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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES PREDICTED
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PLANS FOR THIS YEAR'S FIRST GOVERNMENT LOTTERY, WHICH WILL BE PUT ON SALE SHORTLY, ARE WELL AFOOT.

MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ARE GIVING THE FINISHING TOUCHES TO THE PLANS WHICH WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER THIS WEEK.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, MR. KAI-YIN CHAU, TODAY PREDICTED ANOTHER RECORD-SMASHING SUCCESS FOR THIS YEAR JUDGING FROM THE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE PAST.

HE NOTED THAT DUE TO THE INCREASING PUBLIC AWARENESS IN THE BASIC OBJECTIVES OF THE LOTTERY SCHEME IN PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG'S SOCIAL SERVICES THE SALES OF GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES ROSE EVERY YEAR.

HE SAID THAT THE NET INCOME DERIVED FROM THE PROCEEDS OF EACH LOTTERY SALE WAS PUT INTO THE LOTTERIES FUND FOR SUBSEQUENT ALLOCATION AS GRANTS AND LOANS TO VARIOUS LOCAL CHARITABLE AND WELFARE ORGANISATIONS FOR SOCIAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES.

SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE LOTTERY SCHEME 13 YEARS AGO, SOME \$60 MILLION FROM THE FUND HAS BEEN ALLOCATED TO OVER 100 BODIES.

AS PART OF ITS PLAN TO BOOST THE INCOME TO MEET THE EVER-INCREASING DEMAND FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, MR. CHAU SAID, THE COMMITTEE WAS PLANNING TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DRAWS.

HE RECALLED THAT ONLY TWO DRAWS WERE HELD IN 1962/63, THE YEAR WHEN GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES WERE FIRST INTRODUCED. HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF DRAWS GRADUALLY INCREASED IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS. LAST YEAR ALONE, 10 DRAWS WERE HELD, RESULTING IN A RECORD NET INCOME FOR THE FUND OF \$5.7 MILLION.

THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE IS A STATUTORY BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUBLICITY, MANAGEMENT AND PROMOTION OF SALES OF GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES.

THE COMMITTEE COMPRISES THREE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS -- MR. KAI-YIN CHAU, A BANKER-- MR. DAVID WU CHUNG-SHING, AN INDUSTRIALIST, AND MISS LYDIA DUNN, A COMPANY DIRECTOR -- AND THREE OFFICIAL MEMBERS.

THE OFFICIAL MEMBERS ARE MR. T.H. BARMA, ASSISTANT FINANCIAL SECRETARY-- MR. S.A.S. DUNLOP, CHIEF TREASURY ACCOUNTANT AND MISS ANNE CHAN SUET-MAN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE. MR. G.A.E. RAHMIN IS THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMITTEE.

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**WORKING PARTY ON UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS
SUBMITS REPORT TO GOVERNOR**

MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ARE GIVING THE FINISHING TOUCHES TO THE PLANS WHICH WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER THIS WEEK

THE REPORT OF THE WORKING PARTY ON UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE.

THE WORKING PARTY, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SIR RONALD HOLMES, WAS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR. ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE WERE TO CONSIDER WHETHER ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ENABLE SOME DOCTORS, WHOSE QUALIFICATIONS ARE NOT RECOGNISED BY THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, TO PRACTISE IN HONG KONG.

THE WORKING PARTY WAS ALSO ASKED TO CONSIDER WHAT METHODS SHOULD BE USED TO ENSURE A PROPER LEVEL OF COMPETENCE AMONG UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS IF THEY WERE LICENSED TO PRACTISE AND WHETHER ANY CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS SHOULD BE APPLIED TO SUCH PRACTICE.

AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE REPORT GIVES THE BACKGROUND TO THE ISSUE - SUMMARISES REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND FROM INDIVIDUALS AND REPRESENTATIVES INVITED TO ATTEND MEETINGS OF THE WORKING PARTY - REPORTS ON ITS CONSULTATION WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM AUTHORITIES AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE WORKING PARTY COMPRISED, SIR RONALD HOLMES, CHAIRMAN - DR. PETER C.Y. LEE, PROFESSOR MA LIN, DR. A.C. DA ROZA, PROFESSOR ARTHUR M.C. YAU, MR. R.G. BRIDGE, MR. P.D. WILLIAMS AND MR. MARCUS MAK PING-KWAN, SECRETARY.

THE GOVERNMENT IS NOW STUDYING THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT AND CARRYING OUT CONSULTATIONS ON THE FEASIBILITY OF SOME ASPECTS OF IT. THE REPORT WILL THEN BE CONSIDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, WHICH WILL ALSO DECIDE WHETHER IT SHOULD BE PUBLISHED.

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APPOINTMENT OF NEW CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (KOWLOON)

THE DIRECTOR OF HOME AFFAIRS, MR. E.P. HO, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. MICHAEL SZE CHO-CHEUNG AS CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (KOWLOON) WITH EFFECT FROM TOMORROW (MAY 15).

MR. SZE WILL REPLACE MR. A.F. NEOH, WHO WILL BE PROCEEDING ON LEAVE.

MR. SZE, AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND HAS HAD SIX YEARS' SERVICE IN GOVERNMENT.

HE SERVED IN THE COLONIAL SECRETARIAT ON FIRST APPOINTMENT AS AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER II FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT A MONTH BEFORE BECOMING AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER ON JULY 12, 1969. MR. SZE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY POSTED TO THE FORMER RESETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT (NOW KNOWN AS HOUSING DEPARTMENT) UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1, 1973 WHEN HE WAS APPOINTED AS CITY DISTRICT OFFICER (KWUN TONG) IN THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS, MR. SZE WAS ASSIGNED TO SPECIAL DUTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ROYAL VISIT.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORD OF ROYAL VISIT

IN RESPONSE TO PUBLIC DEMAND, THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES IS TO PRODUCE A PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORD OF LAST WEEK'S ROYAL VISIT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THAT THIS PUBLICATION WOULD CONTAIN THE BEST OF THE MANY COLOUR PICTURES TAKEN BY GIS CAMERAMEN IN THE COURSE OF THE CROWDED PROGRAMME OF ENGAGEMENTS ARRANGED FOR THE QUEEN AND THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

HE ADDED THAT IT WAS HOPED TO MAKE THE BOOKLET AVAILABLE SOME TIME WITHIN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. THE PRICE WOULD BE REASONABLE AND, IN HIS VIEW, THE BOOKLET WOULD PROVIDE AN EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE RECORD OF THE TOUR, FULFILLING A WIDELY EXPRESSED NEED FOR SUCH A MEMENTO OF HONG KONG'S FIRST VISIT BY A REIGNING BRITISH MONARCH.

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PRINTING COMPANY WORKERS GET SEVERANCE PAY
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FIFTY-FOUR WORKERS OF AN INSOLVENT PRINTING COMPANY IN KWUN TONG HAVE RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$90,000 AS THE THIRD AND FINAL PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING WAGES, YEAR-END DOUBLE PAY, WAGES IN LIEU OF NOTICE AND SEVERANCE PAY.

THE MONEY WAS PAID TO THE WORKERS THROUGH THE KWUN TONG OFFICE OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE COMPANY -- YEE CHEUNG COMPANY LTD. -- WAS TAKEN OVER BY A BANK-APPOINTED RECEIVER ON LUNAR NEW YEAR'S EVE (FEBRUARY 10), AND THE WORKERS IMMEDIATELY APPROACHED THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE FOR URGENT ASSISTANCE.

AS THE TAKEOVER TOOK PLACE JUST BEFORE THE CHINESE NEW YEAR, THE BANK AGREED TO ADVANCE A SUM OF \$56,000 TO PAY PART OF THEIR OUTSTANDING WAGES ON THE SAME DAY.

THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE ARRANGED SIX FURTHER MEETINGS, AND SUBSEQUENTLY THE SECOND PAYMENT OF \$45,000 WAS MADE ON MARCH 7 FOLLOWING THE SALE OF THE COMPANY'S ASSETS. THE MOST RECENT PAYMENT OF \$90,000 BRINGS THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO THE REDUNDANT WORKERS TO \$191,000.

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SIX PRE-WAR BUILDINGS DECLARED DANGEROUS
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TODAY DECLARED NOS. 146, 148 AND 150 HOLLYWOOD ROAD AND NOS. 15, 17 AND 19 SQUARE STREET, HONG KONG TO BE IN A DANGEROUS CONDITION.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING SURVEYOR SAID THAT THIS GROUP OF 3 AND 4 STOREY PRE-WAR BUILDINGS HAD BEEN UNDER OBSERVATION FOR SOME YEARS IN VIEW OF ITS ADVANCED STATE OF DETERIORATION.

THE LOAD BEARING BRICKWORK AROUND THE THREE COMMON LIGHT WELLS AND TO THE PARTY WALLS IS FRACTURED AND BULGED AND THERE IS EVIDENCE OF CRUSHING. SOME OF THE MAIN STRUCTURAL TIMBERS AND LINTELS SHOW SIGNS OF SERIOUS DECAY WHILST PARTS OF THE ROOF BOARDING BETWEEN JOISTS HAVE FAILED COMPLETELY. IN ADDITION, AN R.C.C. MAIN ROOF BEAM IS BADLY SPALLED AND ITS STEELWORK CORRODED.

IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THE PROGRESSIVE DETERIORATION IN THE CONDITION OF THIS GROUP OF BUILDINGS IS SUCH THAT THERE IS A RISK OF FAILURE LEADING TO COLLAPSE AND ACCORDINGLY NOTICES OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS IN VICTORIA DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON JUNE 11, 1975 WERE POSTED TODAY.

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CAREFUL PREPARATION NEEDED FOR COMPUTER LEARNING
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THE NEED FOR CAREFUL PREPARATION FOR COMPUTER LEARNING IN ORDER TO GET THE BEST RESULTS OUT OF NEW DEVICES WAS STRESSED BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, THIS AFTERNOON WHEN HE OPENED THE COMPUTER APPLICATION EXHIBITION AT THE HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE.

THOROUGH PREPARATION WAS ESSENTIAL, HE POINTED OUT, SO THAT A MOOD OF HIGH EXCITEMENT DOES NOT LEAD TO MATCHING DISAPPOINTMENT.

HE SAID: +THE USE OF MASS MEDIA AND COMPUTERS IN EDUCATION HAS SOMETHING IN COMMON. THEY PROVIDE NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN EDUCATION BUT NOT NECESSARILY EASY SOLUTION. THE SOFT WARE ELEMENT IS ALWAYS IMPORTANT COMPARED TO HARD WARE. THE HUMAN ELEMENT IS ALWAYS VITAL.

+THE OPEN UNIVERSITY IN BRITAIN IS SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE OF THE EFFORTS PUT INTO TUTORIALS AND CONFERENCES AND MARKING SCRIPTS, IN ADDITION TO THE T.V. PROGRAMME.+

ALTHOUGH MR. TOPLEY DID NOT EXPECT ALL THE THINGS ON DISPLAY AT THE EXHIBITION WERE ALL SUSCEPTIBLE OF GENERAL APPLICATION IN HONG KONG RIGHT NOW, HE STATED THAT +WE SHOULD, HOWEVER, BROADEN OUR MIND TO SEE WHAT THE POSSIBILITIES ARE FOR THE FUTURE.+

ON COMPUTERIZED LEARNING, THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT IF IN THE FUTURE A SUBSTANTIAL PROPORTION OF LEARNING WAS DONE THROUGH 'STUDENT TO KEYBOARD CONTACT' RATHER THAN 'STUDENT TO TEACHER CONCEPT', THAT EDUCATION WOULD HAVE INDEED CHANGED.

+APART FROM GETTING THE TECHNOLOGY RIGHT, WE SHOULD NEED TO PREPARE STUDENTS VERY WELL FOR THIS NEW LEARNING SITUATION,+ HE SAID.

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