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DISTRICT PAPER TO PROMOTE CANDIDATES

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A SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT NEWSPAPER HAS BEEN PUBLISHED TO PUBLICISE THE PLATFORMS OF THE DISTRICT'S 34 CANDIDATES WHO WILL BE CONTESTING FOR 10 SEATS IN NEXT WEEK'S URBAN DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE EDITION ALSO REVIEWS THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE HAS MAILED THE PAPER TO EACH OF THE 100 000-PLUS REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE DISTRICT TOGETHER WITH A GUIDE ON THE VOTING PROCEDURE, A LOCATION PLAN OF THE 21 DESIGNATED POLLING STATIONS AND A PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, MR CHARLES GATELY.

THE COMMISSIONER STATED IN HIS MESSAGE TO THE VOTERS THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WOULD DEPEND UPON THEIR VOTE.

+EVERY VOTE COUNTS AND 101 527 VOTES FROM EASTERN DISTRICT WILL AMOUNT TO A MASSIVE VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN ITS LOCAL ADMINISTRATION FOR THE NEXT TWO AND A HALF YEARS,+ HE SAID.

+AS A REGISTERED VOTER, YOU HAVE ALREADY DECLARED YOUR INTEREST AS A RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN IN THE FUTURE CONTINUITY OF EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND ITS ROLE IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DISTRICT.

+IT IS NOW TIME FOR YOU TO EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT AND VOTE.+

ON ELECTION DAY (SEPTEMBER 23), ALL POLLING STATIONS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7 AM TO 11 PM.

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HK TO BE REPRESENTED IN AIR TALKS

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MR NORMAN LATHAM, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION LEFT TODAY (SATURDAY) TO REPRESENT HONG KONG IN AIR SERVICES NEGOTIATIONS TO BE HELD IN LONDON BETWEEN THE AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND SINGAPORE.

THIS WILL BE THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS TO REVISE THE AIR SERVICES ARRANGEMENTS GOVERNING REGIONAL FLIGHTS OF CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS AND SINGAPORE AIRLINES TOUCHING HONG KONG AND SINGAPORE.

AFTER THE TALKS, MR LATHAM WILL GO ON A SHORT LEAVE UNTIL THE END OF OCTOBER.

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MAJOR CLEAN-UP AT RENNIE'S MILL COTTAGE AREA

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THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS AT RENNIE'S MILL COTTAGE AREA WERE HAPPY TODAY TO SEE THE COMPLETION OF A TWO-WEEK-LONG FACE-LIFTING OPERATION WHICH HAS MARKEDLY IMPROVED THE GENERAL ENVIRONMENT IN THEIR LIVING AREA.

THE MAJOR CLEAN-UP, THE SECOND IN THE LAST NINE MONTHS, WAS JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD, THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, THE MARINE DEPARTMENT AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

MORE THAN 200 TONNES OF REFUSE WERE REMOVED FROM THE HILLSIDE AND THE WATERFRONT AT RENNIE'S MILL ON THE WESTERN COASTLINE OF JUNK BAY.

AS THERE WERE NO VEHICLE ACCESS ROADS TO THE VILLAGE HOUSES BUILT IN TIERS ON THE REMOTE HILLS, A LARGE QUANTITY OF REFUSE HAD TO BE FERRIED OUT BY VESSELS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NTSD SAID.

PUTTING A FINAL TOUCH TO THE EXERCISE, SOME 100 CIVIC-MINDED STUDENTS FROM SIX LOCAL SCHOOLS WENT THROUGH THE COTTAGE AREA TODAY REMOVING A LARGE QUANTITY OF REFUSE AND OTHER DISCARDED MATERIAL.

ALSO TAKING PART IN TODAY'S OPERATION WERE THE DISTRICT OFFICER OF SAI KUNG, MR CHAN SUI-JEUNG, AND THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICER OF SAI KUNG, MR LAM CHUNG-HUEN.

MR LAM PAID TRIBUTE TO THE STUDENTS AND ASKED THEM TO BRING HOME THE MESSAGE OF THE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN. HE ALSO URGED THEM TO IMPRESS UPON THEIR PARENTS THE NEED TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE LITTER CONTAINERS AND BIN SITES PROVIDED FOR HOUSEHOLD REFUSE.

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CONSERVATION ADVICE ON THE STREETS

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THE PUBLIC WILL BE MADE MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING THE COUNTRYSIDE FROM THIS WEEK.

TWO DOUBLE-DECKER BUSES FROM KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY HAVE RECENTLY BEEN PAINTED WITH AN EYE-CATCHING SLOGAN AGAINST A COLOURFUL BACKGROUND OF FLOWERS, TREES AND FOOTPATHS, SYMBOLISING THE BEAUTY OF A COUNTRY PARK.

THE SLOGAN ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BUSES SAYS IN CHINESE: +LOVE AND ENJOY YOUR COUNTRY PARKS. KEEP THEM CLEAN AND GREEN.+

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY), +BY TAKING OUR CONSERVATION MESSAGE TO THE ROADS, WE HOPE THAT MORE PEOPLE WILL BE ENCOURAGED TO PROTECT THE VEGETATION AND WILD LIFE IN THE PARKS.+

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HE POINTED OUT THAT THE WORST ENEMIES OF COUNTRYSIDE CONSERVATION ARE FIRE AND LITTER.

HE SAID THAT COUNTRY PARK STAFF HAD TO COPE WITH ABOUT 300 HILL FIRES A YEAR, AND CLEAN AN AVERAGE OF 2 000 TONNES OF LITTER LEFT BEHIND BY VISITORS EVERY WEEKEND.

+THE SITUATION CAN EASILY BE IMPROVED IF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PAY MORE ATTENTION TO THE COUNTRY CODES,+ HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN THANKED THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY FOR PROVIDING THE BUSES FOR THIS PROMOTION CAMPAIGN.

+THEY HAVE, INDEED, SET A FINE EXAMPLE OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR A WORTHWHILE CAUSE,+ HE SAID.

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SHA TIN COOKED FOOD AND MARKET STALLS FOR AUCTION

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FOUR STALLS AT FO TAN WEST COOKED FOOD MARKET AND THREE STALLS AT TWO MARKETS IN SHA TIN WILL BE PUT UP FOR PUBLIC AUCTION ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 20).

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT 10 AM AT THE LEK YUEN COMMUNITY HALL AT LEK YUEN ESTATE IN SHA TIN, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

FOR THE FOUR COOKED FOOD STALLS, THE UPSET MONTHLY RENTAL IS \$3 800 EACH, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE UPSET MONTHLY RENTALS FOR TWO STALLS SELLING WET GOODS AND ICE AT TAI WAI TEMPORARY MARKET ARE \$1 000 AND \$1 500 RESPECTIVELY WHILE THE REMAINING ONE FOR WET GOODS AT SHA TIN MARKET IS \$750.

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MAY START BUSINESS ON OCTOBER 1 FOR A CONTRACT PERIOD OF THREE YEARS.

THEY ARE REQUIRED TO PAY THE RENTAL ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

POTENTIAL BIDDERS MUST BE AGED 21 OR ABOVE. THEY ARE REQUESTED TO BRING ALONG THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND FIVE PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE AUCTION VENUE.

FURTHER DETAILS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE HAWKERS AND MARKETS SECTION OF THE SHA TIN URBAN SERVICES OFFICE ON TELEPHONE 0-623467.

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GOVERNMENT WATER ENGINEER RETIRES
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THE ACTING GOVERNMENT WATER ENGINEER (MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL), MR FREDERICK THOMAS, IS RETIRING AFTER 22 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

TO MARK THE OCCASION, THE DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLIES, MR TOM TOMLINSON, TODAY (SATURDAY) PRESENTED MR THOMAS WITH A VIDEO RECORDER FROM COLLEAGUES IN THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT AND OTHER WORKS DEPARTMENTS.

MR TOMLINSON SAID THAT THE PERIOD OF SERVICE OF MR THOMAS WAS MARKED BY A TREMENDOUS INCREASE IN THE DEMAND FOR WATER IN HONG KONG WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT A CORRESPONDING EXPANSION IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

MR THOMAS, WHO WAS THE FIRST ELECTRICAL ENGINEER TO SERVE IN THE DEPARTMENT, HAS BEEN PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN THE PLANNING AND EXECUTION OF THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WORKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EXPANSION IN BOTH THE URBAN AREA AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MAJOR WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES, INCLUDING THE PLOVER COVE AND HIGH ISLAND RESERVOIR SCHEMES, INEVITABLY INVOLVED GREATER SOPHISTICATION IN EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTATION, AND EXTENSIVE TRAINING OF AN EXPANDING STAFF TO WHICH MR THOMAS MADE A CONSIDERABLE CONTRIBUTION.

HE WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE COMMISSIONING OF THE LOK ON PAI DESALTING PLANT WHICH, WHEN COMPLETED IN 1976, WAS THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD.

MR THOMAS FIRST JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER IN THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL OFFICE OF THE FORMER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IN MAY 1960, TRANSFERRING TWO YEARS LATER TO THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT WHERE HE HAS REMAINED SINCE.

HE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEER IN APRIL 1966 AND TO CHIEF ELECTRICAL ENGINEER IN APRIL 1971.

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AIR MAIL TO LEBANON RESUMES
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AIR MAIL SERVICES TO LEBANON HAVE RESUMED PARTIALLY AFTER BEING SUSPENDED SINCE JUNE 17, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY).

LETTERS AND CARDS MAY NOW BE POSTED TO LEBANON BUT ALL OTHER POSTAL SERVICES REMAIN SUSPENDED.

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FIRING PRACTICE IN HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE FROM MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) TO FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 24).

THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE PRACTICE ARE:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
SEPTEMBER 20 (MONDAY)	9 AM TO 6.30 PM
SEPTEMBER 21 (TUESDAY)	8 AM TO 6.30 PM
SEPTEMBER 22 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM TO 6 PM
SEPTEMBER 23 (THURSDAY)	8 AM TO 4.30 PM
SEPTEMBER 24 (FRIDAY)	8 AM TO 4.30 PM

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN THE RED FLAG IS FLYING.

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PARTIAL CLOSURE OF LION ROCK TUNNEL
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MOTORISTS TRAVELLING NORTH THROUGH THE LION ROCK TUNNEL FROM KOWLOON TO SHA TIN MAY EXPERIENCE SOME DELAY ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) BETWEEN 1 PM AND 3 PM DUE TO THE PARTIAL CLOSURE OF ONE TRAFFIC LANE NEAR THE PORTAL OF THE NORTHBOUND TUNNEL.

THE CLOSURE IS TO ENABLE MAINTENANCE WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT. TUNNEL CONTROL STAFF WILL BE ON HAND TO ENSURE THAT DELAYS ARE MINIMISED.

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ROAD BEING RE-ROUTED IN WAN CHAI
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FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (SEPTEMBER 20), YAT SIN STREET IN WAN CHAI WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE WAY SOUTHBOUND FROM OI KWAN ROAD TO SUNG TAK STREET.

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WATER TAPS OFF IN MID-LEVELS
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN MIDDLE LEVELS WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 21) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR A LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY KUI IN FONG, SQUARE STREET, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, PEEL STREET AND CAINE ROAD.

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