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GOVERNOR OPENS SUI-LOONG PAO BUILDING AT CHINESE UNIVERSITY
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE SAID TODAY THE GOVERNMENT, THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE AND THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG WERE GREATLY IN DEBT TO THOSE WHO HAD DONATED TOWARDS THE CAPITAL COST OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE SUI-LOONG PAO BUILDING AT THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY, SIR MURRAY DESCRIBED THEIR DONATIONS AMOUNTING TO ABOUT \$34.5 MILLION AS A +PUBLIC SPIRITED RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN HONG KONG.+

HE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT BY ALL CONCERNED IN ESTABLISHING THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY IN MERE TEN YEARS.

+IT HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS TASK IN WHICH MANY PEOPLE HAVE PLAYED A PART -- ARCHITECTS, ADMINISTRATORS, CONTRACTORS AND OFFICERS IN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE UNIVERSITY AND POLYTECHNIC GRANTS COMMITTEE= BUT UNDOUBTEDLY THE MAIN BURDEN HAS FALLEN ON THE UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR HIMSELF,+ HE SAID.

FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH AT THE OPENING OF THE SUI-LOONG PAO BUILDING:

+MR VICE-CHANCELLOR, DR. PAO, MR PAO SUI-LOONG, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF THE PAO FAMILY WE ARE TODAY CELEBRATING THE OPENING OF THIS FINE BUILDING. THIS IS ANOTHER STEP FORWARD IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY AND TIME TO CONSIDER WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

+CHUNG CHI COLLEGE HAS BEEN ON THIS SITE SINCE 1956, BUT THE START OF CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS DATES FROM DECEMBER 1967 WHEN MY PREDECESSOR SIR DAVID TRENCH, PLANTED A TREE TO COMMEMORATE THE EVENT.

+I SAY PLANTED, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT IN FACT IT HAD TO BE PUT IN A SMALL HOLE CHISELLED OUT OF CRUMBLING ROCK AND GRIT, BECAUSE THE SITE WE ARE NOW STANDING ON WAS THEN A WILDERNESS OF EXPOSED ROCK AND DUST. THAT WAS ALMOST EXACTLY TEN YEARS AND ONE MONTH AGO.

+BY ANY STANDARDS, SINCE THEN THE PROGRESS HAS BEEN REMARKABLE. BY MID-1973, ONLY FIVE AND A HALF YEARS AFTER THAT FIRST CEREMONY, THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY WAS ASSEMBLED ON THIS ONE SITE: AND WE ARE NOW LOOKING AT A LARGE MODERN UNIVERSITY SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED IN A MERE TEN YEARS.

+IT HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS TASK IN WHICH VERY MANY PEOPLE HAVE PLAYED A PART - ARCHITECTS, ADMINISTRATORS, CONTRACTORS AND OFFICERS IN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE UPGC: BUT UNDOUBTEDLY THE MAIN BURDEN HAS FALLEN ON THE UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR HIMSELF.

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+THE CAPITAL COST AMOUNTS TO ABOUT \$240M. GOVERNMENT FUNDS ACCOUNT FOR ABOUT \$205M OF THIS AND PRIVATE FUNDS ABOUT \$34.5M - A VERY LARGE SUM OF MONEY TO HAVE BEEN RAISED FROM PRIVATE SOURCES. THE GOVERNMENT, THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE, AND THIS UNIVERSITY ARE GREATLY IN THEIR DEBT FOR SO PUBLIC SPIRITED A RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN HONG KONG.

+INCLUDED IN THEM IS OF COURSE THE PAO FAMILY REPRESENTED BY MR PAO SUI-LOONG AND HIS SON DR. PAO YUE-KONG WITHOUT WHOSE AID THIS BUILDING COULD NOT HAVE BEEN BUILT AT THIS STAGE. IT WAS ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED THAT THIS WOULD BE PART OF A JOINT PROJECT COMPRISING THREE BUILDINGS BUT THE FINANCIAL RECESSION OF 1975 BROUGHT PLANS TO A HALT. THE PAO FAMILY THEN STEPPED IN AND BY MORE THAN DOUBLING THEIR ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION ENABLED THE PLANS TO BE RE-STARTED AND THE BUILDING COMPLETED.

+THE BUILDING WILL CATER FOR BUSINESS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH AND, WILL ALSO HOUSE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES FOR THE GRADUATE SCHOOL AND FOR THE EMBRYONIC SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. I AM SURE IT IS A SOURCE OF PARTICULAR SATISFACTION TO ALL OF US THAT THE PAO FAMILY SHOULD HAVE ENSURED THAT THIS BUILDING CATERING FOR BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN OPENED DURING THE VICE-CHANCELLORSHIP OF DR. LI CHOH-MING, WHOSE PERSONAL INTEREST AND PREEMINENCE IN THIS DISCIPLINE ARE OF SUCH WIDE RENOWN.

+IT IS ALSO MOST APPROPRIATE THAT THE TEACHING OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SHOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE PAO FAMILY AS I SUSPECT FEW HAVE MUCH TO TEACH THEM ABOUT THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. THEIR EXTRAORDINARY CAPACITY FOR HARD WORK, CLEAR THOUGHT AND INTENSE SELF-DISCIPLINE, SHOULD INSPIRE THOSE WHO WORK HERE AND I WISH THEM SIMILAR COMMERCIAL SUCCESS AND FAMILY HAPPINESS.

+MR VICE-CHANCELLOR, MR. PAO, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN DECLARING OPEN THE SUI-LOONG PAO BUILDING.+

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MUTUAL CARE AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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SIX GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS ARE PROMOTING COMMUNITY WORK TO BUILD FOR HONG KONG A SOCIETY WHERE THERE IS MUTUAL CARE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, SAID TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE KOWLOON ZONTA CLUB, MR. LEE SAID THAT IT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TO HELP THE PEOPLE, WHO ARE BROUGHT TOGETHER TO LIVE IN DENSELY POPULATED HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS OR HOUSING ESTATES, TO DEVELOP HEALTHY SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS AMONG THEMSELVES AND TO LIVE IN HARMONY.

+IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR IS A CARING COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE INDIVIDUALS CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER AND PARTICULARLY CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE LEAST ABLE TO CARE FOR THEMSELVES.+

MR. LEE NOTED THAT OFFICERS OF THE SIX GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS CONTRIBUTING DIRECTLY TO COMMUNITY WORK AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL ARE THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICERS OF THE HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, THE DISTRICT OFFICERS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, THE OFFICERS OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICERS, THE RECREATION AND SPORTS OFFICERS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, AND THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICERS OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

UNDER THE BROAD OBJECTIVE OF PROMOTING +MUTUAL CARE AND SOCIAL COHESION,+ MR. LEE SAID THAT THE ROLE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT COULD BE SEEN IN TWO ASPECTS.

+THE FIRST ONE IS TO PROVIDE PHYSICAL FACILITIES FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE SUCH AS IN COMMUNITY CENTRES, ESTATE WELFARE BUILDINGS, COMMUNITY HALLS AND YOUTH CENTRES.

+THE SECOND ASPECT IS TO ACHIEVE THE MORE INTANGIBLE GOALS OF DEVELOPING COMMUNITY CAPACITY AND INTEGRATION THROUGH ESTABLISHING FRUITFUL RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMUNICATIONS AND RESPONSIBLE ATTITUDES.

+THIS WILL SET IN MOTION A SPONTANEOUS PROCESS OF WORKING TOGETHER WITH PEOPLE TO FORM GROUPS AND COMMITTEES ON SPECIFIC PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES WHICH AIM AT IMPROVING SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, WHERE A NEED OF IMPROVEMENT IN CERTAIN AREAS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED,+ MR. LEE SAID.

AT PRESENT, THE DIRECTOR ADDED, THERE WERE SEVEN COMMUNITY CENTRES DIRECTLY RUN BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPREAD OVER HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES. EIGHT ESTATE WELFARE BUILDINGS AND SIX COMMUNITY HALLS HAD ALSO BEEN PUT UP IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES PROVIDING COMMUNITY WORK SERVICE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

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+TO COMPLEMENT AND CO-ORDINATE THE COMMUNITY WORK SERVICE OF THESE COMMUNITY CENTRES, ESTATE WELFARE BUILDINGS AND COMMUNITY HALLS, THE DEPARTMENT SET UP IN 1973 ANOTHER NETWORK OF OFFICERS, KNOWN AS THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICERS SCHEME TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY WORK AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL. NOW THERE ARE TEN COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICERS IN THE URBAN DISTRICT AND FOUR IN THE NEW TERRITORIES,+ HE ADDED.

TURNING TO THE WORK OF A COMMUNITY WORKER IN THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, MR. LEE NOTED THAT ALTHOUGH HE MIGHT HOLD DIFFERENT TITLES SUCH AS WARDENS OF COMMUNITY CENTRES OR COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICERS, THEIR METHODS OF WORK WERE IN THE MAIN VERY SIMILAR AND WERE BASED ON THE SAME GOALS AND CONCEPTS.

+THE ROLE OF THE WORKER IS THAT OF AN ENABLER AND DEVELOPER. HE ENDEAVOURS TO BUILD UP AND WORK WITH GROUPS FORMED EITHER ON A COMMON INTEREST OR COMMON CONCERN AND HE HELPS TO SUSTAIN AND STRENGTHEN EXISTING COMMUNITY ORIENTATED ORGANISATIONS BY PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE AND SECURING FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

+HE TRIES TO INVOLVE INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS IN COMMITTEES DEALING WITH SPECIFIC PROBLEMS AND WITH THE PARTICIPATIONS OF ORGANISATIONS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS. THE COMMUNITY WORKER PROMOTES OTHER ACTIVITIES LIKE TRAINING OF VOLUNTEERS, GATHERING AND SHARING INFORMATION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL LEADERSHIP.+

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RECORD NUMBER OF MARRIAGES LAST YEAR

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THE NUMBER OF MARRIAGES REGISTERED LAST YEAR REACHED A RECORD 40,383 - 683 OR 1.7 PER CENT MORE THAN THE PREVIOUS RECORD OF 39,700 IN 1976.

ACCORDING TO MARRIAGE STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE REGISTRAR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT TODAY THE INCREASE WAS MAINLY RECORDED DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE YEAR WHEN 10,728 MARRIAGES WERE CELEBRATED AS COMPARED WITH 9,010 DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 1976 - A GAIN OF ABOUT 19 PER CENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS WAS PROBABLY DUE TO THE FACT THAT JANUARY AND THE FIRST HALF OF FEBRUARY WERE STILL WITHIN THE LUNAR YEAR OF THE DRAGON, THE MOST POPULAR YEAR FOR MARRIAGES AMONGST THE CHINESE.

+ANOTHER MAJOR FACTOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE OVERALL INCREASE IS BELIEVED TO BE THE STRUCTURE OF THE POPULATION WHICH NOW HAS A LARGE NUMBER OF PERSONS WITHIN THE MOST POPULAR AGE GROUPS FOR MARRIAGE - THAT IS FROM 21 TO 24 FOR WOMEN AND 25 TO 29 FOR MEN,+ HE ADDED.

LAST YEAR'S TOTAL ALSO INCLUDED 4,541 MARRIAGES BETWEEN PARTIES PREVIOUSLY MARRIED TO EACH OTHER, GENERALLY BY CHINESE CUSTOMARY CEREMONIES, AS COMPARED WITH 4,098 MARRIAGES OF THIS CATEGORY IN 1976.

EXCLUDING THESE 'RE-MARRIAGES', THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED MARRIAGES INCREASED BY 240 FROM 35,602 TO 35,842.

THE NUMBER OF CHURCH MARRIAGES LAST YEAR FELL BY 426 TO 2,502 AS COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS RECORD OF 2,928 IN 1976.

MOST OF THE REGISTERED MARRIAGES WERE, AS USUAL, CELEBRATED AT THE MARRIAGE REGISTRIES. THE TOTAL OF SUCH MARRIAGES WAS 37,881 - 1,109 MORE THAN THE 1976 FIGURE.

IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, REGISTERED MARRIAGES SHOWED A SLIGHT DECREASE DURING THE YEAR WITH A TOTAL OF 7,871 MARRIAGES CELEBRATED, DOWN BY 369 OR 4.5 PER CENT AS COMPARED WITH 8,240 IN 1976. THERE ARE NOW FOUR FULL-TIME AND FOUR PART-TIME MARRIAGE REGISTRIES OPERATING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE TWO PRINCIPAL MARRIAGE REGISTRIES AT THE CITY HALL AND THE KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES REMAIN THE MOST POPULAR ONES, WITH 35.7 PER CENT OF ALL REGISTRY MARRIAGES CELEBRATED THERE. NEXT WAS THE SAN PO KONG REGISTRY, WHERE 6,858 MARRIAGES TOOK PLACE DURING THE YEAR.

THE CITY HALL MARRIAGE REGISTRY CONTINUED TO OPEN ON SUNDAY MORNINGS DURING THE YEAR AND A TOTAL OF 545 MARRIAGES WERE PERFORMED ON SUNDAYS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IN MANY CASES, SUNDAY WAS CHOSEN FOR MARRIAGES BECAUSE IT HAPPENED TO BE A LUCKY DAY IN THE CHINESE CALENDAR WHILE IN OTHER SIMPLY BECAUSE OF CONVENIENCE FOR WORK OR OTHER REASONS.

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TOPLEY APPEALS TO AIDED SCHOOLS TO EXPAND SPECIAL EDUCATION
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GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOLS WILL BE CALLED ON TO PLAY A GREATER ROLE IN EXTENDING SPECIAL EDUCATION TO HANDICAPPED CHILDREN, SAID THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, TODAY WHEN HE ADDRESSED HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS AT ST. PAUL'S CONVENT SCHOOL, CAUSEWAY BAY.

SPEAKING ON THE +EXPANSION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AT SECONDARY LEVEL+ AT A MEETING ORGANISED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS, MR. TOPLEY EXPLAINED THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY WAS TO PROVIDE JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION FOR ALL -- INCLUDING HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

TO PROVIDE MORE PLACES FOR THE HANDICAPPED, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE TO DEPEND ON AIDED SCHOOLS -- IN ADDITION TO GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS, MR. TOPLEY SAID.

IN PARTICULAR, MR. TOPLEY STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ASSISTANCE OF AIDED SCHOOLS IN PROVIDING THE KIND OF SPECIAL EDUCATION SUITABLE FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

TO ACHIEVE THIS END, THE DIRECTOR SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD START SPECIAL CLASSES FOR THE PARTIALLY HEARING, PARTIALLY SIGHTED, MALADJUSTED, AND SLOW LEARNING CHILDREN IN GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

SEMINARS WOULD BE HELD FROM NEXT MONTH FOR PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS OF SCHOOLS INTERESTED IN OPERATING SPECIAL CLASSES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN IN SEPTEMBER.

AS AN INCENTIVE, FULL-TIME SPECIAL CLASS TEACHERS WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN ALLOWANCE EQUIVALENT TO ONE INCREMENT ON THEIR SALARY SCALE WHILE UNDERGOING TRAINING. AFTER ONE YEAR IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE THEY WILL RECEIVE ANOTHER INCREMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

OVER \$1 MILLION RAISED FOR JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE

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THE PEOPLE OF THE NEW TERRITORIES HAVE RAISED MORE THAN \$1 MILLION AS THEIR CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF THE JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE TO BE BUILT IN SHA TIN THIS YEAR.

THE MONEY HAS BEEN DONATED THROUGH FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE SILVER JUBILEE FUND NEW TERRITORIES MAIN COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES.

TO MARK THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE FUND-RAISING DRIVE, A PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICE OF MR. Q.W. LEE, CHAIRMAN OF THE SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL FUND ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF HANG SENG BANK BUILDING, 77, DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL, AT 3 P.M. TOMORROW.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

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FIRE INSPECTION IN QUARRY BAY

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OFFICERS FROM THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING INSPECTED MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND FLATS IN TEN DOMESTIC BUILDINGS CHOSEN AT RANDOM IN THE QUARRY BAY AREA.

DURING THE INSPECTION AS PART OF AN INTENSIVE FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN, SPECIAL ATTENTION WAS PAID TO THE MEANS OF ESCAPE, INSTALLATION OF METAL GATES AND ROOF-TOP EXITS OF THE BUILDINGS. AS A RESULT, MORE THAN 100 FLATS WERE FOUND TO HAVE SERIOUS OBSTRUCTION, A MAJORITY OF WHICH CONCERNED INSTALLATION OF METAL GATES ACROSS COMMON CORRIDORS. FIRE ABATEMENT NOTICES WILL BE SERVED ON OCCUPANTS OF THESE PREMISES.

SIXTEEN GALLONS OF KEROSENE, WHICH WERE STORED IN EXCESS OF THE LIMIT, WERE SEIZED.

FIRE OFFICERS ALSO FOUND SIX CASES OF ILLEGAL BUILDING ALTERATION AND ONE FACTORY IN DOMESTIC PREMISES WITHOUT A LICENCE. THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL BE NOTIFIED ABOUT THEM.

COMMENTING ON THE SURVEY, DIVISIONAL OFFICER KEN HODGKINS, WHO COMMANDED THE OPERATION, SAID THE SITUATION IN THESE BUILDINGS WAS GENERALLY SATISFACTORY.

+HOWEVER, THE FIRE SERVICE INSTALLATIONS IN ONE OF THE BUILDINGS APPEAR TO BE DEFECTIVE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN TO REMEDY THE SITUATION,+ HE ADDED.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR ARTS FESTIVAL AND +WALK FOR A MILLION+
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THE SECTION OF EDINBURGH PLACE EAST, IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 14) AND JANUARY 21 FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M. IN CONNECTION WITH THE REHEARSALS FOR THE 1978 HONG KONG ARTS FESTIVAL.

ON THE GALA OPENING OF THE ARTS FESTIVAL ON JANUARY 23, THE SECTION OF EDINBURGH PLACE EAST BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH HARCOURT ROAD AND QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 5.30 P.M. TO 8.30 P.M.

MEANWHILE, IN TSUEN WAN A NUMBER OF ROADS WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAY (JANUARY 15) FROM 7 A.M. TO ABOUT 2 P.M. FOR THE +WALK FOR A MILLION+ EVENT.

THESE ROADS ARE:

- * KWOK SHUI ROAD BETWEEN SHING MUN ROAD AND FU UK ROAD=
- * SHING MUN ROAD BETWEEN LO WAI VILLAGE AND PINE APPLE DAM (SHING MUN RESERVOIR)=
- * TING FUNG STREET= TING KWOK STREET= FU UK ROAD= YAU MA HOM ROAD=
- * CHEUNG WING ROAD BETWEEN YAU MA HOM ROAD AND WO YI HOP ROAD=
- * WO YI HOP ROAD (NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY) BETWEEN NGON HOM ROAD AND BLOCK 9, LEI MUK SHUE ESTATE= (THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY WILL BE REROUTED TWO-WAY)=
- * ON YUK ROAD= AND
- * THE SERVICE ROAD AT 9 MILESTONE, CASTLE PEAK ROAD OUTSIDE THE NEW CHINA ENAMELWARE COMPANY AND THE MEI FUNG INDUSTRIAL COMPANY. (THE BUS STOP FOR ROUTES 50, 51 AND 52 AT THE SERVICE ROAD WILL BE TEMPORARILY RE-POSITIONED TO THE MAIN ROAD).

AT THE SAME TIME ALL PARKING SPACES IN THESE CLOSED ROADS AND IN THE UNNAMED STREET OPPOSITE THE TSUEN WAN POLICE STATION LEADING TO THE TSUEN WAN TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL WILL BE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED EXCEPT FOR OFFICIAL AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

PARKING SPACES AT TAI HA STREET WILL ALSO BE SUSPENDED AND RESERVED FOR COACHES OF ORGANISED GROUPS TAKING PART IN THE WALK.

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DURING THE PERIOD OF THE TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN TSUEN WAN, KMB ROUTE 32 WILL BE SUSPENDED AND ROUTE 36 WILL BE DIVERTED TO RUN ALONG CASTLE PEAK ROAD INSTEAD OF KWOK SHUI ROAD ON BOTH EAST AND WEST BOUND JOURNEYS.

AS LARGE CROWDS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN THE +WALK FOR A MILLION+, MOTORISTS IN THE AREA ARE ADVISED TO DRIVE WITH CARE.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP IN CENTRAL AND TSUEN WAN DISTRICTS TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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SPECTATOR STAND TO HAVE RAIN SHELTER

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SPECTATORS AT THE EAST STANDS OF THE HONG KONG STADIUM WILL HAVE PROTECTION FROM RAIN AND SUN WHEN IMPROVEMENT WORK ON THE STADIUM IS COMPLETED THIS AUTUMN.

TENDERS FOR THIS PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

MR. K.M. TSENG, CHIEF ARCHITECT, SAID THE WORK WOULD INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STEEL TRUSS ROOF TOGETHER WITH MINOR IMPROVEMENTS.

WORK WOULD BEGIN NEXT MONTH AND WOULD TAKE ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

HE SAID THAT THE WORK WOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH PROGRAMMED FOOTBALL MATCHES AS THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STRUCTURE WOULD BE CARRIED OUT AT A NEARBY CAR PARK.

THE PROJECT WOULD BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE START OF THE NEXT FOOTBALL SEASON.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE'S ANNUAL DINNER

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THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL DINNER AT THE CITY HALL RESTAURANT ON SATURDAY (JANUARY 14) AT 8 P.M. TO MARK ITS 27TH ANNIVERSARY.

THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, DR. K.L. THONG, WHO IS ALSO THE UNIT CONTROLLER OF THE AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE, WILL SPEAK AT THE DINNER AND PRESENT CIVIL DEFENCE LONG SERVICE MEDALS TO 53 OF ITS MEMBERS, AND THE FIRST CLASP TO THE LONG SERVICE MEDAL TO TWO OTHERS.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO SEND A REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE SPEECH.

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