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PROVISIONAL COUNCIL ON SMOKING AND HEALTH FORMED

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A PROVISIONAL COUNCIL ON SMOKING AND HEALTH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO PAVE THE WAY FOR SETTING UP A FORMAL COUNCIL WHICH WILL SERVE AS THE FOCAL POINT FOR ALL ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE HAZARDS OF SMOKING.

ANNOUNCING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THIS PROVISIONAL BODY WHICH WOULD BE GAZETTED NEXT FRIDAY, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE COUNCIL WOULD BE TO CO-ORDINATE ACTION AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION REGARDING THE HEALTH HAZARDS TO THE POPULATION ARISING FROM THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

+ITS TASKS WILL BE TO PREPARE, PROPOSE, CO-ORDINATE, SUPERVISE AND UNDERTAKE MEASURES AGAINST THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF TOBACCO,+ HE SAID.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL IS URBAN COUNCILLOR DR RONALD D.B. LEUNG WHO IS A BANKER AND A QUALIFIED DOCTOR. +THE MEMBERS ARE DRAWN FROM A WIDE RANGE OF SECTORS OF SOCIETY,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

HALF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE MEDICAL EXPERTS, NOMINATED BY THE TWO MAJOR MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS IN HONG KONG AND THREE SPECIALIST BODIES PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH DISEASES MOST DIRECTLY LINKED TO SMOKING.

REPRESENTING THE HONG KONG MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S HONG KONG BRANCH ARE PROFESSOR STUART P.B. DONNAN, OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEDICINE, AND DR JUDITH MACKAY, WHO HAS PLAYED AN ACTIVE ROLE IN HONG KONG ON MANY HEALTH ISSUES, PARTICULARLY AGAINST THE RISKS OF SMOKING.

THE OTHER MEDICAL SPECIALISTS ARE DR POON YEUK FOO, OF THE HONG KONG ANTI-CANCER SOCIETY, DR JOSEPH Y.C. PAN, OF THE HONG KONG HEART FOUNDATION LTD, AND MR JAMES YUE, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE HONG KONG TUBERCULOSIS, CHEST AND HEART DISEASES ASSOCIATION.

THE REST OF THE MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES TWO DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS: MR ERIC LI KA-CHEUNG, OF EASTERN DISTRICT, AND MS MONA LO, OF KWUN TONG DISTRICT. MR LI IS AN ACCOUNTANT AND MS LO IS A COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATOR.

ALSO ON THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL ARE MR JOB YOUNG JEE KEUNG, A SOLICITOR BY PROFESSION- MR PAUL WONG SUI LEUNG, A BUSINESS EXECUTIVE WITH EXPERIENCE IN ADVERTISING AND BROADCASTING, AND MR TIMOTHY HA WING-HO, THE PRINCIPAL OF A SECONDARY SCHOOL AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GRANT SCHOOLS COUNCIL.

THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL WILL ALSO BE ASSISTED BY DR RUBY KHOO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND MR PETER MOSS, ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT. THE COUNCIL WILL BE SERVED BY AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE PROVISIONAL COUNCIL IS LIKELY TO MEET IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO WORK OUT ITS SCHEDULE OF WORK.

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HK 'GENERALLY SATISFIED' WITH GSP REVIEW

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THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED PRESIDENT REAGAN'S DECISIONS ON THE RESULTS OF A TWO-YEAR GENERAL REVIEW OF THE GENERALISED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) PROGRAMME, WHICH PROVIDES BENEFITS FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE NEW SCHEME WILL BE EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1, 1987.

HONG KONG IS A BENEFICIARY UNDER THE U.S. GSP PROGRAMME.

A TRADE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) HE WAS GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH THE OUTCOME OF THE REVIEW.

HE SAID THAT HONG KONG WOULD BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN ITS CURRENT LEVEL OF BENEFITS UNDER THE NEW SCHEME ALTHOUGH THERE WOULD BE SOME CHANGES IN SPECIFIC PRODUCT LEVELS, THAT IS SOME PRODUCTS CURRENTLY INELIGIBLE WOULD BECOME ELIGIBLE WHILE SOME PRODUCTS CURRENTLY ELIGIBLE WOULD BE EXCLUDED.

IN 1985, U.S. IMPORTS OF GSP ITEMS FROM HONG KONG AMOUNTED TO U.S. $3.7 BILLION, OF WHICH U.S. $1.2 BILLION ENTERED DUTY FREE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DETAILS OF THE NEW U.S. GSP SCHEME WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMERCIAL INFORMATION CIRCULAR WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRADE.

THE GENERAL REVIEW WAS MANDATED BY THE U.S. CONGRESS IN 1984 WHEN THE GSP PROGRAMME WAS RENEWED FOR EIGHT AND A HALF YEARS.

UNDER THE REVIEW, THE U.S. PRESIDENT WAS REQUIRED TO EXAMINE THE COMPETITIVENESS OF EACH GSP BENEFICIARY COUNTRY IN EACH GSP ELIGIBLE PRODUCT.

IF A COUNTRY WAS FOUND TO BE +SUFFICIENTLY COMPETITIVE+ IN A PRODUCT, THE PRESIDENT WAS REQUIRED TO REDUCE ITS GSP BENEFITS BY REDUCING THE PROGRAMME'S +COMPETITIVE NEED+ LIMITS ON THE PRODUCT.

AS PART OF THE REVIEW, THE PRESIDENT ALSO CONSIDERED REQUESTS FOR WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE NEED LIMITS SUBMITTED BY THE BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES, AND U.S. AND FOREIGN FIRMS.

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INSURERS REGISTER SUCCESSFUL YEAR
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THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG HAD, IN GENERAL, ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR OF OPERATION IN 1986, THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, MR NOEL GLEESON, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

THERE WERE NOTICEABLE INDICATIONS THAT INSURERS HAD MADE CONSCIOUS EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THEIR MANAGEMENT CONTROLS AND CONSOLIDATE THEIR RESOURCES, HE SAID.

APART FROM ACHIEVING A VERY SATISFACTORY GROWTH IN THE VOLUME OF BUSINESS IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET DURING THE YEAR, THE INSURANCE SECTOR HAD ALSO CONTINUED TO ENHANCE ITS REPUTATION AS AN IMPORTANT INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE CENTRE IN THE REGION.

MR GLEESON SAID OVERSEAS INSURERS CONTINUED TO SHOW VERY STRONG INTEREST IN THE INSURANCE MARKET IN HONG KONG.

THERE WERE 21 NEW APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHORISATION TO CARRY ON INSURANCE BUSINESS IN OR FROM HONG KONG DURING 1986. OF THESE, 15 WERE FROM OVERSEAS INSURERS.

DURING THE YEAR, EIGHT INSURANCE COMPANIES WERE AUTHORISED, THREE INCORPORATED IN HONG KONG, AND ONE EACH IN BERMUDA, FRANCE, ISLE OF MAN, SWEDEN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. OF THESE, FOUR WERE AUTHORISED TO CARRY ON GENERAL BUSINESS, THREE FOR LONG TERM BUSINESS AND ONE FOR BOTH LONG TERM AND GENERAL BUSINESS.

THERE ARE 21 PENDING APPLICATIONS FROM NEW COMPANIES, THE MAJORITY OF WHICH ARE INCORPORATED OVERSEAS, INCLUDING THE UNITED KINGDOM (3), UNITED STATES (2), NETHERLANDS (2), AND AUSTRALIA (2).

MR GLEESON SAID THAT THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY WOULD CONTINUE TO LOOK VERY CAREFULLY AT ALL APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHORISATION TO ENSURE THAT ONLY INSURERS OF GOOD REPUTATION WHO HAD MET ALL THE CRITERIA UNDER THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ORDINANCE WERE ADMITTED.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE AUTHORISATION OF SEVEN EXISTING AUTHORISED INSURANCE COMPANIES WAS WITHDRAWN, SIX BECAUSE THEY HAD CEASED WRITING INSURANCE BUSINESS IN OR FROM HONG KONG, AND ONE BY REASON OF ITS GOING INTO VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

THE WITHDRAWALS WERE ALLOWED ONLY AFTER SATISFACTORY ARRNGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE FOR THE MEETING OF THEIR INSURANCE LIABILITIES.

AS A RESULT OF THE NEW AUTHORISATIONS AND WITHDRAWALS, THE NUMBER OF AUTHORISED INSURANCE COMPANIES OPERATING IN HONG KONG AT THE END OF THE YEAR WAS 288, COMPARED WITH 287 AT THE END OF 1985.

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OF THESE, 128 WERE INCORPORATED IN HONG KONG. THE REMAINING 160 CAME FROM 27 COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE UNITED KINGDOM (49), THE UNITED STATES (29), BERMUDA (11), JAPAN (8), SINGAPORE (7), SWITZERLAND (7), CANADA (6), AND FRANCE (6).

MR GLEESON SAID THE PRESTIGE OF HONG KONG AS AN INSURANCE CENTRE HAD BEEN HEIGHTENED BY THE HOLDING OF THE 13TH EAST ASIAN INSURANCE CONGRESS CONFERENCE IN HONG KONG IN SEPTEMBER.

THE EAST ASIAN INSURANCE CONGRESS IS AN ASSOCIATION FOUNDED IN 1962 TO DEVELOP INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF INSURANCE AMONG MEMBERS IN THE EAST ASIAN COUNTRIES.

THE CONFERENCE WAS ATTENDED BY 1 020 PARTICIPANTS FROM 11 EAST ASIAN AND 18 OTHER COUNTRIES AND WAS A GREAT SUCCESS, MR GLEESON SAID.

ON THE SUBJECT OF NEW INSURANCE LEGISLATION, MR GLEESON ALSO RECALLED THAT THE LAW REFORM COMMISSION HAD ISSUED ITS REPORT ON +LAWS ON INSURANCE+ IN JANUARY 1986 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THE REPORT MADE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION TO PROTECT POLICY HOLDERS' RIGHTS UNDER INSURANCE CONTRACTS AND TO REGULATE INSURANCE INTERMEDIARIES (BROKERS AND AGENTS).

THERE WAS KEEN RESPONSE FROM THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, AND MANY USEFUL VIEWS AND COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED BY THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY DURING THE YEAR.

MR GLEESON SAID THE INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAD ALSO GIVEN ADVICE ON THE REPORT, AND THE GOVERNMENT WAS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF FORMULATING ITS POLICY ON THE VARIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS IN IT.

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FIGHT CRIME VIEWS HEARD QUICKLY

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THE VIEWS OF MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS' INCORPORATIONS ON FIGHT CRIME MEASURES ARE QUICKLY PASSED ON TO THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION, THE KWUN TONG ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR GARY YEUNG, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

THIS SPEEDY PROCESS WAS ACHIEVED BY FREQUENT EXCHANGES OF VIEWS BETWEEN THE COMMITTEES AND INCORPORATIONS AND THE DISTRICT'S FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, HE SAID.

MR YEUNG WAS SPEAKING AT A CEREMONY, HELD IN THE LOK WAH ESTATE COMMUNITY CENTRE, HONOURING GOOD RESIDENTS AND THE WINNERS OF FIGHT CRIME COMPETITIONS.

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HE GAVE A SHORT ACCOUNT OF ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE WHICH HAD ENABLED RESIDENTS TO DEVELOP A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF CRIME PREVENTION MEASURES.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOULD CONTINUE TO MAKE VISITS TO DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS TO COLLECT VIEWS ON WAYS TO COMBAT CRIME, HE ADDED.

AT THE CEREMONY, SEVEN PEOPLE RECEIVED THE +KWUN TONG GOOD RESIDENTS AWARD+ FOR THEIR BRAVE ACTIONS AND OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS IN FIGHTING CRIME.

WINNERS OF AN INTER-SCHOOL DEBATE COMPETITION AND A PREVENTION OF RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION ALSO RECEIVED PRIZES.

AN EXHIBITION OF THE WINNING ENTRIES IN THE POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION, AND A DISPLAY ON THE DEEDS OF THE SEVEN +GOOD RESIDENTS+ WERE PUT ON DISPLAY AT THE VENUE.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WITH MR YEUNG WERE THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI, POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER (SAU MAU PING), MR LAU YUK-KUEN, AND SENIOR EDUCATION OFFICER (KWUN TONG), MR TSE TAK-ON.

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MUSIC TRAINEES SHOW THEIR SKILLS

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MORE THAN 200 TRAINEES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE PERFORMED BEFORE THEIR TEACHERS, PARENTS, FRIENDS AND GUESTS AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL TODAY (SATURDAY). THEY WERE TAKING PART IN THE ANNUAL STUDENTS' CONCERT.

BEFORE THE PERFORMANCES BEGAN, THE DIRECTOR OF THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS, DR BASIL DEANE, AND MRS DEANE OFFICIATED AT A CEREMONY IN WHICH OUTSTANDING TRAINEES, ORCHESTRAL, CHOIR AND BAND MEMBERS WERE GIVEN AWARDS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE PAST YEAR.

THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MRS DORIS HO, SAID IN HER WELCOMING SPEECH THAT THE AIM OF THE CONCERT WAS TO GIVE PARENTS AND TEACHERS THE OPPORTUNITY OF SEEING THE STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE THEIR PROGRESS.

MRS HO ALSO THANKED SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, MUSIC TEACHERS AND PARENTS FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT WITHOUT WHICH, SHE SAID, THE WORK OF THE MUSIC OFFICE COULD NOT BE DONE SUCCESSFULLY.

THE CONCERT INCLUDED PERFORMANCES BY THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA, CHINESE FOLK SINGING CHILDREN'S ENSEMBLE AND INDIVIDUAL TRAINEES IN STRING AND WIND INSTRUMENTS AND CHINESE MUSIC.

A HIGHLIGHT WAS SIBELIUS' +FINLANDIA+ PLAYED BY THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA UNDER THE BATON OF THE ASSISTANT MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR (PROFESSIONAL), MR THOMAS WANG.

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CARNIVAL TO HIGHLIGHT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN

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A CRIME PREVENTION CARNIVAL WILL BE STAGED IN TUEN MUN PLAYGROUND TOMORROW (SUNDAY) TO HIGHLIGHT THE DISTRICT'S FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN AND TO PUBLICISE THE FIGHT CRIME MESSAGE.

THE CAMPAIGN IS AIMED AT AROUSING GREATER PUBLIC AWARENESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME, WITH EMPHASIS ON PREVENTION OF BURGLARIES IN RESIDENTIAL FLATS.

PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES HAVE INCLUDED PUTTING UP PUBLICITY SIGNBOARDS AT PROMINENT LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT, PRINTING FIGHT CRIME STICKERS, LAUNCHING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME AND SELECTION OF MODEL CITIZENS.

THE CARNIVAL, FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM, WILL INCLUDE AN EXHIBITION ON HOME SECURITY, A VARIETY SHOW, DISPLAY OF A POLICE ARMOURED CAR, GAMES-STALLS, AND DANCING BY JUNIOR POLICE CALL MEMBERS.

EARLIER, THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO NINE MODEL CITIZENS WHO HAVE ASSISTED THE POLICE IN COMBATTING CRIME, AS WELL AS A CEREMONY TO BEGIN THE THIRD PHASE OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME IN TUEN MUN.

THE CARNIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE, AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE DISTRICT BOARD.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 2 PM WILL BE A CENTRAL FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE MEMBER, DR HO KAM-FAI- TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN SELBY- ACTING POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR D. PITT- LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MR LAU WONG-FAT- CHAIRMAN OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR SIT HO-YIN- AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR WONG SHU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF TUEN MUN CRIME PREVENTION CARNIVAL AT 2 PM TOMORROW AT THE TUEN MUN PLAYGROUND IN TUEN MUN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD. THOSE WISHING TO TAKE GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT 12.30 PM AT KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER.

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CARNIVAL FUN IN SHEUNG WAN

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ABOUT 3 000 CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND GAMES AT A NEW YEAR CARNIVAL TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT BLAKE GARDEN IN SHEUNG WAN.

THERE WILL BE SIX GAMES STALLS AND A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING POPULAR SINGERS, MAGICIANS AND ACROBATS.

ADMISSION IS FREE. RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO TAKE ALONG THEIR CHILDREN.

THE CARNIVAL WILL START AT 1.45 PM.

SPONSORED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE CARNIVAL IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION FOR CULTURE AND ARTS (CENTRAL AND WESTERN), THE CHINESE YMCA BRIDGES STREET CENTRE, THE CHIU YANG RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEUNG WAN AREA COMMITTEE.

THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELIZABETH TSE, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ORGANISING BODIES WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE NEW YEAR CARNIVAL.

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HOME SAFETY EXHIBITION BEGINS

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A NINE-DAY EXHIBITION ON PRODUCTS AND FACILITIES FOR A BETTER AND SAFER LIVING ENVIRONMENT BEGAN TODAY (SATURDAY) AT NEW WORLD PLAZA.

THE EXHIBITION HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE TO FOSTER RESIDENTS' KNOWLEDGE OF NEW TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICES RELATED TO DAILY LIVING.

THERE ARE 35 BOOTHS FEATURING FIRE PREVENTION DEVICES, KITCHEN APPLIANCES, FURNITURE AND SECURITY FACILITIES.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, SAID HE HOPED THE EXHIBITION WOULD INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF HOME SAFETY WHILE AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDING USEFUL INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS ON BEAUTIFYING THEIR HOMES.

HE PAID TRIBUTE TO THE DISTRICT BOARD, PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR CONCERTED EFFORTS IN PROMOTING A BETTER COMMUNITY.

THE EXHIBITION, ALSO FEATURING A DAILY PERFORMANCE BY POPULAR SINGERS, IS OPEN FROM 10 AM TO 6 PM UNTIL JANUARY 11. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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TUEN MUN DB TO CONSIDER RAILWAY LINK

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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL STUDY THE NEED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILWAY LINKING TUEN MUN AND TSUEN WAN AT ITS MEETING ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 6).

THE ISSUE WILL BE RAISED BY MEMBERS WHO BELIEVE THAT THE TUEN MUN HIGHWAY WILL EVENTUALLY BECOME SATURATED.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE +SOFT+ DRUGS PROBLEM AND ALSO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON WHETHER A CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED IN HONG KONG.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE LAYOUT PLAN FOR AREA 58 IN THE NORTHERN PART OF TUEN MUN, AND THE SETTING UP OF FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEES UNDER THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING AT 9.30 AM ON TUESDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, NO. 1, TUEN HI ROAD.

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MONG KOK ROAD CLOSURES

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SEVERAL ROADS IN MONG KOK WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 5 AM DAILY FROM JANUARY 5 (MONDAY) TO JANUARY 26 TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ELEVATED WALKWAY AT THE JUNCTION OF BUTE STREET AND SAI YEE STREET.

THE ROADS ARE: LUEN WAN STREET, BUTE STREET BETWEEN SAI YEE STREET AND LUEN WAN STREET, AND THE ACCESS RAMP LEADING TO THE MONG KOK KCR STATION TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE.

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TUEN MUN TRAFFIC CHANGES

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BECAUSE OF CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM, SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN TUEN MUN FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (JANUARY 5) FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS.

THE SOUTHBOUND SECTION OF LUNG MUN ROAD BETWEEN ROAD 28A (THE ACCESS ROAD TO THE BUTTERFLY ESTATE) AND THE ACCESS ROAD TO THE BUTTERFLY BEACH WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC. VENICLES WILL BE DIVERTED ON TO THE EASTERN CARRIAGEWAY OF THE NORTHBOUND SECTION.

THE LEFT TURN MOVEMENT FROM ROAD 28A ON TO LUNG MUN ROAD SOUTHBOUND WILL BE BANNED. MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED TO USE THE WU SHAN ROAD AND LUNG MUN ROAD JUNCTION.

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QUARRY BAY, TAIKOO SHING WATER CUT

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN QUARRY BAY AND TAIKOO SHING WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 PM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 6) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING MORNING FOR MAINS WORK.

ALL PREMISES ALONG WESTLANDS ROAD AND IN TAIKOO SHING WILL BE AFFECTED, INCLUDING TAIKOO SHING ROAD, TAI FUNG AVENUE, TAIKOO WAN ROAD, TAI MOU AVENUE, TAI YUE AVENUE AND TAI WING AVENUE.

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KWUN TONG WATER CUT

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN KWUN TONG WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 6) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY KA LOK STREET, WAN HON STREET, HIP WO STREET, KWUN TONG ROAD AND HONG NING ROAD, INCLUDING SHUNG YAN STREET, SHUI WO STREET, MUT WAH STREET, FU YAN STREET, YAN SHUN LANE, YUE MAN SQUARE, TUNG YAN STREET AND SHUI NING STREET.

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