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DUCHESS OF KENT TO VISIT HK
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HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF KENT WILL ARRIVE IN HONG KONG ON JANUARY 30 (THURSDAY) FOR A SIX-DAY VISIT.

SHE WILL BE THE GUEST OF THE ACADEMY FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB FOR THE INAUGURATION OF THE THEATRE BLOCK OF THE ACADEMY.

HER PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE THE OPENING OF 'THE ART OF HENRY MOORE' EXHIBITION.

SHE WILL ALSO VISIT THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN SANDY BAY, THE PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL IN SHA TIN, AND THE ART GALLERY OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY.

SHE WILL LEAVE HONG KONG ON FEBRUARY 4 (TUESDAY).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

FIXED PRESS POSITIONS WILL BE SET UP FOR MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE DUCHESS'S VISIT.

ONLY ACCREDITED MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA WITH APPROPRIATE LAPEL BADGES WILL BE ABLE TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE PRESS POSITIONS.

A COPY OF THE MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ROYAL VISIT TOGETHER WITH THE APPLICATION FORMS FOR PRESS BADGES HAVE ALSO BEEN BOXED.

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VISIT OF HRH THE DUCHESS OF KENT
PRESS ARRANGEMENTS
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ACCREDITATION

ALL MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COVERING THE PROGRAMME HAVE TO BE ACCREDITED SPECIALLY FOR THE VISIT. NORMAL NEWS MEDIA IDENTIFICATION ALONE WILL BE INSUFFICIENT TO GAIN ACCESS TO OFFICIAL PRESS POSITIONS.

IDENTIFICATION OF ACCREDITED MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE BY LAPEL BADGES. THE APPROPRIATE LAPEL BADGE MUST BE WORN FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL FUNCTION TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO THE POSITIONS.

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ON ONE OCCASION WHERE IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO USE A POOL SYSTEM, PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY GIS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ALL NEWSPAPERS, NEWS AGENCIES AND PERIODICALS.

APPLICATION FORM

AN APPLICATION FORM FOR ACCREDITATION AT EACH POSITION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE VISIT. THE FORM WILL BE BOXED FOR COLLECTION THIS EVENING. EDITORS ARE ASKED TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE GIS DUTY OFFICER, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, 6TH FLOOR, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, BY 12 NOON ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, AT THE LATEST.

USE OF FLASH LIGHTS AND TELE-LENSES

EDITORS ARE ADVISED THAT FLASHLIGHT SHOULD BE AVOIDED AND MAY NOT BE PERMITTED WITHIN CLOSE PROXIMITY OF HER ROYAL HIGHNESS.

TELEPHOTO-LENSES WILL BE NECESSARY FOR SOME EVENTS.

GENERAL

EDITORS ARE ADVISED TO RETAIN THE DETAILED PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR BRIEFING THEIR REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS ASSIGNED TO COVER THE VARIOUS FUNCTIONS. FURTHER COPIES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE GIS PRESS ROOM ON THE 6TH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE.

YOU ARE ALSO ADVISED THAT ALL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COVERING HRH'S PUBLIC FUNCTIONS WILL BE REQUIRED TO GO THROUGH SECURITY CHECKS.

VISIT OF HRH THE DUCHESS OF KENT
SUMMARY OF MAIN PROGRAMME EVENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

6.15 PM ARRIVAL AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

11.30 AM OPENING OF 'THE ART OF HENRY MOORE'
EXHIBITION AT CITY HALL.

12.10 PM VIEWING OF EXHIBITS AT THE ARTS CENTRE.

2.30 PM VISIT TO THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S
HOSPITAL AT SANDY BAY.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

11.00 AM VISIT TO THE PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL IN
SHA TIN.

12.35 PM VISIT TO THE ART GALLERY OF THE CHINESE
UNIVERSITY.

7.00 PM UNVEILING OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT THE
ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

10.30 AM TOUR OF THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS.

9.50 PM DEPARTURE AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

PRESS FACILITIES

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

ARRIVAL

THE DUCHESS OF KENT WILL ARRIVE AT 6.15 PM ON BOARD FLIGHT BR 382. SHE WILL BE MET BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, AND LADY YOUDE.

THERE WILL BE ONE FIXED PRESS POSITION AT THE AIRPORT TERMINAL PIER. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM AT 5.25 PM. THEY WILL BE ESCORTED TO THE PRESS POSITION BY GIS OFFICERS.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

'THE ART OF HENRY MOORE' EXHIBITION

THE DUCHESS OF KENT, ACCOMPANIED BY THE GOVERNOR AND LADY YOUDE, WILL ARRIVE AT THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE CITY HALL AT 11.30 AM TO OPEN 'THE ART OF HENRY MOORE' EXHIBITION.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT 11 AM WHEN GIS OFFICERS WILL ESCORT THEM TO A FIXED PRESS POSITION AT THE FOYER OF THE GARDEN.

HRH WILL THEN PROCEED TO THE MUSEUM OF ART ON THE 10TH FLOOR OF THE CITY HALL HIGH BLOCK TO SEE SOME OF THE EXHIBITS. DUE TO SPACE LIMITATION, A POOL PHOTOGRAPH WILL BE ISSUED BY GIS.

AFTER THE OPENING, A PRESS COACH STANDING BY AT QUEEN'S PIER WILL TAKE MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ARTS CENTRE TO COVER THE SECOND PART OF THE DUCHESS'S TOUR OF THE EXHIBITS.

A FIXED PRESS POSITION WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE 5TH FLOOR OF THE ARTS CENTRE.

DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

HRH WILL TOUR THE DUCHESS OF KENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN SANDY BAY STARTING AT ABOUT 2.30 PM.

A PRESS COACH WILL LEAVE THE C.G.O. CARPARK IN CENTRAL AT 1.15 PM. MEMBERS OF THE PRESS WHO WISH TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY SHOULD ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE HOSPITAL BEFORE 2 PM.

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PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL

HRH WILL VISIT THE PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL IN SHA TIN AT 11 AM.

A PRESS COACH WILL LEAVE THE C.G.O. CARPARK IN CENTRAL AT 9.45 AM SHARP. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WHO PREFER TO GO THERE IN THEIR OWN TRANSPORT SHOULD ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE HOSPITAL BEFORE 10.30 AM. FIXED POSITIONS WILL BE PROVIDED TO COVER THE VISIT.

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CHINESE UNIVERSITY
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AFTER THE VISIT TO THE PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL, THE DUCHESS WILL PROCEED TO THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY. SHE WILL TOUR THE ART GALLERY OF THE UNIVERSITY AT 12.35 PM.

THE SAME PRESS COACH WILL TAKE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS TO THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY TO COVER HER VISIT TO THE ART GALLERY.

UNVEILING OF PLAQUE AT ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS
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HRH WILL UNVEIL A PLAQUE AT THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS AT 7 PM.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COVERING THE FUNCTION SHOULD ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE ACADEMY AT GLOUCESTER ROAD AT 6.30 PM. GIS OFFICERS WILL ESCORT THEM TO A FIXED PRESS POSITION ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE BUILDING.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

TOUR OF THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS
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HRH WILL ARRIVE AT THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS AT 10.30 AM TO WATCH CLASSES BEING HELD.

THERE WILL BE A FIXED POSITION FOR THE MEDIA INSIDE STUDIO 1 ON THE 4TH FLOOR. PRESS REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE ACADEMY AT 10 AM WHEN GIS OFFICERS WILL ESCORT THEM TO THE PRESS POSITION.

DEPARTURE
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HRH WILL LEAVE HONG KONG AT 9.50 PM ON FLIGHT BA 20. SHE WILL BE SEEN OFF BY THE GOVERNOR AND LADY YOUDE.

A FIXED PRESS POSITION WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE TERMINAL PIER.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM AT 9 PM. THEY WILL BE ESCORTED TO THE PRESS POSITION BY GIS OFFICERS.

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SIR DAVID SEES POSTAL WORK
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, HAD A FIRST-HAND LOOK TODAY (MONDAY) AT POSTAL FACILITIES IN THE INTERNATIONAL MAIL CENTRE IN HUNG HOM.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR HUGH ARDLEY, AND HIS DEPUTY, MR DAVID LAN, SIR DAVID LEARNED HOW INCOMING AND OUTGOING MAIL IS PREPARED FOR DELIVERY.

HE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE PARCEL SORTING MACHINE, ONE OF THE MOST ADVANCED TYPES USED IN SOUTH EAST ASIA.

AFTER A BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH MR ARDLEY AND OTHER OFFICIALS ON POSTAL MATTERS, SIR DAVID CROSSED THE HARBOUR TO VISIT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE.

THERE, SIR DAVID SAW THE \$5-MILLION FREQUENCY ALLOCATION COMPUTER SYSTEM WHOSE MAIN FUNCTION IS TO ASSIGN AVAILABLE FREQUENCIES TO APPLICANTS FOR USE OF RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND TO KEEP RECORDS OF LICENSEES.

HE ALSO LEARNED THAT AN AVERAGE OF 10 PROSECUTIONS WERE TAKEN A MONTH BY THE FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT SECTION AGAINST PERSONS CONTRAVENING LICENSING REGULATIONS OR USING RADIO EQUIPMENT ILLEGALLY.

SIR DAVID CONCLUDED HIS TOUR WITH A VISIT TO THE BROADCASTING TECHNICAL MONITORING UNIT WHERE HE LEARNED THAT THE TRANSMISSION QUALITY AND PRODUCTION STANDARD OF TELEVISION COMPANIES WERE CLOSELY MONITORED BY THE POST OFFICE.

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REPORT ON LAWS ON INSURANCE PUBLISHED
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A LAW REFORM COMMISSION REPORT WHICH CONTAINS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, PROPOSALS FOR MORE SAFEGUARDS FOR INSURANCE POLICY-HOLDERS AGAINST ABUSE IS PUBLISHED TODAY (MONDAY).

THE FIRST PART OF THE REPORT ON LAWS ON INSURANCE IS CONCERNED WITH THE DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL FACTS BY THE INSURED PERSON TO THE INSURER WHILE THE SECOND PART EXPLORES THE FEASIBILITY OF A SYSTEM OF CONTROL ON THE ACTIVITIES OF INSURANCE BROKERS AND AGENTS.

EXPLAINING THE RECOMMENDATIONS, THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION, MR BERTRAND DE SPEVILLE, SAID THAT THEY WERE THE RESULTS OF FOUR YEARS' WORK BY A SUB-COMMITTEE WHICH INCLUDED MEMBERS OF THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF PROFESSOR PETER WILLOUGHBY, AND BY THE COMMISSION ITSELF.

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ON THE DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL FACTS, MR DE SPEVILLE SAID THE EXISTING LAW ON NON-DISCLOSURE PROVIDED THAT A PERSON SEEKING INSURANCE MUST DISCLOSE ALL 'MATERIAL FACTS' TO THE INSURER.

+A MATERIAL FACT IS ONE WHICH A PRUDENT INSURER WOULD CONSIDER MATERIAL. IT MAY BE THAT THE PERSON APPLYING FOR INSURANCE INNOCENTLY OMITTS TO DISCLOSE A FACT WHICH THE INSURER WOULD REGARD AS MATERIAL,+ HE POINTED OUT.

IN THAT CASE, HE SAID, THE INSURER WOULD NEVERTHELESS BE ENTITLED TO AVOID THE INSURANCE CONTRACT.

MR DE SPEVILLE SUGGESTED THAT THE RULE COULD RESULT IN INJUSTICE WHERE THE NON-DISCLOSURE WAS WHOLLY INNOCENT.

+THE COMMISSION THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT A CONTRACT OF INSURANCE SHOULD NOT BE RENDERED VOIDABLE OR UNENFORCEABLE BY REASON OF NON-DISCLOSURE OF A FACT UNLESS THAT FACT WAS MATERIAL TO THE PARTICULAR CONTRACT OF INSURANCE AND THE INSURED KNEW, OR A REASONABLE MAN IN HIS CIRCUMSTANCES OUGHT TO HAVE KNOWN, THAT THE FACT NOT DISCLOSED WAS MATERIAL TO THE INSURER IN RELATION TO THE PARTICULAR CONTRACT OF INSURANCE.

RELATED TO NON-DISCLOSURE WAS THE QUESTION OF MISREPRESENTATION. MR DE SPEVILLE POINTED OUT THAT THE INSURER COULD AVOID THE POLICY WHERE A MATERIAL FACT HAD BEEN MISREPRESENTED BY THE INSURED PERSON, WHETHER OR NOT THE INSURED WAS AWARE THAT THE FACT WAS MATERIAL TO THE INSURER.

+THE COMMISSION HAS PROPOSED A SIMILAR REFORM TO THAT PUT FORWARD IN RELATION TO NON-DISCLOSURE,+ HE SAID.

WHERE PROCEEDINGS ARISE IN COURT IN RESPECT OF A DIFFERENCE OR DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF A CONTRACT OF INSURANCE, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT THE COURTS SHOULD BE EMPOWERED TO DISREGARD A FAILURE BY AN INSURED TO OBSERVE OR PERFORM A TERM OR CONDITION OF THE CONTRACT OF INSURANCE IF IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES TO DO SO AND IF THE INSURER HAS NOT BEEN MATERIALLY PREJUDICED BY THE FAILURE.

THE COMMISSION STRESSES THE LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES WHICH MAY ARISE IN RELATION TO INSURANCE CONTRACTS, WHICH ARE GENERALLY PRODUCED ONLY IN ENGLISH. TO ENSURE THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE IS GIVEN TO PEOPLE TAKING OUT OR RENEWING INSURANCE, THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT ALL PROPOSAL FORMS AND RENEWAL NOTICES SHOULD BEAR A PRINTED WARNING IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE TO THE EFFECT THAT A FAILURE TO DISCLOSE ALL FACTS WHICH THE INSURER MAY THINK RELEVANT TO HIS ASSESSMENT OF THE RISK MAY LEAD TO AVOIDANCE OF THE POLICY.

THE COMMISSION FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT A CHINESE SUMMARY OF THE INSURANCE COVER SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN EVERY CASE AND, WHEREVER PRACTICABLE, THE POLICY HOLDER SHOULD BE SUPPLIED WITH A COPY IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE OF ANY WARRANTY ON WHICH THE INSURER INTENDS TO RELY. ANY EXEMPTIONS IN THE POLICY SHOULD BE DRAWN SPECIFICALLY TO THE ATTENTION OF THE POLICY HOLDER BY PROVIDING HIM WITH DETAILS OF THE EXEMPTIONS IN BOTH LANGUAGES.

TURNING TO THE SECOND PART OF THE COMMISSION'S REPORT, MR DE SPEVILLE SAID THAT THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION IN THE PUBLIC MIND IN HONG KONG AS TO THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN INSURANCE BROKERS AND INSURANCE AGENTS. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE WAS THAT BROKERS GENERALLY ACTED AS AGENTS OF THE PERSON SEEKING INSURANCE WHILE INSURANCE AGENTS ACTED AS AGENTS OF THE INSURER. THE COMMISSION HAD CLARIFIED THIS DEFINITION OF EACH OF THESE TYPES OF INSURANCE INTERMEDIARY.

THE COMMISSION POINTS OUT IN ITS REPORT THAT THERE IS AT PRESENT NO STATUTORY REGULATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF BROKERS OR AGENTS, THOUGH INSURERS THEMSELVES ARE REGULATED BY THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ORDINANCE.

+WHILE THERE HAVE BEEN FEW COMPLAINTS FROM THE PUBLIC, THE COMMISSION NEVERTHELESS BELIEVES THAT THE PUBLIC DOES NOT ALWAYS RECEIVE THE SERVICE WHICH IT IS ENTITLED TO EXPECT FROM THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY AND THAT THERE ARE INADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS AGAINST ABUSE OF THE SYSTEM,+ MR DE SPEVILLE SAID.

THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT ANYONE SEEKING TO CARRY ON BUSINESS AS A BROKER SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER WITH THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY. BROKING ASSOCIATIONS WOULD ALSO BE ENTITLED TO APPLY FOR REGISTRATION, AND MEMBERSHIP OF A REGISTERED BROKING ASSOCIATION WOULD AUTOMATICALLY SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR INSURANCE REGISTRATION.

DETAILED PROVISIONS ARE SUGGESTED FOR THE REGISTRATION OF BROKING COMPANIES OR PARTNERSHIPS, MODELLED IN PART ON MEASURES CONTAINED IN THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE.

+IF THIS PROPOSAL IS IMPLEMENTED, IT WOULD THEN BECOME AN OFFENCE FOR ANY UNREGISTERED PERSON TO CARRY ON BUSINESS AS A BROKER. POWER WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY TO CANCEL OR SUSPEND REGISTRATION IN APPROPRIATE CASES,+ MR DE SPEVILLE SAID.

THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT AN INSURER SHOULD BE HELD TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS INSURANCE AGENT WHERE THAT CONDUCT IS RELIED ON IN GOOD FAITH BY THE INSURED IN RELATION TO ANY MATTER RELATING TO INSURANCE, WHETHER OR NOT THE AGENT ACTED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS AUTHORITY.

INSURERS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO KEEP A REGISTER OF THEIR AGENTS WHICH WOULD BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION. AS WITH BROKERS, IT SHOULD BE AN OFFENCE FOR A PERSON FALSELY TO HOLD HIMSELF OUT AS AN INSURANCE AGENT.

FURTHERMORE, PROTECTION FOR THE INSURED WOULD BE EXTENDED TO MAKE AN INSURER LIABLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF ANY PERSON WHO ARRANGES INSURANCE WITH THE INSURER FOR REWARD FOR A POLICY HOLDER WHERE THE INSURER HAS BY HIS SUBSEQUENT CONDUCT EFFECTIVELY ACCEPTED THE PERSON ARRANGING THE POLICY AS HIS AGENT. THE FACT THAT THE INSURER HAS ISSUED A POLICY WOULD BE TREATED AS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE THAT THE INSURER HAS RATIFIED THE CONDUCT OF THE +AGENT+.

THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS THAT INSURANCE COMPANIES SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO ESTABLISH A CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THEIR AGENTS AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES AND FACILITIES SHOULD BE PROVIDED. THE REPORT CONCLUDES WITH PROPOSALS WHICH DEAL WITH THE SITUATION WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL ACTS AS THE AGENT FOR MORE THAN ONE INSURANCE COMPANY AND A DISPUTE MAY ARISE AS TO WHICH COMPANY IS LIABLE.

MR DE SPEVILLE SAID IT WAS NOW FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO DECIDE WHETHER TO IMPLEMENT THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION. THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE REPORT WAS COMPLEX AND HE DID NOT EXPECT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD REACH A DECISION ON THE PROPOSALS FOR SOME MONTHS.

+THE REPORT IS THE RESULT OF CAREFUL STUDY AND CONSULTATION WITH BOTH THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY AND CONSUMER INTERESTS. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE GIVEN AN ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS UPON IT,+ HE SAID.

VIEWS ON THE REPORT COULD BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES ON 6/F, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, CENTRAL.

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KAIFONG ASSOCIATION PRAISED FOR COMMUNITY WORK
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WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, TODAY (MONDAY) PRAISED THE HAPPY VALLEY AND CANAL ROAD KAIFONG ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR CONCERN FOR THE WAN CHAI COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR THE OLD AND THE UNDER-PRIVILEGED.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE +OLD AND YOUNG+ GAMES DAY AT THE ASSOCIATION'S CLUBHOUSE AT CANAL ROAD, MR GARCIA SAID THE GAMES DAY WAS A FURTHER EXAMPLE OF THE KAIFONG ASSOCIATION'S DEDICATED AIM TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY AND TO ENHANCE A SENSE OF BELONGING TO THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT.

HE ALSO THANKED THE ASSOCIATION FOR ITS STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME BY HELPING TO GATHER PUBLIC OPINION ON GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND FOR MAKING ITS PREMISES AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY USE.

THE GAMES DAY, ORGANISED BY THE HAPPY VALLEY AND CANAL ROAD KAIFONG ASSOCIATION, COMPRISED A VARIETY OF GAMES STALLS AND ENTERTAINMENT PERFORMANCES. PARTICIPANTS ALSO RECEIVED GIFTS FROM THE ASSOCIATION.

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SELECT COMMITTEE TO MEET TOMORROW

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THE WAYS AND MEANS SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL MEET TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO EXAMINE THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1985.

IT WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE ENGAGING OF BANKING SERVICES FOR THE FULL REGIONAL SERVICES.

THE MEETING WILL START AT 2.30 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK AND GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING, SECOND FLOOR, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING. SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETATION WILL BE PROVIDED.

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KNIT-TO-SHAPE CERTIFICATION SYSTEM REVISED

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A TRADE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THE INTRODUCTION OF A REVISED SYSTEM FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF KNIT GARMENTS MADE FROM KNIT-TO-SHAPE TEXTILE PANELS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE REVISED SYSTEM WAS DRAWN UP AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD AND OTHER GOVERNMENT APPROVED CERTIFICATION ORGANISATIONS.

+THE OBJECTIVE OF THE REVISED SYSTEM IS TO ENABLE THE DEPARTMENT TO OBTAIN UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON THE PANEL KNITTING CAPACITY IN HONG KONG AND TO FACILITATE VERIFICATION OF THE ORIGIN OF KNIT-TO-SHAPE TEXTILE PANELS DECLARED TO BE KNITTED IN HONG KONG.+

WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1, IT IS A CONDITION FOR THE ISSUE OF A CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN COVERING KNITWEAR THAT WHEN THE KNIT-TO-SHAPE PANELS ARE DECLARED TO BE KNITTED IN HONG KONG, THE KNITTING MUST BE CARRIED OUT BY A PANEL KNITTER SPECIALLY REGISTERED WITH THE TRADE DEPARTMENT.

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THE DEPARTMENT WILL CARRY OUT A SPECIAL REGISTRATION EXERCISE FOR PANEL KNITTING FACTORIES COMMENCING FROM FEBRUARY 1.

IT IS ALSO ORGANISING BRIEFING SESSIONS FOR MANUFACTURERS WHO WISH TO APPLY FOR REGISTRATION AS PANEL KNITTERS.

THE FIRST OF THESE BRIEFING SESSIONS WILL BE HELD AT 10 AM ON FEBRUARY 3, IN THE DEPARTMENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM. MANUFACTURERS WHO WISH TO ATTEND THIS BRIEFING SESSION SHOULD FIRST CALL THE TRADE DEPARTMENT AT TEL. NO. 3-7222522.

DETAILS OF THE REVISED SYSTEM ARE SET OUT IN CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN CIRCULAR NO. 3-86 ISSUED TODAY.

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NEW TEXTILE EXPORT FORM DRAWN UP
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THE TRADE DEPARTMENT WILL SOON INTRODUCE A NEW LICENCE FORM FOR EXPORTS OF RESTRAINED TEXTILES.

THE REVISED FORM TIC 353A (REV. 1985), COMMONLY KNOWN AS FORM 5, WILL PROVIDE A SEPARATE BOX FOR THE MANUFACTURER'S PARTICULARS.

IN ADDITION, THE 'MANUFACTURER'S DECLARATION' AND 'EXPORTER'S DECLARATION' BOXES IN THE NEW FORM WILL BE SIMPLIFIED, WHILE THE SPACES FOR THE MANUFACTURER'S AND EXPORTER'S SIGNATURES AND CHOPS ARE ALSO ENLARGED.

THE REVISED FORMS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ON SALE AND BROUGHT INTO USE IN EARLY MARCH, WHEN THE STOCK OF THE EXISTING FORM IS USED UP.

THE REVISED FORMS WILL BE ON SALE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

TRADE DEPARTMENT,
TEXTILE CONTROLS REGISTRATION REGISTRY,
ROOM 1543, OCEAN CENTRE, 15/F,
CANTON ROAD,
KOWLOON.

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MEET-THE-MEDIA

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THE HEADS OF HONG KONG'S OVERSEAS OFFICES WILL HOLD A MEET-THE-MEDIA SESSION AT 4 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, 5/F, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

THEY ARE MR COLVYN HAYE, COMMISSIONER, LONDON; MR DEREK JONES, MINISTER, BRUSSELS; MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, COUNSELLOR, GENEVA; MR BILL DORWARD, COMMISSIONER, NEW YORK; AND MR PETER LO, COUNSELLOR, WASHINGTON.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

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BOARD TO DISCUSS ANIMAL WASTE

TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE CONSULTATIVE PAPER ON THE CONTROL OF POLLUTION CAUSED BY ANIMAL WASTE AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THEY WILL ALSO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE 1985 EDITION OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AND PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 10 AM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON THE 3RD FLOOR OF THE TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, NO. 1, TUEN HI ROAD.

A GOVERNMENT VEHICLE WILL LEAVE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER AT 9 AM SHARP TO TAKE PRESS MEMBERS TO TUEN MUN.

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WAN CHAI FESTIVAL CLOSING
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THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE 1986 WAN CHAI FESTIVAL AND A DANCE PERFORMANCE WILL BE HELD AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM STARTING AT 7.30 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR T.H. CHAU; WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MRS PEGGY LAM; AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAN CHAI FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LEE KON WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRESS MEMBERS COVERING THE EVENT SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE FIRST FLOOR LOBBY OF QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM IN OI KWAN ROAD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) BY 7.15 PM.

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LITTERBUGS PAY \$1.2 MILLION
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OVER \$1.2 MILLION IN FINES WAS COLLECTED FROM 7 445 LITTER OFFENDERS IN THE NON-URBAN AREAS WHO WERE BROUGHT TO COURT BY THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT LAST YEAR.

IN 1984, SOME 7 600 LITTERBUGS WERE BROUGHT TO COURT AND WERE FINED \$1.1 MILLION IN ALL.

NEARLY 700 OF LAST YEAR'S OFFENDERS HAD PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS FOR LITTERING, A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE HIGHEST FINE OF \$1 200 WAS IMPOSED ON THE OWNER OF A GOODS VEHICLE FOR DIRTYING THE ROAD SURFACE IN SAI KUNG BY ALLOWING THE WHEELS OF HIS VEHICLE TO CARRY MUD.

A \$5 000 FINE AND SIX MONTHS IMPRISONMENT COULD BE IMPOSED BY COURTS ON LITTERBUGS.

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COURSES FOR TEACHERS

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TEN IDENTICAL HALF-DAY COURSES ON REMEDIAL TEACHING OF CHINESE LANGUAGE IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS FOR TEACHERS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN MARCH AND APRIL.

THE FREE COURSES WILL BE HELD AT EITHER THE KOWLOON UNIT OF THE CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE AT TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 165 MA TAU WEI ROAD, OR AT ITS HONG KONG UNIT AT 9A BONHAM ROAD.

THREE HUNDRED PRIMARY TEACHERS WILL BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE COURSES AND PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE ENGAGED IN REMEDIAL TEACHING OF THE SUBJECT.

SCHOOL HEADS WISHING TO RECOMMEND TEACHERS TO THE COURSE SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION FORMS TO THE SENIOR INSPECTOR, CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTRE, 7TH FLOOR, TO KWA WAN MARKET AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 165 MA TAU WAI ROAD, KOWLOON, BEFORE FEBRUARY 4.

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SEMINARS ON USE OF TICKER-TAPE TIMER

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TWO HALF-DAY SEMINARS ON THE USE OF THE TICKER-TAPE TIMER IN PHYSICS EXPERIMENTS WILL BE ORGANISED FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ON THE MORNINGS OF MARCH 1 AND 8.

THE SEMINARS, ORGANISED BY THE SCIENCE SUBJECTS SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL BE HELD AT THE HONG KONG SZE YAP COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION WONG TAI SHAN MEMORIAL COLLEGE AT 250 NAM CHEONG STREET, SHAM SHUI PO.

DR S.Y. MAK, LECTURER OF THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, WILL GIVE A TALK AT THE SEMINAR WITH A DEMONSTRATION AND DISCUSSIONS. A PRACTICAL SESSION WILL ALSO BE HELD.

THE SEMINAR IS AIMED AT INTRODUCING THE USE OF THE TICKER-TAPE TIMER IN A NUMBER OF MECHANICS EXPERIMENTS IN PHYSICS.

THE TICKER-TAPE TIMER IS USEFUL IN MEASURING VELOCITY AND ACCELERATION THROUGH TIMING MARKS PRODUCED ON A MOVING PAPER TAPE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED.

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THE TWO SEMINARS WILL BE OPEN TO 100 PARTICIPANTS ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS WISHING TO NOMINATE THEIR PHYSICS TEACHERS TO THE SEMINARS SHOULD SUBMIT NOMINATION FORMS TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (PHYSICS), ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, BEFORE FEBRUARY 3.

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MINI-SOCCER COMPETITION IN KWAI CHUNG
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THE FINALS OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT INDUSTRIAL CUP MINI-SOCCER COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AT THE HING FONG ROAD MINI-SOCCER PITCH AT 7 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE COMPETITION IS ORGANISED BY THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD'S INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. A TOTAL OF 24 TEAMS FROM LOCAL INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATIONS HAVE TAKEN PART IN THE PRELIMINARY ROUNDS OF THE COMPETITION.

A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 8.15 PM AT THE SPORTS GROUND IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FINALS. KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK; CHAIRMAN OF THE INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, MR CHOI HING-SHUN, AND A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR LAM KIN-MING WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

BEFORE THE FINALS, THERE WILL BE A FRIENDLY MATCH BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE INDUSTRIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND SPORTS REPORTERS AT 6.15 PM IN THE HING FONG ROAD MINI-SOCCER PITCH.

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GIRL GUIDES HELP CLEAN-UP
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GIRL GUIDES FROM THE LING NAM MIDDLE SCHOOL WILL GIVE UP PART OF THEIR PLAYTIME AFTER SCHOOL ON JANUARY 29 (WEDNESDAY) TO HELP MEMBERS OF THE ST. JAMES SETTLEMENT SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES WHITEWASH AND CLEAN-UP THEIR CLUB HOUSE AT 98A KENNEDY ROAD.

THIS ACTIVITY, WHICH WILL START AT 4 PM, IS SPONSORED BY URBAN COUNCIL'S KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SCHEME, AND AS A PRELUDE TO THE COUNCIL'S CITY-WIDE YEAR-END CLEAN-UP OPERATION BEGINNING NEXT MONTH.

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SLOPE WORK PLANNED
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR STABILISATION WORK ON SLOPES ABOVE ISLAND ROAD FROM WONG CHUK HANG TO DEEP WATER BAY.

WORK ON THE SLOPES IS EXPECTED TO START IN MAY AND TAKE ABOUT 10 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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WATER STORAGE
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 63.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 373.211 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 409.508 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 69.9 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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FRESH, SALT WATER TAPS OFF

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SAU MAU PING WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (JANUARY 30) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY SHUN ON ROAD, SAU MAU PING ROAD AND SHUN LEE TSUEN ROAD, INCLUDING SHUN CHEUNG ROAD AND SHUN TIN ESTATE.

MEANWHILE, SALT WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN KENNEDY TOWN WILL BE STOPPED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY ALSO FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED AREA IS BOUNDED BY VICTORIA ROAD, CADOGAN STREET, FORBES STREET, KA WAI MAN ROAD, INCLUDING KWAN YICK STREET.

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CHAI WAN, HAPPY VALLEY TRAFFIC CHANGES

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FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (JANUARY 30), THE SECTION OF YEE TAI STREET BETWEEN YEE SHING LANE AND YEE SHING STREET IN CHAI WAN WILL BE OPENED TO TRAFFIC.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE 24-HOUR URBAN CLEARWAY RESTRICTION ON THE FOLLOWING TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN HAPPY VALLEY WILL BE LIFTED:

- * THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SHAN KWONG ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 32 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION.
- * THE NORTHERN CARRIAGEWAY OF YIK YAM STREET BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 34 AND HOUSE NO. 30.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES IN TSIM SHA TSUI

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VEHICLES ON THE UN-NAMED ROAD OFF GRANVILLE SQUARE WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING RIGHT INTO GRANVILLE ROAD EASTBOUND FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (JANUARY 30) TO IMPROVE THE TRAFFIC FLOW THERE.

VEHICLES HEADING FOR THE EASTERN SECTION OF GRANVILLE ROAD FROM GRANVILLE SQUARE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA GRANVILLE ROAD WESTBOUND, CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH, MODY ROAD AND SCIENCE MUSEUM ROAD.

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