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RISK ASSESSMENT REPORT ON DAYA BAY RELEASED

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HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ACCIDENTS AT THE NUCLEAR POWER STATION BEING BUILT AT DAYA BAY IN CHINA ARE MUCH LOWER, BY A VERY WIDE MARGIN, THAN OTHER RISKS ENCOUNTERED BY HONG KONG PEOPLE IN EVERYDAY LIFE, ACCORDING TO AN INDEPENDENT RISK ASSESSMENT.

A SUMMARY REPORT ON THE RISK ASSESSMENT, MADE BY THE UNITED KINGDOM ATOMIC ENERGY AUTHORITY, POINTS OUT THAT MANY NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS SIMILAR TO THAT BEING BUILT AT DAYA BAY ARE OPERATING AROUND THE WORLD AND ARE CONSIDERED BY THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TO POSE AN ACCEPTABLY SMALL RISK TO THEIR SURROUNDING POPULATION.

THE ASSESSMENT INCLUDES AN ANALYSIS OF THE PLANT SYSTEM, AIMED AT EVALUATING ACCIDENT PROBABILITIES AND POSSIBLE HEALTH RISKS IN HONG KONG.

THE REPORT SAYS THE RESULTS OF THE PLANT ANALYSIS ARE GENERALLY CONSISTENT WITH DETAILED STUDIES OF SIMILAR REACTOR TYPES PERFORMED BY OTHERS.

"THIS, AND THE FACT THAT NO OBVIOUS PLANT-SPECIFIC WEAKNESSES ARE APPARENT FROM THE PRESENT WORK, PROVIDES AN ASSURANCE THAT THE DAYA BAY PLANT RISKS WILL BE IN LINE WITH THOSE OF MANY OTHER PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR (PWR) PLANTS OF THE SAME DESIGN," IT SAYS.

COMMENTING ON THE REPORT, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES, MRS ELIZABETH BOSHER, SAID TODAY THE CONSULTANTS' FINDINGS WERE REASSURING IN THAT NO OBVIOUS PLANT SPECIFIC WEAKNESSES ARE REVEALED BY THE STUDY AND THAT THE LIKELIHOOD OF THE HEALTH OF HONG KONG PEOPLE BEING AFFECTED BY ACCIDENTS AT DAYA BAY IS INDEED MUCH LOWER, BY A VERY LARGE MARGIN, THAN ANALOGOUS RISKS ENCOUNTERED BY HONG KONG PEOPLE IN EVERYDAY LIFE.

"THEY SHOULD THEREFORE HELP ALLAY PUBLIC CONCERN ABOUT THE LEVEL OF RISK THAT MAY BE POSED TO HONG KONG BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NUCLEAR POWER STATION AT DAYA BAY," SHE SAID.

MRS BOSHER NOTED THAT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE STUDY HAVE NOT REVEALED ANYTHING THAT CAUSE INTO QUESTION THE FINDINGS OF AN EARLIER STUDY ON CONTINGENCY PLANNING, AND SAID THE DATA PROVIDED BY THE CURRENT STUDY WOULD PROVIDE USEFUL ADDITIONAL REFERENCE IN THE PREPARATION OF THE CONTINGENCY PLAN, WHICH WILL BE READY FOR TESTING SOME TIME IN NOVEMBER THIS YEAR. FURTHER DETAILS ON THIS EXERCISE WILL BE RELEASED NEARER THE TIME.

THE REPORT POINTS OUT THAT "RISK" IS RELATED TO BOTH THE LIKELIHOOD OF AN OCCURRENCE AND THE MAGNITUDE OF THE HARMFUL CONSEQUENCES. A PARTICULAR ACTIVITY COULD BE CONSIDERED MORE RISKY IF ACCIDENTS OCCURRED MORE FREQUENTLY OR IF THEY RESULTED IN MORE HARM.

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TWO GENERAL FORMS OF RISK ARE CONSIDERED : INDIVIDUAL RISK AND SOCIETAL RISK. INDIVIDUAL RISK REFERS TO THE CHANCE, IN ANY ONE YEAR, THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WILL EXPERIENCE SOME SPECIFIED HARM WHILE SOCIETAL RISK IS ESSENTIALLY EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF THE PROBABILITY IN ANY ONE YEAR WITH WHICH SPECIFIC NUMBERS OF INDIVIDUALS, IN A PARTICULAR COMMUNITY, ARE HARMED.

THE REPORT SAYS THE RISK TO BE CONSIDERED AT DAYA BAY IS A MOST UNLIKELY SEQUENCE OF FAILURES OCCURRING AT THE SAME TIME WHICH COULD CAUSE THE REACTOR CORE OF A UNIT TO OVERHEAT. IF THAT HAPPENED AND WAS NOT STOPPED, SOME RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL COULD BE RELEASED INTO THE PRESSURE VESSEL AND FROM THERE POSSIBLY INTO THE CONTAINMENT BUILDING.

SHOULD THE CONTAINMENT FAIL - THOUGH THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED IN A PWR BEFORE - RADIOACTIVE PARTICLES AND GASES WOULD BE RELEASED INTO THE ENVIRONMENT, WHERE THEY WOULD BE DISPERSED AND, VIA A NUMBER OF EXPOSURE PATHWAYS, COULD CAUSE HARMFUL EFFECTS TO HUMANS.

IN SUMMARIZING SOME OF THE IMPORTANT FEATURES OF THE CALCULATED RISKS, THE REPORT GIVES TWO EXAMPLES OF SOCIETAL RISK. THESE ARE :

THE PROBABILITY, PER YEAR OF STATION OPERATION, OF THE OCCURRENCE OF ONE OR MORE EARLY DEATHS IS ONE CHANCE IN A MILLION. LARGER NUMBERS OF EARLY DEATHS ARE LESS LIKELY.

THE PROBABILITY, PER YEAR OF STATION OPERATION, OF THE OCCURRENCE OF ONE OR MORE FATAL CANCERS IS ONE CHANCE IN 50,000. LARGER NUMBERS ARE AGAIN LESS LIKELY.

TWO EXAMPLES OF INDIVIDUAL RISK ARE GIVEN AND THESE ARE :

THE AVERAGE INDIVIDUAL RISK OF EARLY DEATH, PER YEAR OF STATION OPERATION, IS ONE IN 500 MILLION.

THE AVERAGE INDIVIDUAL RISK OF FATAL CANCER, PER YEAR OF STATION OPERATION, IS LESS THAN ONE IN 10 MILLION.

IN ASSESSING THE ABOVE RISKS, A NUMBER OF DELIBERATE PESSIMISTIC ASSUMPTIONS HAD BEEN MADE. THUS THEY ARE CONSIDERED TO BE OVERESTIMATES OF THE ACTUAL RISKS.

"THE ABOVE RISKS CAN BE PUT IN SOME PERSPECTIVE BY COMPARING THEM WITH OTHER RISKS TO WHICH INDIVIDUALS IN HONG KONG ARE ALREADY SUBJECTED," THE REPORT SAYS.

"IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT OF A NUCLEAR ACCIDENT, EARLY DEATHS WOULD BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE AS RESULTING FROM THE EVENT. THUS THE NATURAL COMPARISON IS WITH OTHER FORMS OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

"FATAL CANCERS WOULD OCCUR RANDOMLY OVER A PERIOD OF ABOUT 50 YEARS FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT AND WOULD BE INDISTINGUISHABLE FROM NORMALLY OCCURRING CANCERS. THE NATURAL COMPARISON HERE, THEREFORE, IS WITH THE NORMAL CANCER DEATH RATE."

ESTIMATING THE NORMAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH RISK AT JUST OVER ONE IN 10,000 AND THE NORMAL FATAL CANCER RISK AT JUST OVER ONE IN 1,000, THE REPORT NOTES :

"COMPARING THESE INDIVIDUAL RISK FIGURES WITH THOSE QUOTED EARLIER INDICATES THE REACTOR ACCIDENT-RELATED EARLY DEATH RISK IS LOWER THAN THE NORMAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH RISK BY A FACTOR OF ABOUT 60,000; EQUALLY, THE REACTOR ACCIDENT-RELATED CANCER FATALITY RISK IS LESS THAN THE NORMAL CANCER RISK BY ABOUT 20,000."

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HK'S ECONOMIC POLICIES BRING ABOUT CONCRETE ACHIEVEMENTS

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HONG KONG'S "FREE, OPEN AND PRUDENT" ECONOMIC POLICIES ARE FAVOURABLE TO HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT CONCRETE ACHIEVEMENTS, THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR JOHN CHAN, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT A SEMINAR ON "HONG KONG/GUANGDONG - A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP" IN SHENZHEN, MR CHAN SAID WHAT WAS IMPLEMENTED IN HONG KONG WAS A FREE-ENTERPRISE SYSTEM DIRECTED BY MARKET FORCES.

"THE PRIMARY ROLE OF THE GOVERNMENT IS TO PROVIDE A STABLE AND APPROPRIATE SYSTEM TO ENABLE INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE TO OPERATE EFFECTIVELY AND SMOOTHLY WITH MINIMUM INTERVENTION," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC POLICY HAD ONCE BEEN DESCRIBED AS "LAISSEZ-FAIRE", WHICH WAS, IN FACT, GREATLY MISLEADING.

HE SAID LAISSEZ-FAIRE WAS NEGATIVE AND INDIFFERENT, BUT THE NON-INTERVENTION POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT WAS POSITIVE.

"IN FACT, NON-INTERVENTION IS ONLY A BROAD POLICY DIRECTION AND IS NOT ABSOLUTE AND INVARIABLE.

"WHEN THERE ARE ECONOMIC OR SOCIAL NEEDS, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD MONITOR OR INTERVENE IN THE OPERATION OF THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL SECTORS IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER TO PROMOTE OVERALL ECONOMIC GROWTH OR TO BALANCE THE INTERESTS OF DIFFERENT SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY HAD FORCED MANUFACTURERS TO MAKE CONTINUOUS EFFORTS TO SEEK THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE MEANS OF PRODUCTION, THEREBY ACHIEVING THE EFFECT OF SHARPENING THE COMPETITIVE EDGE OF OUR PRODUCTS.

HE SAID HONG KONG MANUFACTURERS, BEING CONSTANTLY EXERCISED BY SUCH AN OPERATING ENVIRONMENT, HAD GENERALLY DEVELOPED A HIGH DEGREE OF FLEXIBILITY AND ADAPTABILITY, AS WELL AS A STRONG ABILITY TO GRASP OPPORTUNITIES.

"THE INITIATIVE TAKEN BY HONG KONG MANUFACTURERS IN THE PAST 10 YEARS TO MAKE MAJOR INVESTMENTS AND TO PURSUE OTHER ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION ACTIVITIES IN SHENZHEN AND OTHER PARTS OF GUANGDONG PROVIDE THE BEST EXAMPLES OF THEIR ABILITY TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED BY CHINA'S OPENING UP TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF HIGH LAND PRICES AND LABOUR SHORTAGE WITH WHICH THEY WERE FACED IN HONG KONG," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC POLICY WAS SUITED TO THE TERRITORY'S UNIQUE ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES.

"AS A SMALL AND OPEN ECONOMY, HONG KONG IS VULNERABLE TO EXTERNAL FACTORS, AND GOVERNMENT'S CAPACITY TO TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO OFFSET UNFAVOURABLE EXTERNAL INFLUENCES IS LIMITED.

"IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS USUALLY MORE EFFECTIVE FOR THE ALLOCATION OF ECONOMIC RESOURCES TO BE DECIDED BY THE MARKET FORCES OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

"WITH THIS POLICY, COUPLED WITH A TAXATION SYSTEM WHICH PROVIDES STRONG INCENTIVES FOR OUR LABOUR TO WORK HARD AND FOR OUR ENTREPRENEURS TO INVEST, HONG KONG HAS DEVELOPED INTO AN INTERNATIONALLY-RENOWNED INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL CENTRE IN THREE TO FOUR DECADES.

"THIS IS REALLY A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT AND IS RECOGNISED AS AN ECONOMIC MIRACLE BY MANY PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD," HE SAID.

HE SAID WHILE THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT PROTECT OR SUBSIDISE HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIES, IT ACTIVELY PROVIDED THE NECESSARY INFRASTRUCTURAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL SUPPORT TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE THEIR GROWTH.

AS FAR AS INFRASTRUCTURE WAS CONCERNED, THROUGH DIRECT INVESTMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, CO-OPERATION WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND MONITORING OF THE PRIVATELY-OWNED PUBLIC UTILITIES, THE GOVERNMENT ENSURED THAT THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR WAS PROVIDED WITH ADEQUATE AND EFFICIENT FACILITIES AND SERVICES AT REASONABLE COSTS IN THE SUPPLY OF WATER AND ELECTRICITY, TELECOMMUNICATION AND TRANSPORTATION.

AS REGARDS INDUSTRIAL LAND, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD GRANT LAND ON SPECIAL TERMS TO INDUSTRIES WHICH REQUIRE A LOT OF LAND AND CAPITAL IN ORDER TO DEVELOP THE FOUNDATION OF HONG KONG'S INDUSTRY AND RAISE THE STANDARD OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY.

"WE ALSO GRANT LAND THROUGH THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE CORPORATION, WHICH IS A STATUTORY BODY, TO HIGH-TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRIES WHICH CANNOT OPERATE IN ORDINARY MULTI-STOREY FACTORY BUILDINGS," HE SAID.

AS REGARDS DEVELOPMENTAL SUPPORT, MR CHAN SAID THE PRIMARY ROLE OF THE GOVERNMENT WAS TO TRAIN UP MANAGERIAL AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL, AS WELL AS SKILLED AND QUALITY WORKERS FOR OUR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, THROUGH OUR EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING FACILITIES.

"BESIDES, THE GOVERNMENT ALSO PROVIDES GENERAL SERVICES TO THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL SECTORS THROUGH THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT AND VARIOUS STATUTORY BODIES WHICH ARE SUBVENTED BY THE GOVERNMENT," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID WHILE ENCOURAGING AND SUPPORTING INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, THE GOVERNMENT MUST ALSO EXERCISE SOME CONTROL ON THE INDUSTRIAL SECTORS.

"WE HAVE ENACTED COMPREHENSIVE LABOUR LEGISLATION TO MAKE STEADY IMPROVEMENT TO THE WORKING ENVIRONMENT AND THE EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS OF OUR WORKERS.

"WE HAVE ALSO PROMULGATED A NUMBER OF REGULATIONS ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY SO AS TO CONTROL HIGH-RISK INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES AND TO ENSURE THAT WORKERS ARE PROPERLY PROTECTED.

"IN ORDER TO TACKLE THE GROWING POLLUTION PROBLEM, IT IS NECESSARY TO INTRODUCE LAWS TO CONTAIN NOISE, AIR AND WATER POLLUTION ARISING FROM INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES AND OTHER SOURCES," HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID ALTHOUGH HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES WERE BASICALLY IN THE HANDS OF PRIVATE ENTERPRISES, THE GOVERNMENT PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT SERVICES AND THE EXERCISE OF LIMITED CONTROL.

"WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO CUTTING OUR COAT ACCORDING TO OUR CLOTH AND MAINTAINING A BROAD BALANCE OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

"BUT IN PUTTING THIS PRINCIPLE INTO PRACTICE, WE WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE MEDIUM RANGE AND LONGER-TERM FORECAST OVER SEVERAL CONSECUTIVE FINANCIAL YEARS, SO AS TO PREVENT GOVERNMENT PROJECTS FROM BEING UNDULY INFLUENCED BY SHORT-TERM, CYCLICAL ECONOMIC FLUCTUATIONS, RESULTING IN SPASMODIC PROGRESS.

"WE INSIST THAT THE GROWTH OF PUBLIC SECTOR EXPENDITURE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED AT A LEVEL BROADLY COMPARABLE TO THE RATE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH.

"WE ALSO INSIST ON KEEPING THE PROPORTION WHICH PUBLIC SECTOR EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR IN THE OVERALL EXPENDITURE OF THE ECONOMY AT A STABLE RATE, SO THAT THE PUBLIC SECTOR DOES NOT COMPETE UNDULY WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR OUR LIMITED ECONOMIC RESOURCES," HE SAID.

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APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR IMPORTATION OF LABOUR
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A SPOKESMAN FOR IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) REMINDED EMPLOYERS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31 IF THEY WISH TO EMPLOY FOREIGN TECHNICIANS, CRAFTSMEN, SUPERVISORS AND EXPERIENCED OPERATIVES UNDER THE NEW SCHEMES ON IMPORTATION OF LABOUR.

"EMPLOYERS SHOULD COMPLETE THE STANDARD REQUEST (ID 408C) AND PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FORMS (ID 408B) AND SUBMIT THEM, TOGETHER WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS, TO THE ENTRY VISA SECTION ON THE SEVENTH FLOOR, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE EXAMINED AND DECIDED ON DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

"ONCE AN APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED, WE WILL NOTIFY THE EMPLOYER OF HIS SHARE OF THE QUOTA.

"FROM THAT DATE THE EMPLOYERS WILL HAVE THREE MONTHS WITHIN WHICH TO RECRUIT WORKERS, AND TO ARRANGE FOR THE WORKERS TO APPLY FOR VISAS," HE SAID.

"A VISA APPLICATION WILL TAKE THREE TO FIVE WEEKS TO PROCESS," HE ADDED.

A LIST OF THE PRINCIPAL JOB TITLES IN EACH INDUSTRY WITH MEDIAN WAGE LEVELS, THE "HOW TO IMPORT LABOUR FROM OUTSIDE HONG KONG UNDER THE SPECIAL SCHEME" PAMPHLET, APPLICATION FORM, EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT AND GUIDANCE NOTES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM THE IMMIGRATION AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENTS.

ENQUIRIES ON IMMIGRATION MATTERS MAY BE MADE TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 829 3220 AND 829 3222.

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ONE MORE AIDS CASE CONFIRMED
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ONE MORE CASE OF AIDS (ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME) HAS BEEN CONFIRMED, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AIDS CASES IN HONG KONG TO 38, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCED TODAY (TUESDAY).

THE NEW PATIENT DIED IN JUNE SHORTLY AFTER HE HAD BEEN CONFIRMED TO BE SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASE. IN ADDITION, THREE OTHER AIDS PATIENTS DIED THIS MONTH (JULY).

SO FAR, A TOTAL OF 27 AIDS PATIENTS HAVE PASSED AWAY WHILE 11 OTHERS ARE UNDER COUNSELLING AND TREATMENT.

RELEASING THE MONTHLY STATISTICS ON THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID FOUR MORE MEN WERE FOUND TO BE POSITIVE FOR THE HIV ANTIBODY TEST.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF HIV CARRIERS WHO HAVE NOT YET DEVELOPED AIDS WAS 149 AS AT THE END OF JUNE. OF THESE, 54 WERE HAEMOPHILIACS, 77 ACQUIRED THE INFECTION SEXUALLY, THREE WERE DRUG ABUSERS, THREE ACQUIRED THE INFECTION THROUGH BLOOD TRANSFUSION AND THE INFORMATION FOR THE OTHER 12 WAS INADEQUATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

UNDER THE AIDS SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMME WHICH STARTED IN 1985, A TOTAL OF 163,303 BLOOD SPECIMENS HAVE BEEN TESTED FOR THE AIDS VIRUS.

THE HONG KONG RED CROSS BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE HAS ALSO SCREENED ALL BLOOD DONORS FOR AIDS.

UP TO LAST MONTH, 738,632 UNITS OF BLOOD HAD BEEN TESTED AND 12 WERE FOUND POSITIVE.

愛滋病抗體檢驗
AIDS Virus (HIV) Antibody Testing
 病毒組 衛生署
Virus Unit, Department of Health

	Apr 85 - May 90		June		Total	
	No. tested*	No. +ve	No. tested*	No. +ve	No. tested*	No. +ve
經由政府診所及醫院介紹 Referrals from Govt. hospitals and clinics	10 690	62	227	2	10 917	64
經由私家醫生及政府醫院介紹 Referrals from private practitioners and subvented hospitals	1 952	40	20	0	1 972	40
到社會衛生科診所或衛生 Attendances at social hygiene clinics	142 418	21	2 330	0	144 748	21
血友病患者 Haemophiliacs	432	56	6	2	438	58
濫用靜脈注射毒品人士 IV drug abusers	4 207	1	113	0	4 320	1
經由家庭計劃協會介紹 Referrals from Family Planning Association	204	0	3	0	207	0
健康護理人員 Health care personnel	695	0	6	0	701	0

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Total 160 598 180 2 705 4 163 303 184

此項血液樣本數目並非人數，因某些人士的檢驗是重覆的。
 * This indicates the number of specimens and not persons as tests are repeated for certain individuals.

	Aug 85 - May 90		June		Total	
	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve	No. tested	No. +ve
香港紅十字會輸血服務 Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	725 507	12	13 125	0	738 632	12

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HK CONTINUES TO BUILD FOR ITS FUTURE

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HONG KONG WILL CONTINUE WITH ITS INFRASTRUCTURAL, HOUSING AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTS AND THE PROVISION OF A WELL-REGULATED BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT SO AS TO RETAIN THE CONFIDENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND OF HONG KONG PEOPLE AND TO ENSURE THE TERRITORY'S CONTINUED PROSPERITY AND STABILITY.

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID THIS TODAY (TUESDAY) WHEN OUTLINING THE TERRITORY'S LATEST ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS TO A MINISTERIAL DELEGATION FROM LUXEMBOURG.

THE VISITORS WERE LED BY THE COUNTRY'S MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS, MR ROBERT GOEBBELS, AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE HONORARY CONSUL, MR JAMES KUNG.

THEY LEARNED THAT THE TERRITORY'S MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR THE FUTURE RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW AIRPORT AT CHEK LAP KOK.

THE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, TOGETHER WITH THE ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT LINKS AND SUPPORTING FACILITIES, COULD BE SEEN AS A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE TOWARDS THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG, MR LAN TOLD THE VISITORS.

"HOWEVER," HE ADDED, "APART FROM INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT, HONG KONG IS ALSO INVESTING HEAVILY ON ITS MANPOWER RESOURCES."

HE POINTED OUT THAT A THIRD UNIVERSITY WAS NOW BEING BUILT AND WAS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED IN 1991.

ON THE ECONOMIC FRONT, MR LAN NOTED THAT HONG KONG HAD TO ITS CREDIT OF BEING THE TRADING CENTRE OF SOUTHEAST ASIA, THE GATEWAY TO CHINA AND THE WORLD'S 11TH LARGEST TRADING ECONOMY.

"THE VALUE OF TOTAL OVERSEAS INVESTMENT AT THE END OF 1988 WAS OVER US\$3,000 MILLION, MORE THAN DOUBLE THE FIGURE RECORDED IN 1984," HE SAID.

TURNING TO POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT, MR LAN SAID NEXT YEAR WOULD BE A MILESTONE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG AS, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE TERRITORY'S HISTORY, THERE WOULD BE DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

HE ALSO EXPLAINED TO THE VISITORS THE ELECTION SYSTEMS FOR THE DISTRICT BOARDS AND THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

IN CONCLUSION, MR LAN SAID THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION HAD PROVIDED THE BLUEPRINT FOR HONG KONG'S FUTURE.

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"UNDER THE JOINT DECLARATION, SPECIAL CARE HAS BEEN TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT HONG KONG WILL BE ABLE TO GO ON DOING BUSINESS JUST AS IT DOES TODAY.

"THE FOREIGN BUSINESS COMMUNITY SHOULD CONTINUE TO FIND HONG KONG AN ATTRACTIVE, PROFITABLE AND SECURE PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE, WORK AND INVEST.

"THE CHANGE IN 1997 WILL BE SIGNIFICANT, AND PREPARING FOR IT IS A MAJOR CHALLENGE," HE SAID.

"BUT WITH THE RESILIENCE, RESOURCEFULNESS AND DETERMINATION OF HONG KONG PEOPLE, I AM SURE THAT HONG KONG WILL BE ABLE TO RISE TO ANY CHALLENGE," HE ADDED.

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NON-ATTENDANCE OF OFFICIALS AT DB ON AGENDA
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MEMBERS OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 2) TO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE PROPOSED NON-ATTENDANCE OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT FUTURE DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS.

THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS WHETHER TO SUPPORT THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S RECOMMENDATION TO DESIGNATE LEI CHENG UK BRANCH MUSEUM AND THE MULTI-SERVICE CENTRE FOR THE BLIND AT NAM CHEONG STREET AS TOURIST ATTRACTIONS AND TO FORWARD IT TO THE OMELCO.

THE DISTRICT OFFICE HOPED THIS WOULD ENCOURAGE TOURISTS TO STAY LONGER IN HONG KONG.

THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE WILL ALSO PRESENT A PAPER ON THE RESUMPTION OF TWO PRIVATE STREETS, KIM SHIN LANE AND KIM YAM STREET, FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION.

REPORTS BY THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND THE FOUR COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT BOARD WILL ALSO BE TABLED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 2) AT THE SHEK KIP MEI COMMUNITY HALL, BLOCK 42, SHEK KIP MEI ESTATE, NAM CHEONG STREET. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM.

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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO HIRAM'S HIGHWAY
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THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD WILL LOOK INTO PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SECTION OF HIRAM'S HIGHWAY IN PAK SHA WAN AT ITS MEETING ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 2).

THE PROPOSALS INCLUDE WIDENING THE ROAD NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH THE ACCESS ROAD TO PAK SHA WAN PIER, THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUS BAYS AND LAY-BYS NEAR MAN KEI TOI, AND THE PROVISION OF 15 PARKING SPACES ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND IN PAK SHA WAN.

ADDITIONAL RAILINGS, FOOTPATHS, TRAFFIC ISLANDS AND A SIGNAL CONTROLLED CROSSING ARE PROPOSED TO ENSURE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

IN ADDITION, MEMBERS WILL BE CONSULTED ON THE MERGING OF SEVERAL BUS ROUTES. THE SETTLED BUS ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE DISTRICT WILL ALSO BE TABLED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING TO BEGIN AT 10 AM ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 2) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 34 CHAN MAN STREET, SAI KUNG TOWN.

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UNAUTHORISED STRUCTURES IN WAN CHAI TO BE CLOSED
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE CERTAIN UNAUTHORISED STRUCTURES IN WAN CHAI SO THAT THEY CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS AND THE PUBLIC.

THE STRUCTURES ARE IN THE REAR LANE OF 271 LOCKHART ROAD.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT ON OCTOBER 2 THIS YEAR WAS POSTED ON A CONSPICUOUS PART OF THE STRUCTURES TODAY (TUESDAY).

UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE, A CLOSURE ORDER IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE DEMOLITION CAN BE CARRIED OUT.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT ONCE THE CLOSURE ORDER IS OBTAINED.

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REMINDER ON COMPULSORY INSPECTION OF LIGHT GOODS VEHICLES
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT REMINDED OWNERS OF ALL LIGHT GOODS VEHICLES WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT NOT EXCEEDING 1.9 TONNES MANUFACTURED IN 1983 OR BEFORE WHICH REQUIRE A NEW LICENCE ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 1 MUST HAVE THEIR VEHICLES INSPECTED AT A DESIGNATED CAR TESTING CENTRE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE VEHICLES COULD BE INSPECTED AT 14 OF THE 17 DESIGNATED CAR TESTING CENTRES FOR PRIVATE CARS FROM TOMORROW (AUGUST 1) FOR THE ISSUE OF A CERTIFICATE OF ROADWORTHINESS AS A PRE-REQUISITE FOR LICENCE RENEWAL.

"THE CERTIFICATE IS ONLY VALID FOR RELICENSING DURING THE FOUR MONTHS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE DATE OF ISSUE," HE SAID.

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TEMPORARY NIGHT ROAD CLOSURE IN SHA TIN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT BETWEEN 1 AM AND 6 AM FROM THURSDAY (AUGUST 2) TO SATURDAY (AUGUST 4), THE SECTION OF SHA TIN WAI ROAD WESTBOUND BETWEEN NGAN SHING STREET AND THE SOUTHBOUND SLIP ROAD OF SHA TIN ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE CLOSURE IS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD T5 IN SHA TIN.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES TRAVELLING ON SHA TIN WAI ROAD WESTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SIU LEK YUEN ROAD, TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD AND SHA TIN ROAD TO REJOIN SHA TIN WAI ROAD WESTBOUND.

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