



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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PRINCE CHARLES ARRIVES TOMORROW

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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES ARRIVES IN HONG KONG TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 3.30 P.M. FOR A FOUR-DAY VISIT.

ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENTOURAGE OF NINE OFFICIALS AND STAFF, THIS WILL BE HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO HONG KONG. PRINCE CHARLES WAS HERE FOR A BRIEF STOPOVER IN 1970 EN ROUTE TO EXPO 70 IN OSAKA.

ON THE DAY OF HIS ARRIVAL, A LIGHT PROGRAMME HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE PRINCE.

AFTER THE AIRPORT RECEPTION WHERE HE WILL BE WELCOMED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, AND THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, MAJOR GENERAL SIR ROY REDGRAVE, TOGETHER WITH SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND LOCAL DIGNITARIES, PRINCE CHARLES WILL TRAVEL BY CAR STRAIGHT TO FLAGSTAFF HOUSE VIA THE CROSS-HARBOUR TUNNEL.

AT FLAGSTAFF HOUSE, LADY MACLEHOSE WILL RECEIVE THE PRINCE. LATER IN THE EVENING PRINCE CHARLES WILL BE PRESENTED AT A RECEPTION AT FLAGSTAFF HOUSE ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PRESS AND BY COMMONWEALTH COMMISSIONERS.

BUSY OFFICIAL ENGAGEMENTS AWAIT THE PRINCE ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY WHICH WILL GIVE HIM AN UP-TO-DATE IMPRESSION OF HONG KONG AND HOW IT IS COPING WITH THE MOUNTING PROBLEMS OF POPULATION EXPANSION IN A TIGHT 1,055.61 SQUARE KILOMETRES OF TERRITORY.

HE WILL ALSO MEET A WIDE CROSS-SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY AT A RECEPTION IN HMS TAMAR WHERE HE WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN THE NEW MULTI-STOREY HEADQUARTERS OF THE BRITISH FORCES ON SUNDAY.

IN A LESS FORMAL SETTING, PRINCE CHARLES WILL SPEND SOME TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF HONG KONG AT THE SAI KUNG COUNTRY PARK, A NATURE RESERVE THAT HAS BECOME EXTREMELY POPULAR WITH PICNICKERS. AND AT YUEN LONG, SCHOOL CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN GIVEN A SPECIAL HOLIDAY WILL ACCORD PRINCE CHARLES AN ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME.

ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YUEN LONG EVENT WILL BE A YOUTH RALLY IN THE STADIUM WHERE A MASSED BAND OF 450 PLAYERS WILL PROVIDE A FANFARE FOR PRINCE CHARLES.

A KEEN STUDENT OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY, PRINCE CHARLES WILL EXPERIENCE A BIT OF OLD AND NEW HONG KONG WHEN HE VISITS TSANG TAI UK, A 130-YEAR-OLD WALLED VILLAGE IN SHA TIN, AND NEARBY, THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN WITH ALL THE MODERN FACILITIES OF A SELF-CONTAINED TOWNSHIP FOR 500,000 PEOPLE WHO WILL LIVE THERE BY THE MID-EIGHTIES.

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THE PRINCE WILL ALSO SPEND MUCH TIME VISITING THE 2ND KING EDWARD VII'S OWN GURKHA RIFLES OF WHICH HE IS A COLONEL-IN-CHIEF. HE WILL STAY FOR TWO NIGHTS AT CASSINO LINES WHERE HE WILL REVIEW A PARADE BY THE 2ND GURKHAS, TOUR THEIR TRAINING AREAS AND VIEW A DISPLAY. ANOTHER FUNCTION HE WILL ATTEND AT CASSINO LINES IS THE BEATING THE RETREAT CEREMONY.

FOR THE ROYAL HONG KONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE, THE VISIT OF PRINCE CHARLES TO HONG KONG WILL TAKE ON ADDED SIGNIFICANCE AS HE WILL PRESENT THE SQUADRON STANDARD TO THE FORCE WHICH IT WAS AWARDED IN RECOGNITION OF ITS OUTSTANDING SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY.

PRINCE CHARLES' VISIT OF HONG KONG WILL END IN THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 6. BUT BEFORE THAT HE WILL TOUR A TOY FACTORY WHICH MANUFACTURES RADIO-OPERATED TOYS AND RADIO ANTENNA IN SAN PO KONG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR ROYAL VISIT  
KAI TAK AIRPORT ARRIVAL: 3.30 P.M.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES WILL ARRIVE ON AN RAF VC-10 WITH AN ENTOURAGE OF NINE OFFICIALS AND STAFF. ON LEAVING THE AIRCRAFT, PRINCE CHARLES WILL BE GREETED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WHO WILL PRESENT HIS AIDE-DE-CAMP, THE CHIEF SECRETARY, THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS, AND THE COLONEL COMMANDANT 2ND KING EDWARD VII'S OWN GURKHA RIFLES (THE SIRMOOR RIFLES). AFTER THE PRESENTATIONS ARE CONCLUDED, PRINCE CHARLES WILL DRIVE TO FLAGSTAFF HOUSE WHERE HE WILL BE RECEIVED BY LADY MACLEHOSE.

PRESS FACILITY

TRANSPORT FOR ACCREDITED PRESS FOR KAI TAK WILL LEAVE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES CAR PARK AT 2.15 P.M. SHARP. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WHO WISH TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY TO THE AIRPORT SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING AT LEAST 40 MINUTES BEFORE THE ARRIVAL TIME. THEY WILL BE ESCORTED TO THE PRESS POSITION BY GIS OFFICERS. THOSE COVERING THE PRINCE'S ARRIVAL ARE REMINDED TO BRING ALONG THEIR PRESS BADGES FOR THE ROYAL VISIT AS WELL AS THEIR IDENTITY CARD OR PASSPORT.

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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES  
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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, ELDEST SON OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II AND PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH, IS HEIR APPARENT TO THE THRONE.

THE PRINCE WAS BORN AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1948, IN THE 12TH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HIS GRANDFATHER KING GEORGE VI. AT HIS CHRISTENING BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY HE WAS GIVEN THE NAMES OF CHARLES PHILIP ARTHUR GEORGE.

WHEN ON THE ACCESSION OF QUEEN ELIZABETH IN 1952 HE BECAME HEIR APPARENT, PRINCE CHARLES AUTOMATICALLY BECAME DUKE OF CORNWALL UNDER A CHARTER OF KING EDWARD III WHICH, ISSUED IN 1337, GAVE THAT TITLE TO THE SOVEREIGN'S ELDEST SON.

HE ALSO BECAME, IN THE SCOTTISH PEERAGE, DUKE OF ROTHESAY, EARL OF CARRICK AND BARON RENFREW, LORD OF THE ISLES, AND PRINCE AND GREAT STEWARD OF SCOTLAND. (HIS CREATION AS PRINCE OF WALES AND EARL OF CHESTER, HOWEVER -- A MATTER FOR THE SOVEREIGN'S PLEASURE -- DID NOT COME FOR ANOTHER SIX YEARS).

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS WAS EDUCATED AT CHEAM SCHOOL (A PREPARATORY SCHOOL WHICH HAD BEEN ATTENDED BY THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH) AND AT GORDONSTOUN, ON THE MORAY FIRTH (WHICH HIS FATHER HAD ALSO ATTENDED). HERE THE PRINCE WON THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD IN 1964 AND 1965, WINNING A BRONZE ON THE FIRST OCCASION AND A SILVER ON THE SECOND.

HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE GORDONSTOUN CADET FORCE, AND UNDERTOOK SEA TRAINING WITH THE ROYAL NAVY AT PORTSMOUTH. HE ENJOYED ACTING, TAKING THE TITLE ROLE IN A SCHOOL PRESENTATION OF +MACBETH+.

AT THE END OF JANUARY 1966 THE PRINCE LEFT BRITAIN TO SPEND PART OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN AUSTRALIA AS AN EXCHANGE STUDENT AT THE GEELONG CHURCH OF ENGLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL, MELBOURNE -- THE FIRST MEMBER OF THE BRITISH ROYAL FAMILY TO ATTEND AN OVERSEAS COMMONWEALTH SCHOOL.

HIS SIX MONTHS THERE WERE SPENT AT TIMBERTOP, ABOUT 180 MILES FROM THE MAIN SCHOOL IN THE FOOTHILLS OF THE VICTORIAN ALPS. THERE THE BOYS ARE ENCOURAGED TO LOOK AFTER THEMSELVES AND TO EXPLORE THE SURROUNDING BUSH COUNTRY-- THE PRINCE WAS ALSO CHARGED WITH THE SUPERVISION OF BOYS FROM 14 TO 15 YEARS OLD.

WHILE IN AUSTRALIA HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS VISITED MANY PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. HE SPENT A WEEKEND IN THE SNOWY MOUNTAINS WITH HIS GRANDMOTHER, QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER, DURING HER OFFICIAL VISIT TO AUSTRALIA, AND LATER VISITED CANBERRA, QUEENSLAND (INCLUDING THE GREAT BARRIER REEF) AND NEW SOUTH WALES. IN MAY HE WAS ONE OF A GROUP FROM THE SCHOOL TO VISIT THE MARTYRS' MEMORIAL SCHOOL IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

/IN AUGUST .....

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IN AUGUST 1966 PRINCE CHARLES LEFT AUSTRALIA, AND AFTER A BRIEF STAY IN MEXICO JOINED HIS FATHER AND SISTER AT THE OPENING OF THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN KINGSTON, JAMAICA. IN SEPTEMBER HE RETURNED TO GORDONSTOUN TO BECOME HEAD OF HIS HOUSE- THE FOLLOWING JANUARY HE BECAME 'GUARDIAN' (HEAD BOY) OF THE SCHOOL, A POSITION HIS FATHER HAD HELD BEFORE HIM.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS LEFT GORDONSTOUN IN 1967, AND AFTER VISITING FACTORIES AND THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT TO LEARN SOMETHING OF BRITAIN'S INDUSTRIAL AND POLITICAL LIFE, WENT UP TO CAMBRIDGE IN OCTOBER. THERE HE READ ARCHAEOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY DURING HIS FIRST YEAR- CHANGING OVER TO THE HISTORICAL SCHOOL IN 1968, AT THE END OF HIS FIRST YEAR.

HE TOOK AN ACTIVE PART IN UNDERGRADUATE LIFE, APPEARING IN SEVERAL COLLEGE REVUES, AND GAINING HIS UNIVERSITY COLOURS (+HALF-BLUE+) FOR POLO. ONE SUMMER TERM WAS SPENT IN ABERYSTWYTH IN THE UNIVERSITY OF WALES, BEFORE THE PRINCE GRADUATED BA (CANTAB) IN HISTORY IN 1970.

PRINCE CHARLES BECAME A COUNSELLOR OF STATE FOR THE FIRST TIME WHILE THE QUEEN WAS ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO CANADA IN 1967. HE REPRESENTED HER MAJESTY OVERSEAS FOR THE FIRST TIME WHEN HE ATTENDED THE MEMORIAL SERVICE OF MR. HAROLD HOLT, PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA, LATER IN THE SAME YEAR AND SINCE THEN HE HAS REPRESENTED THE QUEEN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. THE INVESTITURE OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS AS PRINCE OF WALES TOOK PLACE ON JULY 1, 1969.

THE PRINCE OF WALES TOOK UP HIS FIRST SERVICE APPOINTMENT IN 1969 AS COLONEL-IN-CHIEF OF THE ROYAL REGIMENT OF WALES. HE TOOK HIS SEAT IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS IN 1970. IN MARCH 1971 HE JOINED THE ROYAL AIR FORCE COLLEGE AT CRANWELL, WHERE HE TRAINED TO WING STANDARD.

IN THE AUTUMN OF 1971, AFTER COMPLETING HIS COURSE AT CRANWELL, HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS ENTERED THE ROYAL NAVY (CONTINUING A FAMILY TRADITION, SINCE HIS FATHER, GRANDFATHER AND GREAT GRANDFATHER HAD SERVED AT SEA).

HE SERVED IN THE WEST INDIES FOR MOST OF 1973, BEING PROMOTED TO ACTING LIEUTENANT IN MAY AND BEING THE QUEEN'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE AT THE INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS IN THE BAHAMAS. IN JANUARY 1974 HE FLEW TO SINGAPORE TO JOIN THE FRIGATE HMS JUPITER AS COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER.

LATER THAT MONTH HE JOINED THE QUEEN AND DUKE OF EDINBURGH IN NEW ZEALAND, WHERE THEY ATTENDED THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES IN CHRISTCHURCH.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS LEFT THE JUPITER IN AUGUST, AND IN SEPTEMBER, WENT TO THE ROYAL NAVAL AIR SCHOOL AT YEOVILTON IN SOMERSET TO LEARN TO FLY HELICOPTERS. IN OCTOBER, HE VISITED FIJI AND AUSTRALIA, AFTERWARDS RETURNING TO THE AIR SCHOOL TO BECOME A QUALIFIED HELICOPTER PILOT IN DECEMBER 1974.

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FROM JANUARY TO JULY 1975, HE SERVED IN HMS HERMES, FLYING HELICOPTERS WITH THE ROYAL NAVY. DURING THIS PERIOD, HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS SPENT THREE DAYS IN OTTAWA BEFORE GOING TO THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES FOR A WEEK IN THE ARCTIC.

AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER HE STARTED LIEUTENANT'S COURSES AT THE ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE, GREENWICH, AND SUBSEQUENTLY, IN THE WINTER OF 1976, TOOK COMMAND OF THE COASTAL MINE-HUNTER HMS BRONINGTON. HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS GAVE UP HIS COMMAND IN DECEMBER 1976 AND LEFT THE ROYAL NAVY AT THE END OF THE YEAR, AFTER FIVE YEARS IN THE SERVICE.

IN JANUARY 1977 HE WAS PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF COMMANDER IN THE ROYAL NAVY AND TO THE RANK OF WING COMMANDER IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS REPRESENTED THE QUEEN IN FEBRUARY 1975 AT THE CORONATION OF THE KING OF NEPAL AND IN SEPTEMBER AT THE INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

IN 1977 PRINCE CHARLES CHAIRED THE COMMITTEE FOR THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL. HE WAS, SEPARATELY, PATRON OF THE AUSTRALIAN SILVER JUBILEE APPEAL AND IN THAT CONNECTION VISITED AUSTRALIA IN NOVEMBER.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS WAS INSTALLED AS CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WALES IN JULY 1977 AND IN JANUARY 1978 HE TOOK UP THE PRESIDENCY OF THE UNITED WORLD COLLEGES. HE BECAME A PRIVY COUNSELLOR AT THE END OF DECEMBER 1977.

HE IS A FREEMAN OF THE CITIES OF CARDIFF, LONDON AND CANTERBURY AND OF THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR. HE IS ALSO A MASTER OF THE BENCH OF GRAY'S INN AND IS PATRON (OR HAS SPECIFIC CONNECTIONS WITH) A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF OTHER ORGANISATIONS. IN NOVEMBER 1978 HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS ACCEPTED MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF THE COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

IN 1974 THE PRINCE OF WALES ACCEPTED NOMINATION BY THE PRIME MINISTER AS RESIDENT OF CHEVENING HOUSE IN KENT (WHICH HAD BEEN LEFT TO THE NATION IN 1967 BY EARL STANHOPE ON THE CONDITION THAT IT SHOULD BE THE COUNTRY RESIDENCE OF THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE DAY, A CABINET MINISTER, OR A DESCENDANT OF KING GEORGE VI).

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WHERE TO SEE THE PRINCE TOMORROW (3.30 P.M.-3.55 P.M.)  
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THE FOLLOWING IS A GUIDE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SEE HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AS THE ROYAL MOTORCADE PROCEEDS FROM KAI TAK AIRPORT TO FLAGSTAFF HOUSE ON HONG KONG ISLAND:

THE PRINCE'S MOTORCADE WILL EMERGE FROM KAI TAK AIRPORT GATE AND PROCEED TO FLAGSTAFF HOUSE VIA --- OLYMPIC AVENUE, SUNG WONG TOI ROAD, FU NING STREET, ARGYLE STREET, PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD, CROSS-HARBOUR TUNNEL, WATERFRONT ROAD, COTTON TREE DRIVE AND FLAGSTAFF HOUSE.

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PRINCE TO ENJOY A BRITISH MUSICAL +EXPORT+ IN  
YUEN LONG  
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HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO JUDGE AND ENJOY THE QUALITY OF A BRITISH MUSICAL +EXPORT+ WHEN HE VISITS YUEN LONG ON MONDAY (MARCH 5).

AS HE DOTS THE EYES OF A DRAGON, A 450-MAN BAND WILL STRIKE UP A DRAMATIC FANFARE ESPECIALLY WRITTEN FOR HONG KONG BY THE BRITISH COMPOSER, DOUGLAS COOMBES.

THE FANFARE HAS HAD ONLY A FEW +OUTINGS+ THE FIRST OCCASION BEING THE RECENT VISIT TO HONG KONG OF THE COUNTY OF AVON SCHOOLS' ORCHESTRA.

THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MR. GORDON SIU, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) HIS OFFICE HAD COMMISSIONED MR. COOMBES TO WRITE THE FANFARE TO COINCIDE WITH THE VISIT OF THE AVON BAND.

MR. COOMBES, A BRITISH ARTS COUNCIL AWARD WINNER, IS WELL-KNOWN FOR HIS COMPOSITIONS FOR THE BBC'S SCHOOLS MUSIC PROGRAMMES.

+IT IS A VERY STRIKING PIECE, AND I AM VERY HAPPY THAT WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY IT FOR PRINCE CHARLES,+ HE SAID.

MR. SIU SAID HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS WOULD BE TREATED TO SOME STARTLING MUSIC ON HIS ARRIVAL AT THE YUEN LONG STADIUM. THE 14 LOCAL BANDS WHICH MAKE UP THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONIC BAND HAVE BEEN PRACTISING FOR WEEKS FOR THE BIG DAY TO PRODUCE A +LIVE QUADRAPHONIC+ EFFECT AT THE STADIUM.

THE BAND COMPRISES SOME 450 PLAYERS WHO PRODUCE WHAT MR. SIU DESCRIBES AS A +SENSATIONAL SOUND+.

THE MASSED BAND WILL PROVIDE A FANFARE FOR PRINCE CHARLES' ARRIVAL AT THE STADIUM, THE SPECIALLY-WRITTEN FANFARE FOR THE EYE-DOTTING CEREMONY AND SELECTED POPULAR NUMBERS DURING THE YOUTH RALLY AND THE PRINCE'S DEPARTURE.

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MEANWHILE A WEEK-LONG FESTIVAL IS BEING PLANNED TO MARK THE VISIT OF PRINCE CHARLES TO THE DISTRICT.

THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE HAS DRAWN UP A PROGRAMME STARTING ON MONDAY TO PROVIDE LOCAL RESIDENTS WITH A WEEK OF ENTERTAINMENT TO CELEBRATE WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS +THE DISTRICT'S BIGGEST OCCASION+ SINCE THE VISIT OF HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS MARGARET 13 YEARS AGO.

SPONSORED BY THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, THE PROGRAMME REPRESENTS THE CONCERTED EFFORT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

YUEN LONG'S ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR. JOSEPH WONG, WHO IS THE PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATOR, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THE ACTIVITIES PROMISED TO BE THE MOST ENJOYABLE PUT ON LOCALLY FOR YEARS. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE A +TELE-MATCH+ AT YUEN LONG STADIUM AND A FUN FAIR AT YUEN LONG TOWN HALL FOR 1,000 LOCAL CHILDREN.

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, HE SAID, THERE WOULD ALSO BE DANCE, DRAMA AND ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCES AND A DISTRICT-WIDE INTER-SCHOOL QUIZ WHILE THE YUEN LONG EXHIBITION, DEPICTING THE DISTRICT'S PAST, ITS GROWTH AND FUTURE PLANS, WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM MARCH 6 TO 12.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR AIRPORT DUTY-FREE  
LIQUOR AND TOBACCO CONCESSION  
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TENDERS FOR THE TENANCY OF CERTAIN AREAS IN THE PASSENGER TERMINAL OF KAI TAK AIRPORT FOR SELLING +DUTY-FREE+ LIQUOR, CIGARETTES, CIGARS AND PIPE TOBACCO ARE BEING INVITED.

THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER WILL BE GIVEN THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO OPERATE THE DUTY-FREE LIQUOR AND TOBACCO CONCESSION AT THE AIRPORT FOR FIVE YEARS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1979 OR SUCH LATER DATE AS MAY BE FIXED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION.

THE TENANCY MAY BE EXTENDED FOR A PERIOD OF ANOTHER THREE YEARS ON TERMS TO BE AGREED BY BOTH PARTIES.

TENDERS FOR THE CONCESSION HAVE TO BE PLACED IN THE TENDER BOX, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, BEFORE NOON ON FRIDAY, APRIL 6.

ALL TENDERS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RECEIPT FOR A SUM OF \$5 MILLION DEPOSITED WITH A BANK IN THE NAME OF THE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING SERVICES AS A PLEDGE OF THEIR BONA FIDES. THIS DEPOSIT WILL BE FORFEITED IF THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER FAILS OR REFUSES TO IMPLEMENT HIS TENDER.

TENDERERS MUST ALSO BE ABLE TO PRODUCE EVIDENCE THAT THEY HAVE OVER THREE YEARS EXPERIENCE OF SUBSTANTIAL AND SUCCESSFUL TRADING IN THE WINE AND LIQUOR TRADE IN ALL FIELDS INCLUDING IMPORT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

TENDER FORMS AND FURTHER PARTICULARS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, NEW RODNEY BLOCK, 99 QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG OR FROM THE AIRPORT GENERAL MANAGER AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

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536,327 VISITORS IN JANUARY

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THE NUMBER OF VISITORS TO HONG KONG IN JANUARY TOTALLED 536,327, AN INCREASE OF 91,568 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1978, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY).

OF THE ARRIVALS, 210,629 CAME BY AIR WHILE 210,561 CAME BY SEA AND 115,137 BY LAND.

DEPARTURES NEARLY DOUBLED THAT OF THE SAME MONTH LAST YEAR, WITH 795,792 LEAVING HONG KONG TO OTHER COUNTRIES WHILE 439,367 LEFT LAST YEAR.

OF THE DEPARTURES, 256,967 LEFT BY AIR, 247,060 BY SEA AND 291,765 BY LAND.

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VALUATION LISTS FOR 1979-80

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THE VALUATION LISTS FOR 1979-80 FOR ALL ASSESSED TENEMENTS IN THE AREAS WHERE RATES ARE CHARGED WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FROM TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THIS WAS OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED IN TODAY'S (FRIDAY) GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

THE LISTS WILL BE ON DISPLAY DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS FOR 21 DAYS ENDING MARCH 23 AT THE OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF RATES IN HANG CHONG BUILDING, SECOND FLOOR, ROOM 202, 5 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT SAID THAT DURING THE 21 DAYS ANY PERSON WHO DISAGREES WITH THE ENTRY OR OMISSION OF A TENEMENT IN OR FROM A VALUATION LIST, OR THE RATEABLE VALUE ASSESSED, MAY SERVE ON THE COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE LIST.

FORMS FOR THIS PURPOSE ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS AT 1 GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG AND SUB-OFFICES AND ALSO FROM CITY DISTRICT OFFICES IN URBAN AREAS AND DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT PEOPLE DISSATISFIED WITH THEIR ASSESSMENTS AND INTENDING TO LODGE A PROPOSAL ARE INVITED TO FIRST CONTACT THE VALUER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AREA IN WHICH THE PREMISES ARE SITUATED.

+ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE WILL BE GIVEN,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

/IF ENQUIRIES .....

IF ENQUIRIES ARE IN RESPECT OF PREMISES IN HONG KONG ISLAND OR IN KOWLOON THEY SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO NEW MERCURY HOUSE, 17TH FLOOR, 22 FENWICK STREET, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. 5-281424), IF IN NEW KOWLOON OR THE NEW TERRITORIES TO TAI SANG COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 24-34 HENNESSY ROAD, SEVENTH FLOOR, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. 5-284047 FOR NEW KOWLOON AND 5-284037 FOR NEW TERRITORIES).

+IT IS EMPHASISED THAT, NOTWITHSTANDING THE LODGING OF A PROPOSAL OR AN APPEAL, RATES MUST BE PAID BY THE DUE DATE. IN THE CASE OF RATE DEMANDS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER 1979 THIS MEANS THAT PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY THE END OF APRIL, + THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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### NO SCRAMBLE AT THIS YEAR'S BUN FESTIVAL \*\*\*\*\*

APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE ORGANISERS OF THE CHEUNG CHAU BUN FESTIVAL TO ERECT BUN TOWERS AGAIN AT THIS YEAR'S EVENT --- BUT, IN THE INTERESTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THERE WILL BE NO SCRAMBLE.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY (FRIDAY), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION SAID CONSTRUCTION OF THE TOWERS WOULD ALSO BE SUBJECT TO SUBMISSION OF SPECIFICATIONS TO, AND INSPECTION BY, THE AUTHORITIES.

+THE DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN FOLLOWING A MEETING BETWEEN THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES AND MEMBERS OF THE CHEUNG CHAU RURAL COMMITTEE, + THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS OF THE RURAL COMMITTEE HAD GIVEN AN ASSURANCE THAT THE MIDNIGHT SCRAMBLE FOR BUNS PROGRAMME WOULD BE CANCELLED THIS YEAR.

THE BUNS INSTEAD WOULD BE TAKEN DOWN FROM THE TOWERS BY THE ORGANISERS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO LOCAL VILLAGERS AFTERWARDS.

LAST YEAR, TWO OF THE THREE 70-FOOT HIGH TOWERS COLLAPSED DURING THE SCRAMBLE FOR BUNS, RESULTING IN 24 PEOPLE BEING INJURED.

THE GOVERNMENT LATER ANNOUNCED THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE BUN TOWERS SCRAMBLE AT THE ANNUAL FESTIVAL SHOULD COME TO AN END.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT WISH TO, IN ANY WAY, DETRACT FROM WHAT WAS A VERY POPULAR AND COLOURFUL FESTIVAL.

+THIS AGREEMENT TO ALLOW TALL BUN TOWERS WILL BE REVIEWED AFTER THE COMING FESTIVAL IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHAT CHANGES AND IMPROVEMENTS ARE REQUIRED, + HE ADDED.

THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL IS EXPECTED TO BE HELD IN MAY, BUT NO FINAL DATE HAS YET BEEN FIXED.

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PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION REALISTICALLY ADAPTED  
TO PRESENT DAY LIFE, SAYS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

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PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS ARE OFFERING A FORM OF EDUCATION VERY REALISTICALLY ADAPTED TO THE PRESENT DAY HONG KONG AND TO THE NEW PATTERN OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LIFE, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE COMMEMORATIVE STONE UNVEILING CEREMONY OF THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL -- CHAI WAN, MR. TOPLEY SAID THESE SCHOOLS WERE OFFERING AN EDUCATION POPULAR TO BOTH PUPILS AND THEIR PARENTS.

ASIDE FROM PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH A SOLID FOUNDATION OF GENERAL KNOWLEDGE AND AN INTRODUCTION TO BROADLY-BASED TECHNICAL SKILLS, THE DIRECTOR SAID PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS WERE CLEARLY PLAYING AN IMPORTANT ROLE AS A SOURCE OF TECHNICAL MANPOWER VITAL TO THE INDUSTRY OF HONG KONG WHICH REQUIRED AN ADAPTABLE WORKFORCE TO SUSTAIN ITS DEVELOPMENT.

BUT HE WARNED THAT PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS MUST NOT BECOME VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES NOR MINIATURE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

+THEY ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR SECONDARY SCHOOLS SYSTEM. AND SCHOOL EDUCATION SHOULD NOT, EXCEPT PERHAPS IN THE CASE OF MUSICIANS AND BALLET DANCERS, PREPARE PUPILS FOR A SINGLE VOCATION,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

THERE ARE NOW 11 PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS INCLUDING ONE OPERATING IN BORROWED PREMISES. SIX SCHOOLS ARE CO-EDUCATIONAL AND ONE OTHER WILL BECOME CO-EDUCATIONAL IN THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR.

THE TOTAL PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENT NOW IS ABOUT 7,500. IN SEPTEMBER, WITH THE ADDITION OF TWO NEW CO-EDUCATIONAL SCHOOLS OF THE MARDEN FOUNDATION, ONE IN SHA TIN AND ONE IN CHAI WAN, THERE WILL BE 13 PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS AND AN ENROLMENT OF 9,100.

THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN CHAI WAN IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED IN 1980. HOWEVER, IT WILL OPERATE THIS SEPTEMBER IN BORROWED PREMISES AT ST. FRANCIS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN CAINE ROAD. IT IS EXPECTED THAT BY SEPTEMBER, 1982, THE TOTAL PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENT WILL RISE TO 10,800.

MR. TOPLEY SAID IT WAS ENCOURAGING TO SEE THAT PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY MANY PARENTS AND FULLY APPRECIATED BY THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL SECTORS IN HONG KONG.

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+IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR, OVER 65 PER CENT OF THE 3,000 ODD SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS FOR FORM I PLACES IN 11 PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS WERE OF GOOD OR ABOVE AVERAGE ABILITY. THIS RECENT INTAKE INDICATES THAT PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS ARE POPULAR AND ATTRACT A GOODLY PROPORTION OF PUPILS OF GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING,+ HE SAID.

AS A RESULT, MR. TOPLEY SAID A PROPORTION OF SENIOR SECONDARY PLACES WOULD BE INTRODUCED IN PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL AS FROM 1981 TO ENABLE THE ACADEMICALLY MORE CAPABLE PUPILS TO CONTINUE THEIR STUDIES UP TO AT LEAST THE CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION LEVEL AND LATER TO PROCEED DIRECTLY TO TECHNICIAN PROGRAMMES IN THE POLYTECHNIC OR THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

GIRL PUPILS, THE DIRECTOR ADDED, CERTAINLY HAD A PLACE IN PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS.

+THEY ARE CAPABLE OF DOING AS WELL AS THE BOYS ESPECIALLY IN THOSE SUBJECT AREAS WHICH INVOLVE PROBLEM-SOLVING,+ HE SAID.

MR. TOPLEY ALSO PRAISED CARITAS HONG KONG FOR OPENING THE MARDEN FOUNDATION SCHOOLS IN THE EVENINGS FOR COMMUNITY USE.

+THIS IS INDEED A VALUABLE INITIATIVE AND ENSURES THAT FULL USE IS MADE OF THE SCHOOL AND OF THE FINE SCHOOL HALL. I HOPE OTHER AIDED SCHOOLS WILL FOLLOW THIS EXAMPLE.

+FACILITIES IN THE SCHOOLS SPONSORED BY THE MARDEN FOUNDATION CAN ALSO CATER FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED STUDENTS, AND THIS IS YET ANOTHER STEP FORWARD,+ HE SAID.

FOLLOWING THE UNVEILING OF THE COMMEMORATIVE STONE BY MR. TOPLEY, THE MOST REV. JOHN BAPTIST WU, ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP OF HONG KONG, ALSO GAVE HIS BLESSING ON THE OCCASION.

THE CEREMONY WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY MR. J.L. MARDEN, GOVERNOR OF MARDEN FOUNDATION LTD., AND MRS. MARDEN= MRS. MARJORIE TOPLEY, WIFE OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND THE REV. F. LERDA, PRESIDENT OF CARITAS HONG KONG.

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CARELESS BEHAVIOUR SPOILS BEAUTY OF NEW TERRITORIES  
SAYS AKERS-JONES

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THE REAL BEAUTY OF THE NEW TERRITORIES, BOTH TOWN AND COUNTRY, IS TOO OFTEN SPOILT BY CARELESS AND INDIFFERENT BEHAVIOUR, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

HE URGED THE PUBLIC TO FIGHT POLLUTION AND TO PROTECT AND RESTORE THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF OUR ENVIRONMENT.

MR. AKERS-JONES, SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE THIRD TAI PO SIX DISTRICTS COMMITTEE FLOWER SHOW AT FANLING PARK, SAID THE EXHIBITS ON SHOW WERE AN EXAMPLE OF THE BEAUTY WHICH CAN BE CREATED BY SKILL AND CARE IN A SMALL SURROUNDING -- AND +AN EXAMPLE TO US ALL OF WHAT WE CAN DO IF WE ALL CARE EQUALLY FOR THE WIDER ENVIRONMENT OF OUR DAILY LIVES.+

THE THREE-DAY SHOW IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE TAI PO SIX DISTRICTS ARTS ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION.

INCLUDED IN THE 1,000 ENTRIES IS A CENTURY-OLD BONSAI PLANT AND A WIDE VARIETY OF RARE SPECIES, SOME OF THEM FROM CHINA.

THE THREE-FOOT HIGH BONSAI PLANT -- ZELKOVA -- IS BELIEVED TO HAVE GRACED THE SUMMER PALACE OF EMPRESS DOWAGER TS'U HSI IN CHINA IN 1880S.

IT WAS FIRST PUT ON DISPLAY IN HONG KONG LAST YEAR AND IS BEING KEPT BY CHING CHUNG KOON IN TAI PO.

THE FLOWER SHOW IS DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS -- THE COMPETITION SECTION AND THE DISPLAY SECTION.

THE COMPETITION SECTION IS SUB-DIVIDED INTO CUT FLOWERS, SCENTED CUT FLOWERS, POT PLANTS, ORCHIDS, BONSAI PLANT AND MINIATURE POT PLANT.

IT WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BETWEEN 10 A.M. AND 6 P.M. DAILY UNTIL SUNDAY.

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SHAU KEI WAN-RENNIE'S MILL-HANG HAU FERRY FARE INCREASE  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED FARE INCREASES FOR THE PASSENGER FERRY SERVICES BETWEEN SHAU KEI WAN, RENNIE'S MILL AND HANG HAU.

THE FARE INCREASES, FROM MONDAY, MARCH 5, WILL BE: SHAU KEI WAN TO RENNIE'S MILL FROM 50 CENTS TO 80 CENTS- RENNIE'S MILL TO HANG HAU FROM 30 CENTS TO 50 CENTS- AND SHAU KEI WAN TO HANG HAU FROM 80 CENTS TO \$1.

THE SERVICES ARE OPERATED BY THE HOP SHING KUNG FERRY COMPANY WHICH HAS JUST HAD ITS LICENCE EXTENDED FOR THREE YEARS FROM MARCH 1, 1979.

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NEW SERIES OF BUDGET PUBLICATIONS  
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A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE 1979-80 BUDGET ARE NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING IN CONNAUGHT PLACE.

THREE PUBLICATIONS -- THE DRAFT ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE 1979-80, THE DRAFT REVENUE ESTIMATES 1979-80, AND THE DRAFT SUPPORTING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND STATISTICAL APPENDICES -- ARE ON SALE IN A SET WHICH COSTS \$200.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS ON SALE INCLUDE THE 1979-80 BUDGET: ECONOMIC BACKGROUND AVAILABLE AT \$14 IN SEPARATE ENGLISH AND CHINESE VERSIONS- ESTIMATES OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT 1966 TO 1977 (\$7) AND THE REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE 1978 (\$270).

BOOKLET COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S SPEECH ARE NOW BEING PRINTED IN SEPARATE ENGLISH AND CHINESE VERSIONS AND SHOULD BE RECEIVED IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS' TIME.

THESE WILL BE ISSUED FREE OF CHARGE ON REQUEST AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, CITY DISTRICT OFFICES AND DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

TWO OTHER BOOKLETS -- THE GRAPHIC GUIDE TO THE BUDGET AND A NEW EDITION OF HONG KONG IN FIGURES -- ARE ALSO BEING PRINTED FOR FREE ISSUE AT THE SAME OUTLETS AND COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE LATER.

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NEW ADDRESS FOR WATER SUPPLIES DEPT'S CONSUMER SERVICES UNIT  
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT'S CONSUMER SERVICES UNIT FOR HONG KONG ISLAND WILL MOVE FROM THE MEZZANINE FLOOR OF MURRAY BUILDING IN GARDEN ROAD TO NEW PREMISES AT BULLOCK LANE ON SUNDAY.

THE NEW OFFICE IS IN THE COMPOUND OF THE DEPARTMENT'S ISLAND DEPOT IN BULLOCK LANE, BEHIND THE CATHAY THEATRE IN WAN CHAI.

FROM MONDAY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, INCLUDING AUTHORISED PERSONS AND LICENSED PLUMBERS, WISHING TO MAKE ENQUIRIES ABOUT CONSUMER SERVICES SHOULD EITHER CALL AT THE DEPOT OR TELEPHONE 5-726311.

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3 BUILDINGS DECLARED LIABLE TO BECOME DANGEROUS  
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY TODAY (FRIDAY) DECLARED 58-64 LEI MUK ROAD, KWAI CHUNG, NEW TERRITORIES, 1 TUNG YUEN STREET, YAU TONG, KOWLOON, AND KWAI HING INDUSTRIAL BUILDING, 10-18 CHUN PIN STREET, KWAI CHUNG, NEW TERRITORIES, LIABLE TO BECOME DANGEROUS.

IN A STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE SAID THESE THREE INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS HAD BEEN THE SUBJECT OF INTENSIVE INVESTIGATIONS AFTER SHEAR CRACKS HAD BEEN FOUND IN THE REINFORCED CONCRETE BEAMS.

THESE INVESTIGATIONS INVOLVED THE EXTRACTION OF SAMPLES FROM REINFORCED CONCRETE FOR TESTING, EXPOSING REINFORCING STEEL AND ANALYSIS OF THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE CONCRETE.

IN EACH CASE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATIONS REVEALED THAT THESE THREE BUILDINGS ARE CONSIDERABLY SUB-STANDARD IN THEIR CONSTRUCTION.

+A HIGH PROPORTION OF THE CONCRETE SAMPLES WERE FOUND NOT TO HAVE THE REQUIRED CRUSHING STRENGTH AND THE REINFORCEMENT STEEL PROVIDED WAS BELOW THAT REQUIRED BY THE APPROVED DESIGN. FURTHERMORE IN TWO BUILDINGS DEFICIENCIES IN CEMENT CONTENT WERE FOUND BY ANALYSIS,+ HE SAID.

+AS THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF STRUCTURAL FAILURE LEADING TO COLLAPSE IT IS NECESSARY TO CLOSE THESE BUILDINGS,+ HE ADDED.

NOTICES OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE ORDERS IN KOWLOON DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 A.M. ON MAY 2 WERE POSTED TODAY.

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JOINT GOVT PRIMARY SCHOOLS EXHIBITION

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THE JOINT GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS EXHIBITION WILL OPEN AGAIN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL IN KOWLOON.

THE EXHIBITION FIRST OPENED LAST WEEKEND AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND ATTRACTED MORE THAN 12,000 PEOPLE.

THE THEME OF THE EXHIBITION, INTENDED TO CO-INCIDE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD, IS +HAPPY SCHOOL LIFE.+

JOINT ORGANISERS OF THE EVENT ARE THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE UNION OF GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS HEADMASTERS AND HEADMISTRESSES, AND THE GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS' NON-GRADUATE TEACHERS UNION.

THE OPENING HOURS OF THE EXHIBITION WILL BE FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

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AIR MAIL SERVICES TO IRISH REPUBLIC

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DUE TO A POSTAL STRIKE IN THE IRISH REPUBLIC, AIR MAIL SERVICES TO THAT COUNTRY ARE SUBJECT TO DELAY, THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

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