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GRIP TIGHTENS ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
-- RUMOURS OF AMNESTY QUASHED
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A JOINT OPERATION AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION MOUNTED THIS WEEK BY THE POLICE, LABOUR AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENTS NETTED 66 PEOPLE SUSPECTED OF BEING HERE ILLEGALLY.

DURING THE THREE-DAY OPERATION ENDED THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING, 102 169 PEOPLE WERE CHECKED FOR IDENTIFICATION AND 11 067 ESTABLISHMENTS VISITED.

SIXTY-SIX PERSONS SUSPECTED OF BEING HERE ILLEGALLY HAD BEEN REFERRED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. THOSE FOUND TO BE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WILL BE REPATRIATED.

THE JOINT OPERATION IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ONGOING TERRITORY-WIDE EFFORT TO STAMP OUT ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO SLACKENING OF EFFORTS AGAINST ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION. +ON THE CONTRARY, THE SECURITY FORCES AND THE POLICE WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A HIGH STATE OF VIGILANCE BOTH AT THE BORDER AND THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY,+ HE SAID.

+THERE IS NO PLACE FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN HONG KONG. WHEREVER THEY ARE FOUND, THEY WILL BE SENT BACK.+

THE SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED THAT RUMOURS OF AN AMNESTY WHEN THE NEW IDENTITY CARDS ARE ISSUED LATER THIS MONTH ARE ABSOLUTELY GROUNDLESS. +ANY RUMOURS OF AN AMNESTY ON SUCH AND OTHER OCCASIONS ARE SPREAD BY SNAKEHEADS WHO HAVE NO REGARD WHATSOEVER FOR HUMAN DECENCY AND WHOSE SOLE AIM IS TO MAKE A QUICK BUCK.+

+THE NEW IDENTITY CARDS WILL MAKE IT EVEN HARDER FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION AS THEY ARE DIFFICULT TO FORGE. ANYONE FOOLISHLY HOPING FOR THE CONTRARY IS ONLY DELUDING HIMSELF,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

HE ALSO REMINDED THE PUBLIC THAT AS FROM MONDAY (MARCH 28), DRIVING LICENCES WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AS PROOF OF IDENTITY.

DURING THE SPECIAL OPERATION, POLICE STEPPED UP THEIR IDENTIFICATION SPOT CHECKS IN PUBLIC PLACES AND ALSO CARRIED OUT SPECIAL OPERATIONS IN SUSPECT AREAS AND LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

THEY ARRESTED 16 SUSPECTED ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WITH FORGED IDENTITY CARDS. ANOTHER 242 PERSONS WERE SUMMONSED FOR FAILING TO PRODUCE PROPER PROOF OF IDENTITY, AND A FURTHER 134 WERE WARNED IN RESPECT OF THIS OFFENCE, WHICH CARRIES A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$1 000.

ON THE LABOUR FRONT, INSPECTORS OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT VISITED 11 067 ESTABLISHMENTS TO WEED OUT ANY ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WHO MAY BE WORKING, AND TO CHECK THAT EMPLOYERS FULLFIL THEIR LEGAL OBLIGATION OF KEEPING PROPER RECORDS OF THEIR EMPLOYEES.

TWENTY PERSONS IN 20 ESTABLISHMENTS WERE FOUND WITHOUT PROPER PROOF OF IDENTITY. THEY TOO HAVE BEEN REFERRED TO THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT FOR INVESTIGATION.

SIXTEEN ESTABLISHMENTS WERE FOUND TO BE KEEPING EITHER NO RECORD OR IMPROPER RECORDS OF EMPLOYEES. THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ALSO SUMMONED 108 ESTABLISHMENTS TO PRESENT THEIR EMPLOYEE RECORDS FOR INSPECTION AT THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT OFFERING EMPLOYMENT TO ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IS AN OFFENCE PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF UP TO \$50 000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR ONE YEAR.

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DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY PRAISES ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY
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THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR JOHN YAXLEY PAID TRIBUTE TODAY (SATURDAY) TO THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION TO HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

HE WAS OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR MOTOROLA SEMICONDUCTORS PLANT IN KWAI FONG. THE COMPANY IS THE WORLD'S SECOND BIGGEST SUPPLIER OF SEMICONDUCTORS.

+THE STORY OF MOTOROLA SEMICONDUCTORS HONG KONG IS, IN A WAY, A PARALLEL TO THE STORY OF OUR ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY,+ SAID MR YAXLEY.

+BEGINNING 15 YEARS AGO AS A SMALL TESTING AREA FOR TRANSISTORS AND AS A SALES OFFICE IN HONG KONG, THE ORGANISATION HAS GROWN RAPIDLY. THIS NEW FACILITY WHICH REPRESENTS A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT SIGNIFIES THE ORGANISATION'S DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE EXPANDING AND UPGRADING ITS OPERATIONS.

+IT IS A DEMONSTRATION OF HOW FAR THE HONG KONG ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY HAS COME, AND AN INDICATOR OF THE WAY FORWARD,+ MR YAXLEY REMARKED.

HONG KONG'S ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY, CHARACTERISED BY A NUMBER OF FACTORIES ASSEMBLING TRANSISTOR RADIOS 15 YEARS AGO, HAS NOW DEVELOPED INTO PRODUCING HIGH-TECHNOLOGY ITEMS SUCH AS WAFER CHIPS, MICRO COMPUTERS AND TELECOMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT. MR YAXLEY NOTED THAT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WAS NOT CONFINED TO ITSELF BECAUSE OF THE WIDESPREAD APPLICATION OF ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY TO CONSUMER PRODUCTS IN VARIOUS OTHER INDUSTRIES.

+ADVANCES IN ELECTRONICS HAVE THE POTENTIAL FOR BRINGING ABOUT MASSIVE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENTS. AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS RESPONSIBLE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY WE MUST BE PREPARED FOR THESE ADJUSTMENTS,+ HE SAID.

SUMMARISING THE PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE BY THE GOVERNMENT TO HELP THE INDUSTRY TO DIVERSIFY, MR YAXLEY CALLED ON INDUSTRIALISTS TO MAKE USE OF THE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

/+WE HAVE

+WE HAVE A SPECIALIST STAFF OF PROMOTION CONSULTANTS IN OUR HEAD OFFICE HERE IN HONG KONG, AND IN FOUR OFFICES OVERSEAS - IN LONDON, TOKYO, STUTTGART AND SAN FRANCISCO. THEIR OBJECTIVE IS TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO HIGHER TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRIES.

+THEIR SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY THE TAXPAYER, AND WE HOPE THAT YOU IN THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY AND, INDEED, IN ANY OTHER INDUSTRY WILL CALL ON THEIR EXPERTISE IN YOUR FUTURE EXPANSION AND INVESTMENT PLANS. OUR SERVICE IS FREE AND YOU WILL FIND THAT WE HAVE MUCH TO OFFER.+

MR YAXLEY ALSO INVITED INDUSTRIALISTS SEEKING JOINT-VENTURES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT'S MISSIONS SCHEDULED TO VISIT NORTH AMERICA, WESTERN EUROPE AND JAPAN DURING THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS.

+ALL THESE ACTIVITIES AND MANY OTHERS ARE DESIGNED TO SUPPORT AND COMPLEMENT INDUSTRY'S OWN EFFORTS SO AS TO SUSTAIN FUTURE GROWTH BY MOVING UP MARKET AND THUS MAINTAIN OUR COMPETITIVENESS,+ MR YAXLEY CONCLUDED.

NEW DIRECTOR APPOINTED

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS HAS APPROVED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR G.B. O'RORKE AS DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT.

A GRADUATE OF CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY, MR O'RORKE HAD SEVEN YEARS' TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE WITH CIVIL ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS AND CONSULTANTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM BEFORE BEING APPOINTED AS AN ENGINEER IN HONG KONG IN 1958.

AFTER A SERIES OF PROMOTIONS, HE WAS APPOINTED TO HIS PRESENT RANK OF PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT ENGINEER IN 1975.

MR O'RORKE HAS SERVED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF POSTS IN THE WATERWORKS AND CIVIL ENGINEERING OFFICES OF THE FORMER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. HE HAS SERVED AS PROJECT MANAGER OF THREE OF THE NEW TOWNS AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SETTING UP AND INITIAL RUNNING OF THE GEOTECHNICAL CONTROL OFFICE IN 1977 AND THE URBAN AREA DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION IN 1980.

MR O'RORKE IS A FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS AND PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN THE FORMATION IN 1975 OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AS THE QUALIFYING BODY FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS OF ALL DISCIPLINES IN HONG KONG.

HE HAS ACTED AS DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT SINCE FEBRUARY 21, 1983.

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NEW CHANNEL FOR PUBLIC OPINION

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A LETTER FORM - +MY SUGGESTIONS TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD+ - HAS JUST BEEN INTRODUCED FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF LOCAL RESIDENTS TO PUT FORWARD THEIR VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS TO THE BOARD.

THE LETTER FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE AT 43 GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, BANKS, RESTAURANTS AND DEPARTMENT STORES THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN DISTRICT WHICH INCLUDES ABERDEEN, WONG CHUK HANG, AP LEI CHAU, POKFULAM, REPULSE BAY AND STANLEY.

+A PERSON HAD ONLY TO SET DOWN IN THE FORM HIS OPINIONS OR SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING THE WELL-BEING OF THE DISTRICT, AND MAIL IT. POSTAGE IS FREE,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DISTRICT OFFICE SAID TODAY.

+THE FORM WILL REACH THE DISTRICT OFFICER WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD.

+THE INFORMANT MAY ALSO INDICATE IN THE FORM WHETHER HE WISHES TO HAVE A REPLY FROM THE BOARD OR NOT,+ HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE FORM WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN REMOTE AREAS OR WHO ARE TOO BUSY TO APPROACH BOARD MEMBERS IN PERSON TO AIR THEIR VIEWS.

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TWO NEW ROADS FOR SHA TIN NEW TOWN

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THE NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROPOSES TO CONSTRUCT TWO ROADS IN SHA TIN AS PART OF ITS CONTINUING PROGRAMME FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TOWN.

ONE OF THE NEW ROADS IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN SIU LEK YUEN ROAD AND WONG NAI TAU VILLAGE WHILE THE OTHER IS TO LINK THE FIRST ONE TO AN UNNAMED ROAD LEADING TO SIU LEK YUEN VILLAGE.

ON COMPLETION, THE ROADS WILL SERVE A HOUSING ESTATE TO BE BUILT IN SIU LEK YUEN VALLEY.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE, THE SHA TIN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, 2 TUNG LO WAN HILL ROAD, SHA TIN, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS WITHIN SIXTY DAYS.

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IN-SERVICE COURSES FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WITH NO PROFESSIONAL TRAINING ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN ONE OF TWO PART-TIME IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN THE 1983-84 SCHOOL YEAR.

THE COURSES, EACH OF WHICH WILL LAST 12 WEEKS, ARE ORGANISED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF THE 1981 WHITE PAPER ON PRIMARY EDUCATION AND PRE-PRIMARY SERVICES.

THE FIRST COURSE WILL START IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AND THE SECOND IN MARCH 1984. KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WILL BE DESIGNATED +QUALIFIED ASSISTANT KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS+ ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE COURSE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FROM PRACTISING, PERMITTED OR REGISTERED KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS, INCLUDING HEAD-TEACHERS, WHO ARE PROFESSIONALLY UNTRAINED.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AT LEE GARDENS, 3/F, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY AND FROM ITS KOWLOON SUB-OFFICE AT KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 6/F, 405 NATHAN ROAD.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR, KINDERGARTEN SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG BY APRIL 15.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE COURSES SHOULD BE MADE TO THE KINDERGARTEN SECTION ON 5-8392483 OR 5-8392486.

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SEABORNE REFUSE CLEARED FROM LANTAU BEACHES

THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT HAS MOUNTED A SERIES OF CLEAN-UP OPERATIONS AT 15 REMOTE BEACHES ON LANTAU ISLAND WHICH ARE CONSTANTLY LITTERED BY SEABORNE REFUSE.

NINE OF THE BEACHES ARE LOCATED ON THE SOUTH OF THE ISLAND WHILE THE REMAINING SIX ARE SITUATED EAST OF MUI WO.

DUE TO THE PREVAILING EAST AND SOUTHEASTERLY WINDS AND COUPLED WITH STRONG TIDAL CURRENTS, FLOATS AND OTHER SEABORNE REFUSE ARE CONSTANTLY WASHED ASHORE AT THESE BEACHES.

DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS, THE URBAN SERVICES OFFICE, ISLANDS, HAS BEEN CLEANING UP THE REFUSE-RIDDEN BEACHES TO COINCIDE WITH THE CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN.

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A SPECIAL CLEANSING SQUAD HAS BEEN SENT TO TIDY UP HAM TIN BEACH, CHEUNG SHA BEACH, PUI O BEACH, SHAP LONG BEACH, TAI LONG WAN, YI LONG WAN, MONG TUNG WAN, TONG FUK BEACH AND KAM SHA WAN ON SOUTH LANTAU WHILE ANOTHER HAS BEEN DEPLOYED AT TUNG WAN TAU, CHEUNG SHA LAN, SHEK LAM CHAU, SHEK PIK TUNG WAN, MAN KOK TSUI AND PAK MONG WAN ON THE EASTERN PART OF THE ISLAND.

MORE THAN 200 BASKETS OF REFUSE HAVE BEEN COLLECTED AT THESE BEACHES, RESTORING THEM TO THEIR NATURAL BEAUTY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NTSD SAID THAT REFUSE DUMPED INTO THE SEA, PARTICULARLY OFF THE EASTERN AND SOUTHERN COAST OF LANTAU ISLAND, WOULD DRIFT ONTO THESE BEACHES.

HE URGED FISHERMEN AND PEOPLE CRUISING ON BOATS NOT TO DUMP THEIR REFUSE INTO THE WATER.

+DUMPING RUBBISH INTO THE SEA MAY BRING A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5 000 AND A POSSIBLE JAIL SENTENCE OF SIX MONTHS TO THE OFFENDERS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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TV SET FOR YUEN LONG ELDERLY

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MORE THAN 100 ELDERLY PEOPLE AND OTHER REGULAR USERS OF THE KAM TIN SALVATION ARMY SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY THEIR FAVOURITE TELEVISION PROGRAMMES.

AT A BRIEF CEREMONY TODAY, THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JAMES WILSON, PRESENTED A TV SET TO THE CENTRE TO ENABLE THE PEOPLE TO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL CHOICE OF ENTERTAINMENT DURING THEIR LEISURE TIME.

THE COLOUR TV SET HAS BEEN DONATED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE SALVATION ARMY WEEK.

TO MATCH THE TV SET, MR WILSON ALSO PRESENTED TO THE CENTRE A VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER WHICH HE WON IN A RAFFLE DURING A RECENT SPRING RECEPTION.

BESIDES RUNNING A CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOME FOR THE ELDERLY AND A NURSERY FOR 80 CHILDREN, THE SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE ALSO ORGANISES VARIOUS ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT AGES.

ALSO PRESENT AT TODAY'S CEREMONY WERE MR TANG CHI-LEUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE KAM TIN RURAL COMMITTEE, AND MR TANG NAI-MAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE.

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CLOSED ROAD PERMITS FOR LANTAU ISLAND

STARTING FROM MONDAY (MARCH 28), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S TRANSPORT OPERATIONS (HONG KONG AND ISLANDS) DIVISION WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING AND RENEWING CLOSED ROAD PERMITS FOR LANTAU ISLAND.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE DIVISION AT 5/F, GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE BY DIALLING 5-756541, EXT. 261.

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SALT WATER CUT IN EAST KOWLOON

SALT WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN EAST KOWLOON WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 9 AM ON TUESDAY (MARCH 29) FOR REPAIR WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT CHOI WAN ESTATE, SHUN LEE ESTATE, SHUN TIN ESTATE, SHUN ON ESTATE, SAU MAU PING ESTATE AND LAM TIN ESTATE AS WELL AS PREMISES ALONG HONG LEE ROAD, HONG NING ROAD AND KUNG LOK ROAD.

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SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS SOLD BY AUCTION
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THIRTY-THREE SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD BY AUCTION THIS MORNING (SATURDAY) FOR A TOTAL OF \$192 800 WHICH WILL GO INTO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY PURPOSES.

THE AUCTION HELD AT RECITAL HALL OF THE CITY HALL, 8TH FLOOR, SAW THE REGISTRATION NUMBER AW8 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$37 000.

ANOTHER NUMBER CW 11 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$29 000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1 000 FOR CX 2400, CX 5006, AD 5006, CY 277, BB 5121, CX 6686, CY 8885, BH 330 AND BJ 330.

THE OTHER SPECIAL REGISTRATION NUMBERS WERE SOLD AT THE FOLLOWING PRICES:

CY 1698	\$ 1 500	CX 982	\$ 1 600	CX 213	\$ 2 000
CX 983	2 600	1389	28 000	CX 995	2 100
CX 3282	1 600	CY 663	5 000	CY 500	2 000
AD 83	13 000	CY 162	2 200	CX 938	3 500
CY 118	3 100	CH 4664	2 000	5989	6 200
AL 178	1 800	CY 139	2 200	CX 966	2 000
AU 3	21 000	CT 600	3 800	AC 330	4 500
CX 19	4 100				

THE NUMBERS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 83RD ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR CHARITY REALISED SO FAR TO \$27 252 332.