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INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD SECOND REPORT PUBLISHED

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THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD (IDB) IS LOOKING AHEAD TO ANOTHER FRUITFUL YEAR, BASED ON ITS MANY ACHIEVEMENTS OVER THIS YEAR, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR PETER TSAO, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCING THE PUBLICATION OF THE BOARD'S SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

DURING THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW (AUGUST 1, 1981 TO JULY 31, 1982) THE IDB CONSIDERED VARIOUS PROPOSALS FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. THEY INCLUDED:

- \* ESTABLISHMENT OF A STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY IN THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT,
- \* AN OVERSEAS CONSULTANCY ON TESTING LABORATORIES TO IMPROVE QUALITY CERTIFICATION SERVICES,
- \* TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICES FOR INDUSTRY,
- \* THE NEEDS OF INDUSTRY IN SCIENCE AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH,
- \* TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER STUDY,
- \* PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN SERVICES,
- \* MICRO-ELECTRONICS RESEARCH PROJECTS, AND
- \* RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT WORK ARISING FROM A TECHNO-ECONOMIC STUDY OF THE METAL AND LIGHT ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES.

+A NUMBER OF THE PROPOSALS CONSIDERED OR ENDORSED BY THE BOARD ARE NOW BEING IMPLEMENTED,+ MR TSAO SAID.

+THE DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS OF EQUIPMENT IN THE STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP. WE EXPECT THAT THE LABORATORY WILL COME INTO OPERATION IN 1983, AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED.+

ON THE ADVICE OF THE BOARD, THE GOVERNMENT HAS APPOINTED THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TESTING AUTHORITIES, AUSTRALIA, TO UNDERTAKE A CONSULTANCY STUDY ON TESTING LABORATORY SERVICES AND ACCREDITATION OF TESTING LABORATORIES IN HONG KONG. THE CONSULTANTS HAVE ALREADY CONDUCTED PRELIMINARY STUDIES IN MARCH AND OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR INDUSTRY SERVICES WAS ESTABLISHED EARLY THIS YEAR. A MAJOR ITEM CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE WAS THE COMPILATION OF THE FIRST GRAND UNION CATALOGUE OF SERIAL HOLDINGS IN HONG KONG. ANOTHER IMPORTANT PROJECT WAS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH TO ADVISE ON THE PROVISION OF INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT FACILITIES AND SCIENTIFIC OR TECHNOLOGICAL MATTERS.

FIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS RELATING TO THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY HAVE BEEN ENDORSED BY THE BOARD AND ARE AT VARIOUS STAGES OF PROGRESS.

/+THE BOARD .....

+THE BOARD IS CONSIDERING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TECHNO-ECONOMIC STUDY ON THE METAL AND LIGHT ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES COMPLETED BY THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY CENTRE (HKPC), AND WILL EXAMINE THE NEED FOR PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL AND IMPROVED FACILITIES AND SERVICES,+ MR TSAO SAID.

+THE VARIOUS PROJECT PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM THE HKPC, UNIVERSITIES AND POLYTECHNIC WHICH ARE CURRENTLY UNDER VARIOUS STAGES OF CONSIDERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION ARE TESTIMONIALS OF THE RECOGNITION OF THE BOARD'S ROLE BY RELEVANT SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY. WE EXPECT MORE PROJECTS TO COME TO FRUITION IN OUR NEXT YEAR'S WORK,+ MR TSAO REMARKED.

THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD WAS ESTABLISHED IN AUGUST 1980, FOLLOWING A RECOMMENDATION BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DIVERSIFICATION. THE BOARD, RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING, MONITORING AND GIVING ADVICE ON VARIOUS PROGRAMMES IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, IS CHAIRED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

MEMBERS INCLUDE PROMINENT PERSONALITIES IN INDUSTRY, THE ACADEMIC FIELD, AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. IT IS SERVICED BY THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT TO INTRODUCE NEW FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM  
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THE GOVERNMENT WILL START TO INTRODUCE EARLY NEXT YEAR A NEW FINANCIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM OFFERING ON-LINE FACILITIES FOR BUDGET CONTROL AND MUCH NEEDED MANAGEMENT INFORMATION, THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR JOHN BREMRIDGE, SAID THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE HONG KONG SOCIETY OF ACCOUNTANTS, MR BREMRIDGE SAID THE SYSTEM WOULD BE GEARED TO INFORMATION NEEDS AT ALL MANAGEMENT LEVELS AND WOULD DRAW TOGETHER DATA FROM A WIDE RANGE OF SOURCES INTO A FULLY INTEGRATED DATABASE.

THE SYSTEM WOULD GIVE SPEEDY ACCESS NOT ONLY TO ROUTINE, THOUGH ESSENTIAL, ACCOUNTING DATA BUT ALSO TO INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGEMENT DECISIONS, HE SAID.

+IN SHORT, THE SYSTEM WILL BE ORIENTED TOWARDS ACHIEVING EFFECTIVE CONTROL TOGETHER WITH PROVIDING DATA IN THE RIGHT FORM FOR ASSESSING BOTH PERFORMANCE AND PRIORITIES,+ HE EXPLAINED.

HE SAID ALSO THAT THERE WAS AN INCREASING NEED FOR PRIVATE-SECTOR ACCOUNTANTS TO EXERCISE INFLUENCE IN MANAGEMENT DECISIONS, PARTICULARLY IN HONG KONG WHERE MARKET CONDITIONS BECAME TOUGHER EACH YEAR AND CONTINUED PROSPERITY DEPENDED MUCH ON IMPROVEMENTS TO OVERALL COST EFFECTIVENESS.

NEVERTHELESS, HE ADDED, AN ACCOUNTANT SHOULD NOT FORGET HE STILL HAD A MAJOR ROLE TO PLAY IN ENSURING THAT THE OVERALL FINANCIAL INTEGRITY OF HIS COMPANY OR ORGANISATION WAS MAINTAINED.

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LORD BELSTEAD TO VISIT HONG KONG

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THE MINISTER OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, LORD BELSTEAD, WILL BE ATTENDING A MEETING IN BANGKOK IN MID-DECEMBER OF HEADS OF UK MISSIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE FAR EAST.

BEFORE TRAVELLING TO BANGKOK HE WILL VISIT HONG KONG FROM DECEMBER 6 TO 10.

THIS WILL BE LORD BELSTEAD'S FIRST VISIT TO THE TERRITORY SINCE BEING APPOINTED EARLIER THIS YEAR AS MINISTER OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, WHERE HIS RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE HONG KONG.

HE WILL HAVE TALKS WITH THE GOVERNOR AND SENIOR OFFICIALS AND WILL MEET UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS AND OTHER COMMUNITY LEADERS.

AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME OF VISITS IS BEING ARRANGED TO ENABLE THE MINISTER TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TERRITORY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

LORD BELSTEAD WAS BORN IN 1932 AND WAS EDUCATED AT ETON AND CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD. HE SUCCEEDED TO HIS TITLE IN 1958. A CONSERVATIVE, HE WAS PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION AND SCIENCE FROM 1970 TO 1973, PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE FROM 1973-74, AND PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE HOME OFFICE FROM 1979 UNTIL HE WAS APPOINTED MINISTER OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE IN MARCH THIS YEAR.

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TECHNICAL TRAINING FOR MORE YOUNG PEOPLE  
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TWO MORE TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTRES, A SIXTH TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AND A SECOND POLYTECHNIC WILL BE ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH MORE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, DR KEITH LEGG, WHEN HE OFFICIATED AT THE OPENING OF A CAREERS EXHIBITION IN THE CITY HALL THEATRE THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING.

THE 10-DAY EXHIBITION IS ORGANISED BY THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND CO-SPONSORED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL.

DR LEGG SAID IT WAS BECOMING INCREASINGLY MORE IMPORTANT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE EDUCATED IN BOTH THEORY AND PRACTICE IN AN INTEGRATED WAY. OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE, THEREFORE, IN BUILDING A CAREER WERE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES.

A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES NOW AVAILABLE AND BEING ACTIVELY PROMOTED BY GOVERNMENT ARE THE MANY TYPES AND LEVELS OF FORMAL APPRENTICESHIP SCHEMES ALL LEADING TO RECOGNISED TRAINING CERTIFICATION.

REFERRING TO THE PARTICIPATION IN THE EXHIBITION BY THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT, THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING AUTHORITY, DR LEGG NOTED THAT THEIR PARTICIPATION WOULD PROVIDE YOUNG STUDENTS WITH VALUABLE INFORMATION ON CURRENT TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES.

HE COMMENDED THE EXHIBITION - THE ELEVENTH ONE ORGANISED BY THE YEAS - TO YOUNG PEOPLE.

+MAINTAINING THE GROWTH IN HONG KONG'S ECONOMY AND THE IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE THAT FOLLOWS OFFERS MANY CHALLENGING JOB OPPORTUNITIES. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IS WELL DISPLAYED IN THIS EXHIBITION,+ HE NOTED.

DR LEGG POINTED OUT THAT SINCE HE OPENED THE FOURTH CAREERS EXHIBITION SEVEN YEARS AGO, MANY INNOVATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT HAD EMERGED FROM THE YEAS IN KEEPING WITH THE INCREASING IMPROVEMENTS INTRODUCED BY THE DEPARTMENT OVER THE YEARS.

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THE IDEA OF A COORDINATED PATTERN OF +JUNIOR CAREER SOCIETIES+ HE PUT FORWARD AT THE OPENING OF THAT EXHIBITION TOOK ROOT AND HAD EMERGED NOW AS THREE CAREER INFORMATION CENTRES ON THE ISLAND, IN KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THESE CENTRES, TOGETHER WITH CAREER SEMINARS, CONVENTIONS AND EXHIBITIONS ON A DISTRICT BASIS NOW PROVIDED CONSIDERABLE OPPORTUNITY TO YOUNG PEOPLE IN MAKING THE VERY IMPORTANT DECISION ON THEIR FUTURE CAREERS.

EARLIER, THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR J.N. HENDERSON, THANKED THE URBAN COUNCIL FOR CO-SPONSORING THE EXHIBITION, ALL EXHIBITORS, PAST AND PRESENT, AND ALL THOSE WHO ASSISTED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE EXHIBITION.

HE ALSO THANKED THE DAO HENG BANK FOR SPONSORING A CAREERS QUIZ AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE, THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE FOR PARTICIPATING IN CAREERS-ORIENTED ACTIVITIES AT EDINBURGH PLACE DURING THE EXHIBITION PERIOD.

IN HIS VOTE OF THANKS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN, SAID THAT IN THE PAST TEN YEARS, THERE HAD BEEN A TREMENDOUS ADVANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CAREERS EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING.

SUCH REMARKABLE PROGRESS WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL AND THE MANY OTHER PERSONS AND ORGANISATIONS ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENGAGED IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND CAREERS WORK.

THE URBAN COUNCIL WOULD ALWAYS BE WILLING TO OFFER WHATEVER ASSISTANCE REQUIRED IN PROVIDING FACILITIES AND MANPOWER RESOURCES FOR MEANINGFUL PROJECTS THAT WOULD ASSIST YOUNG PEOPLE IN CHOOSING A CAREER AND EMBARKING UPON SPECIAL TRAINING, HE ADDED.

THE EXHIBITION WILL OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TOMORROW FROM 9.30 AM TO 6.30 PM DAILY, UNTIL NOVEMBER 29.

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## NEED FOR MORE SCHOOLS STRESSED

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THE SECRETARY FOR CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (FRIDAY) STRESSED THAT SCHOOLS AND KINDERGARTENS SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN GOOD TIME IN THE NEW TOWNS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS SUN HOI DIRECTORS' COLLEGE AT TUEN MUN, MR AKERS-JONES SAID THE POPULATION OF TUEN MUN HAD INCREASED TREMENDOUSLY IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, FROM 80 000 IN 1980 TO THE PRESENT FIGURE OF 190 000 AND WOULD INCREASE AT 70 000 ANNUALLY IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS, REACHING 350 000 IN 1985.

+TO COPE WITH THE RAPID GROWTH, AND ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUALLY HIGH PROPORTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE AMONG THE INCOMING RESIDENTS, IT IS MOST ESSENTIAL THAT ANCILLARY FACILITIES, IN PARTICULAR, SCHOOLS AND KINDERGARTENS BE PROVIDED IN GOOD TIME.+

+THE EFFORTS AND CONTRIBUTION OF COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS, SUCH AS TUNG WAH, ACTUALLY TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES AND FACILITIES AT THE RIGHT PLACE AND THE RIGHT TIME FOR THE RIGHT PEOPLE ARE TO BE COMMENDED,+ HE SAID.

THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS SUN HOI DIRECTORS' COLLEGE IS THE GROUP'S FIRST SECONDARY SCHOOL TO BE ESTABLISHED IN TUEN MUN, WITH A SECOND TO BE FOLLOWED AT SIU HONG COURT NEXT YEAR.

+TOGETHER WITH ITS KINDERGARTEN AND PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ON TING AND YAU OI ESTATES, TUNG WAH IS NOW WELL ESTABLISHED AMONG THE COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS OF THIS NEW TOWN,+ MR AKERS-JONES ADDED.

UP TO THE PRESENT, THE TUNG WAH GROUP HAS SET UP A TOTAL OF 11 SECONDARY SCHOOLS, 15 PRIMARY SCHOOLS, TWO KINDERGARTENS AND ONE SPECIAL SCHOOL, PROVIDING PLACES FOR A STUDENT POPULATION OF OVER 20 000.

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COMMUNITY HAS ROLE TO PLAY IN REHABILITATION  
OF DISCHARGED PRISONERS, FORMER DRUG ADDICTS

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THE SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, MR ERIC HO SAID TODAY THAT THE COMMUNITY HAD AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY IN HELPING TO REHABILITATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY IN ADAPTING TO SOCIETY.

DISCHARGED PRISONERS, FORMER DRUG ADDICTS AND EX-PROBATIONERS HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION THEMSELVES TO START A NEW LIFE, BUT THE COMMUNITY MUST ALSO BE WILLING TO GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITIES TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT, HE SAID.

SPEAKING AT A PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE, MR HO POINTED OUT THAT THERE ARE GREAT PRESSURES ON THESE PEOPLE WHEN THEY REJOIN SOCIETY — THEY WORRY ABOUT HOW THEY ORGANISE THEIR DAILY LIFE AND RE-ESTABLISH THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL LIFESTYLE.

THE FIRST THING THAT MUST BE DONE TO HELP THEM IS TO OFFER THEM JOBS SO THAT THEY CAN REGAIN SELF-CONFIDENCE AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO COPE WITH THESE PRESSURES AND PROBLEMS, HE SAID.

MR HO PAID TRIBUTE TO THOSE EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE HELPED BY OFFERING JOBS AND WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE WORK OF THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE COUNCIL. IN THE YEAR ENDED THIS MARCH, THE SERVICE HANDLED A RECORD NUMBER OF 847 CASES, OF WHICH 541 OR NEARLY 64 PER CENT WERE SUCCESSFUL.

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#### QUALITY OF EDUCATION

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THE WORLD-WIDE RECESSION IS NOT LIKELY TO RESULT IN ANY CUT BACK IN THE +QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENTS IN EDUCATION BECAUSE OF PRUDENT PLANNING+, THE SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, MR Y.T. LI, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) AT THE SPEECH DAY OF CARMEL ENGLISH SCHOOL.

MR LI ADDED HOWEVER THAT IN THE NEXT YEAR OR SO, IT MIGHT NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE TO BRING ABOUT NEW IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SAME RATE AS IN THE PAST FEW YEARS.

+PERSONALLY I DO NOT THINK THAT THIS IS NECESSARILY A BAD THING BECAUSE WITH SO MANY CHANGES MADE IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM IN RECENT YEARS, PERHAPS THE TIME HAS COME FOR US TO CONSOLIDATE, ALTHOUGH LET ME QUICKLY ADD THAT CONSOLIDATION AT THIS STAGE SHOULD NOT, AND WILL NOT, MEAN STAGNATION.

+A PERIOD OF CONSOLIDATION AT THIS STAGE SHOULD GIVE US A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW PRESENT POLICIES, TO FINE-TUNE IMPLEMENTATION PLANS, AND ABOVE ALL, TO PREPARE FOR FURTHER ADVANCES IN THE FUTURE,+ HE SAID.

EARLIER, MR LI SAID THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STARTED TO EXPAND SECONDARY EDUCATION IN EARNEST FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THE 1974 WHITE PAPER ON SECONDARY EDUCATION, AND EMBARKED ON A PROGRAMME TO BUILD 130 NEW SCHOOLS.

NINETY-ONE OF THE SCHOOLS HAVE SINCE BEEN COMPLETED, AND 93 PRIVATE NON-PROFIT-MAKING SCHOOLS HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO FULLY AIDED SCHOOLS, HE SAID.

+THESE ARE VERY SUBSTANTIAL ACHIEVEMENTS, ESPECIALLY IF IT IS REMEMBERED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN COMPLETED WITHIN LESS THAN A DECADE.

+NOR ARE THEY THE ONLY PROOF OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S DETERMINATION TO UPGRADE THE EDUCATION SYSTEM BOTH QUANTITATIVELY AND QUALITATIVELY.

+THE IMPROVEMENTS SET OUT IN SUBSEQUENT EDUCATION WHITE PAPERS, OUR 'LANGUAGE PACKAGE' AND THE DECISION TO PROVIDE SCHOOLS WITH ADDITIONAL TEACHERS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE ARE SOME FURTHER INDICATIONS OF OUR INTENTIONS AND PLANS IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT AREAS,+ MR LI SAID.

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RELOCATION OF REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE  
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ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 22), THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE AT QUEENSWAY WILL MOVE TO NEW RODNEY BLOCK, SECOND FLOOR, QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG, NEXT TO THE ADMIRALTY MTR STATION.

THIS OFFICE HANDLES ALL APPLICATIONS FROM NEWLY ARRIVED LEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM CHINA WHO ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR IDENTITY CARDS.

IT ALSO ISSUES +BLACK SEAL+ IDENTITY CARDS TO IMMIGRANTS GRANTED PERMANENT STAY IN HONG KONG.

ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO TELEPHONE 3-7333111.

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FIRE SERVICES SHOW AT EDINBURGH PLACE  
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SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST ADVANCED EQUIPMENT AND APPLIANCES IN DEALING WITH FIRES AND OTHER EMERGENCIES WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT EDINBURGH PLACE TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE DISPLAY WILL BE ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF A CAREER SHOW TO BE STARTED BY THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT AS AN ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY OF THE CAREERS EXHIBITION BEING HELD IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

THE SHOW, SCHEDULED TO START AT 9 AM, SEEKS TO INTRODUCE THE ROLES PLAYED BY THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN PROTECTING LIVES AND PROPERTIES.

VISITORS TO THE SHOW WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A CLOSER LOOK AT THE WEST GERMAN-MADE 50-METRE TURNTABLE LADDER, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST MODERN FIRE APPLIANCES IN THE WORLD. THE GIANT FIRE BOAT 6 WILL MOOR AT QUEEN'S PIER, AND CONDUCTED TOURS OF THE SPECIALLY DESIGNED VESSEL WILL BE ARRANGED BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5 PM.

OTHER MAJOR APPLIANCES ON DISPLAY WILL INCLUDE AN AMBULANCE, AN AMBULANCE MOTOR-CYCLE, A PUMP ESCAPE SNORKEL, A MOBILE COMMAND UNIT (MCU) TO BE MANNED BY SENIOR FIREMEN, AND VARIOUS RESCUE EQUIPMENT USED IN DEALING WITH ALL FORMS OF EMERGENCIES, RANGING FROM LANDSLIDES, FIRE FIGHTING, TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS, HOUSE COLLAPSES TO MOUNTAIN RESCUES.

THE SHOW WILL ALSO FEATURE COLOURFUL PHOTOGRAPHS OF FIRE OFFICERS AND MEN AT WORK AND AT LEISURE, SOME OF THE WORST FIRES THAT OCCURRED IN RECENT YEARS AND FIRE FIGHTING OPERATIONS FROM LAND, AIR AND SEA.

A TEMPORARY RECRUITMENT CENTRE WILL BE SET UP AT THE MCU FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FIRE SERVICES. APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MCU AND CHEST MEASUREMENTS AND EYE-SIGHT TESTS WILL BE CARRIED OUT FOR APPLICANTS ON THE SPOT.

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SHA TIN SITES OFFERED FOR SALE

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THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING TWO PIECES OF LAND NEAR FO TAN IN SHA TIN NEW TOWN FOR SALE BY AUCTION AT 2.30 PM ON DECEMBER 16.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT THE MARINA ROOM OF THE EXCELSIOR HOTEL, CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE LARGER SITE IS FOR PUBLIC LORRY PARKING AND GODOWN PURPOSES. IT COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 3 956 SQUARE METRES.

THE OTHER SITE, MEASURING ABOUT 2 870 SQUARE METRES, IS FOR INDUSTRIAL/GODOWN USE.

MEANWHILE, THE DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING ANOTHER SITE IN SHAN MEI STREET, SHA TIN NEW TOWN FOR SALE BY TENDER. IT HAS AN AREA OF ABOUT 3 552 SQUARE METRES AND IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL (EXCLUDING GODOWN AND RESIDENTIAL) PURPOSES.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION OF TENDERS FOR THIS SITE IS 12 NOON ON DECEMBER 17.

FULL PARTICULARS, INCLUDING CONDITIONS OF SALE AND TENDER FORMS, MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND PLANS INSPECTED AT, THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, 5TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG; THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE KOWLOON WEST, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON; AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TAI PO, TUEN MUN, TSUEN WAN, NORTH, YUEN LONG, SAI KUNG, AND ISLANDS.

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WEEKEND FUN DAYS

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A FUN DAY AND MOBILE EXHIBITION FOR CHILDREN WILL BE HELD AT KENNEDY TOWN ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 21).

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY DAO HANG BANK AND THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, THE FUN DAY IS ONE OF 14 PLANNED.

THE FIRST WAS HELD AT VICTORIA PARK LAST WEEK ATTRACTING MORE THAN 600 CHILDREN OF BETWEEN SIX TO 12 YEARS OF AGE.

THE SECOND FUN DAY WILL BE HELD AT FOSTER PARK, NEAR FORBES STREET IN WESTERN. IT WILL START AT 10 AM AND END AT 1 PM.

ABOUT 600 CHILDREN ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PART IN POTTED-SPORT GAMES AND OTHER CHILDREN TOURNAMENTS. PRIZES AND GIFTS WILL BE GIVEN.

/THE FUN .....

THE FUN DAYS WILL TAKE PLACE AT WEEKENDS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, WITH THE THIRD IN THE SERIES TO BE HELD AT THE KING GEORGE THE FIFTH MEMORIAL PARK IN YAU MA TEI ON THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 28).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOMED TO SEND A REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE FUN DAY AT FOSTER PARK IN KENNEDY TOWN ON SUNDAY.

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STREET CLOSURE FOR MTR ISLAND LINE

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SECTIONS OF DES VOEUX ROAD AND HILLIER STREET IN CENTRAL WILL BE CLOSED TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MTR ISLAND LINE.

IN HILLIER STREET, THE CARRIAGEWAY AND FOOTPATH BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD AND WING LOK STREET WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED. A ROVING FOOTPATH OF AT LEAST TWO METRES WIDE WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ACCESS TO PREMISES THERE.

THE TWO FOOTPATHS ALONG THE SECTION OF DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL BETWEEN CLEVERLY STREET AND MAN WA LANE WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TEMPORARILY. HOWEVER, THEIR CLOSURES WILL NOT BE EFFECTED AT THE SAME TIME.

A NOTICE IN RESPECT OF THE TEMPORARY CLOSURES WAS GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY). COPIES OF IT, TOGETHER WITH THE ROAD CLOSURE PLAN (MT/G/216), MAY BE INSPECTED DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) AT 222-224 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL; ITS ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE AT CGO WEST WING; OR THE SURVEY DIVISION OF THE LANDS DEPARTMENT IN MURRAY BUILDING, COTTON TREE DRIVE.

CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF THE CLOSURES MUST BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT AND MUST REACH HIS OFFICE WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER THE ROAD IS REOPENED.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR FORMED IN SHAM SHUI PO  
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THE SHAM SHUI PO CHILDREN'S CHOIR HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY FORMED WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT BOARD.

A MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, COMPRISING BOARD MEMBERS AND PROFESSIONALS IN THE MUSIC FIELD, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHOIR'S TRAINING, RECRUITMENT AND PUBLIC PERFORMANCES.

THE DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALSO ALLOCATED \$30 000 FOR THE CHOIR THIS YEAR AND ANOTHER \$60 000 TO \$80 000 WOULD BE RESERVED FOR NEXT YEAR.

THE CHOIR, COMPRISING 77 MEMBERS AGED BETWEEN EIGHT AND 12, HAD BEEN HAVING TRAINING WITH THE MUSIC OFFICE DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS.

+THE GROUP HAS BEEN EXPANDING EACH YEAR AND WE FEEL IT IS TIME TO GIVE THEM OUR SUPPORT WHICH, WE HOPE, WILL ALSO CREATE A SENSE OF BELONGING AMONG THEM,+ A DISTRICT BOARD SPOKESMAN SAID.

AN INAUGURATION CEREMONY FOR BOTH THE CHOIR AND ITS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 21) AT 3 PM IN THE HALL OF HAKING WONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, 702 LAI CHI KOK ROAD.

THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN IP, AND THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MUSIC OFFICE, MR M.C. LUKE, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

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WATER MAINS WORK IN TWO AREAS  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN HAPPY VALLEY WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR EIGHT HOURS FROM 10 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 22) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY TO FACILITATE WATER MAINS CONNECTION.

PREMISES ALONG TAI HANG DRIVE, CHUN FAI ROAD, WANG FUNG TERRACE, VILLAGE TERRACE AND LOONG FUNG TERRACE WILL BE AFFECTED.

ON MONDAY MORNING, SALT WATER SUPPLY TO THE CHAI WAN AREA WILL BE INTERRUPTED FROM 10 AM UNTIL 10 AM ON TUESDAY, ALSO FOR MAINS WORK.

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