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+GREATER MOMENTUM IN REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT+  
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THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE WITH GREATER MOMENTUM AS AN INTEGRATED STRUCTURE OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT IS BEING DEVELOPED, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM SAID TODAY.

+FOR MANY YEARS, URBAN COUNCILLORS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO SIT ON THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL; AND RECENTLY, SOME DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS HAVE ALSO BEEN APPOINTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,+ HE SAID.

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF A GROUP OF BUSINESSMEN, MR WIGGHAM SAID: +THIS PROCESS OF DEVELOPING REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE WITH GREATER MOMENTUM IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT GREEN PAPER ON REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, WHICH EFFECTIVELY BRINGS THE VARIOUS LEVELS TOGETHER: DISTRICT BOARDS, REGIONAL AND URBAN COUNCILS, LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE COUNCILS+.

+YOU CAN SEE HOW AN INTEGRATED STRUCTURE OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT IS BEING DEVELOPED -- LOGICALLY, NATURALLY AND STEADILY,+ HE ADDED.

+WE HAVE ALL ALONG SOUGHT TO EVOLVE A SYSTEM AND STYLE OF GOVERNMENT WHICH IS FIRMLY ROOTED IN HONG KONG AND SPECIALLY SUITED TO OUR SITUATION; AND WHICH WILL AT THE SAME TIME ALLOW FOR STILL FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE,+ MR WIGGHAM SAID.

IN URGING PEOPLE TO SUPPORT THE FORTHCOMING DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS, HE SAID: +THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT 1984 WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS THE MOST CRUCIAL TO HONG KONG'S POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.+

HE SAID DISTRICT BOARDS WERE BEGINNING TO DEVELOP A +WATCH DOG+ ROLE IN MONITORING THE PERFORMANCE OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND THIS WAS A NATURAL AND HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT.

THERE WOULD BE AN EVEN GREATER INTEREST IN THIS ROLE ON THE PART OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF DISTRICT BOARDS PARTICULARLY NEXT YEAR WHEN THE RATIO OF ELECTED TO APPOINTED UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS IS RAISED FROM THE PRESENT EQUAL BALANCE TO TWO TO ONE, HE SAID.

+THIS, AS I SEE IT, IS AN ESSENTIAL ASPECT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, AND WILL ENSURE THAT A GOVERNMENT WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY PERHAPS OVER-CENTRALISED AND OVER BUREAUCRATIC, BECOMES MORE RESPONSIVE AND MORE FLEXIBLE,+ HE SAID.

/+THE DEVELOPMENT .....

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+THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EXPANDED MANAGEMENT ROLE FOR DISTRICT BOARDS IS A RESPONSE TO THE INTEREST, DEDICATION AND EXPERTISE ALREADY SHOWN BY THE BOARDS,+ HE SAID.

+IT WILL ENABLE DISTRICT BOARDS TO INFLUENCE, IF NOT DIRECT, THE ACTIVITIES OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS TO AN EVEN GREATER EXTENT THAN AT PRESENT; AND WILL PROVIDE A FURTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO HAVE A SAY IN MAKING THE BEST USE OF LOCAL RESOURCES, AND DEVELOPING PROGRAMMES BEST SUITED TO DISTRICT NEEDS,+ HE SAID.

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OFFICIALS TO SPEAK AT RESUMED LEGCO DEBATE

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THIRTEEN OFFICIAL MEMBERS WILL BE SPEAKING IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) AND ON THURSDAY, DURING THE RESUMED DEBATE ON THE GOVERNOR'S POLICY ADDRESS.

THE DEBATE RESUMES AT 2.30 PM AND WILL BE BROADCAST LIVE ON RTHK RADIO ONE CHINESE SERVICE AND RADIO THREE ENGLISH SERVICE.

SPEAKING FIRST FOR THE OFFICIAL SIDE WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, THE HON DONALD LIAO.

HE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, THE HON CHAN NAI-KEONG; THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, THE HON ALAN SCOTT; THE SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES, THE HON PIERS JACOBS; THE SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, THE HON E.P. HO, AND THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, THE HON SIR JOHN BREMRIDGE.

SPEAKING ON THURSDAY WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, THE HON DAVID JEAFFRESON; THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, THE HON HENRY CHING; THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, THE HON COLVYN HAYE; THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, THE HON NEIL HENDERSON; THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, THE HON DAVID AKERS-JONES; THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE HON MICHAEL THOMAS, AND THE CHIEF SECRETARY, THE HON SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE.

AT THE MEETING ALSO, DEBATE WILL RESUME ON FOUR BILLS AND AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER'S BILL, PRIOR TO COMMITTEE STAGE AND FINAL READINGS.

THE FOUR BILLS ARE: SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (1983-84) BILL 1984, PRIVATE BILLS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1984, PUBLIC BUS SERVICES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1984, AND DEMOLISHED BUILDINGS (RE-DEVELOPMENT OF SITES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1984.

/THE UNOFFICIAL .....

THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBER'S BILL IS THE STANDARD CHARTERED ASIA LIMITED BILL 1984.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE FOUR SESSIONAL PAPERS AND A STATEMENT TO BE DEALT WITH BY THE COUNCIL.

THE STATEMENT WILL BE MADE BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, ON THE CHANGES TO THE APPROVED ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30.

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AUDIT SCRUTINY TO BE HELD IN PUBLIC  
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OPEN MEETINGS OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD LATER THIS MONTH FOLLOWING TABLING IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TOMORROW OF THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THIS FOLLOWS THE SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT IN MARCH THIS YEAR WHEN MEETINGS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WERE HELD IN PUBLIC. THROUGH WIDE MEDIA COVERAGE OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWER SESSIONS THE PUBLIC WAS ABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW THE GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO USE TAXPAYERS' MONEY IN 1984-85.

THE OPEN MEETINGS OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, AT 2.30 PM; WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, AT 2.30 PM; THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, AT 9 AM; FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, AT 9 AM; AND TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT 2.30 PM.

MOST OF ITS EXAMINATIONS WILL BE CONCERNED WITH THE VALUE FOR MONEY OBTAINED BY CONTROLLING OFFICERS IN SPENDING THE FUNDS ENTRUSTED TO THEM.

THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF A REPORT BY THE PAC ON HOW IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS WORK COULD BE MADE TO ENHANCE ITS ROLE AS THE PUBLIC WATCHDOG OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD RETAIN THE POWER TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC AND PRESS FROM MEETINGS IN CASES WHERE THE PUBLIC INTEREST REQUIRED CONFIDENTIALITY.

TO ENABLE THE PUBLIC SESSIONS TO PROCEED SOME CHANGES IN THE ANNUAL AUDIT CYCLE HAVE BEEN MADE. PREVIOUSLY THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT'S REPORT WAS ONLY TABLED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WHEN THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE HAD DONE ITS WORK AND ITS REPORT WAS ALSO READY FOR PRESENTATION.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STANDING ORDERS WERE CHANGED EARLIER THIS YEAR SO THAT THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT'S REPORT WILL ALREADY BE A PUBLISHED DOCUMENT WHEN THE PAC MEETS IN PUBLIC SESSION.

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AUGUST RETAIL SALES SURVEY RESULTS RELEASED  
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THE VALUE OF RETAIL SALES IN AUGUST 1984, ESTIMATED AT \$5 425 MILLION, WAS 12 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN AUGUST 1983, WHILE THEIR VOLUME WAS THREE PER CENT HIGHER, ACCORDING TO PROVISIONAL SURVEY RESULTS RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

RETAIL SALES FOR THE PERIOD JUNE-AUGUST 1984, WHEN COMPARED WITH SALES FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 1983, ROSE BY 16 PER CENT IN VALUE AND SIX PER CENT IN VOLUME.

COMPARISON OF AUGUST 1984 FIGURES WITH JULY 1984 FIGURES, AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THIS COMPARISON IS AFFECTED BY SEASONAL FACTORS, SHOWS THAT THE VALUE OF SALES FELL BY FIVE PER CENT AND THEIR VOLUME BY FOUR PER CENT.

IN AUGUST 1984, RETAIL SALES OF CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS INCREASED BY 22 PER CENT IN VALUE OR EIGHT PER CENT IN VOLUME WHEN COMPARED WITH AUGUST 1983 SALES.

FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO AND CONSUMER DURABLES RECORDED AN INCREASE OF 17 PER CENT IN SALES VALUE. IN TERMS OF SALES VOLUME, CONSUMER DURABLES ROSE BY SIX PER CENT AND FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO BY FIVE PER CENT.

RETAIL SALES OF OTHER CONSUMER GOODS INCREASED BY EIGHT PER CENT IN VALUE AND ONE PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF FUELS ROSE BY ONE PER CENT IN VALUE BUT DROPPED BY TWO PER CENT IN VOLUME.

A COMPARISON OF FIGURES FOR THE PERIOD JUNE-AUGUST 1984 WITH THOSE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 1983, SHOWS RETAIL SALES OF CONSUMER DURABLES REGISTERED THE LARGEST INCREASES IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME TERMS, AT 21 PER CENT AND EIGHT PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

IN TERMS OF SALES VALUE, CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS ROSE BY 20 PER CENT AND FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO BY 19 PER CENT; IN TERMS OF SALES VOLUME, THEY BOTH ROSE BY SEVEN PER CENT.

RETAIL SALES OF OTHER CONSUMER GOODS ROSE BY 14 PER CENT IN VALUE OR FIVE PER CENT IN VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF FUELS RECORDED AN INCREASE OF FIVE PER CENT IN VALUE BUT NO CHANGE IN VOLUME.

COMPARED WITH THE JULY 1984 FIGURES, RETAIL SALES OF CONSUMER DURABLES IN AUGUST 1984 FELL BY EIGHT PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME TERMS.

/BOTH CLOTHING, .....

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BOTH CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR AND ALLIED PRODUCTS AND OTHER CONSUMER GOODS RECORDED A DROP OF FIVE PER CENT IN SALES VALUE OR FOUR PER CENT IN SALES VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF FOODSTUFFS, ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO FELL BY THREE PER CENT IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF FUELS DECLINED BY THREE PER CENT IN VALUE OR ONE PER CENT IN VOLUME.

ANALYSED BY SELECTED TRADES, RETAIL SALES OF SUPERMARKETS ROSE SIGNIFICANTLY IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME WHEN COMPARED WITH AUGUST 1983 SALES.

RETAIL SALES OF DEPARTMENT STORES AND CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES INCREASED MODERATELY IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME, WHILE THOSE OF MOTOR VEHICLES SHOWED MODERATE INCREASE IN SALES VALUE BUT NO CHANGE IN SALES VOLUME.

A COMPARISON OF FIGURES FOR THE PERIOD JUNE-AUGUST 1984 WITH THOSE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 1983 SHOWS RETAIL SALES OF SUPERMARKETS INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME TERMS.

MOTOR VEHICLES, CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES AND DEPARTMENT STORES ALSO RECORDED LARGE INCREASES IN VALUE BUT SMALLER INCREASES IN VOLUME.

RETAIL SALES OF DEPARTMENT STORES IN AUGUST 1984 ROSE SUBSTANTIALLY IN BOTH VALUE AND VOLUME COMPARED WITH THOSE FOR JULY 1984.

HOWEVER, SUPERMARKETS, MOTOR VEHICLES, CONSUMER DURABLES OTHER THAN MOTOR VEHICLES; ALL DECREASED IN BOTH SALES VALUE AND VOLUME.

THE REPORT CONTAINING THE ANALYSIS OF THE AUGUST 1984 SURVEY RESULTS IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE, CONNAUGHT PLACE, AT \$1 A COPY.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT (TEL. NO. 3-7216024).

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BANKING MANPOWER NEEDS SURVEYED  
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A SURVEY TO DETERMINE MANPOWER NEEDS AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCAL BANKING INDUSTRY WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM NOVEMBER 19 TO DECEMBER 3 BY THE BANKING TRAINING BOARD OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL.

IT WILL COVER ALL BANKS AND DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES IN HONG KONG.

+BASED ON THE SURVEY FINDINGS, THE BOARD WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON MANPOWER PLANNING FOR THE INDUSTRY,+ MR D.F. WHARTON, CHAIRMAN OF THE BANKING TRAINING BOARD, SAID.

STRESSING THE NEED FOR INFORMATION TO WORK OUT THE TRAINING PLANS, MR WHARTON URGED EMPLOYERS TO CO-OPERATE FULLY IN THE SURVEY.

ALL DATA COLLECTED WILL BE KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND ONLY STATISTICAL SUMMARIES, WITHOUT REFERENCE TO INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENTS, WILL BE RELEASED, HE SAID.

QUESTIONNAIRES AND EXPLANATORY NOTES HAVE ALREADY BEEN SENT TO EMPLOYERS. OFFICERS FROM THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WILL VISIT THEM TO HELP THEM COMPLETE THE FORMS DURING THE SURVEY PERIOD.

ALSO ASSISTING IN THE SURVEY ARE THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT DATA PROCESSING AGENCY.

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SAFETY SEMINAR FOR PLASTICS INDUSTRY  
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A SAFETY SEMINAR FOR THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY WILL BE HELD AT THE CHINESE YMCA IN WATERLOO ROAD, KOWLOON, ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 8).

THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION, DR J.W. HAYES, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, AT 2 PM.

THE SEMINAR IS ORGANISED BY THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY SAFETY SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD TO PROMOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF WORK SAFETY AMONG WORKERS.

SAFETY PROFESSIONALS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO GIVE TALKS ON VARIOUS TOPICS ON WORK SAFETY AT THE SEMINAR.

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CAMPING FUN FOR WORKING PEOPLE  
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WORKING PEOPLE ARE BEING INVITED TO JOIN CAMPING ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD AT SAI KUNG PENINSULA.

TWELVE SIMILAR OUTINGS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED EACH TAKING 46 PERSONS ON TWO NIGHTS AND THREE DAYS OF CAMPING FUN, FOR A FEE OF \$30.

THE EVENTS HAVE BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE (RSS) OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, AND THE BRITISH FORCES, AND WILL BE HELD AT THE DEPARTMENT'S CHONG HING WATER SPORTS CENTRE IN SAI KUNG.

+THE CAMP OUTINGS KNOWN AS 'FLY, CAMP, CRUISE', ARE SPECIALLY FOR WORKING PEOPLE,+ AN RSS SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

+PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPERIENCE THE THRILLS OF FLYING TO THE CAMP IN A ROYAL AIR FORCE HELICOPTER AND CRUISING HOME ON BOARD A MINESWEEPER.

+THEY WILL THEN RETURN TO WORK REFRESHED AND REVITALISED,+ HE SAID.

THE SPORTS CENTRE HAS FACILITIES FOR CANOEING, SAILING, ROWING, CYCLING, KITE FLYING, ARCHERY AND LAND EXPEDITION.

THE FIRST CAMP WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, AND THE LAST ON FEBRUARY 6 NEXT YEAR.

WORKING PERSONS FROM 18 YEARS OF AGE MAY APPLY.

FORMS AND CAMP DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE RSS HEAD OFFICE ON THE 11TH FLOOR OF WING ON CENTRE, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL OR ITS 19 DISTRICT OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT 5-458511.

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SCHOOL BAND MUSIC FROM JAPAN  
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THE JAPANESE TOYAMA TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL BAND, WINNER OF THE GOLDEN PRIZE IN THE +ALL JAPAN BAND CONTEST+ FOR SEVEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS, ARRIVED IN HONG KONG TODAY TO TAKE PART IN THE SEVENTH HONG KONG YOUTH BAND FESTIVAL.

THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MRS DORIS HO, AND OTHER SENIOR STAFF OF THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT GREETED THE GROUP AT THE AIRPORT.

/THE 45-MEMBER .....

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THE 45-MEMBER BAND, WILL FIRST GIVE A LUNCHTIME CONCERT AT THE LANDMARK AT 12.30 PM TOMORROW.

ON THURSDAY, THEY WILL PERFORM JOINTLY WITH THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONIC BAND AT A BAND FESTIVAL CONCERT AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL AT 8 PM.

UNDER THE BATON OF ITS DIRECTOR, MR TOSHIO SATSUMA, THE JAPANESE BAND WILL GIVE OTHER PERFORMANCES TOGETHER WITH AEROBIC DANCERS FROM THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE AND CHEERLEADERS FROM THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL LIM POR YEN SECONDARY SCHOOL AT THE GALA FINALE TO BE HELD AT QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM ON SUNDAY AT 7.30 PM.

TICKETS FOR THESE TWO CONCERTS, AT \$5 EACH, ARE ON SALE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE AND COMPUTERISED BOX OFFICES OF THE URBAN COUNCIL. ENQUIRIES MAY BE MADE AT 5-741622.

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POLYMER CHEMISTRY SEMINAR ARRANGED FOR TEACHERS  
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SECONDARY SCHOOLS CHEMISTRY TEACHERS ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A TWO-DAY SEMINAR ON POLYMER CHEMISTRY JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG CHEMICAL SOCIETY AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 1, AND ON JANUARY 5 NEXT YEAR, AT KEI CHI MIDDLE SCHOOL, 20 SHUI NING STREET, KWUN TONG, KOWLOON.

THE SEMINAR OFFERS AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PROPERTIES OF POLYMERS IN RELATION TO THEIR USES, PAST AND FUTURE TRENDS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF POLYMERS, THE PLASTICS INDUSTRY AND HAZARDS AND POLLUTION PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH PLASTICS.

THERE WILL BE ILLUSTRATED TALKS, DISCUSSION SESSIONS AND AN EXHIBITION.

THE SEMINAR IS RELEVANT TO THE SYLLABUS CONTENTS OF THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE SYLLABUS FOR CHEMISTRY (FORMS IV - V), THE HONG KONG HIGHER LEVEL EXAMINATION CHEMISTRY SYLLABUS AND THE HONG KONG ADVANCED LEVEL EXAMINATION CHEMISTRY SYLLABUS.

INTERESTED SCHOOL HEADS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR NOMINATIONS TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (CHEMISTRY), EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, 5/F., LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG, BEFORE NOVEMBER 21.

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PLANT TO SCREEN SEWAGE

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A SCREENING PLANT WILL BE BUILT TO DEAL WITH SEWAGE FROM THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT, AND THUS IMPROVE THE WATER CONDITIONS IN THE NORTH-WESTERN SECTION OF VICTORIA HARBOUR.

TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHAM SHUI PO SCREENING PLANT ARE NOW BEING INVITED BY THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

THE SINGLE STOREY PLANT WILL BE BUILT ON A 900-SQUARE-METRE SITE ON THE RECLAMATION NEAR SHAM SHUI PO FERRY PIER.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR AND TAKE ABOUT 21 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS MUST BE PLACED IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT TENDER BOX, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, BY NOON ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

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\$325M IN TWO BUILDING TENDERS ACCEPTED

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SIX MORE RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS WILL RISE ON HANG ON ESTATE, THE FIRST PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT IN THE BUDDING NEW TOWN OF MA ON SHAN, UNDER TWO LARGE BUILDING TENDERS TOTALLING \$325 MILLION.

IN ONE TENDER WORTH \$123 MILLION, THREE 36-STOREY HOME OWNERSHIP BLOCKS, A SIX-STOREY COMMUNITY CENTRE AND A THREE-STOREY CARPARK WILL BE BUILT UNDER THE SECOND PHASE OF THE PROJECT.

+UPON COMPLETION BY 1987, THE THREE HOS BLOCKS WILL HOUSE 4 700 PEOPLE IN 1 050 MODERN FLATS,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY TODAY.

THE OTHER TENDER VALUED AT \$202 MILLION, WAS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THREE 35-STOREY TRIDENT III BLOCKS AND A FIVE-STOREY COMMERCIAL CENTRE/CARPARK BUILDING UNDER THE THIRD, AND FINAL, PHASE, HE SAID.

+THE THREE RENTAL BLOCKS WILL PROVIDE ANOTHER 2 448 SELF-CONTAINED FLATS FOR 11 800 PEOPLE ON COMPLETION BY 1987.

+THE TWO TENDERS WERE APPROVED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S BUILDING COMMITTEE AT ITS LAST MEETING.+

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SEAWALL BEING BUILT  
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WORK HAS STARTED ON BUILDING A 170-METRE LONG SEAWALL FRONTING AP LEI CHAU EAST RECLAMATION AT ABERDEEN CHANNEL.

THE 10-MONTH PROJECT WILL INCLUDE RECLAMATION AND ROAD FORMATION WORK.

A \$2 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE WORK HAS BEEN AWARDED BY THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO NISHIMATSU CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED.

CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE PORT WORKS DIVISION OF THE CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICE.

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TAI PO MAINS WORK  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME AREAS IN TAI PO WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 9 PM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 9) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR WATER MAINS WORK.

ALL PREMISES ALONG KWONG FUK ROAD AND TAI PO ROAD FROM TING KOK ROAD TO TAI PO KAU, TAI PO WILL BE AFFECTED.

THESE INCLUDE: TAI PO MARKET, KAM SHAN TSUEN, PUN CHUNG, PUN CHUNG SAN TSUEN, MA WO, PAK KIU TSUEN, TO YUEN TUNG, YIU TSZ KIN, LAI CHI SHAN, TAI PO KCR STATION, KWONG FUK ESTATE, WANG FUK COURT, ISLAND HOUSE, WONG YI AU, MEI WOON SAN TSUEN, YIN TSZ LANE, TAI PO KAU, TAI PO KAU SAN WAI, LOOKOUT LANE, ST. CHRISTOPHER'S HOME, STRAFFORD HOUSE, TAI PO TAU AND SHUI WAI.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES  
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THE SECTION OF SHUN HING STREET ABOUT 35 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH THE UNNAMED STREET AT SHA TAU KOK, WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS FROM 8 AM ON WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 7) TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION WORK.

SHUN HING STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC.

ON THE SAME DAY, TAI PO ROAD SOUTHBOUND, OUTSIDE SHA TIN RACECOURSE, WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO TWO-LANE TRAFFIC FROM 1 AM TO 5 AM, TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS.

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ROAD NOT FOR LEARNERS  
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FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 9) LEARNER DRIVERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO USE WA TAI ROAD AT KWAI CHUNG.

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