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SEM TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION IN HONOLULU
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THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, MR MICHAEL LEUNG, LEFT FOR HONOLULU, HAWAII, TODAY (MONDAY) TO ATTEND A MINISTERIAL-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES.

THE CONFERENCE ENTITLED "THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION: AN ASIAN/PACIFIC-NORTH AMERICAN DIALOGUE", WILL BE ATTENDED BY DELEGATES FROM AUSTRALIA, CANADA, TAIWAN, JAPAN, MEXICO, PACIFIC ISLANDS, CHINA, RUSSIA, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND SINGAPORE, IN ADDITION TO THE UNITED STATES.

THE TWO-DAY CONFERENCE ON JULY 6 AND 7, IS AIMED AT PROMOTING UNDERSTANDING AMONG EDUCATION POLICY MAKERS OF VARIOUS EDUCATION POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES OF THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES AND PLACES.

IT IS ALSO HOPED THAT THE CONFERENCE WILL PROVIDE A BASIS FOR FUTURE COLLABORATION ON MATTERS RELATING TO EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT.

OTHER PARTICIPANTS FROM HONG KONG ARE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER MR KEVIN MAK AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION MR ROBERT LO.

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POSTMASTER GENERAL ATTENDING POSTAL UNION MEETING IN AUSTRALIA
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THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR MIKE PAGLIARI, IS ATTENDING A WEEK-LONG MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE ASIAN-PACIFIC POSTAL UNION (APPU) IN QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA. THE MEETING WILL FINISH TOMORROW (JULY 5).

APPU IS ONE OF THE 'RESTRICTED UNIONS' (THAT IS REGIONAL BODIES) OF THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION.

APPU MEMBERS INCLUDE POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS FROM ALL COUNTRIES IN ASIA AND THE WESTERN PACIFIC INCLUDING MANY OF HONG KONG'S MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS SUCH AS CHINA, JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA.

THESE POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS HAVE ALWAYS ENJOYED A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP AND REGULARLY EXCHANGE LARGE VOLUMES OF MAIL WITH HONG KONG.

HONG KONG HAS ATTENDED THEIR MEETINGS SINCE 1985.

THE AGENDA OF THIS YEAR'S APPU EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING FOCUSES ON THE MAJOR PROPOSALS WHICH WILL BE DELIBERATED AT THE 21ST CONGRESS OF THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION TO BE HELD IN SEOUL LATER THIS YEAR.

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THESE PROPOSALS WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICES.

THE MEETING ALSO DISCUSSES MATTERS RELATING TO THE STRENGTHENING OF REGIONAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES, AND MUTUAL CO-OPERATION.

IT ALSO REVIEWS THE WORK OF THE ASIAN-PACIFIC POSTAL TRAINING CENTRE WHICH CONTRIBUTES TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGIONAL POSTAL ADMINISTRATIONS.

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NEW PROCEDURE IN TRANSFER OF TAXI OWNERSHIP
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TRANSFER OF TAXI OWNERSHIP WILL HAVE TO BE REGISTERED IN PERSON WITH EFFECT FROM WEDNESDAY (JULY 6).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID THE AIM OF THE NEW REQUIREMENT WAS TO REGULARISE THE TRANSFER OF TAXI LICENCES.

HE SAID THIS WAS ONE OF THE MEASURES RECOMMENDED BY THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO DAMPEN SPECULATION OF TAXI LICENCES.

"UNDER THE NEW PROCEDURE, BOTH THE TRANSFEROR AND TRANSFEREE OF A TAXI LICENCE WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN THE TRANSFER FORM (TD 25) IN PERSON AND IN THE PRESENCE OF A PUBLIC OFFICER DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT WITHIN 72 HOURS OF THE TRANSFER," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"ANYONE WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE NEW REQUIREMENT MAY COMMIT AN OFFENCE AND MAY BE LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$2,000. IN ADDITION, THE APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER MAY ALSO BE REJECTED," HE ADDED.

ENQUIRIES ON THE DETAILS OF THE NEW PROCEDURE MAY BE DIRECTED TO MR KWONG YUEN-KEUNG OF THE PUBLIC VEHICLES SECTION, TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, ON TEL 801 5992.

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CHINESE VERSION OF JPS' REPORT
ON WHITEHEAD INCIDENT PUBLISHED
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A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE CHINESE VERSION OF THE REPORT OF THE INQUIRY INTO THE EVENTS SURROUNDING THE REMOVAL OF VIETNAMESE MIGRANTS FROM THE WHITEHEAD DETENTION CENTRE ON APRIL 7 WAS RELEASED TODAY (MONDAY).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY OBTAIN COPIES AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY COUNTERS OF THE DISTRICT OFFICES FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

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TEACHING MATERIALS ON AIDS FOR TEACHERS

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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HAVE PRODUCED A PACKAGE OF TEACHING MATERIALS ON AIDS EDUCATION TO HELP KINDERGARTEN, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ACQUIRE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF AIDS PREVENTION, THE HIV VIRUS AND BLOOD-BORNE DISEASES IN GENERAL.

THE MATERIALS - A BOOK CARRYING GUIDELINES ON THE PREVENTION OF BLOOD-BORNE DISEASES FOR SCHOOLS, A 17-MINUTE VIDEO TAPE ON AIDS EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS AND A TEACHING KIT ON AIDS EDUCATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS - ARE AVAILABLE FOR KINDERGARTEN, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS FROM TODAY (MONDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID SOME OF THE OBJECTIVES IN PRODUCING THE BOOK AND THE VIDEO TAPE WERE TO INTRODUCE TO SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS THE BASIC FACTS ABOUT BLOOD-BORNE DISEASES AND THEIR PREVENTION.

IT ALSO AIMS TO RECOMMEND PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY SCHOOLS AND TO SUGGEST STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES ON THE TEACHING OF PREVENTION OF BLOOD-BORNE DISEASES IN SCHOOLS.

THE TEACHING KIT COMPRISES TWO JIGSAW PACKS, TWO CASSETTE TAPES WITH A SONG COMPOSED WITH THE THEME ON PREVENTION OF AIDS, A 20-MINUTE EDUCATION TELEVISION VIDEO (ETV) ON AIDS EDUCATION AND A TEACHER'S MANUAL.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IT WAS PRODUCED TO ASSIST TEACHERS TO INTRODUCE THE TOPIC OF AIDS TO PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS.

IT CONTAINS VARIOUS LEARNING ACTIVITIES WHICH WOULD ENABLE PUPILS TO HAVE A FULLER UNDERSTANDING OF AIDS AS WELL AS CULTIVATE IN THEM A HEALTHY ATTITUDE TOWARDS AIDS.

THE VIDEO AND THE BOOK EXPLAIN THAT AIDS (ACQUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY SYNDROME) IS A DISEASE CAUSED BY A VIRUS CALLED HIV (HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS).

THE MODES OF TRANSMISSION ARE THROUGH SEXUAL CONTACT, BLOOD CONTACT BY PEOPLE SHARING CONTAMINATED NEEDLES, AND FROM AFFECTED MOTHER TO CHILD DURING PREGNANCY.

IN THE VIDEO TAPE, SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION MR CHAN KWOK-HEI SAID HIV-INFECTED PUPILS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE WITH NORMAL SCHOOLING.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S CONSULTANT PHYSICIAN ON AIDS, DR LEE SHUI-SHAN, EXPLAINED THAT HIV COULD NOT BE PASSED ON TO OTHERS IN NORMAL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS ATTENDING SCHOOL TOGETHER, HAVING MEALS TOGETHER, USING TOILET FACILITIES AND DRINKING FOUNTAINS, SHAKING HANDS AND HUGGING, SWIMMING IN A POOL, SHARING BOOKS AND STATIONERY, SNEEZING AND COUGHING.

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DON'T MISS CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD NOT MISS THE CHANCE TO VISIT THE CIVIC EDUCATION EXHIBITION WHICH EXPLORES THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN AN INNOVATIVE, ENTERTAINING AND PROFESSIONAL WAY.

MAKING THE REMARKS TODAY (MONDAY), THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, DR DANIEL TSE, CITED THE "TIME TUNNEL" AS AN EXAMPLE WHICH TRACED THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

THE ENTRANCE LOBBY OF THE TUNNEL RESEMBLES THAT OF A CASTLE AND IT LEADS TO AN ARRAY OF PICTURES EXPLAINING THE HISTORY, PRINCIPLES AND ELEMENTS INVOLVED IN THE RIGHTS CONCEPT.

THERE ARE ALSO GRAPHIC DISPLAYS DESCRIBING THE FUNCTIONS AND STRUCTURE OF THE THREE-TIER POLITICAL SYSTEM AS WELL AS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF VOTING.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE DISPLAYS ARE DETAILS OF THE 1995 SETUP OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WHICH HAD ONLY ENDED ITS DEBATE ON CONSTITUTIONAL REFORMS TWO DAYS BEFORE THE EXHIBITION STARTED.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS ARE THE WINNING ENTRIES OF THE COMPUTER ANIMATION SOFTWARE DESIGN COMPETITION WHICH ILLUSTRATE IN AN INNOVATIVE MANNER THE IMPORTANCE OF CASTING BALLOTS AND THE RULE OF LAW.

THE EXHIBITION, BEING HELD AT THE HONG KONG SCIENCE MUSEUM IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, WILL LAST UNTIL THURSDAY (JULY 7).

IT WILL BE OPEN FROM 9.30 AM TO 8 PM DAILY EXCEPT ON JULY 7 WHEN IT WILL CLOSE AT 5 PM. ADMISSION IS FREE.

UP TILL NOON TODAY, MORE THAN 1,500 PEOPLE, MOST OF THEM PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, HAVE VISITED THE EXHIBITION SINCE IT OPENED ON SATURDAY (JULY 2).

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 71.3 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 417.934 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 419.554 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 71.6 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS
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	\$ MILLION -----	TIME (HOURS) -----	CUMULATIVE CHANGE (\$ MILLION) -----
OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,680	0930	+359
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,389	1000	+375
CHANGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO :		1100	+334
MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY	+334	1200	+334
LAF TODAY	-625	1500	+334
		1600	+334
LAF RATE 2.50 BID/4.50 OFFER	TWI 123.2	*+0.0*	4.7.94

HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY

EF BILLS		EF NOTES/HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BONDS				
TERMS	YIELD	TERM	ISSUE	COUPON	PRICE	YIELD
1 WEEK	4.15	17 MONTHS	2511	4.15	97.74	5.95
1 MONTH	4.19	23 MONTHS	2605	6.35	99.98	6.46
3 MONTHS	4.31	28 MONTHS	3610	4.20	94.64	6.85
6 MONTHS	4.70	31 MONTHS	3701	4.60	94.63	7.04
12 MONTHS	5.43	34 MONTHS	3704	6.15	97.72	7.18
TOTAL TURNOVER OF BILLS AND BONDS - 17,639 MN						
CLOSED 4 JULY 1994						

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