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OTHERS ALSO BENEFIT FROM HK BUSINESS -- SIR PHILIP

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THE MULTITUDE OF INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS GENERATED IN HONG KONG HAS ENABLED PEOPLE IN NEIGHBOURING AND REMOTE PLACES TO LIVE BETTER AND MORE SATISFYING LIVES, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

ADDRESSING THE FIRST GRADUATION CEREMONY OF THE HANG SENG SCHOOL OF COMMERCE IN SHA TIN, SIR PHILIP STATED THAT GIVEN THE REALITY OF COMMERCE, PEOPLE IN HONG KONG SHOULD NOT BE +UNDULY CONCERNED+ WHEN ACCUSED OF BEING MATERIALISTIC.

HE ADDED, +WE ARE NOT, IN ANY CASE, LACKING IN CHARITY FOR WE CARE FOR THE DISADVANTAGED.

+OF COURSE, WE SHOULD LISTEN TO CRITICISM, BUT WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO BECOME WHAT WE ARE WHICH IS MORE THAN CAN BE SAID, PERHAPS, OF SOME COMMENTATORS ON OUR AFFAIRS.+

SIR PHILIP LISTED INTELLECTUAL, PHYSICAL, MORAL AND SOCIAL QUALITIES AS BEING ESSENTIAL FOR BUSINESSMEN.

BRAINS ARE THE BUSINESSMEN'S PRIME RESOURCE, WITH CAREFUL THOUGHT BEING THE CHIEF INGREDIENT NECESSARY FOR THE RESOLUTION OF COMMERCIAL ISSUES, HE SAID.

ON THE PHYSICAL QUALITY, SIR PHILIP SAID BUSINESSMEN MUST BE FIT TO GRAPPLE WITH THE ISSUES OF EACH DAY AND NIGHT AS MARKETS NEVER CLOSE, AND THEY CAN NOT AFFORD TO BE TIRED AND AILING.

MORALLY, THEY MUST BE +OF THAT STERN STUFF WHICH DOES NOT FLINCH AT EACH SETBACK.

+THEY SHOULD AIM TO WORK WITHIN THE SPIRIT AND THE LETTER OF THE LAW AND WITHIN THE MORAL ORDER,+ SIR PHILIP SAID.

HE SAID IT WAS A VALID CLAIM THAT HONG KONG'S GREATEST ASSET IS ITS PEOPLE.

+THE SINGLE-MINDED DETERMINATION OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WHEREVER THEY HAVE COME FROM, AND WHENEVER, HAS MADE THIS CITY WHAT IT IS TODAY.

+THEIR DETERMINATION OVER THE YEARS HAS BEEN EXEMPLIFIED IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS: IN THEIR ASSIDUITY AND DEXTERITY, IN THEIR BELIEF IN THE CONCEPTS OF INDIVIDUAL OWNERSHIP AND OF REWARD FOR HUMAN EFFORT, IN RISK TAKING, AND IN THEIR CONVICTION THAT IN EDUCATION LIES THE KEY TO FULFILMENT,+ SIR PHILIP STATED.

HE ADDED THAT MATCHING THIS CONVICTION HAD BEEN THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS STEADILY TO EXPAND AVAILABLE EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES AND TO ENCOURAGE THE PROVISION OF SIMILAR FACILITIES BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

HE RECALLED THAT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES WERE GREATLY EXPANDED IN THE 1970S.

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IN 1971, THE GOVERNMENT SPENT ONLY \$600 MILLION ON ALL FORMS OF EDUCATION, COMPARED WITH \$5 BILLION THIS YEAR, HE POINTED OUT.

THE INTRODUCTION OF FREE PRIMARY EDUCATION IN THE PREVIOUS DECADE LED TO PROGRESSIVE BUILD-UP OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES, HE SAID.

THE NUMBER OF PUBLIC SECTOR PLACES IN FORMS IV AND V MORE THAN DOUBLED BETWEEN 1978 AND 1981 AND, WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE PRESENT SECONDARY SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAMME IN 1985, THE TARGET OF 57 000 PUBLIC SECTOR PLACES IN THESE FORMS WILL HAVE BEEN MET, HE ADDED.

AT THE SIXTH FORM LEVEL, THE TARGET OF PLACES FOR UP TO ONE-THIRD OF STUDENTS ENTERING FORM IV CLASSES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR HAD ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED, HE POINTED OUT.

+TO CATER FOR THE WIDER RANGE OF APTITUDES WHICH ARE EMERGING AS A RESULT OF THE EXPANSION OF SECONDARY EDUCATION, AND TO DO THIS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE BY PROVIDING A DIVERSITY OF OPPORTUNITIES IN A RANGE OF INSTITUTIONS, THE GOVERNMENT HAS PLACED GREAT EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL AND COMMERCIAL EDUCATION,+ SIR PHILIP CONTINUED.

THERE SHOULD BE FIRST YEAR DEGREE PLACES FOR SIX PER CENT OF THE RELEVANT AGE GROUP BY THE END OF THIS DECADE, RISING TO EIGHT PER CENT IN THE MID-1990S, COMPARED WITH TWO PER CENT TODAY, HE POINTED OUT.

+THESE ARE SIGNIFICANT ADVANCES AND PROOF OF THE GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION TO INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG,+ SIR PHILIP STRESSED.

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DEVELOPMENTS IN ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY STRESSED

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG'S ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WOULD ENABLE THE MANUFACTURERS AND EXPORTERS TO SUPPLY TO A CONTINUOUSLY CHANGING MARKET, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR PETER TSAO, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

OPENING THE 1982 HONG KONG ELECTRONICS FAIR AT THE MIRAMAR HOTEL, MR TSAO ALSO NOTED THE +OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE+ OF THE INDUSTRY LAST YEAR, WHEN SOME \$15 000 MILLION WORTH OF ELECTRONICS GOODS WERE EXPORTED, MAKING UP 19 PER CENT OF TOTAL DOMESTIC EXPORTS.

HE WAS PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED BY THE EXPORT GROWTH OF CERTAIN COMPARATIVELY NEW PRODUCTS, HE SAID, POINTING OUT THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WAS THE SECOND LARGEST INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG.

+WHILE PORTABLE RADIOS AND RECORDERS, ELECTRONIC WATCHES AND COMPUTER COMPONENTS STILL FORM THE BACKBONE OF THE INDUSTRY, THERE HAS BEEN A REMARKABLE INCREASE IN EXPORTS OF TELEVISION SETS, TV GAMES AND TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT.

+THE ADVENT OF MICRO-PROCESSOR TECHNOLOGY HAS GREATLY ENHANCED THE ABILITY OF THE CONVENTIONAL TELEPHONE INSTRUMENT TO PERFORM THE MANY ASPECTS OF COMMUNICATION. I AM PLEASED TO NOTE THAT OUR MANUFACTURERS HAVE BEEN QUICK OFF THE MARK TO DEVELOP THE MARKET FOR TELEPHONE INSTRUMENTS,+ HE SAID.

THERE WERE THREE OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY, OF WHICH HONG KONG COULD BE PROUD, HE SAID.

FIRSTLY, THE INDUSTRY HAD UPGRADED ITS PRODUCTION FROM MANUFACTURING COMPONENTS FOR COMPUTERS TO THE MAKING OF COMPLETE COMPUTERS.

SECONDLY, SOME MANUFACTURERS HAD ADVANCED FROM THE STAGE OF ASSEMBLING IMPORTED SYSTEMS TO THAT OF DESIGNING THEIR OWN COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE SYSTEMS.

THIRDLY, HONG KONG HAS THREE FACTORIES MAKING WAFER CHIPS, WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT HONG KONG'S EXPANDING ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WILL NOT LACK ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS.

HE ASSURED THE MANUFACTURERS THAT THE GOVERNMENT SPARED NO EFFORTS IN SUPPLEMENTING THEIR EFFORTS BY PROVIDING MANPOWER TRAINING AND TECHNICAL BACK-UP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT FACILITIES.

FOR EXAMPLE, THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC PLANNED TO START A DEGREE COURSE IN ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING IN SEPTEMBER 1983, WHILE TWO NEW ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY TRAINING CENTRES WOULD START COURSES IN SEPTEMBER 1984, HE SAID.

+THE CENTRES WILL TRAIN A TOTAL OF 290 CRAFTSMEN AND 2 300 OPERATIVES FOR THE INDUSTRY EVERY YEAR. TOGETHER WITH THE EXISTING FACILITIES IN THE UNIVERSITIES, POLYTECHNIC AND OTHER INSTITUTES AS WELL AS OVERSEAS GRADUATES RETURNING TO HONG KONG, THE INDUSTRY SHOULD HAVE A STABLE SUPPLY OF WELL-TRAINED MANPOWER AT ALL LEVELS.

+THE INTRODUCTION OF 'COMPUTING' AS A SUBJECT FOR FORM IV STUDENTS AND ABOVE WILL NOT ONLY BRING HONG KONG'S STUDENTS UP TO THE STANDARDS OBTAINING IN THE MOST ADVANCED COUNTRY, IT WILL ALSO PRODUCE, FOR HONG KONG, AN ESSENTIAL HUMAN RESOURCE TO SUPPORT FUTURE EXPANSION IN THE COMPUTER INDUSTRY,+ MR TSAO ADDED.

ON TECHNICAL BACK-UP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT FACILITIES, THE GOVERNMENT HAS PROVIDED FUNDS FOR A TECHNO-ECONOMIC STUDY ON THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY AS WELL AS SEVERAL MICRO-ELECTRONICS RELATED PROJECTS. SOME OF THESE PROJECTS ARE ALREADY IN PROGRESS. THE FINDINGS WILL NOT ONLY IDENTIFY THE STATE OF THE ART OF THE INDUSTRY BUT ALSO INDICATE THE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO FURTHER DEVELOP THE INDUSTRY.

+WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING A CALIBRATION LABORATORY AT A COST OF SOME \$12 MILLION, A FACILITY WHICH WE ARE SURE WILL BE OF USE TO, AND WHICH WILL MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE INDUSTRY,+ MR TSAO CONCLUDED.

THE FAIR IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG EXPORTERS' ASSOCIATION AND THE HONG KONG ELECTRONICS ASSOCIATION.

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TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S VITAL ROLE IN REGULATING TRAFFIC
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THE FUNCTION OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF ROAD TRAFFIC HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT IN RECENT YEARS.

THIS IS BECAUSE THE GROWTH IN VEHICLE TRAFFIC MOVEMENT HAS FILLED, AND IN SOME CASES HAS OVERFILLED THE CAPACITY OF THE ROAD SYSTEM, THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR PETER LEEDS TOLD A ROTARY LUNCHEON THIS AFTERNOON.

+OUR JOB IS ESSENTIALLY TO MAKE BEST USE OF WHAT IS THERE AND IT COULD BE REGARDED AS A FORM OF RATIONING SYSTEM,+ HE SAID.

IN THIS CONTEXT, HE POINTED OUT, THE VEHICLE LICENSING STRUCTURE WAS NOW QUITE UNASHAMEDLY A FISCAL RATIONING SYSTEM AS WERE MOST OF THE TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES.

+IN ITS SIMPLEST FORM, WHERE THE CAPACITY OF A ROAD JUNCTION CANNOT COPE WITH THE TRAFFIC FLOW THEN MOVEMENT, IN TERMS OF THE TIME AND SPACE THAT IS AVAILABLE, HAS TO BE RATIONED OUT BY A SYSTEM OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS.

+WHERE A ROAD'S CAPACITY CANNOT COPE WITH BOTH VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIANS, AGAIN TIME AND SPACE HAS TO BE ALLOCATED-USING METHODS THAT VARY FROM THE SIMPLEST FORM, A ZEBRA CROSSING PROGRESSING TO A LIGHT-CONTROLLED CROSSING WORKING ALL THE WAY UP TO COMPLETE SEGREGATION BY HAVING SEPARATE OVERHEAD OR UNDERGROUND PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS.

+WHERE LOCALISED SYSTEMS ARE INSUFFICIENT, THEN IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE A MUCH LARGER RATIONING SCHEME BY WAY OF AREA TRAFFIC CONTROL WHERE A WHOLE SYSTEM OF LINKED TRAFFIC LIGHT SIGNALS IS LINKED TO A COMPUTER PROGRAMMED TO CONTROL TRAFFIC FLOWS IN A WHOLE AREA SUCH AS WE ALREADY HAVE IN WEST KOWLOON AND WILL HAVE EVENTUALLY OVER THE WHOLE URBAN AREA.

+PUBLIC TRANSPORT PRIORITY SCHEMES CAN ALSO BE REGARDED AS A SYSTEM OF RATIONING WHEREBY ROAD CAPACITY IS ALLOCATED TO ACHIEVE THE BEST MOVEMENT OF PASSENGERS RATHER THAN VEHICLES. RATIONING SCHEMES ARE NEVER POPULAR BUT THEY HAVE TO BE TOLERATED AS A PROTECTION AGAINST CHAOS,+ HE SAID.

ON THE RECENT REGIONALISATION OF THE DEPARTMENT TO COVER HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR LEEDS SAID THAT THE FIRST PHASE OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT RE-ORGANISATION, WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT ON APRIL 1, HAD BROUGHT ALL THE RIGHT COMPONENT PARTS INTO ONE DEPARTMENT, BUT DID NOT IMMEDIATELY ACHIEVE THE DEGREE OF INTEGRATION LOOKED FOR AND DID NOT MEET THE NEEDS OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION ADEQUATELY.

THE NEXT STAGE (EFFECTED LAST MONDAY) CHANGED THE INTERNAL STRUCTURE OF TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TO MEET THESE TWO NEEDS.

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MR LEEDS MADE PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE WORK OF THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERS WHO ARE NOW IN THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND THE WAY IN WHICH THE WORK HAS ACHIEVED IMPROVEMENTS IN TRAFFIC FLOW.

HE SAID: +IN THE CONGESTED CONDITIONS IN HONG KONG, WITH A LARGE NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS AND MANY CONFLICTING FLOWS OF TRAFFIC, OVERALL MOVEMENT, COMPARED TO MANY OTHER CITIES, IS REMARKABLY GOOD, AND CONSIDERING THE SHORTAGES OF STAFF, THE ENGINEERS AND TECHNICAL OFFICERS IN THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISIONS HAVE PROVIDED US WITH A VERY PROFESSIONAL SERVICE.+

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SPECIAL TRAINS FOR CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL
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SPECIAL TRAINS WILL BE PUT IN SERVICE BETWEEN KOWLOON AND WO HOP SHEK TO COPE WITH THE HEAVY PASSENGER TRAFFIC EXPECTED DURING THE CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL PERIOD, A KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

EXTRA TRAINS WILL BE ADDED ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY (OCTOBER 24 AND 25) AND AGAIN ON SUNDAY (OCTOBER 31), HE SAID.

ON THOSE DAYS, EIGHT SPECIAL TRAINS WILL LEAVE KOWLOON STATION FROM 7.15 AM AND 10 TRAINS WILL LEAVE WO HOP SHEK FROM 8.30 AM DAILY AT ABOUT HOURLY INTERVALS.

THESE SPECIAL TRAINS, AS WELL AS OTHER ORDINARY DIESEL PASSENGER TRAINS OPERATING BETWEEN KOWLOON AND LO WU, WILL NOT STOP AT MONG KOK STATION BEFORE 2 PM. PASSENGERS ARE THEREFORE ADVISED TO GO TO KOWLOON STATION AT HUNG HOM DURING THIS PERIOD, HE SAID.

MEANWHILE, THREE NORTHBOUND AND FIVE SOUTHBOUND ADDITIONAL PASSENGER TRAINS WILL ALSO BE OPERATED DAILY BETWEEN KOWLOON AND LO WU ON TWO SATURDAYS (OCTOBER 23 AND 30), BEFORE AND AFTER THE CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL.

THESE EXTRA TRAINS ARE INTENDED TO EASE THE CONGESTION OF PASSENGERS GOING TO AND RETURNING FROM THE NEW TERRITORIES, AND WILL STOP AT ALL STATIONS EXCEPT KOWLOON TONG, AND TERMINATE AT SHEUNG SHUI.

SPECIAL CROWD CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE AT KOWLOON STATION WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE POLICE, DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIOD.

THE SPOKESMAN ADVISED PASSENGERS GOING TO ALL NEW TERRITORIES STATIONS, INCLUDING WO HOP SHEK AND SANDY RIDGE TO QUEUE OUTSIDE THE PROMENADE AND TO ENTER THE STATION CONCOURSE BY THE WESTERN ENTRANCE.

PASSENGERS TAKING THE ELECTRIC TRAINS AND DIRECT THROUGH TRAINS SHOULD USE THE EASTERN ENTRANCE OF THE STATION (NEAR THE BOOKING OFFICE), AND NEED NOT JOIN THE QUEUE FOR ENTRY INTO THE CONCOURSE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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WARNING ABOUT COUNTRYSIDE FIRES

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VISITORS TO THE COUNTRYSIDE WERE TOLD TODAY (WEDNESDAY) TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT HILL FIRES WHICH COULD CAUSE EXTENSIVE DESTRUCTION OF VEGETATION, DAMAGE TO LANDSCAPE AND LOSS OF NATURAL HABITAT FOR BIRDS AND ANIMALS.

COUNTRYSIDE USERS CAUSED MORE THAN 1 000 FIRES LAST YEAR, RESULTING IN A LOSS OF OVER 70 000 TREES, SAID THE ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (CONSERVATION AND COUNTRY PARKS) OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, MR K.C. IU.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN THE TAI LAM COUNTRY PARK TO LAUNCH THE 1982-83 COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN, MR IU SAID OVER THE YEARS, THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, HAD DEVELOPED AN EFFICIENT FIRE FIGHTING SYSTEM TO MINIMISE FIRE DAMAGE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

+HOWEVER, EVEN AN EFFECTIVE DETECTION AND REPORTING SYSTEM, TRAINED FIRE FIGHTERS, MODERN FIRE FIGHTING METHODS AND EQUIPMENT COULD BE RENDERED INEFFECTIVE IF PEOPLE DID NOT OBSERVE A FEW SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS,+ HE ADDED.

MR IU WARNED THAT LEGAL ACTIONS MIGHT BE TAKEN AGAINST THOSE WHO CAUSED HILL FIRES.

A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5 000 AND ONE YEAR'S IMPRISONMENT COULD BE IMPOSED FOR ILLEGAL LIGHTING OF FIRES IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

HE REMINDED GRAVE WORSHIPPERS TO TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS DURING THE CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL.

+BURNING JOSS STICKS ARE KNOWN TO HAVE CAUSED HILL FIRES THAT BURNED FOR DAYS, ENTAILING ROUND-THE-CLOCK FIRE FIGHTING.

+ALL WE ASK IS A LITTLE CARE, A LITTLE THOUGHT AND A LITTLE RESPONSIBILITY,+ HE SAID.

AFTER THE PRESS CONFERENCE, CONTROLLED FIRE FIGHTING DEMONSTRATIONS WERE STAGED FOR THE MEDIA.

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MARINA AND RESIDENTIAL SITE FOR TUEN MUN NEW TOWN
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THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING CASH TENDERS FOR A 40-HECTARE SITE AT SO KWUN WAT IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN TO BE DEVELOPED AS A MAJOR MARINA AND HIGH-CLASS RESIDENTIAL AREA.

WHEN DEVELOPED THE PROJECT WILL PROVIDE A FULL RANGE OF MARINA FACILITIES TO SERVE THE GROWING POPULATION OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN AND BOATING ENTHUSIASTS LIVING IN THE URBAN AREA.

SITUATED ON SCENIC SO KWUN WAT BAY ALONG THE EASTERN SHORELINE OF TUEN MUN NEW TOWN AND CLOSE TO PEARL ISLAND AND NEW CAFETERIA BEACH THE AREA WILL BECOME A LOW-DENSITY, HIGH-CLASS RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

MOORING AND BERTHING FACILITIES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR AT LEAST 300 PLEASURE CRAFT IN THE MARINA.

THERE WILL ALSO BE FUELLING FACILITIES, BOAT STACKING AREAS, BOAT-REPAIR WORKSHOPS AS WELL AS A CLUBHOUSE.

NEXT TO THIS CLUBHOUSE WILL BE A COMMERCIAL COMPLEX WHICH WILL INCLUDE RETAIL SHOPS, A SUPERMARKET AND RESTAURANTS. CAR-PARKING FACILITIES TO SERVE RESIDENTS, VISITORS AND USERS OF THE MARINA WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED.

THE DEVELOPER WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT A MINIMUM OF 1 550 RESIDENTIAL FLATS WITH A TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA OF 200 000 SQUARE METRES ON AREAS TO BE RECLAIMED.

THE DEVELOPER WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT TO GOVERNMENT STANDARDS A BREAK-WATER ON THE SEAWARD SIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A BEACH WHICH WILL BE LINKED TO THE NEARBY NEW CAFETERIA BEACH. THIS BEACH WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, AS PART OF A SCHEME TO PROVIDE BETTER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES IN THE AREA.

BORROW AREAS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE SO KWUN WAT VALLEY TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FILL MATERIAL, SO AS TO HELP THE DEVELOPER IN RECLAIMING AREAS PROPOSED FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

TO ENSURE THAT THE PROJECT IS DEVELOPED SATISFACTORILY, TENDERERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A MASTER PLAN OF THEIR SCHEME, A DETAILED PROGRAMME OF WORKS AND PLANS SHOWING DETAILS OF THE TENDERERS' PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL LANDSCAPING AND AREAS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

THE ENTIRE PROJECT SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIX YEARS AT A MINIMUM COST OF \$340 MILLION, EXCLUDING RECLAMATION WORKS.

IN VIEW OF THE SCALE OF THE PROJECT, AND TO ASSIST WITH CASH FLOW DURING CONSTRUCTION, THE DEVELOPER MAY SELL SOME OF THE COMPLETED PORTIONS OF THE SCHEME PROVIDED CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE ADHERED TO.

/THE CLOSING

THE CLOSING DATE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS DECEMBER 31, AND TENDER FORMS AND SALE CONDITIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KOWLOON WEST), 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON- AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TAI PO, NORTH, YUEN LONG, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN, SAI KUNG AND ISLANDS.

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DIRECTOR OF TRADE LEAVES FOR TEXTILE TALKS
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MR LAWRENCE MILLS, DIRECTOR OF TRADE, LEFT FOR LONDON LAST (TUESDAY) NIGHT FOR TALKS WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON THE HONG KONG/EEC TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS.

MR MILLS IS ACCOMPANIED BY MR MICHAEL WU, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF TRADE.

THE EEC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IS SCHEDULED NEXT WEEK TO CONSIDER THE POSITION REACHED IN THE LAST ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WERE ADJOURNED AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THEY WILL DECIDE ON A DATE FOR RESUMPTION OF THE TALKS.

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GOOD RESPONSE TO INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION
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INITIAL RESPONSE TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION (ILE) HAS BEEN MOST ENCOURAGING AND THE IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE IS TO EXPAND ITS CAPACITY, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (ILE), MR ANDREW FOK, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE LIONS CLUB OF BAY VIEW, MR FOK SAID MORE THAN 1 500 TEACHERS HAD APPLIED FOR THE 100 PLACES IN THE FIRST TWO COURSES ORGANISED BY THE INSTITUTE.

THE INSTITUTE, LOCATED IN THE PARK-IN COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN MONG KOK, HAS BEEN CONDUCTING TRAINING COURSES FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS SINCE SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

THE 16-WEEK COURSES MAKE USE OF THE INSTITUTE'S LANGUAGE LABORATORY AND OTHER AUDIO-VISUAL FACILITIES.

MR FOK DISCLOSED THAT THE ILE'S IMMEDIATE GOALS WERE TO TRAIN LANGUAGE TEACHERS FROM PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND TO EXPAND ITS PREMISES IN ORDER TO RECRUIT MORE LECTURERS.

THE INSTITUTE WOULD THEN CONDUCT REFRESHER COURSES FOR LANGUAGE TEACHERS FROM SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS OF OTHER SUBJECTS, CONDUCT RESEARCH IN METHODOLOGY IN LANGUAGE TEACHING AND LEARNING, AND STEP UP LIAISON WITH LOCAL AND OVERSEAS LANGUAGE INSTITUTES.

WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED, THE INSTITUTE WILL BE STAFFED BY MORE THAN 50 LECTURERS AND WILL PROVIDE TRAINING COURSES FOR 1 000 TEACHERS PER YEAR.

THE ILE IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S MASSIVE PLAN TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF LANGUAGE IN SCHOOLS AND IN THE COMMUNITY.

THE PACKAGE ALSO INCLUDES THE SETTING UP OF A CHINESE LANGUAGE FOUNDATION, THE PROVISION OF MORE TEACHERS FOR CHINESE AND ENGLISH IN SCHOOLS, CURRICULUM REFORM, A WIREFREE INDUCTION LOOP SYSTEM IN GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS, AND MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECTS.

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NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW
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MEMBERS OF NORTH DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE BRIEFED AT A MEETING TOMORROW (THURSDAY) ON THE AU TAU TO FAN KAM ROAD PROJECT WHICH IS PART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.

AT THE MEETING TO BE CHAIRED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STUART HARBINSON, BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS A PAPER BY THE TAI PO AND FANLING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE ON WORK TO PREVENT FLOODINGS IN THE DISTRICT.

THEY WILL ALSO EXAMINE REPORTS FROM THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES AND DISCUSS THE DRAFT DISTRICT BOARD STANDING ORDERS.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE BOARD'S LATEST FINANCIAL POSITION, CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN, INTERVIEW FACILITIES FOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS AND ACCESS AND TRANSPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISABLED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE NORTH DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AT TING KOK ROAD, TAI PO GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR.

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FENCING COURSES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS
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THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE SILVER JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE WILL JOINTLY ORGANISE A SERIES OF FENCING COURSES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS BETWEEN THE END OF THIS MONTH AND APRIL NEXT YEAR.

THE COURSES, WHICH ARE FREE, WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS CHENG MING THIEN COLLEGE IN NAM CHEONG STREET, SHAM SHUI PO AND ST PAUL'S COLLEGE IN BONHAM ROAD.

EACH SCHOOL MAY NOMINATE A MAXIMUM OF FOUR STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE COURSES. FOILS AND MASKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE ORGANISERS.

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ROAD CLOSURE IN CENTRAL ON SATURDAYS
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THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF PIER ROAD IN CENTRAL, BETWEEN GILMAN STREET AND JUBILEE STREET FERRY PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 1 PM TO 6 PM EVERY SATURDAY, FROM OCTOBER 23, IN CONNECTION WITH THE MARSHALLING OF FERRY PASSENGERS, A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

DURING THE CLOSURE, NORTHBOUND VEHICLES FROM GILMAN STREET SHOULD TURN LEFT INTO PIER ROAD WEST OF GILMAN STREET TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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