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GOVERNOR TO VISIT FUJIAN, ZHEJIANG

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WILL VISIT FUJIAN AND ZHEJIANG FROM MAY 22-27 AT THE INVITATION OF THE GOVERNORS OF THE TWO PROVINCES.

THE GOVERNOR WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY LADY WILSON, THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR DICK CLIFT, AND HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY, MR RICHARD HOARE.

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RTHK TO BROADCAST GOVERNOR'S PRESS CONFERENCE

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RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG WILL BROADCAST LIVE THE PRESS CONFERENCE TO BE GIVEN BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

IT WILL BE CARRIED ON BOTH RADIO 1 (CHINESE) AND RADIO 3 (ENGLISH), STARTING AT 4.30 PM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

OWING TO LIMITATION OF SPACE, YOU ARE REMINDED THAT ATTENDANCE WILL HAVE TO BE RESTRICTED TO ONE REPORTER FROM EACH PRINT MEDIA ORGANISATION.

AS FOR THE ELECTRONIC MEDIA, EACH STATION IS REQUESTED TO SEND A CREW OF NO MORE THAN TWO PEOPLE (EXCLUDING THE REPORTER). THEY ARE ADVISED TO ARRIVE AT LEAST 30 MINUTES EARLIER TO SET UP THEIR CAMERAS AT FIXED POSITIONS.

THERE WILL BE A TWO-MINUTE PHOTO-CALL FOR STILL PHOTOGRAPHS BEFORE THE START OF THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT CLEAN SOUND OUTLETS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR RECORDING PURPOSES AT THE BACK OF THE CONFERENCE ROOM.

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DANIEL TSE APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF CIVIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE
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THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPOINTED AN EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, DR DANIEL TSE, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION FOR TWO YEARS WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1 THIS YEAR.

DR TSE REPLACED MRS RITA FAN WHOSE CHAIRMANSHIP EXPIRED ON MARCH 31, 1988.

MEANWHILE, FOUR NEW MEMBERS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEE TO BROADEN ITS REPRESENTATIVENESS.

THEY ARE MR NG WAI-CHO, AN ELECTED MEMBER OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD; MR CHAN CHUN-FAT, AN APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD; MR CHENG KAI-NAM, A SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER; AND MR MICHAEL KWAN CHING-KIT, AN ARCHITECT AND POPULAR SINGER.

FOUR OTHER MEMBERS WHO PREVIOUSLY SAT ON THE COMMITTEE HAVE ALSO BEEN OFFERED ANOTHER TWO-YEAR TERM. THEY ARE MR IP KING-MAN, MR K.T. POON, MR JUSTEIN C. WONG AND MR YEUNG KWOK-HUNG.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION WAS ESTABLISHED IN MAY 1986 TO ADVISE THE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS ON THE OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF CIVIC EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

IT ALSO ENCOURAGES COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND ASSISTS IN THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC AWARENESS AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

OTHER MEMBERS ON THE COMMITTEE ARE MR CHAN WING-TAI, DR C.Y. HUANG, MS KO SIU-WAH, MR MAK HOI-WAH, MRS PAULINE NG CHOW MAY-LIN, MISS NORA YAU AND MR LUKE YIP JING-PING.

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MTRC CHAIRMAN TO MEET OMELCO TRANSPORT PANEL
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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION, MR WILFRID NEWTON, WILL MEET THE OMELCO TRANSPORT PANEL ON APRIL 25 AT 9 AM TO DISCUSS MATTERS CONCERNING THE MTR FARE INCREASE, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY).

ON THE SAME DAY, MR NEWTON WILL CHAIR A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MTRC BOARD TO CONSIDER THE VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS MADE BY ALL CONCERNED ON THE FARE ISSUE.

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TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS TOMORROW

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THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) WILL MEET TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE FINAL REPORT OF THE TAC SUB-COMMITTEE ON TAXI POLICY REVIEW.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE IDENTIFICATION OF A SUITABLE FERRY PIER IN KOWLOON FOR RECREATIONAL FERRY SERVICE TO AND FROM MUI WO.

THE COMMITTEE WILL LOOK INTO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC BUS SERVICES ORDINANCE AND THE PUBLIC BUS SERVICES (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA ARE THE LEGISLATION FOR PRIVATE ROADS AND THE PRIVATE STREETS RESUMPTION PROGRAMME.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES AT 2.30 PM.

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FARMERS INVITED TO VISIT DEMONSTRATION CENTRE

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) IS ORGANISING FOUR VISITS FOR LIVESTOCK FARMERS OPERATING IN THE FIRST THREE CONTROL AREAS TO SEE WASTE TREATMENT METHODS AT THE TA KWU LING DEMONSTRATION CENTRE.

THE VISITS ARE ORGANISED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT (AFD) AND THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION (CNTA).

THE TREATMENT METHODS INCLUDE A DRY MUCK-OUT AND TWO WET MUCK-OUT SYSTEMS. A PIG-ON-LITTER SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY AFD IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR DEMONSTRATION.

THE VISITS ARE SCHEDULED ON APRIL 20 FOR FARMERS FROM SILVERMINE BAY AND ANGLER'S BEACH AREAS (PAI MIN KOK AREAS); ON APRIL 22 FOR FARMERS FROM TAI PO NORTH, THAT IS, LAM TSUEN AND WAI TAU AREAS; ON APRIL 27 FOR FARMERS FROM TAI PO KAU VILLAGE, TOLO HARBOUR AND TAI PO AREAS; AND ON APRIL 29 FOR FARMERS FROM SAI KUNG NORTH, KOON YAM SHAN, MAU TSO NGAM AND SHA TIN AREAS.

SUBSEQUENT VISITS WILL BE ORGANISED FOR FARMERS OPERATING IN OTHER CONTROL AREAS.

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FOLLOWING THE PASSAGE OF THE WASTE DISPOSAL (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1987 IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR, EPD HAS STARTED A PROGRAMME TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ADVICE TO LIVESTOCK FARMERS IN THE CONTROL AREAS ON WAYS TO COMPLY WITH CONTROL REQUIREMENTS.

IN THIS CONNECTION, A DEMONSTRATION FARM HAS BEEN SET UP AT TA KWU LING. SINCE DECEMBER LAST YEAR, MORE THAN 200 FARMERS HAVE VISITED THIS DEMONSTRATION CENTRE.

TO FACILITATE THE FARMERS' VISITS TO THE CENTRE ON APRIL 20, 22, 27 AND 29, A COACH HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO TAKE PARTICIPANTS TO AND FROM THE CENTRE.

INTERESTED FARMERS CAN CONTACT EPD ON 3-321242 OR CNTA ON 3-7241771.

THEY CAN ALSO CONTACT AFD'S TAI PO OFFICE ON 0-6577111 EXT 126-129, KO PO OFFICE ON 0-940533, HO CHUNG OFFICE ON 3-7198242 OR MUI WO OFFICE ON 5-9848330.

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FIRST MEETING OF WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD

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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD WILL ELECT ITS NEW CHAIRMAN AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THIS TERM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE BOARD WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE ADOPTION OF ITS STANDING ORDERS, THE FORMATION OF DISTRICT BOARD COMMITTEES, THE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 1988-89, AND THE APPORTIONMENT OF DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS.

THE MEETING WILL CONSIDER A MEMBER'S REQUEST FOR A REPORT FROM ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR LEE YU-TAI.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE URBAN COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME (1987-88 TO 1991-92); PROGRESS REPORTS FROM THE VARIOUS DISTRICT BOARD COMMITTEES; REPORT OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE; AND A LETTER FROM A MEMBER CONCERNING THE PROPOSED MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY PEAK-HOUR FARE SURCHARGE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE, EIGHTH FLOOR, TUNG WAH MANSION, WAN CHAI. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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WONG TAI SIN DB TO ELECT CHAIRMAN

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MEMBERS OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE NEW TERM WHEN THEY MEET TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

TWO CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN NOMINATED -- CHAN KAM-MAN AND MR MICHAEL LEE YUK-KWAN.

AFTER THE ELECTION, MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE ADOPTION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD STANDING ORDERS AND WILL DECIDE ON THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEES TO BE ESTABLISHED.

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES FOR COMMERCIAL OPERATORS AFFECTED BY CLEARANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT THE FUNG MING HALL OF WONG TAI SIN TEMPLE.

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KUN LUNG GATE TOWER TO BE RESTORED

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WORK ON THE RESTORATION OF THE KUN LUNG GATE TOWER IN SAN WAI, A WALLED VILLAGE IN FANLING, HAS STARTED WITH THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF \$0.3 MILLION FROM THE GOVERNMENT.

THE RENOVATION PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT FIVE MONTHS' TIME.

SAN WAI VILLAGE WAS ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS KUN LUNG WAI WHICH IS ONE OF 11 TANG VILLAGES IN LUNG YEUK TAU IN NORTH DISTRICT.

ALTHOUGH THE VILLAGE WAS REPORTEDLY SETTLED BY MEMBERS OF THE TANG CLAN DURING THE 14TH CENTURY, ITS WALLS WERE BUILT AT A MUCH LATER DATE.

THE STONE LINTEL ABOVE THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE VILLAGE IS ENGRAVED WITH THE DATE "JIA-ZI OF THE QIAN LONG REIGN", WHICH EQUATES TO 1744 A.D.

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THE VILLAGE WAS ORIGINALLY ENCLOSED BY FOUR BRICK WALLS. FIVE ROWS OF HOUSES WERE LOCATED INSIDE THE WALLS, TOGETHER WITH A VILLAGE TEMPLE AND A GATE TOWER AT THE SOUTHWESTERN AXIS.

ALTHOUGH THE WALLS ARE RUINED, THE GATE TOWER IS STILL IN A REASONABLY GOOD STATE OF REPAIR.

IT HAS A UNIQUE FEATURE OF TWO TOWERS, AS COMPARED TO THE TRADITIONAL SINGLE TOWER DESIGN FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THE TERRITORY.

BOTH TOWERS ARE FREE-STANDING, UNLINKED STRUCTURES. THE TALL, NARROW OUTER TOWER IS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION AND HAS A FINE FACADE OF GREEN BRICKS AND WELL-DRESSED GRANITE BLOCKS SURMOUNTED BY A BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED BOAT-SHAPED RIDGE.

THE KUN LUNG GATE TOWER WAS GAZETTED AS A MONUMENT ON MARCH 11 THIS YEAR UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS ORDINANCE.

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MORE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR CHAI WAN

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WORK WILL START ON CREATING AN OPEN SPACE IN CHAI WAN LATER THIS MONTH TO PROVIDE MORE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR RESIDENTS.

THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS AWARDED A \$9.6 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF THE OPEN SPACE ADJACENT TO HENG FA CHUEN.

IT WILL HAVE A MINI SOCCER PITCH AND SPECTATOR STAND, A SMALL OPEN AIR THEATRE WITH SEATS AND TWO CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS.

OTHER FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE A FOUNTAIN, PAVILIONS AND ARBOURS, COVERED WALKWAY, SEASIDE PROMENADE AND TOILETS.

THE 9,000 SQUARE METRE SITE WILL BE FULLY LANDSCAPED.

THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN MARCH NEXT YEAR.

HENG FA CHUEN DEVELOPMENT LTD HAS CONTRIBUTED \$3 MILLION TOWARDS CONSTRUCTION COSTS.

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DTC REGISTRATION REVOKED

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THAT THE REGISTRATION OF THE HIBERNIA PACIFIC (ASIA) LIMITED AS A DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY HAS BEEN REVOKED TODAY AT ITS OWN REQUEST UNDER SECTION 31(2) OF THE BANKING ORDINANCE.

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RENOWNED FLAUTIST TO GIVE MASTERCLASS

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THE MUSIC OFFICE WILL PRESENT A MASTERCLASS BY A WORLD RENOWNED FLAUTIST, MISS JUDITH HALL, AT THE YAU MA TEI MUSIC CENTRE ON SUNDAY (APRIL 24) FROM 10 AM TO NOON.

MISS HALL MADE A HIGHLY ACCLAIMED DEBUT IN LONDON IN 1975 AND WAS IMMEDIATELY ENGAGED BY THE ORCHESTRA OF THE ROYAL OPERA HOUSE, WHERE SHE WAS PRINCIPAL FLUTE FOR SEVEN YEARS.

SHE NOW PLAYS WITH THE LONDON ORCHESTRAS, AND WITH MANY SMALL GROUPS, ON A FREELANCE BASIS.

HER TRAVELS AS A SOLOIST AND CHAMBER MUSIC PLAYER HAVE TAKEN HER TO FESTIVALS AND VENUES IN NEARLY ALL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, SOUTHEAST ASIA AND AUSTRALIA, AND TOURS ARE PLANNED FOR RUSSIA AND SPAIN.

AT THE MASTERCLASS, SHE WILL LECTURE ON THE VARIOUS TECHNIQUES OF FLUTE PLAYING.

ADMISSION TO THE MASTERCLASS IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. RESERVATIONS AND ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-8235321 OR 3-7226240.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 35.5 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 208.072 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 309.005 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 52.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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