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VBP CENTRE IN SAI KUNG WILL CAUSE LEAST DISRUPTION

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A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT AFTER TAKING ALL FACTORS INTO CONSIDERATION, TO PROCEED WITH BUILDING A TEMPORARY VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE CENTRE IN SAI KUNG WOULD, ON BALANCE, RESULT IN THE LEAST DISRUPTION TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

"WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE VERY REAL PROBLEM OF PROVIDING ACCOMMODATION TO COPE WITH THE CONTINUING INFLUX OF BOAT PEOPLE FROM VIETNAM.

"THIS IS SOMETHING WHICH MUST BE DONE UNTIL WE HAVE IN PLACE PROPER ARRANGEMENTS TO SEND BACK THOSE WHO ARE SCREENED OUT AS NON-REFUGEES." HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID ALL THE CONCERNS RAISED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO OBJECTED TO BUILDING THE CAMP THERE HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED AND MET REASONABLY.

ON WORRIES THAT WATER AT THE HIGH ISLAND RESERVOIR MIGHT BE POLLUTED, HE REITERATED THAT THE CAMP WOULD BE SITED WELL BELOW THE DAM OF THE RESERVOIR AND THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF ANY WASTE WATER FROM THE CAMP FLOWING UPHILL.

"IN ADDITION, THE DAM ITSELF HAS BUILT-IN ANTI-SEEPAGE FEATURES," HE SAID.

WASTE WATER FROM THE CAMP WILL BE PROPERLY TREATED THROUGH SETTLEMENT TANKS AND SAND FILTRATION, AND OTHER WASTE WILL BE COLLECTED IN METAL TANKS AND TAKEN TO SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT.

"NO UNTREATED WASTE WATER OR OTHER WASTE WILL BE DISCHARGED INTO THE SEA," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ON CONCERNS RAISED BY FISHERMEN THAT NEARBY FISH CULTURE ZONES MIGHT BE AFFECTED, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE NEAREST FISH FARMS, OFF URN ISLAND, WERE MORE THAN THREE KILOMETRES AWAY FROM HIGH ISLAND BY SEA.

"IN ADDITION, THE TIDAL FLUSHING EFFECT IN ROCKY HARBOUR IS VERY STRONG AND THERE IS NO DANGER OF THESE FISH FARMS BEING POLLUTED AS A RESULT OF THE TEMPORARY CAMP." HE SAID.

ON SECURITY, THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE CAMP WOULD BE THREE KILOMETRES AWAY FROM THE NEAREST VILLAGE. THE ENTIRE CAMP WILL BE ENCLOSED BY A 17-FOOT-HIGH FENCE WITH BARBED WIRE ON TOP.

"IT WILL ALSO HAVE A CONCRETE BASE AND A SEVEN-FOOT-HIGH METAL SHEETS ATTACHED TO IT TO SHIELD IT FROM OUTSIDE." HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID ALTERNATIVE SITES SUGGESTED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS HAVE ALL BEEN LOOKED AT BY THE GOVERNMENT BEFORE.

/"THESE SITES .....

"THESE SITES HAVE BEEN RE-EVALUATED FOLLOWING THE SUGGESTIONS AND WERE STILL FOUND TO BE UNSUITABLE," HE SAID.

"CHIK SHA IN TSEUNG KWAN O CANNOT BE USED BECAUSE OF THE RUBBISH DUMP THERE AND THE POSSIBILITY OF HARMFUL GASES EMITTING FROM THE DUMP DURING THE SETTLEMENT PROCESS.

"TUNG LUNG ISLAND IS NOT SUITABLE NOT ONLY BECAUSE IT IS A POPULAR PICNIC AND BARBECUE SPOT. IT HAS ON IT VERY VALUABLE HISTORICAL ROCK CARVINGS.

"IN FACT, THE TUNG LUNG FORT SITE HAS BEEN DECLARED AS A HISTORICAL MONUMENT AND IS FREQUENTLY VISITED BY STUDENTS AND YOUTH GROUPS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES."

"MOREOVER, THE ISLAND WILL BE VERY EXPENSIVE TO DEVELOP, AND PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES ARE THAT IT WILL BE 70 PER CENT MORE EXPENSIVE TO BUILD A CAMP THERE THAN TO BUILD ONE IN SAI KUNG," HE ADDED.

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SMA'S REPLY TO DISCOUNT WINDOW PROPOSAL

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ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS ARE PROVIDED FOR OUR BANKING SYSTEM AGAINST EXCEPTIONAL LIQUIDITY SHORTAGES, THE SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR DAVID NENDICK, SAID.

IN HIS REPLY TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE ASSOCIATION OF DEPOSIT-TAKING CO. LTD., MR ALEX M.C. AU, CONCERNING THE QUESTION OF A DISCOUNT WINDOW, MR NENDICK POINTED OUT THAT SUCH SAFEGUARDS WERE PROVIDED BY THE ARRANGEMENTS ALREADY IN PLACE, TOGETHER WITH THE PROPOSED ISSUE OF EXCHANGE FUND BILLS LATER THIS YEAR.

HIS INITIAL COMMENTS TO MR AU'S PROPOSAL FOR THE SETTING UP OF A DISCOUNT WINDOW WERE THAT THE EXCHANGE FUND ALREADY STANDS READY TO ASSIST SOLVENT BANKING INSTITUTIONS IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THEY ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN THE LIQUIDITY THEY REQUIRE FROM MARKET SOURCES.

THIS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED IN A SPEECH BY THE THEN FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR JOHN BREMIDGE, IN DECEMBER 1985 AND MR NENDICK HIMSELF ALSO REITERATED THIS COMMITMENT FOLLOWING THE RECENT EVENTS IN CHINA.

"BUT I WOULD STRESS THAT THIS FACILITY IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO SOLVENT INSTITUTIONS AND DESIGNED TO COPE WITH UNFORESEEN OR UNEXPECTED EVENTS, NOT WITH THOSE WHICH CAN REASONABLY BE ANTICIPATED.

"BANKS AND OTHER DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES ARE OBLIGED UNDER THE BANKING ORDINANCE TO MAINTAIN AN ADEQUATE POOL OF LIQUIDITY TO PROVIDE A CUSHION IN RESPECT OF THEIR MORE NORMAL REQUIREMENTS," MR NENDICK SAID.

ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THIS AREA IS THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL TO ISSUE EXCHANGE FUND BILLS LATER THIS YEAR.

"ONE OF THE PURPOSES OF THIS DEVELOPMENT IS THAT OF PROVIDING THE BANKING SYSTEM WITH A LOW RISK LIQUID ASSET WHICH CAN READILY BE ENCASHED IN CASE OF NEED.

"INDEED, THERE WILL, IN EFFECT, BE A DISCOUNT WINDOW FOR THESE INSTRUMENTS AS THE EXCHANGE FUND WILL ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO BUY THEM BACK AT MARKET RELATED PRICES," HE SAID.

AS FOR MR AU'S CONCEPT OF AN AUTOMATIC FACILITY WHEREBY BANKS COULD "LIQUIDATE OR PLEDGE THEIR ASSETS IN EMERGENCY" WITH A GOVERNMENT BODY, MR NENDICK SAID THIS WENT FAR BEYOND WHAT WAS CONCEIVED INTERNATIONALLY AS HAVING ACCESS TO A DISCOUNT WINDOW.

"APART FROM THE COMPLEXITIES OF ASSIGNMENT ETC. I WOULD SEE MAJOR PROBLEMS BOTH IN THE CREDIT RISK WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE ASSUMED BY THE BODY CONCERNED IN ACQUIRING AND HOLDING ASSETS SUCH AS COMMERCIAL LOANS AND ALSO IN DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT THE SITUATION BEING ADDRESSED WAS REALLY ONE OF A SHORTAGE OF LIQUIDITY OR OF INSOLVENCY.

"IN ANY EVENT IT WOULD SEEM UNLIKELY THAT THE EXCHANGE FUND HAS THE NECESSARY POWERS TO UNDERTAKE SO WIDE A ROLE," HE ADDED.

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TWO REAPPOINTED TO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
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A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS REAPPOINTED MR WILLIAM PURVES AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1991, AFTER THE EXPIRY OF HIS PRESENT APPOINTMENT ON AUGUST 31, 1989.

THE GOVERNOR HAS ALSO REAPPOINTED MR DONALD LIAO, SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNTIL NOVEMBER 30, 1989, AFTER THE EXPIRY OF HIS PRESENT APPOINTMENT ON AUGUST 31, 1989.

THE GOVERNOR PAID TRIBUTE TO THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION OF MR PURVES, PARTICULARLY ON FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES.

THE GOVERNOR ALSO PAID TRIBUTE TO MR LIAO'S IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

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## 1988 SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS RELEASED

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IN 1988, 16,411 SHIPS WITH A TOTAL CAPACITY OF 98.0 MILLION NET REGISTERED TONS (NRT) ARRIVED IN HONG KONG, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 1,535 (OR 10 PER CENT) IN NUMBER AND OF 8.1 MILLION NRT (OR 9 PER CENT) IN CAPACITY OVER 1987.

THIS IS CONTAINED IN THE "HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS 1988" PUBLISHED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IN 1988, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CARGO DISCHARGED IN HONG KONG FROM INCOMING SHIPS (ESTIMATED FROM A SAMPLE OF MANIFEST CONSIGNMENTS) INCREASED BY 14 PER CENT OVER 1987.

WHEN ANALYSED BY SHIP TYPE, MAJOR INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE NUMBER OF CONTAINER VESSELS (+765), OIL TANKERS (+489), ROLL-ON/ROLL-OFF (+66), SEMI-CONTAINER VESSELS (+64) AND CONVENTIONAL CARGO VESSELS (+61).

WHEN ANALYSED BY FLAG OF VESSELS, MAJOR INCREASES IN NUMBER WERE RECORDED FOR SHIPS REGISTERED IN CHINA (+502), PANAMA (+374), THE USSR (+97), TAIWAN (+90) AND SINGAPORE (+82), WHILE MAJOR DECREASES WERE RECORDED FOR THOSE REGISTERED IN DENMARK (-120), JAPAN (-49) AND SOUTH KOREA (-26).

THE NUMBER OF INCOMING SHIPS WITH A CAPACITY OF LESS THAN 10,000 DEADWEIGHT TONS INCREASED BY 900 WHILST THE NUMBER OF THOSE WITH A LARGER CAPACITY INCREASED BY 635.

IN 1988, THERE WERE 16,365 OUTGOING SHIPS WITH A TOTAL CAPACITY OF 97.8 MILLION NRT, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 1,512 (OR 10 PER CENT) IN NUMBER AND OF 7.7 MILLION NRT (OR 9 PER CENT) IN CAPACITY OVER 1987.

THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CARGO LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS (ESTIMATED FROM A SAMPLE OF MANIFEST CONSIGNMENTS) ROSE BY 17 PER CENT. ABOUT 67 PER CENT OF THE DEPARTING SHIPS STAYED IN HONG KONG FOR LESS THAN TWO DAYS.

OF THE CARGO DISCHARGED FROM INCOMING SHIPS, 85 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE WAS IMPORTS AND 15 PER CENT WAS TRANSHIPMENT CARGO. OF THE CARGO LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS, 59 PER CENT WAS EXPORTS (INCLUDING DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS) AND 41 PER CENT WAS TRANSHIPMENT CARGO.

THE MAJOR COUNTRIES OF LOADING FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS IN TONNAGE TERMS WERE SINGAPORE (15 PER CENT), SOUTH AFRICA (14 PER CENT), JAPAN (13 PER CENT), CHINA (11 PER CENT), TAIWAN (9 PER CENT) AND AUSTRALIA (8 PER CENT), WHILE THE MAJOR COUNTRIES OF DISCHARGED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS WERE THE USA (19 PER CENT), CHINA (13 PER CENT), TAIWAN (12 PER CENT), JAPAN (6 PER CENT), SOUTH KOREA (5 PER CENT), SINGAPORE (5 PER CENT) AND INDONESIA (5 PER CENT). TRANSHIPMENT CARGO WAS MAINLY LOADED IN CHINA (29 PER CENT) AND THE USA (18 PER CENT), AND WAS MAINLY DISCHARGED IN CHINA (22 PER CENT) AND THE USA (12 PER CENT).

COMPARING 1988 WITH 1987, MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE NOTED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM BRAZIL (+197 PER CENT), SOUTH AFRICA (+72 PER CENT), THE PHILIPPINES (+59 PER CENT). THE NETHERLANDS (+46 PER CENT) AND INDONESIA (+37 PER CENT); WHILE A MAJOR DECREASE IN TONNAGE WAS NOTED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM SOUTH KOREA (-11 PER CENT), AUSTRALIA (-10 PER CENT) AND CHINA (-7 PER CENT). AS A WHOLE, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF SEABORNE IMPORTS ROSE BY 14 PER CENT.

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, MAJOR INCREASES IN CARGO TONNAGE WERE RECORDED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS OF ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS (+45 PER CENT), MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES OF METAL AND NON-METALLIC MINERALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED (+26 PER CENT), OTHER MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AND PARTS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED (+19 PER CENT) AND IRON AND STEEL (+18 PER CENT); WHILE A DECREASE WAS RECORDED FOR SEABORNE IMPORTS OF INORGANIC CHEMICALS (-4 PER CENT).

COMPARING 1988 WITH 1987, THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF SEABORNE EXPORTS (DOMESTIC EXPORTS PLUS RE-EXPORTS) INCREASED BY 24 PER CENT. MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE RECORDED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS TO CHINA (+86 PER CENT), TAIWAN (+36 PER CENT), THE NETHERLANDS (+26 PER CENT), THAILAND (+22 PER CENT), WEST GERMANY (+22 PER CENT), FRANCE (+18 PER CENT), INDONESIA (+16 PER CENT), THE USA (+15 PER CENT), THE UNITED KINGDOM (+15 PER CENT) AND AUSTRALIA (+15 PER CENT).

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, MAJOR INCREASES IN TONNAGE WERE NOTED FOR SEABORNE EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND RELATED MATERIALS (+112 PER CENT), IRON AND STEEL (+97 PER CENT), CLAY AND KAOLIN (+54 PER CENT), MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES OF METAL AND NON-METALLIC MINERALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED (+46 PER CENT), ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS (+45 PER CENT) AND METALLIFEROUS ORES AND METAL SCRAP (+30 PER CENT).

OF THE CARGO DISCHARGED FROM INCOMING SHIPS, INCLUDING SEABORNE IMPORTS AND INWARD TRANSHIPMENT, 33 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE WAS CONTAINERISED CARGO. OF THOSE LOADED ONTO OUTGOING SHIPS, INCLUDING SEABORNE EXPORTS AND OUTWARD TRANSHIPMENT, 77 PER CENT WAS CONTAINERISED CARGO.

IN TERMS OF TONNAGE, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR 27 PER CENT OF SEABORNE IMPORTS. IN PARTICULAR, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR A LARGE PROPORTION OF SEABORNE IMPORTS FROM ITALY (88 PER CENT), THE NETHERLANDS (85 PER CENT), THE USA (85 PER CENT), WEST MALAYSIA (78 PER CENT) AND THE UNITED KINGDOM (74 PER CENT).

THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CONTAINERISED SEABORNE IMPORTS IN 1988 ROSE BY 20 PER CENT OVER 1987.

AMONG THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR, IN TONNAGE TERMS, 91 PER CENT OF SEABORNE IMPORTS OF OTHER ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC APPLIANCES AND PARTS, 91 PER CENT OF ARTIFICIAL RESINS AND PLASTIC MATERIALS, 87 PER CENT OF PAPER, PAPERBOARD AND ARTICLES OF PAPER PULP, OF PAPER OR OF PAPERBOARD AND 81 PER CENT OF MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES OF METAL AND NON-METALLIC MINERALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED.

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OF SEABORNE EXPORTS, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR 71 PER CENT IN TERMS OF TONNAGE. IN PARTICULAR, CONTAINERISED CARGO ACCOUNTED FOR ALMOST ALL OF SEABORNE EXPORTS TO THE NETHERLANDS, WEST GERMANY, THE UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE, THE USA, CANADA, AUSTRALIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

THE TOTAL TONNAGE OF CONTAINERISED SEABORNE EXPORTS IN 1988 ROSE BY 22 PER CENT OVER 1987.

SEABORNE EXPORTS OF SOME PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES WERE NEARLY ALL CONTAINERISED. THESE INCLUDED FOOTWEAR; COTTON GARMENTS; CANNED FOOD; TOYS; TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR CONTAINERS; GARMENTS OF MIXED MATERIALS OR OTHER MATERIALS, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED; PLASTIC MANUFACTURES, NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED AND COTTON TEXTILES.

SHIPPING STATISTICS ARE COMPILED PRIMARILY FROM GENERAL DECLARATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT BY SHIPMASTERS OR AUTHORISED SHIPPING AGENTS AND COVER ALL OCEAN-GOING VESSELS ENTERING AND LEAVING HONG KONG, EXCLUDING YACHTS AND PLEASURE CRAFT.

PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS ARE COMPILED FROM OCEAN CARGO MANIFESTS SUPPLIED BY SHIPPING COMPANIES OR AGENTS TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

BECAUSE OF RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS, A SAMPLE OF ALL CONSIGNMENTS LISTED IN THE MANIFESTS IS USED FOR COMPILING THE STATISTICS. THE SAMPLING METHOD IS DESCRIBED IN THE EXPLANATORY NOTES OF THE REPORT.

MORE DETAILS ON SHIPPING, PORT AND CARGO STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1988 ARE CONTAINED IN THE "HONG KONG SHIPPING STATISTICS REPORT" FOR 1988, WHICH IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL AT \$32 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ON STATISTICS PROVIDED IN THE REPORT MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE SHIPPING STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 5-8234887.

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CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT STATISTICS FOR FIRST QUARTER  
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THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS (INCLUDING WORK CARRIED OUT AT CONSTRUCTION SITES, AT ERECTED BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, AND AT OTHER MINOR WORK LOCATIONS) IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 AMOUNTED TO \$11,868 MILLION, WHICH WAS 0.2 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1988, AND 24.4 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988.

THIS IS SHOWN BY THE RESULTS OF THE QUARTERLY SURVEY OF CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT RELEASED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

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THE INDEX OF GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WAS 180.1, WITH THE QUARTERLY AVERAGE OF 1982 BEING TAKEN AS 100. THE CORRESPONDING INDEXES FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1988 AND THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988 WERE 179.8 AND 144.8 RESPECTIVELY.

WITH REGARD TO THE INCREASE OF 24.4 PER CENT IN THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 OVER THE SAME QUARTER IN 1988, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT THIS WAS MOSTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE INCREASE IN CONSTRUCTION COSTS.

AFTER DISCOUNTING THE COST INCREASES, THE REAL GROWTH IN THE VOLUME OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED WAS SUBSTANTIALLY LESS. READERS SHOULD BEAR THIS POINT IN MIND WHEN INTERPRETING THE SURVEY RESULTS.

THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WAS \$9,008 MILLION. THIS WAS 0.6 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER AND 22.0 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988.

APART FROM WORK PERFORMED AT CONSTRUCTION SITES, THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT ERECTED BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND OTHER MINOR WORK LOCATIONS WAS \$2,860 MILLION, WHICH WAS 1.1 PER CENT LOWER THAN IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER BUT 32.6 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988.

OF THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES, \$2,988 MILLION WAS RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR (INCLUDING THE GOVERNMENT, MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION AND KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION). THIS REPRESENTED INCREASES OF 3.7 PER CENT AND 25.1 PER CENT OVER THE PRECEDING QUARTER AND THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

AS FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES WAS \$6,020 MILLION, WHICH WAS 0.9 PER CENT LOWER THAN IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER BUT 20.5 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988.

WHEN ANALYSED BY END-USE OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES IN RESPECT OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS (WHICH INCLUDE COMBINED RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS) AND INDUSTRIAL AND STORAGE BUILDINGS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WAS \$3,728 MILLION AND \$766 MILLION RESPECTIVELY.

THESE FIGURES REPRESENTED DECREASES OF 10.6 PER CENT AND 2.3 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY WHEN COMPARED WITH THE PRECEDING QUARTER, BUT INCREASES OF 14.9 PER CENT AND 16.8 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988.

THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES IN RESPECT OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989 WAS \$1,568 MILLION, WHICH WAS 12.6 PER CENT AND 16.8 PER CENT HIGHER THAN IN THE PRECEDING QUARTER AND THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS AT CONSTRUCTION SITES IN RESPECT OF TRANSPORT PROJECTS WAS \$1,299 MILLION IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1989, REPRESENTING INCREASES OF 17.7 PER CENT AND 19.2 PER CENT OVER THE PRECEDING QUARTER AND THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

OWING TO THE WIDESPREAD PRACTICE OF SUB-CONTRACTING IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR, A CONSTRUCTION ESTABLISHMENT CAN BE A MAIN CONTRACTOR FOR ONE CONTRACT AND A SUB-CONTRACTOR FOR ANOTHER CONTRACT SIMULTANEOUSLY.

THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY MAIN CONTRACTORS REFERS TO THE OUTPUT OF THOSE CONSTRUCTION ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE PROJECTS IN WHICH THEY TAKE THE ROLE OF A MAIN CONTRACTOR, AND DOES NOT INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT OF PROJECTS WHERE THEY PLAY THE ROLE OF SUB-CONTRACTORS.

HOWEVER, SUB-CONTRACTORS' CONTRIBUTION TO PROJECTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE GROSS VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK PERFORMED BY THE MAIN CONTRACTORS FOR WHOM THEY WORKED.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT IS GIVEN IN THE "REPORT ON THE QUARTERLY SURVEY OF CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT, 1ST QUARTER 1989", WHICH IS AVAILABLE ON SALE AT \$2.50 A COPY AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL, OR AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, WANCHAI TOWER I, 19TH FLOOR, 12 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI. REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION MAY ALSO BE ARRANGED.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE BUILDING, CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE STATISTICS SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON TEL. 5-8234860.

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MEDICAL REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1989 GAZETTED

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THE MEDICAL REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1989, WHICH AIMED AT EXPANDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG TO INCLUDE TWO REGISTERED MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNCIL AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, WAS GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

"THERE IS ALREADY A SIMILAR PROVISION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG TO PARTICIPATE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE," A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE LICENTIATE SCHEME AND THEREFORE NOT INCLUDED ON THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE.

"IT NOW WISHES TO BE INVOLVED IN THE SCHEME AND TO ASSIST IN ITS MANAGEMENT THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE AND THE IDEA WAS SUPPORTED BY THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE AND THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG."

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THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE OVERSEES MATTERS RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION AND TRAINING OF UNREGISTRABLE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND THE REGISTRATION OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES AS LICENTIATES.

"THE ENHANCED LEVEL OF UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATION ON THE COMMITTEE AS A RESULT OF THE BILL WILL ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN DISCHARGING ITS FUNCTIONS," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE BILL IS DUE TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 18 THIS YEAR.

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1989 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTORAL ROLL PUBLISHED

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THE 1989 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTORAL ROLL IS PUBLISHED TODAY (FRIDAY) AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTORAL DIVISION, HARBOUR CENTRE, 25 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI AND THE DISTRICT OFFICES AT CENTRAL AND WESTERN, YAU TSIM, KWUN TONG, SHA TIN AND TSUEN WAN.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL CONTAINS 58,687 ENTRIES AS COMPARED TO 61,519 IN THE 1988 FINAL REGISTER.

THERE WAS A GROSS REDUCTION OF 3,145 ENTRIES, MAINLY DUE TO THE FAIR NUMBER OF ELECTORS (2,170) WHO HAD CEASED TO BE ENGAGED IN FULL-TIME TEACHING AND WERE NO LONGER QUALIFIED FOR REGISTRATION IN THE TEACHING FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCY.

DELETIONS WERE ALSO MADE OF 87 REPORTED DEATHS, 402 CASES OF CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN REPRESENTATIVE ORGANISATIONS, 390 ELECTORS WHO HAD FAILED TO REMAIN REGISTERED IN THE GENERAL ELECTORAL ROLL FOR DISTRICT BOARD AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS, AND 96 CASES OF LOSS OF CONTACT.

THE REDUCTION WAS OFFSET BY AN ADDITION OF 313 NEW ENTRIES, RESULTING IN A NET OMISSION OF 2,832 ENTRIES.

THE 1989 ELECTORAL ROLL COMPRISES 465 VOTERS IN THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE CONSTITUENCIES AND 5,285 CORPORATE ELECTORS AND 52,937 INDIVIDUAL ELECTORS IN THE FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES.

THE PROBABLE REGISTRATION RATE IS 55.9 PER CENT.

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## LECCO ELECTORAL ROLL - 1989 FINAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS

Constituency	No. of Electors in the 1988 FR	No. of Electors in the 1989 PR	Omissions from the 1989 PR	Additions to the 1989 PR	Net Inter- Constituency Transfer	No. of Electors in the 1989 FR	Estimated Eligible Electorate	Registration Rate (%)
<u>I. Functional Constituencies</u>								
1. Commercial I	1,292	1,278	1	3	+1	1,281	2,702	47.4
2. Commercial II	2,435	2,399	5	0	+1	2,395	5,398	44.4
3. Industrial I	460	443	7	1	-4	433	1,040	41.6
4. Industrial II	1,414	1,370	5	8	+3	1,376	2,280	60.4
5. Finance	143	142	2	4	0	144	165	87.3
6. Accountancy	1,588	1,609	1	20	+1	1,629	3,804	42.8
7. Labour	349	347	1	2	0	348	436	79.8
8. Social Services	172	171	1	1	0	171	187	91.4
9. Medical	3,540	3,533	27	8	0	3,514	5,882	59.7
10. Health Care	10,025	9,818	17	19	0	9,820	21,500	45.7
11. Teaching	35,435	35,150	2,170	20	-2	32,998	54,500	60.5
12. Legal	1,096	1,095	2	1	0	1,094	2,012	54.4
13. Engineering, Architectural, Surveying & Planning	3,103	3,108	114	25	0	3,019	4,560	66.2
Functional Constituencies Total	61,052	60,463	2,353	112	0	58,222	104,466	55.7
<u>II. Electoral College Constituencies Total</u>								
	467	465	0	0	0	465	467	99.6
Grand Total	61,519	60,928	2,353	112	0	58,687	104,933	55.9

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AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT STANLEY OZP

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAFT STANLEY OUTLINE ZONING PLAN WERE ANNOUNCED BY THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD TODAY (FRIDAY).

A TOWN PLANNING BOARD SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THESE AMENDMENTS WERE MADE AFTER THE BOARD HAD GIVEN THOROUGH CONSIDERATION TO THE OBJECTIONS MADE TO THE OUTLINE ZONING PLAN.

THE PROPOSED PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT IN MA HANG VALLEY WAS ORIGINALLY ZONED "RESIDENTIAL (GROUP A) 1" ON THE OUTLINE ZONING PLAN.

AFTER HEARING THE OBJECTIONS LODGED AGAINST THE ZONING, THE BOARD DECIDED TO REZONE IT TO "COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT AREA".

ACCORDINGLY, THE PLAN AND THE NOTES ATTACHED TO THE PLAN HAVE BEEN AMENDED.

THIS AMENDMENT ENABLES THE BOARD TO HAVE ADDITIONAL CONTROL OVER THE DESIGN AND LAYOUT OF THE FUTURE HOUSING ESTATE, AS ANY DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THIS ZONE WOULD HAVE TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A MASTER LAYOUT PLAN APPROVED BY THE BOARD UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE.

TO CLEARLY SPELL OUT THE INTENTION TO RETAIN POPULAR TEMPLES WHICH ARE CLOSELY LINKED WITH THE HISTORY AND THE DISTRICT CHARACTER OF STANLEY, THE BOARD HAS DECIDED TO REZONE THE SITES OF TIN HAU TEMPLE, KWUN YUM TEMPLE AND PAK TAI TEMPLE TO "GOVERNMENT/ INSTITUTION/COMMUNITY".

RECOGNISING ITS DIFFICULT TOPOGRAPHY AND LIMITED DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL, THE "OPEN SPACE" AREA AT THE END OF CHUNG HOM KOK ROAD IS REZONED TO "GREEN BELT". THE REZONING WILL HELP TO PRESERVE THE NATURAL LANDSCAPE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IT SHOULD BE EMPHASISED THAT THE PLANNING OF THE STANLEY AREA IS STILL UNDER REVISION IN STAGE II OF THE STANLEY PLANNING STUDY.

VARIOUS ASPECTS IN RELATION TO ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, TRAFFIC, PARKING, PEDESTRIANISATION AS WELL AS DETAILED LAND USE PLANNING IN STANLEY CORE AREA AND ITS WATERFRONT WOULD BE FURTHER EXAMINED.

PENDING THE RESULTS OF THIS STUDY, THE DRAFT STANLEY OUTLINE ZONING PLAN WILL BE FURTHER REVISED WHEN NECESSARY.

THE AMENDED PLAN MAY BE INSPECTED DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG;
- PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE, WEST WING ENTRANCE, HONG KONG;

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- SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE, AT MEI FUNG COURT, ABERDEEN.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE AMENDMENTS OF THE PLAN MAY SUBMIT THE OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, FOURTH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 18 THIS YEAR.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT PLAN ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MAP AND PLAN SALES SECTION, SURVEY AND MAPPING OFFICE, BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, OR AT THE KOWLOON MAP AND PLAN SALES SECTION, 382 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON, AT A COST OF \$10 PER UNCOLOURED COPY AND \$60 PER COLOURED COPY.

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PROPOSED VEHICULAR, PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FOR NT NEW TOWN

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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO PROVIDE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN FANLING/SHEUNG SHUI NEW TOWN.

THE PROPOSED WORKS INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF A LOCAL ROAD L100, INTERNAL ACCESS ROADS AND FOOTPATHS AND THE CLOSURE OF SOME FOOTPATHS.

THE EXISTING PEDESTRIAN CROSSING FACILITIES AT THE JUNCTION OF ROADS D6 AND L100 WILL BE IMPROVED.

THE WORKS ALSO INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF ASSOCIATED STREET FURNITURE, AMENITY AREAS, SLOPE AND DRAINAGE NETWORKS.

IN ADDITION, TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT ALTERNATIVE ACCESS ROADS WILL BE PROVIDED WHERE NECESSARY.

THE WORKS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY MAUNSELL CONSULTANTS ASIA LIMITED, CONSULTING ENGINEERS ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE PLAN AND SCHEME MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY; AND AT THE NORTH DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE, JOCKEY CLUB ROAD, FANLING ROUNDABOUT, FANLING, NEW TERRITORIES.

ANY PERSON WISHING TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSAL MUST SEND HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, SECOND FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 3.

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SPECIAL INOCULATION DRIVE FOR FISHERMEN'S DOGS

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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WILL LAUNCH A SPECIAL DOG INOCULATION DRIVE IN THE NEXT THREE WEEKS FOR FISHERMEN TO HAVE THEIR DOGS IMMUNISED AGAINST RABIES.

THE DRIVE, THE 18TH SINCE 1980, AIMS TO HELP FISHERMEN WHO FIND LITTLE TIME TO TAKE THEIR DOGS TO AN INOCULATION CENTRE OR THE GOVERNMENT KENNEL FOR INOCULATION.

STARTING FROM MONDAY (AUGUST 7), THE DEPARTMENT'S MOBILE DOG INOCULATION TEAMS WILL MAKE BOAT-TO-BOAT VISITS IN THE SEVEN FISHING PORTS BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM DAILY. THE WHOLE OPERATION WILL LAST FOR 15 DAYS UNTIL AUGUST 25.

THE TEAMS WILL VISIT THE FISHING PORTS IN SHA TAU KOK AND CASTLE PEAK BAY ON AUGUST 7 AND 8, AND SAM MUN TSAI ON AUGUST 14 AND 15.

THEY WILL ALSO CALL ON FISHING PORTS IN ABERDEEN ON AUGUST 14 AND 15, CHEUNG CHAU ON AUGUST 16 AND 17, SHAU KEI WAN ON AUGUST 21 AND 22 AND SAI KUNG ON AUGUST 24 AND 25.

THE DEPARTMENT'S SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICER, DR NORMAN CHENG, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THE DRIVE IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE RE-INTRODUCTION OF RABIES INTO HONG KONG.

SINCE THE DRIVE WAS STARTED IN 1980, A TOTAL OF 3,587 DOGS OWNED BY FISHERMEN HAVE BEEN INOCULATED, HE SAID.

"RABIES IS A DEADLY DISEASE TRANSMISSABLE FROM ANIMALS TO HUMANS, AND DOGS ON FISHING VESSELS ARE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE BECAUSE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR BEING IN CONTACT WITH OTHER ANIMALS OUTSIDE HONG KONG.

"BY PROTECTING THEIR DOGS WITH INOCULATION, PEOPLE HELP TO PROTECT THEMSELVES.

"IT IS, THEREFORE, IMPORTANT THAT THEIR DOGS ARE INOCULATED AGAINST THE DISEASE AT LEAST ONCE EVERY THREE YEARS TO KEEP UP THE IMMUNITY," DR CHENG ADDED.

HE URGED FISHERMEN WHO OWN DOGS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE SPECIAL SERVICE TO HAVE THEIR DOGS INOCULATED AND LICENSED.

THE LAW REQUIRES ALL DOGS OVER FIVE MONTHS' OLD TO BE LICENSED AND INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RENDER THE OWNER LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5,000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

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'CLEAN YUEN LONG' CAMPAIGN TO START TOMORROW  
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A VARIETY SHOW TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE 1989 KEEP YUEN LONG DISTRICT CLEAN CAMPAIGN WILL BE HELD IN YUEN LONG TOWN HALL TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THE VARIETY SHOW WILL INCLUDE ACROBATIC, SINGING AND DANCING PERFORMANCES.

THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROBIN IP, AND DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR TAI KUEN, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

ALSO PRESENT WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KEEP YUEN LONG DISTRICT CLEAN CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, MR TANG KI-TAT.

ABOUT 100 CHILDREN FROM SCHOOLS AND YOUTH CENTRES WILL TAKE PART IN A STREET CLEAN-UP OPERATION BEFORE THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THIS YEAR, THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD AND THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE HAVE ALLOCATED \$50,000 AND \$45,000 RESPECTIVELY FOR HOLDING VARIOUS ACTIVITIES TO AROUSE LOCAL RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS.

THESE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE TREE PLANTING, A BUILDING CLEAN-UP COMPETITION AND A DRIVE TO REPORT LITTER BLACK SPOTS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1989 KEEP YUEN LONG DISTRICT CLEAN CAMPAIGN OPENING CEREMONY AND VARIETY SHOW TO BE HELD IN THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL, TAI YUK ROAD TOMORROW (SATURDAY), BEGINNING AT 5.30 PM.

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WAN CHAI CARNIVAL HAS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION THEME  
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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD AT SOUTHRON PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON TO BRING HOME TO WAN CHAI RESIDENTS THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT.

THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM. OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, MR WONG HON-CHING; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER MANN; AND ACTING DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT, MR CHAN KWOK-KAN.

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IT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WAN CHAI WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY AND CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN WORKING GROUP AND THE METHODIST CENTRE WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

SINGING AND A VARIETY OF GAMES DESIGNED TO APPEAL TO PARTICIPANTS TO SUPPORT THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY AND TO MAKE THEM MORE AWARE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ARE ON THE PROGRAMME.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CARNIVAL.

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FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM LOCAL BODIES FOR DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS TO ORGANISE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS BETWEEN OCTOBER AND MARCH.

THE BOARD'S FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS ALREADY VETTED ALL APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS FOR ORGANISING PROJECTS BETWEEN APRIL AND SEPTEMBER, AND HAS GRANTED A TOTAL OF ABOUT \$357,000 TO VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS.

THE ACTIVITIES BEING SUBSIDISED RANGE FROM CULTURAL AND SPORTS PROGRAMMES TO SOCIAL SERVICE SCHEMES, ACTIVITIES FOR THE ELDERLY AND CIVIC EDUCATION PROJECTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT PRIORITY FOR ALLOCATIONS WOULD BE GIVEN TO PROJECTS WHICH BENEFIT RESIDENTS IN GENERAL, THE ELDERLY, AS WELL AS CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES SHOULD ALSO FOSTER A SENSE OF COMMUNITY BELONGING AMONG RESIDENTS.

ORGANISATIONS WISHING TO APPLY FOR FUNDS SHOULD SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS, WITH DETAILED PLANS, TO THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT, 11TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL BEFORE AUGUST 29.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE BY CONTACTING MR LO SHING-YAU ON 5-8523478.

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FREE ADVISORY SERVICES FOR STUDENTS GOING ABROAD

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STUDENTS INTENDING TO FURTHER THEIR STUDIES ABROAD ARE URGED TO MAKE USE OF THE FREE ADVISORY SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION TO MINIMISE THE RISK OF RUSHING INTO A WRONG DECISION IN SELECTING A SCHOOL.

THE REFERENCE LIBRARY OF THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION IS STOCKED WITH A GOOD COLLECTION OF INFORMATION AND REFERENCE MATERIAL ON OVERSEAS EDUCATION.

IT HAS AN AUDIO-VISUAL ROOM FOR SHOWING SLIDES ON FURTHER STUDIES IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

THERE ARE ALSO DISPLAYS IN THE WAITING AREA PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTARY AND UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

THE OFFICE OFFERED ADVICE TO MORE THAN 26,000 STUDENTS AND HANDED OUT SOME 60,000 COPIES OF INFORMATION LEAFLETS ON STUDIES IN AUSTRALIA, CANADA, BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES LAST YEAR.

THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DURING OFFICE HOURS AT ROOM 530 OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

APART FROM OFFERING ADVICE TO INDIVIDUAL VISITORS, THE OFFICE ALSO ADMINISTERS LOCAL AND OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES, AND ORGANISES DISCUSSIONS AND SEMINARS FOR GROUPS OF TEACHERS AND STUDENTS.

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PAMPHLET PRODUCED ON HISTORICAL 'TAI FU TAI'

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A PAMPHLET ON THE TRADITIONAL RESIDENCE KNOWN AS "TAI FU TAI", AT SAN TIN IN YUEN LONG, HAS BEEN PRODUCED BY THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH.

THE BILINGUAL PAMPHLET GIVES A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE RESIDENCE AND INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS, DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF THE DECORATION, AND THE FLOOR PLAN.

A LOCATION MAP AND PUBLIC TRANSPORT DIRECTIONS ARE PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THE PAMPHLET. THESE WILL HELP MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO VISIT THE HISTORICAL STRUCTURE.

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"TAI FU TAI" IS CONSIDERED THE MOST ELEGANT TRADITIONAL DWELLING WITH RARE DECORATION IN HONG KONG. IT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN BUILT IN THE FOURTH YEAR OF TONGZHI (1865) OF THE QING DYNASTY BU MAN CHUNG-LUEN, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE 21ST GENERATION OF THE MAN CLAN.

"TAI FU TAI" WAS GAZETTED AS AN HISTORICAL BUILDING UNDER THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS ORDINANCE IN JULY 1987 BECAUSE OF ITS ARCHITECTURAL MERIT AND HISTORICAL VALUE.

A MAJOR RESTORATION SCHEME WAS THEN CARRIED OUT TO RESTORE IT. THIS WAS DONE WITH A \$2.5 MILLION DONATION FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB AND THE WORK WAS CARRIED OUT UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE ANTIQUITIES AND MONUMENTS OFFICE.

THE PAMPHLET INTRODUCING "TAI FU TAI" IS NOW AVAILABLE FREE AT VARIOUS DISTRICT OFFICES, MUSEUMS OF THE URBAN COUNCIL AND REGIONAL COUNCIL, AND THE HONG KONG TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

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OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTRE IN SAI KUNG  
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CONSTRUCTION WILL START IN NOVEMBER ON STAGE 2B OF AN OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTRE IN SAI KUNG UNDER A CONTRACT AWARDED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

COSTING ABOUT \$14.7 MILLION, THE STAGE 2B PROJECT WOULD INCLUDE AN INDOOR ACTIVITY CENTRE, A MINI-SOCCER PITCH, CYCLING TRACK, CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, BARBEQUE PITCH AND FITNESS TRACKING PATH.

THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO TAKE 14 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

STAGE 1 OF THE CENTRE, A 33-UNIT DORMITORY WHICH COULD HOUSE A TOTAL OF 260 PEOPLE, WAS COMPLETED ABOUT 15 MONTHS AGO.

STAGE 2A OF THE CENTRE, WHICH INCLUDED AN ADMINISTRATION BLOCK, AN ASSEMBLY HALL, A CANTEEN, RACKET COURT, FIVES COURT, TWO TENNIS COURTS, TWO SQUASH COURTS AND AN ARCHERY FIELD, WAS COMPLETED AND HANDED OVER TO THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN THE MIDDLE OF LAST MONTH.

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SAU MAU PING FIRE STATION TO BE BUILT SOON

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CONSTRUCTION OF A SUB-DIVISIONAL FIRE STATION IN SAU MAU PING IS TO START IN NOVEMBER.

TENDERS ARE NOW BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR BUILDING THE THREE-STOREY STATION IN KAI TIN ROAD.

PLANNED FACILITIES OF THE STATION INCLUDED A DRILL YARD, APPLIANCE ROOMS, SUPPORTING OFFICES, BARRACK ACCOMMODATION, CANTEEN AND RECREATION AREA, EXERCISE ROOM AND STORES FACILITIES.

THE PROJECT IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BY JANUARY 1991.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE NOON ON AUGUST 25.

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OLD-TYPE IDENTITY CARDS INVALID FROM AUGUST 7

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THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) REMINDED WOMEN BORN BETWEEN 1957 AND 1962 THAT THEIR OLD-TYPE IDENTITY CARDS ISSUED BEFORE JULY 1, 1987, WILL CEASE TO BE VALID DOCUMENTS FROM MONDAY, AUGUST 7.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SAID: "THIS IS THE FIFTH BATCH OF IDENTITY CARDS DECLARED INVALID SINCE THE NEW IDENTITY CARD RE-ISSUE SCHEME STARTED IN JULY, 1987."

HE EMPHASISED THAT ONCE AN OLD CARD WAS DECLARED INVALID, IT WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY PURPOSE.

"FOR EXAMPLE, WOMEN OF THE ABOVE AGE GROUP HOLDING AN INVALID OLD-TYPE IDENTITY CARD WILL NOT BE ABLE TO USE IT FOR TRAVELLING ABROAD OR TO APPLY FOR A TRAVEL DOCUMENT," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"HOWEVER, THOSE WHO HAVE MISSED THEIR SPECIFIED CARD REPLACEMENT PERIODS DUE TO THEIR ABSENCE FROM HONG KONG OR ANY OTHER REASONS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY APPROACH ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT NEW IDENTITY CARD ISSUE OFFICES," HE ADDED.

THESE CASES WILL BE LOOKED INTO THOROUGHLY AND DEALT WITH ON THEIR INDIVIDUAL MERITS.

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

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"SOLAR AMBASSADORS" TO VISIT CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION  
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A GROUP OF "SOLAR AMBASSADORS" WILL VISIT THE YOUNG INMATES AT THE TAI TAM GAP CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE VISIT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG. IT IS ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE "SOLAR PROJECT" ORGANISED BY RTHK FOR YOUTHS DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

THE AIM OF THE VISIT IS TO CONVEY POSITIVE VALUES AND A CORRECT ATTITUDE TOWARDS LIFE TO THE TRAINING CENTRE INMATES THROUGH EDUCATIONAL GAMES AND PERFORMANCES.

THE "SOLAR AMBASSADORS" JOINING THE VISIT TOMORROW WILL INCLUDE POPULAR SINGERS, ARTISTES AND DISC JOCKEYS. THEY WILL PERFORM WITH THE YOUNG INMATES AND PLAY GAMES WITH THEM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE VISIT TO THE TAI TAM GAP CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION IN SHEK O ROAD, HONG KONG, TOMORROW (SATURDAY), BEGINNING AT 2.30 PM.

PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. THOSE WHO WISH TO USE THE SERVICE SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE LOBBY OF RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, 30 BROADCAST DRIVE, KOWLOON AT 1.30 PM.

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REDUCTION OF TRAM SERVICE ON SUNDAY  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT OWING TO THE RELOCATION OF THE SHARP STREET EAST (HAPPY VALLEY) ELECTRICITY SUBSTATION, TRAM SERVICES IN THE AREA WILL BE REDUCED ON SUNDAY (AUGUST 6).

DURING THE DAY, A CONNECTING CIRCULAR FEEDER SERVICE WILL BE OPERATED AT 10-MINUTE INTERVALS FROM HENNESSY ROAD, NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH CANAL ROAD, TO HAPPY VALLEY.

PASSENGERS ARE FREE TO TRANSFER TO THE MAIN-ROUTE TRAM SERVICE AT THE EASTBOUND TRAM STOP ON HENNESSY ROAD NEAR CANAL ROAD.

TRAM SERVICE BETWEEN KENNEDY TOWN AND SHAU KEI WAN, AND BETWEEN WAN CHAI (NEAR CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH) AND NORTH POINT WILL OPERATE AT THREE-MINUTE INTERVALS.

SERVICE FROM KENNEDY TOWN TO WAN CHAI, AND FROM SHAU KEI WAN TO NORTH POINT, WILL REMAIN NORMAL.

CHINA MOTOR BUS ROUTES NO. 2, 8 AND 10 MAY INCREASE SERVICES, SUBJECT TO DEMAND, THROUGH THE AFFECTED AREAS.