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STATEMENT OF AIMS FOR SCHOOL EDUCATION

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THE EDUCATION AND MANPOWER BRANCH TODAY (SATURDAY) ANNOUNCED THE PUBLICATION OF A BILINGUAL BOOKLET ENTITLED "SCHOOL EDUCATION IN HONG KONG: A STATEMENT OF AIMS".

THE BOOKLET IS INTENDED TO -

- \* PROVIDE ALL THOSE WORKING IN SCHOOL EDUCATION IN HONG KONG WITH A FRAMEWORK FOR PLANNING, CONDUCTING AND EVALUATING THEIR ACTIVITIES;
- \* GIVE PARENTS, STUDENTS, EMPLOYERS AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY A CONCISE AND COMPREHENSIVE DESCRIPTION OF WHAT OUR SCHOOLS ARE TRYING TO ACHIEVE; AND
- \* BE A FOCUS FOR PUBLIC DEBATE ABOUT OUR SCHOOLS AND THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS.

"THE BOOKLET IS A REVISION OF THE DRAFT STATEMENT OF AIMS ISSUED BY THE EDUCATION COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION IN OCTOBER 1992," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION AND MANPOWER BRANCH EXPLAINED.

"DURING CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT, THE COMMISSION RECEIVED COMMENTS FROM A WIDE RANGE OF EDUCATIONAL BODIES, COMMUNITY AND INTEREST GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS.

"MOST WELCOMED THE DRAFT STATEMENT, AND BROADLY AGREED WITH THE APPROACH AND CONTENTS.

"THE COMMISSION REVISED THE STATEMENT OF AIMS IN THE LIGHT OF COMMENTS RECEIVED, AND RECOMMENDED IT TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR PUBLICATION AS A POLICY DOCUMENT."

THE STATEMENT OF AIMS COMPRISES A SET OF UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES; A SET OF AIMS RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SCHOOL PLACES, AND TO THE PROCESSES AND OUTCOMES OF SCHOOL EDUCATION; AN EXPLANATION OF HOW THE BOOKLET CAN BE USED AND MONITORED BY SCHOOLS, THEIR SUPPORT SERVICES AND THE GOVERNMENT; AND A SERIES OF QUESTIONS ON THE EVALUATION OF EDUCATION POLICIES AND ACTIVITIES.

"MANY OF THOSE WHO COMMENTED ON THE DRAFT STATEMENT OF AIMS WANTED MORE DETAILS ABOUT MONITORING AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THE REVISED BOOKLET HAS A GREATLY EXPANDED SECTION ON 'THE AIMS IN USE'.

"ALSO, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS AGREED TO HELP IN DEVELOPING WAYS TO OBTAIN FEEDBACK ON HOW WELL SCHOOLS AND THEIR SUPPORT SERVICES ARE IMPLEMENTING THE AIMS," HE ADDED.

ONE WAY WILL BE TO SURVEY THE PERCEPTIONS OF THOSE MOST CLOSELY CONCERNED WITH SCHOOL EDUCATION, SUCH AS STUDENTS, TEACHERS, EMPLOYERS, AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

THIS WILL HELP EDUCATORS TO IDENTIFY AREAS OF STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS IN OUR SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAMME.

"AS A START, A NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER SCHOOLS WILL BE ASKED TO TAKE PART IN A PILOT PROGRAMME OF FEEDBACK SURVEYS OF SCHOOL LEAVERS IN THE 1993/94 SCHOOL YEAR," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"WE PLAN TO ENCOURAGE ALL SCHOOLS TO START CONDUCTING SUCH SURVEYS IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS."

ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO DISTRIBUTE THE BOOKLET TO ALL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS, STUDENTS IN COLLEGES OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL MANAGERS, MEMBERS OF ADVISORY BODIES IN EDUCATION, AND OTHERS WORKING IN SCHOOL EDUCATION.

PARENTS, EMPLOYERS AND OTHER INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN OBTAIN COPIES FROM ANY DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, OR FROM ANY DISTRICT EDUCATION OFFICE.

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HONG KONG AND FINLAND REACH TEXTILES AGREEMENT

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THE TRADE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT HONG KONG AND FINLAND REACHED AN AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT ON THE EXPORT OF CERTAIN TEXTILE PRODUCTS TO FINLAND.

THE DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT IS FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWO YEARS, FROM JANUARY 1 NEXT YEAR TO DECEMBER 31, 1995.

THE TERMS OF THE NEW AGREEMENT ARE LARGELY THE SAME AS THOSE IN THE EXISTING AGREEMENT, WHICH EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31 THIS YEAR.

THOUGH THE NUMBER OF CATEGORIES SUBJECT TO QUOTA RESTRAINT REMAINS THE SAME, THERE ARE IMPROVEMENTS IN GROWTH RATES AND FLEXIBILITY PROVISIONS.

COMMENTING ON THE AGREEMENT FROM HELSINKI, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE AND LEADER OF THE HONG KONG DELEGATION, MS MARIA KWAN, SAID: "THIS AGREEMENT WILL PROVIDE IMPROVEMENTS IN MARKET ACCESS FOR HONG KONG TRADERS IN TEXTILE TRADE WITH FINLAND FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS."

THE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE HONG KONG DELEGATION AND THE FINNISH DELEGATION ON SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1993.

THE CURRENT HONG KONG/FINLAND TEXTILES AGREEMENT COVERS FOUR QUOTA CATEGORIES AND FOUR EXPORT AUTHORISATION CATEGORIES. MORE THAN 70 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL EXPORTS OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING FROM HONG KONG TO FINLAND LAST YEAR WERE COVERED BY THE CURRENT AGREEMENT.

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FLOOD VICTIMS URGED TO APPLY FOR CASH RELIEF

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APPLICATION FORMS FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF UNDER THE GENERAL CHINESE CHARITIES FUND WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE UNTIL 5 PM TODAY (SATURDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DISTRICT OFFICE URGED VICTIMS OF THE RECENT FLOODING WHO NEEDED CASH ASSISTANCE TO RETURN THE FORMS EITHER TODAY OR EARLY NEXT WEEK.

HE SAID THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE WOULD STAY OPEN TO PROCESS APPLICATIONS TOMORROW (SUNDAY) FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM.

VILLAGERS WHO ARE NOT CLEAR ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES ARE WELCOME TO CONTACT THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE ON TEL 675 1606.

STAFF OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAVE BEGUN DISTRIBUTING THE EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND TO THE NEEDY FAMILIES YESTERDAY (FRIDAY).

ABOUT \$1 MILLION HAS BEEN SET ASIDE FOR THE PURPOSE.

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NEW GREEN MINIBUS SERVICE IN SHA TIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT A NEW GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 806M PLYING BETWEEN WONG TAI SIN MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY STATION AND FO TAN WILL START OPERATION ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 4).

IT WILL BE OPERATED FROM 7 AM TO 8 PM DAILY AT 12/25-MINUTE FREQUENCIES. THE FULL FARE IS \$6.50 PER SINGLE JOURNEY WHILE THE SECTION FARE FROM LOK LAM ROAD TO FO TAN KCR STATION IS \$3.

IT WILL TRAVEL VIA SHATIN PASS ROAD, CHOI HUNG ROAD, PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD, FUNG TAK ROAD, LUNG POON STREET, TAI HOM ROAD, TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, SHA TIN WAI ROAD, SIU LEK YUEN ROAD, TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD, FO TAN ROAD, SHAN MEI STREET, SIU WO ROAD, FO TAN ROAD, TSUNG TAU HA ROAD, LOK LAM ROAD, LOK SHUN PATH, LOK KING STREET, FO TAN ROAD, TAI CHUNG KIU ROAD, SIU LEI YUEN ROAD, TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, HAMMER HILL ROAD, ROUNDABOUT, HAMMER HILL ROAD, CHOI HUNG ROAD AND SHATIN PASS ROAD.

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NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SERVICE AWARDS

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THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SERVICE AWARDS SCHEME FOR 1994 IS NOW OPEN FOR NOMINATIONS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION (CNTA) TODAY (SATURDAY) SAID YOUTH ORGANISATIONS, TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES WERE INVITED TO MAKE NOMINATIONS FOR THE SCHEME.

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"WE HOPE TO SELECT TWO PROJECTS TO REPRESENT HONG KONG IN 1994.

"PROJECTS CARRIED OUT BY A SMALL GROUP OF YOUNG PEOPLE TO SERVE A COMMUNITY NEED AND SET AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHER LOCALITIES WILL BE CONSIDERED FAVOURABLE," HE SAID.

THE AWARDS SCHEME, SPONSORED BY THE COMMONWEALTH YOUTH PROGRAMME (CYP), WAS INTRODUCED IN 1985 TO COMMEMORATE THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR.

IT IS ALSO MEANT TO RECOGNISE ACHIEVEMENTS OF SMALL YOUTH GROUPS AND INSPIRE YOUNG PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER.

"ANOTHER OBJECTIVE IS TO FOSTER CO-OPERATION AND EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AND EXPERIENCE AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE," HE SAID.

FOR 1993/94, PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO YOUTH GROUPS ACTIVE IN THE FIELD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

YOUTH GROUPS IN HONG KONG HAVE WON THE AWARDS SEVERAL TIMES IN THE PAST. THE LATEST WAS IN 1992 BY THE CARITAS ABERDEEN COMMUNITY CENTRE'S LINNAM SERVICE PROJECT.

THE WINNING TEAM WILL BE GRANTED 1,000 POUNDS STERLING TO ENABLE THEM TO FURTHER THEIR WORK. EACH MEMBER OF THE TEAM WILL BE GIVEN MEDALLIONS AND CERTIFICATES.

THE PROJECTS SELECTED TO REPRESENT HONG KONG WILL BE ADJUDICATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS PANEL OF THE CYP EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE PANEL WILL SELECT UP TO FIVE PROJECTS FROM AMONG ALL THE NOMINATIONS MADE BY COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES.

NOMINATIONS, TO BE SUPPORTED BY PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS, SHOULD REACH THE YOUTH DIVISION, CNTA, 31ST FLOOR, SOUTHOEN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI BY DECEMBER 1 THIS YEAR.

ENQUIRIES ON THE SCHEME CAN BE MADE ON TEL 835 1736.

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ENVIRONMENT PUBLICATION ON SALE

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) PUBLISHED THE CHINESE VERSION OF THE "ENVIRONMENT HONG KONG 1993".

CONTAINING DIAGRAMS, TABLES OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION AS WELL AS PICTURES, THE 184-PAGE DOCUMENT COVERS A WIDE RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES CARRIED OUT BY THE GOVERNMENT LAST YEAR.

THEY INCLUDE SEWERAGE WORKS, NEW ARRANGEMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE AND THE COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHEMICAL WASTE TREATMENT PLANT.

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ON THE LEGISLATION SIDE, 1992 SAW THE PHASED IMPLEMENTATION OF CHEMICAL WASTE REGULATIONS AND THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW REGULATIONS TO CONTROL NOISY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AS WELL AS PETROL AND LIGHT-DUTY DIESEL-ENGINED VEHICLES.

"THIS REPORT SHOULD PROVIDE THE PUBLIC A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES, WHICH ARE AIMED AT MAKING HONG KONG A HEALTHIER AND MORE PLEASANT PLACE," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

AT \$30 A COPY, THE CHINESE VERSION OF THE REPORT IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL. THE ENGLISH VERSION OF THE REPORT HAS ALREADY BEEN PUT UP FOR SALE IN AUGUST.

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#### CAR MARKS FETCH OVER \$2 MILLION

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FIFTY VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS WERE SOLD IN AN AUCTION THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING FOR A TOTAL OF \$2,981,000 WHICH WILL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY AFTER DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

THE AUCTION, HELD AT THE LECTURE HALL OF THE SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE, SAW THE REGISTRATION MARK FP1 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$750,000.

ANOTHER REGISTRATION MARK DL88 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$680,000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$2,000 FOR FG7662.

FOLLOWING ARE RESULTS OF THE AUCTION:

	\$		\$		\$		\$
FJ1828	14,000	AA170	60,000	FJ1338	21,000	AA748	34,000
FK6899	4,000	FH1668	61,000	FK821	22,000	FJ1011	10,000
*FS313	16,000	*2890	80,000	*FK7	90,000	*FP1	750,000
AC978	32,000	FH238	85,000	AV338	102,000	FK3228	42,000
FK1686	10,000	AA3222	44,000	FG7662	2,000	CK8322	8,000
FJ9288	20,000	FH8288	42,000	AU3338	42,000	FJ8631	4,000
FE332	12,000	FK668	102,000	FK1980	16,000	FK8768	15,000
*DL17	28,000	*FS11	90,000	*DL88	680,000	*FN818	45,000
FK1688	68,000	HK2047	76,000	FK786	36,000	AU2389	21,000
FH832	12,000	FK3328	21,000	FJ6618	20,000	FK2340	12,000
FK369	40,000	FJ3345	5,000	*FJ3883	24,000	AL8300	21,000
FK265	5,000	FJ6368	15,000	FK8854	3,000	*FR525	5,000
FK723	10,000	FK9483	4,000				

\* SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK (NOT TRANSFERABLE)

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

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THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 203RD ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY REALISED SO FAR TO \$217,805,905.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND  
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS  
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	\$ MILLION
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OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,807
REVERSAL OF LAF	NIL
BALANCE AFTER REVERSAL OF LAF	1,807
NET INJECTION/WITHDRAWAL TODAY	NIL
EFFECT OF LAF TODAY	-350
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,457

LAF RATE 2.00 BID/4.00 OFFER TWI 112.4 \*+0.2\* 2.10.93

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HONG KONG TO STAGE MAJOR PROMOTION IN EUROPE

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HONG KONG IS TO STAGE A MAJOR PROMOTION IN THREE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN NOVEMBER AS PART OF A CONTINUING PROGRAMME TO HIGHLIGHT THE ROLE OF HONG KONG AS AN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CENTRE.

OUTLINING DETAILS OF THE PROMOTION TODAY, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID IT WOULD INVOLVE BUSINESS SEMINARS, AN ARCHITECTURAL EXHIBITION, A FILM FESTIVAL AND GALA DINNERS IN THESE COUNTRIES.

"IT WILL BE THE BIGGEST PROMOTION HONG KONG HAS EVER STAGED IN CONTINENTAL EUROPE AND IS BEING HELD IN OUR FOREMOST TRADING PARTNERS IN THE REGION - GERMANY, FRANCE AND THE NETHERLANDS.

"IT IS IMPORTANT FOR HONG KONG TO ARRANGE REGULAR PROMOTIONS WITH ITS MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS. THERE NEEDS TO BE AN ON-GOING EFFORT TO HIGHLIGHT THE DYNAMISM OF HONG KONG, ITS FAVOURABLE INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT AND ITS STRATEGIC LOCATION IN THE FAST-GROWING ASIA-PACIFIC REGION."

THE GOVERNOR, THE RT HON CHRISTOPHER PATTEN, WILL LEAD THE PROMOTION AND WILL DELIVER KEYNOTE SPEECHES. HE WILL ALSO MEET LEADING EUROPEAN BUSINESSMEN, MINISTERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

"IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, WE WILL BE STAGING 'HONG KONG MEANS BUSINESS' SEMINARS IN FRANKFURT, AMSTERDAM AND PARIS. THESE SEMINARS WILL FEATURE SOME OF HONG KONG'S TOP BUSINESS PEOPLE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

AS A BREAKAWAY SESSION OF THE BUSINESS SEMINAR, AN AIRPORT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD IN ALL THREE CITIES. IT WILL FOCUS ON THE AIRPORT CORE PROGRAMME PROJECTS AND THE NEW AIRPORT AT CHEK LAP KOK.

THE CENTREPIECE OF THE GERMAN PROMOTION WILL BE THE STAGING OF AN EXHIBITION ON HONG KONG ARCHITECTURE, UNDER THE HEADING "THE AESTHETICS OF DENSITY", WHICH HAS BEEN CO-ORGANISED WITH THE PRESTIGIOUS DEUTSCHES ARCHITEKTUR-MUSEUM IN FRANKFURT.

IT WILL FEATURE MODELS AND DESIGN PLANS OF SOME OF HONG KONG'S OUTSTANDING BUILDINGS, SUCH AS HONG KONG COLISEUM, THE BANK OF CHINA BUILDING, THE HONGKONGBANK BUILDING AND CENTRAL PLAZA.

THE PARIS FILM FESTIVAL ARRANGED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LA CINEMATHEQUE FRANCAISE WILL FEATURE 20 OF HONG KONG'S TOP FILMS TRACING THE TERRITORY'S FILM INDUSTRY FROM THE EARLY 1980'S TO THE PRESENT.

ANOTHER HIGHLIGHT OF THE PARIS PROMOTION WILL BE THE FASHION SHOW STAGED BY THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FEATURING THE LATEST CREATIONS FROM SOME OF HONG KONG'S TOP DESIGNERS.

IN THE NETHERLANDS, A GALA DINNER WILL BE HELD IN THE HAGUE AT WHICH THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS WILL STAGE A MUSICAL PERFORMANCE.

"THESE ARE THE MAIN HIGHLIGHTS OF HONG KONG '93 IN EUROPE WHICH HAS RECEIVED ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FROM THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AS WELL AS THE THREE HOST COUNTRIES.

"PRIVATE COMPANIES HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE AND ARE PROVIDING INFORMATION MATERIAL, FILMS AND ARCHITECTURAL MODELS," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

MAJOR SPONSORS FOR THE PROMOTION INCLUDE CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS, CITIC PACIFIC LTD, HANG SENG BANK, INCHCAPE PACIFIC LTD, HUTCHISON WHAMPOA AND SINO GROUP.

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LAND REGISTRY TAKES OVER NT OWNERS CORPORATIONS REGISTRATION

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THE EIGHT NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICT LAND REGISTRIES WILL, FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY), TAKE OVER THE REGISTRATION OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FROM DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KWAI TSING).

AT PRESENT, THE LAND REGISTRY IS ALREADY RESPONSIBLE FOR REGISTRATION OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS IN URBAN AREAS.

EACH OF THE DISTRICT LAND REGISTRIES WILL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SERVICES RELATING TO OWNERS CORPORATIONS:

- \* RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FORMATION OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS UNDER THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE;
- \* ISSUING CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS;
- \* MAINTAINING A REGISTER OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS FOR PUBLIC SEARCH; AND
- \* FILING OF NOTICES OF CHANGE OF PARTICULARS OF OWNERS CORPORATIONS.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT OWNERS CORPORATIONS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES SHOULD BE MADE TO THE FOLLOWING TELEPHONE LINES:

DISTRICT -----	TEL ---
YUEN LONG	475 0341
TUEN MUN	451 3162
TSUEN WAN	416 3505
ISLANDS	852 4225
SAI KUNG	792 4532
SHA TIN	606 5584
TAI PO	653 5859
NORTH	675 1645

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