ARE PROPOSED FOR SHEK KIP MEI IN THE AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT OUTLINE ZONING PLAN FOR THE DISTRICT PUBLISHED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY).

ELEVEN AMENDMENTS ARE PROPOSED ON LAND USE, ALLOWING, AMONG OTHERS, FOR A SHOPPING CENTRE, PUBLIC TRANSPORT TERMINUS, RECREATION CLUB AND A PETROL FILLING STATION.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS INCLUDE :

- * PARTS OF THE SPACE ALLOCATED TO GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION OR COMMUNITY USE AT TAI HANG SAI STREET HAVE BEEN AMENDED AS OPEN SPACE, AND THE OPEN SPACE NORTH OF CORNWALL STREET HAS BEEN ADJUSTED AND EXTENDED EASTWARDS TO INCLUDE PART OF A GREEN BELT AREA.
- * SOME SITES NORTH OF NAM SHAN ESTATE HAVE BEEN RE-ZONED AS A GREEN BELT, OPEN SPACE, RESIDENTIAL (B) AND FOR GOVERNMENT, INSTITUTION OR COMMUNITY USE.
- * THE RESIDENTIAL (B) SITE AT THE JUNCTION OF BEGONIA ROAD AND CASSIA ROAD HAS BEEN AMENDED AND EARMARKED FOR A POSSIBLE PRIVATE SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL CLUB.
- * AND A SIMILAR RESIDENTIAL AREA WEST OF THE PROPOSED KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AND MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY INTERCHANGE STATION HAS BEEN AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT TERMINUS AND SHOPPING CENTRE.
- * A PETROL FILLING STATION HAS BEEN ANNOTATED ON A SMALL GREEN BELT SITE WHICH WAS AMENDED FOR OTHER USE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CORNWALL STREET.
- * THE BOUNDARY OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY, ON THE EASTERN PERIMETER OF SHEK KIP MEI, WILL ALSO BE EXTENDED UNDER THE PLAN.

THE AMENDED PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, 17TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG- THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (SHAM SHUI PO), NAM SHAN SUB-OFFICE, 21-24 NAM ON STREET, KOWLOON- AND THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, WEST WING ENTRANCE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, HONG KONG.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT AMENDMENT PLAN (NO LK 4/33B) ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, AT \$8.50 FOR AN UNCOLOURED COPY AND \$60 FOR A COLOURED COPY.

OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTED ALTERATIONS TO THE PLAN SHOULD REACH THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, BEFORE OCTOBER 9, 1980.

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CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS EXHIBITION
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A SET OF SPECTACULAR EXHIBITS, DESIGNED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) TO PUBLICISE THE ANTI-DRUG MESSAGE, WILL BE INTRODUCED TO THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG ON SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 21).

A CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS EXHIBITION, PART OF THE ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN WHICH WILL BE LAUNCHED TOMORROW, IS TO START ON SUNDAY AT THE GROUND AND FIRST FLOORS OF FUNG YIP BUILDING, 347 DES VOEUX ROAD WEST.

THE EXHIBITION IS DESIGNED TO SYSTEMATICALLY INTRODUCE THE DRUG PROBLEM IN HONG KONG- SHOW HOW IT WOULD AFFECT OUR SOCIETY- AND ILLUSTRATE HOW GOVERNMENT, WITH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, TACKLE THE PROBLEM.

IT WILL BE ONE OF THE MAJOR EVENTS IN THE MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

A SPOKESMAN FOR ACAN SAID THE PURPOSE OF ORGANISING THE EVENTS WAS:

- * TO INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY IN ANTI-DRUG PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES WITH A VIEW TO CHANGING THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS DRUG ADDICTS-
- * TO EDUCATE YOUTHS ON THE ADVERSE EFFECTS CAUSED BY DRUG TAKING SO AS TO PREVENT THEM FROM EXPERIMENTING WITH DRUGS-
- * TO ALERT DRUG ADDICTS OF TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR REHABILITATION AND
- * TO RESPOND TO THE INTERNATIONAL CALL TO STOP DRUG TRAFFICKING.

THE FIRST AND SECOND RUNNERS-UP AND MISS FRIENDSHIP OF THE MISS HONG KONG 1980 PAGEANT, AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY AT 10.30 AM.

THE EXHIBITION WILL OPEN DAILY FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM UNTIL OCTOBER 5.

SOUVENIRS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR VISITORS ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

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NEW SHOPPING CENTRE FOR QUEENSWAY

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TENDERS ARE SOUGHT FOR A 21 YEAR LEASE OF A SHOPPING CENTRE IN QUEENSWAY BY THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PWD SAID TODAY (FRIDAY), THE SHOPPING CENTRE, KNOWN AS QUEENSWAY SHOPPING MALL, WAS SITUATED ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE ELEVATED STRUCTURE ADJACENT TO THE ADMIRALTY MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY STATION.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SHOPPING MALL, OF ABOUT 5 700 SQUARE METRES, WOULD IN FUTURE BE LINKED TO CENTRAL DISTRICT WITH A SYSTEM OF WALKWAYS.

UNDER THE TENANCY AGREEMENT, THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER WILL BE REQUIRED TO MANAGE IT AS A FIRST CLASS SHOPPING CENTRE.

HOWEVER, HE WILL BE ALLOWED TO SUBLET INDIVIDUAL UNITS OF THE MALL TO SUB-TENANTS FOR NO LONGER THAN SEVEN YEARS.

THE STRUCTURE WILL BE OPEN FOR INSPECTION BY PROSPECTIVE TENDERERS ON OCTOBER 8, BETWEEN 9 AM AND 5 PM.

TENDER INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 9TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

ALL TENDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL TENDER BOARD ON OR BEFORE NOON ON NOVEMBER 28.

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INDUSTRIAL INSTRUCTORS CAN IMPROVE TEACHING METHOD

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TRADE INSTRUCTORS AND WORKSHOP SUPERVISORS CAN NOW APPLY FOR A FULL-TIME BLOCK RELEASE TRAINING COURSE RUN BY THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE TO HELP THEM IMPROVE THEIR WORK.

+THIS TWO-WEEK COURSE OFFERS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TRADE INSTRUCTORS AND WORKSHOP SUPERVISORS TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY TRAINING FOR CARRYING OUT THEIR DAY-TO-DAY TEACHING DUTIES,+ AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN TO IMPROVE THEIR METHODS OF TEACHING, STUDY EDUCATION THEORY AND EDUCATION PSYCHOLOGY, HE SAID.

THE COURSE WILL COMMENCE IN LATE OCTOBER, AND AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE COURSE, TUTORS MAY VISIT PARTICIPANTS AT THEIR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT FOR COUNSELLING.

THE FEE FOR THE COURSE IS \$100.

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LESSONS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CANTONESE, BUT SOME ENGLISH TERMINOLOGY WILL BE USED.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE HONG KONG TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE, 373 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, HONG KONG AND COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE COLLEGE ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 4.

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BONSAI SHOW OPENS ON CHEUNG CHAU
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A THREE-DAY BONSAI (MINIATURE TREES) EXHIBITION WILL OPEN ON CHEUNG CHAU TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

ON DISPLAY WILL BE 129 MINIATURE TREES PROVIDED BY LOCAL VILLAGE ELDERS, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS. THERE WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYS OF RARE ORCHIDS AND ARRANGED FLOWERS.

THE EXHIBITION IS ORGANISED BY CHEUNG CHAU CULTURE AND RECREATION ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION, FORMED A YEAR AGO WITH THE AIM OF MAKING AVAILABLE TO THE ISLAND'S 40 000 RESIDENTS A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CONCERTS, EXHIBITIONS AND TRAINING COURSES.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION, MR TANG YIM-WAH, SAID HE HOPED THE EXHIBITION WOULD HELP POPULARISE THE TRADITIONAL CHINESE HORTICULTURAL ART OF CULTIVATING MINIATURE TREES.

+BONSAI STRESSES THE EMBODIMENT OF THE BEAUTY OF NATURE IN A TINY COMPASS,+ HE SAID. +THIS IS PARTICULARLY RELEVANT TO CHEUNG CHAU BECAUSE IT REMINDS US THAT QUALITY AND BEAUTY ARE ACHIEVABLE THOUGH ITS SIZE IS SMALL AND THE POPULATION IS FAST INCREASING.+

AMONG THE EXHIBITS WILL BE A 100-YEAR-OLD CHINESE HACKBERRY TREE OWNED BY AN ELDER OF THE ISLAND, MR WONG SING-YIP. HE BOUGHT IT IN CHINA MORE THAN 30 YEARS AGO AND HAS SINCE ATTENDED IT DAILY TO ACHIEVE ITS PRESENT POSTURE.

MR WONG, WHO IS MORE THAN 60 YEARS OLD, SAID MINIATURE TREE CULTIVATION INVOLVED ARTISTIC PERCEPTION, PERSISTENCE AND CONSTANT REFINEMENT.

+I AM STILL LEARNING THE ART AFTER MORE THAN 40 YEARS,+ HE SAID.

THE CHAIRMAN OF CHEUNG CHAU RURAL COMMITTEE, MR FUNG PAK-TAI, WILL PERFORM THE RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY AT 2 PM TOMORROW IN THE PLAYGROUND OF THE FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION PUBLIC SCHOOL.

A FLOWER ARRANGING DEMONSTRATION WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY.

A CATALOGUE CONTAINING DETAILS OF EXHIBITS AND ARTICLES ON THE HISTORY AND TECHNIQUES OF MINIATURE TREE GROWING WILL BE DISTRIBUTED FREE TO VISITORS. FUNDS FOR THE DISPLAY HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY ISLANDS DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN WATERLOO ROAD

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ALL MOTOR VEHICLES, EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES, TRAVELLING ALONG WATERLOO ROAD WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING INTO SHANGHAI STREET FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 22).

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE ERECTED TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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OCTOBER FIRING PRACTICE

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON 13 DAYS NEXT MONTH.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING DURING THE TIMES OF PRACTICE.

THE PRACTICE TIMES ARE:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
OCTOBER 1 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 2 (THURSDAY)	8 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 3 (FRIDAY)	8 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 7 (TUESDAY)	9 AM - 4 PM
OCTOBER 14 (TUESDAY)	8 AM - 11 PM
OCTOBER 15 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM - 2 PM
OCTOBER 21 (TUESDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 22 (WEDNESDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 23 (THURSDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 24 (FRIDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 27 (MONDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 28 (TUESDAY)	7.30 AM - 6 PM
OCTOBER 30 (THURSDAY)	9 AM - 4 PM

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