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BANKING LICENCE REVOKED

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THE BANKING LICENCE OF THE STATE BANK OF VICTORIA HAS BEEN REVOKED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

"THE TWO BANKS MERGED IN AUSTRALIA ON JANUARY 1 THIS YEAR WITH THE STATE BANK OF VICTORIA TRANSFERRING ALL ITS ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO THE COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE STATE BANK OF VICTORIA WAS GRANTED A BANKING LICENCE IN 1989 AND THE COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA IN 1986.

AFTER THE REVOCATION, THERE ARE 166 LICENSED BANKS IN HONG KONG, OF WHICH 136 ARE INCORPORATED OUTSIDE HONG KONG.

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AGREEMENTS FOR TWO CONSULTANCY STUDIES SIGNED

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS SIGNED AGREEMENTS WITH A CONSULTANCY FIRM TO CARRY OUT TWO STUDIES ON SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS AND UNDERGROUND DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL FACILITIES.

PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER (DISTRICT) OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, DR PETER PUN, SIGNED THE AGREEMENTS TODAY (FRIDAY) WITH THE DIRECTOR OF LLEWELYN-DAVIES WEEKS, HONG KONG, MR CHOONG YIN LEE, FOR THE TWO STUDIES - 'A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS' AND 'UNDERGROUND DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL FACILITIES EXTENDING BEYOND PRIVATE LAND'.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT SAID THE STUDY ON SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS, WHICH COSTS ABOUT \$1 MILLION, WOULD REVIEW COMPREHENSIVELY THE EXISTING SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS IN KOWLOON, NEW KOWLOON, AND HONG KONG ISLAND, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CHANGING PHYSICAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL AS THE CURRENT PLANNING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS.

PRESENT DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS OF THESE SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS WILL ALSO BE REVIEWED.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED IN THE SPECIAL CONTROL AREAS WERE MAINLY RELATED TO BUILDING HEIGHT, PLOT RATIO AND CARPARKING REQUIREMENTS.

THE OTHER STUDY, ON UNDERGROUND DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, WILL COST ABOUT \$500,000.

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THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE STUDY WOULD ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY OF LARGE-SCALE UNDERGROUND COMMERCIAL AND CARPARKING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MAIN URBAN AREAS UNDERNEATH PUBLIC LAND SUCH AS ROADS AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, AND FORMULATE A STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK TO GUIDE AND CONTROL SUCH UNDERGROUND DEVELOPMENTS.

BOTH STUDIES WILL TAKE SEVERAL MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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GOVERNMENT LAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SALE OF A PIECE OF GOVERNMENT LAND AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD, KWAI CHUNG IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE SITE, MEASURING ABOUT 2,090 SQUARE METRES, IS INTENDED FOR A PETROL FILLING STATION.

IT IS STIPULATED THAT THE PETROL FILLING STATION SHOULD COMMENCE OPERATION WITHIN 24 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE AGREEMENT.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS 12 NOON ON MARCH 1.

FORM OF TENDER, TENDER NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM AND TENDER PLAN INSPECTED AT, THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES KOWLOON, 10TH FLOOR, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON.

TENDER DOCUMENTS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TAI PO, NORTH, YUEN LONG, TSUEN WAN, KWAI TSING, TUEN MUN, SAI KUNG AND ISLANDS.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR REPULSE BAY TO ABERDEEN PUMPING SCHEME

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THE DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE REPULSE BAY TO ABERDEEN PUMPING SCHEME AND ASSOCIATED WORKS.

THE WORKS WILL INCLUDE:

- * LAND RECLAMATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SEWAGE PRIMARY PUMPING STATION AT REPULSE BAY;
- * CONSTRUCTION OF TWO SECONDARY SEWAGE PUMPING STATIONS AT DEEP WATER BAY;

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- * LAYING OF A FOUL SEWER ALONG REPULSE BAY ROAD;
- * LAYING OF THE PUMPING MAINS OF THE SECONDARY PUMPING STATIONS; AND
- * LAYING OF A PUMPING MAIN FROM REPULSE BAY TO WONG CHUK HANG.

THE CONTRACT WILL ALSO COVER THE LAYING OF A FRESH WATER MAIN ALONGSIDE THE PROPOSED PUMPING MAIN AT DEEP WATER BAY GOLF CLUB.

THE CONTRACT PERIOD IS 24 MONTHS AND WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN MAY.

THE WORKS FORM PART OF SHEK O AND REPULSE BAY AREAS SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SCHEME WHICH WILL IMPROVE THE EXISTING SEWERAGE SYSTEM AND PROVIDE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL FACILITIES FOR SHOUSON HILL, DEEP WATER BAY, MIDDLE BAY, SOUTH BAY, CHUNG HOM KOK, MA HANG, SHEK O AND ROCKY BAY, SO AS TO PROTECT AND IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY AT THE HONG KONG ISLAND SOUTH BATHING BEACHES.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON MARCH 8.

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LAND RESUMPTION FOR REDEVELOPMENT AND VILLAGE RESITE

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THE GOVERNMENT IS TO RESUME CERTAIN UNDIVIDED SHARES OF LAND LOCATED BETWEEN NOS. 187 AND 193 QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WAN CHAI, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WAN CHAI OUTLINE ZONING PLAN.

THE UNDIVIDED SHARES INCLUDE FOUR GROUND FLOOR UNITS AND 11 UPPER FLOOR DOMESTIC UNITS WHICH FALL WITHIN AN AREA ZONED FOR "OTHER SPECIFIED USES" ANNOTATED "COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT AREA" IN THE CURRENT ZONING PLAN.

UNDER THE APPROVED MASTER LAY-OUT PLAN, THE PROPERTIES ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE WAY FOR A JOINT-VENTURE REDEVELOPMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND A PRIVATE DEVELOPER.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT, A PARTY WALL BETWEEN NOS. 191 AND 193 OF QUEEN'S ROAD EAST HAS ALSO TO BE RESUMED.

MEANWHILE, ON LANTAU ISLAND, THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO NOTIFIED THE RESUMPTION OF 19 PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL LOTS IN TUNG CHUNG TO PROVIDE LAND FOR THE FORMATION OF VILLAGE RESITE AREA AT WONG LUNG HANG.

THE LOTS COVER A TOTAL AREA OF 3,091.6 SQUARE METRES.

DETAILS OF THE RESUMPTION WERE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

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PROPOSED DREDGING AT SOKO ISLANDS

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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO DREDGE WITHIN AN AREA OF ABOUT 1,318 HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEABED AT SOKO ISLANDS TO PROVIDE MATERIALS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND FUTURE RECLAMATIONS.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA AFFECTED WAS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

ANY PERSON WHO CONSIDERS THAT HE HAS AN INTEREST, RIGHT OR EASEMENT IN OR OVER THE FORESHORE AND SEABED INVOLVED MAY SUBMIT A WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE DIRECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND LANDS ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31.

THE NOTICE OF SUCH OBJECTION SHALL DESCRIBE THE INTEREST, RIGHT OR EASEMENT OF THE OBJECTOR AND THE MANNER IN WHICH HE ALLEGES HE WILL BE AFFECTED.

THE NOTICE TOGETHER WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT SURVEY AND MAPPING OFFICE, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, CENTRAL (WHERE COPIES CAN BE PURCHASED ON ORDER).

IT CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE, 20TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL; THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S MUI WO SUB-OFFICE, GROUND FLOOR, MUI WO GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 2 NGAN KWONG WAN ROAD, MUI WO, LANTAU ISLAND; AND ITS CHEUNG CHAU SUB-OFFICE, 22 SAN HING STREET, GROUND FLOOR, CHEUNG CHAU; AND AT THE OFFICES OF THE CHEUNG CHAU AND SOUTH LANTAU RURAL COMMITTEES.

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NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR TAI PO

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THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A "FLEXI-DESIGN" PRIMARY SCHOOL ON A 6,760 SQUARE METRE SITE AT AREA 9, TAI PO.

THE SCHOOL WILL COMPRISE A MAIN TEACHING BLOCK TO ACCOMMODATE 30 CLASSROOMS AND SPECIAL ROOMS, A COVERED PLAYGROUND, AN ASSEMBLY HALL, A BASKETBALL COURT AND ANCILLARY BUILDINGS INCLUDING STAFF QUARTERS.

CONSTRUCTION WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN MAY AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 15 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON MARCH 1.

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ROAD WORKS FOR YUEN LONG PING SHAN DEVELOPMENT

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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO CARRY OUT ROAD WORKS TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS AND ENVIRONMENT IN THE YUEN LONG PING SHAN AREA AND PROVIDE SITES FOR VILLAGE SMALL HOUSE DEVELOPMENT THERE.

THE PROPOSED WORKS INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROADS, FOOTPATHS, FOUL AND STORM WATER DRAINS, AMENITY AREAS AND OPEN SPACE CARPARKS AND THE FORMATION OF LAND FOR OPEN SPACES, TWO COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND VILLAGE SMALL HOUSE SITES.

THE PROPOSED WORKS ARE PART OF THE ADOPTED YUEN LONG PING SHAN SOUTH LAYOUT PLAN WHICH INCLUDES THE TONG FONG TSUEN VILLAGE EXTENSION AREA PILOT SCHEME.

WORKS WILL START IN JULY THIS YEAR AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN DECEMBER 1992.

A NOTICE ON THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY). A NOTICE WILL ALSO BE POSTED NEAR THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED WORKS.

THE PLAN AND SCHEME MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES:

- * CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, CENTRAL;
- * YUEN LONG DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, YUEN LONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, NINTH TO 11TH FLOORS, 2 KIU LOK SQUARE, YUEN LONG; AND
- * YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE, YUEN LONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, 269 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, YUEN LONG.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, CENTRAL NOT LATER THAN MARCH 26 THIS YEAR.

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MORE ROADS TO BE BUILT IN SHA TAU KOK

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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PLANS TO CARRY OUT ROAD WORKS IN SHA TAU KOK AREAS 19 AND 20 (TSOI YUEN KOK AREA) TO IMPROVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE AREAS.

THE PROPOSED WORKS INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF ABOUT 250 METRES OF LOCAL ROAD L5 TO REPLACE A SECTION OF THE EXISTING LIN MA HANG ROAD, FOOTPATHS, EMERGENCY VEHICULAR ACCESSES AND AN EXTENSION TO AN EXISTING CARPARK TOGETHER WITH THE INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STREET FURNITURE, SLOPES AND DRAINAGE WORKS.

PERMANENT ALTERNATIVE ACCESSES WILL BE PROVIDED TO CATER FOR THE EXISTING ACCESSES THAT HAVE TO BE CLOSED.

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESSES WILL BE MAINTAINED SO THAT ANY INCONVENIENCE TO THE PUBLIC WILL BE MINIMISED.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE PLAN AND SCHEME MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT OFFICES:

- * CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG;
- * NORTH DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, FANLING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 3 PIK FUNG ROAD, FANLING, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON WHO OBJECTS TO THE PROPOSED WORKS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN MARCH 26.

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ASSURANCE LETTER SCHEME FOR SPOUSES OF BRITISH CITIZENS

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) REITERATED THAT THE WIDOWS/WIDOWERS OF BRITISH CITIZENS ARE ELIGIBLE UNDER THE CURRENT ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR APPLICATION TO SETTLE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IF THEY HAVE REMAINED RESIDENT IN HONG KONG AND HAVE NOT REMARRIED AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION.

"WE SHALL FLEXIBLY CONSIDER THEIR APPLICATIONS AND GIVE SAME PRIORITY IN FUTURE IF THEY WISH TO LEAVE FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT IMMIGRATION RULES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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"WIDOWS/WIDOWERS WHOSE BRITISH CITIZEN SPOUSES WERE RESIDENT IN HONG KONG AT THE TIME OF HIS/HER DEATH BEFORE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASSURANCE SCHEME ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE UNDER THE SCHEME PROVIDED THAT THE WIDOWS/WIDOWERS HAVE NOT REMARRIED AND ARE STILL RESIDING IN HONG KONG AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION," HE ADDED.

THE HOME OFFICE HAS EARLIER AUTHORISED THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TO ISSUE A LETTER OF ASSURANCE TO NON-BRITISH-CITIZEN WIVES OR HUSBANDS OF BRITISH CITIZENS IN HONG KONG TO FACILITATE ANY FUTURE APPLICATION FOR SETTLEMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AT SUCH TIME WHEN THEY ARE READY TO LEAVE HONG KONG.

THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT IMPLEMENTED THE SCHEME ON NOVEMBER 26, 1990.

SUCH PERSONS MAY APPROACH THE OVERSEAS VISA SECTION, IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, NINTH FLOOR, WANCHAI TOWER II, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI WITH THE RELEVANT IDENTITY/NATIONALITY DOCUMENTS OF THEMSELVES AND THEIR BRITISH-CITIZEN SPOUSES AS WELL AS DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE THAT THEY ARE MARRIED TO EACH OTHER.

A LETTER OF ASSURANCE WILL LATER BE ISSUED TO THE NON-BRITISH-CITIZEN SPOUSES.

SO FAR, A TOTAL OF 286 LETTERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THESE NON-BRITISH SPOUSES.

"THE LETTER OF ASSURANCE IS NOT AN ENTRY CLEARANCE, BUT IT SERVES TO GIVE PRIORITY TO ANY FUTURE APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT IF THEY WISH TO SETTLE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITH THEIR BRITISH-CITIZEN SPOUSES.

"THE LETTER IS NOT INTENDED FOR PRESENTATION TO THE UK IMMIGRATION OFFICERS AT THE PORT OF ENTRY IN LIEU OF AN ENTRY CLEARANCE," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY CALL TEL. 829 3275 FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES.

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NINE SCHOOLS TO JOIN DIRECT SUBSIDY SCHEME

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NINE SCHOOLS WILL JOIN THE DIRECT SUBSIDY SCHEME (DSS) IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR, AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE NINE SCHOOLS ARE:

- * CHINESE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
- * FRENCH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

- * FUKIEN MIDDLE SCHOOL
- * GERMAN SWISS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
- * HEUNG TO MIDDLE SCHOOL
- * HON WAH MIDDLE SCHOOL
- * HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
- * MONGKOK WORKERS' CHILDREN SCHOOL
- * PUI KIU MIDDLE SCHOOL

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SCHOOLS WERE RECOMMENDED BY THE PRIVATE SCHOOLS REVIEW COMMITTEE AND ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL SHORTLY BE SEEKING THE APPROVAL OF NECESSARY FUNDS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE RECURRENT COST OF ADMITTING THE NINE SCHOOLS INTO THE SCHEME IS ESTIMATED AT \$28 MILLION IN THE 1991-92 FINANCIAL YEAR AND THE ANNUAL RECURRENT COST THEREAFTER IS ESTIMATED AT \$52 MILLION.

THE SCHEME, RECOMMENDED BY THE EDUCATION COMMISSION IN ITS REPORT NO. 3, AIMS TO ENCOURAGE THE CREATION OF A STRONG INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOL SECTOR AND INCREASE THE RANGE OF CHOICES OF SCHOOLS FOR PARENTS.

DSS SCHOOLS WILL BE PAID A SUBSIDY BASED ON THE AVERAGE UNIT COST OF AN AIDED SECONDARY PLACE. THE ACTUAL LEVEL OF SUBSIDY WILL DEPEND ON THE FEES CHARGED BY SCHOOLS.

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL SOON BE ISSUING CIRCULARS TO ALL SCHOOLS SO THAT THEY CAN INFORM THEIR PUPILS OF THE NAMES, ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF THE DSS SCHOOLS AND THE PROCEDURES FOR ADMISSION.

"PARENTS ARE ADVISED TO APPLY DIRECT TO THESE SCHOOLS FOR ADMISSION AS STUDENTS WILL NOT BE CENTRALLY ALLOCATED TO THESE SCHOOLS BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES ON DISTRICT BASIS PLANNED

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THE GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES FOR ELDERLY ON A DISTRICT BASIS, SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE CARITAS LUNG TIN HOSTEL CUM SOCIAL CLUB FOR ELDERLY TODAY (FRIDAY) AT TAI O, LANTAU ISLAND, THE ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR ALFRED CHUI, SAID THE MOVE ENABLED THE ELDERLY WHO REQUIRE RESIDENTIAL CARE TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACTS WITH THEIR RELATIVES AND THE COMMUNITY AS WELL.

TO ACHIEVE THIS AIM, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIAISE CLOSELY WITH THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, HOUSING AUTHORITY, THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT SO THAT RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICE, LIKE COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES, WOULD BE PLANNED ON DISTRICT BASIS, MR CHUI EXPLAINED.

ON THE PROVISION OF WELFARE SERVICES FOR ELDERLY LIVING IN THE ISLANDS DISTRICT, MR CHUI SAID PLANNING STANDARD WOULD BE MORE FLEXIBLE, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION OF ITS GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND SPARSE POPULATION.

"IN ADDITION TO THIS HOSTEL CUM SOCIAL CENTRE, PLANS ARE ALREADY IN HAND TO BUILD A SOCIAL CENTRE FOR ELDERLY AT MUI WO, LANTAU ISLAND AND A CARE AND ATTENTION HOME IN CHEUNG CHAU," HE ADDED.

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HK PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON ARTS EDUCATION

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THE GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL PUBLIC ORGANISATIONS ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ARTS EDUCATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, THE COMMISSIONER FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MRS SHELLEY LAU, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WORLD BOYS AND GIRLS ART EXHIBITION, MRS LAU SAID THE COUNCIL FOR PERFORMING ARTS HAD GRANTED MORE THAN \$1.5 MILLION IN 1990/91 FOR LOCAL ARTS GROUPS TO PROMOTE PERFORMING ARTS IN SCHOOLS.

"OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO AROUSE STUDENTS' INTEREST IN ARTS BY BRINGING PERFORMANCES IN DANCE AND DRAMA TO THEIR OWN SCHOOLS.

"STUDENTS ARE ALSO INVITED TO GIVE THEIR IMPRESSIONS ON SUCH PERFORMANCES THROUGH EITHER WRITING OR DRAWINGS. JUDGING FROM THE SUBMISSIONS, THE SCHEME HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL."

SHE SAID THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE DISTRICT BOARDS ALSO PLAYED A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN ORGANISING AND SPONSORING ARTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

"TODAY'S ART EXHIBITION WILL BRING HONG KONG'S ART EDUCATION TO A NEW HEIGHT AS SELECTED ARTWORK FROM CHILDREN OF 108 COUNTRIES ARE ON DISPLAY," MRS LAU SAID.

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THE WORLDWIDE ROVING EXHIBITION IS ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG BUDDHIST NICHIREN SHOSHU WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANISATION TO PROMOTE PEACE AND CULTURE.

SOME 410 WORKS SELECTED FROM 52,000 PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS BY CHILDREN AGED UNDER 15 FROM 108 COUNTRIES ARE ON DISPLAY.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FEBRUARY 11, FROM 10 AM TO 9 PM DAILY, AT THE LOW BLOCK EXHIBITION HALL OF THE CITY HALL. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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ARTS CARNIVAL IN CENTRAL ON SUNDAY

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A LARGE-SCALE ARTS SPECTACLE WILL BE HELD AT THE CHATER ROAD PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 3).

THE "ORIENTAL AND WESTERN ARTS CARNIVAL" WILL FEATURE PUPPET SHOWS, PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCES, FOLK DANCES AND POP SINGING BY WINNERS OF THE DISTRICT'S SINGING CONTEST.

STALLS ON DIFFERENT COUNTRIES' FOLK ARTS, INCLUDING CALLIGRAPHY, PALM READING, KNOTTING AND PAPER-CLAY MAKING, WILL ALSO BE SET UP.

THE CARNIVAL WILL START AT 2 PM AND ADMISSION IS FREE.

IT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT'S ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION, THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB AND THE COUNCIL OF CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT SCHOOL HEADS, WITH THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE DISTRICT BOARD.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE ASSISTANT CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS MONICA CHEN, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT'S ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION, MR WONG CHUNG-YING.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 852 3485.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ORIENTAL AND WESTERN ARTS CARNIVAL WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 3) AT THE CHATER ROAD PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT.

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TV SPECIAL TO PROMOTE FIGHT CRIME MESSAGES

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THE FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN SPECIAL PUBLICITY DRIVE REACHED ITS CLIMAX THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING IN A LIVE TELEVISION PROGRAMME - ENJOY YOURSELF TONIGHT (EYT) FIGHT CRIME SPECIAL.

JOINTLY PRODUCED BY THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE (FCC) AND THE TELEVISION BROADCASTS LIMITED, THE EYT SPECIAL WAS AIMED AT BRINGING THE THREE CAMPAIGN THEMES - PREVENT CRIME, REPORT CRIME AND PROVE CRIME - DIRECTLY TO THE HOMES OF MILLIONS OF TV AUDIENCE.

"A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN ORGANISED AT BOTH CENTRAL AND DISTRICT LEVELS IN SUPPORT OF THE SPECIAL PUBLICITY DRIVE SINCE IT WAS LAUNCHED ON JANUARY 18," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FCC PUBLICITY SUB-COMMITTEE SAID.

"THESE INCLUDED FCC MEMBERS GOING ON A FIGHT CRIME BUS TOUR, DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLICITY PACKAGES BY JUNIOR POLICE CALL MEMBERS AND CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES HELD IN THE 19 DISTRICTS," HE SAID.

AT TONIGHT'S EYT SHOW, THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF FCC, ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR JEREMY MATHEWS, STARTED THE PROGRAMME BY REVIEWING A GUARD OF HONOUR FORMED BY MEMBERS OF THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL.

SIX FCC MEMBERS, NAMELY, SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS MR PETER TSAO, MRS ROSANNA TAM, MR MARTIN LEE, MRS MIRIAM LAU, MR LEUNG SAU-CHI AND MR JUSTEIN WONG TOOK PART IN A QUIZ SEGMENT OF THE PROGRAMME SPECIALLY DESIGNED TO PROMOTE THE CAMPAIGN THEMES.

THE POLICE FIGHT CRIME AMBASSADOR, THE ROBOTCOP, WAS ALSO PRESENT AT TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME TO GIVE ADVICE ON CRIME PREVENTION.

OTHER LIVE PERFORMANCES STAGED BY POLICE GROUPS INCLUDED A POLICE DOG SHOW AND A DEMONSTRATION OF SELF-DEFENCE TECHNIQUES BY 20 WOMAN POLICE OFFICERS.

A ONE-MINUTE MUSIC VIDEO OF THE NEW FIGHT CRIME THEME SONG ALSO MADE ITS DEBUT SCREENING IN THE PROGRAMME.

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NEW EDITION OF 'NAMES OF BUILDINGS' ISSUED

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A NEW EDITION OF THE "NAMES OF BUILDINGS" TO REPLACE THE ONE ISSUED IN 1987 IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL.

THE BOOK, AT \$75 EACH, CONTAINS A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF BUILDING NAMES WITH ADDRESSES IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH. WHERE APPROPRIATE, THE CHINESE NAMES OF THE BUILDINGS HAVE ALSO BEEN INCLUDED.

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SAI WAN HO SUB-TREASURY TO OPEN ON MONDAY

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THE NEW SUB-TREASURY AT THE GROUND FLOOR, EASTERN LAW COURTS BUILDING, 29 TAI ON STREET, SAI WAN HO WILL BE OPENED ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 4).

THE OFFICE IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED NEAR THE SAI WAN HO MTR STATION AND THE BUS TERMINUS AT SAI WAN HO FERRY PIER.

PAYMENT OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS MAY BE MADE AT THE ABOVE OFFICE DURING THE OFFICE HOURS FROM 9 AM TO 4 PM ON MONDAY TO FRIDAY AND 9 AM TO 12 NOON ON SATURDAY.

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AMENDED TIMES FOR FIRING PRACTICE

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THE AMENDED TIMES FOR FIRING PRACTICE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON FEBRUARY 26 AND 27 (TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY) WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE PRACTICE WILL LAST FROM 8.30 AM TO 11.59 PM ON BOTH DAYS.

THE PUBLIC IS WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING.

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