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JP'S REPORT ON HEI LING CHAU PUBLISHED
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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) PUBLISHED THE REPORT BY TWO JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR LAST MONTH TO LOOK INTO COMPLAINTS CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE FOLLOWING DISTURBANCES AT THE HEI LING CHAU DETENTION CENTRE ON JULY 18 AND 19 THIS YEAR.

COMMENTING ON THE REPORT, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID:

"THE TWO JUSTICES HAVE CARRIED OUT A VERY THOROUGH AND IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE EVENTS WHICH OCCURRED AT HEI LING CHAU ON JULY 18 AND JULY 19. THEIR REPORT CLEARLY RECOGNISES THAT OFFICERS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WERE OPERATING UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT AND COMMENDED THEM FOR THEIR SUCCESS IN EVACUATING THE TWO HALLS IN WHICH DISTURBANCES HAD TAKEN PLACE THE NIGHT BEFORE.

BUT THE JUSTICES HAVE ALSO CONCLUDED THAT UNNECESSARY FORCE WAS USED BY UNIDENTIFIED CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ON VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE ON JULY 19. THE JUSTICES ALSO RAISED QUESTIONS OVER THE ACTION OF THE DOCTORS INVOLVED AND POINTED TO SOME DEFICIENCIES IN THE OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HANDLING THE VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE."

"CLEARLY THERE WERE SOME LAPSES OF DISCIPLINE AMONGST CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND IF THE HIGH REPUTATION WHICH THE DEPARTMENT ENJOYS IS TO BE SUSTAINED, ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THOSE RESPONSIBLE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID. "IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT THAT THE OTHER MATTERS RAISED BY THE JUSTICES BE FURTHER INVESTIGATED," THE SPOKESMAN CONCLUDED.

AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT, THE GOVERNOR HAS DIRECTED THAT:

- (A) IN THE LIGHT OF THE FINDINGS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT, THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES SHOULD EXAMINE THE RELEVANT OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES, STANDING ORDERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AT HEI LING CHAU AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO HOW THEY CAN BE IMPROVED;
- (B) THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES TOGETHER WITH SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS SHOULD EXAMINE THE FINDINGS OF THE REPORT AND CONSIDER WHAT DISCIPLINARY ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT STAFF INVOLVED; AND
- (C) THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES SHOULD INVESTIGATE THE ACTIONS OF THE MEDICAL OFFICERS INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT AND THE SYSTEM OF MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS AT HEI LING CHAU AND LAI CHI KOK AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS.

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SCHOOL AND EMPLOYMENT FOR VBP AT ERSKINE CAMP
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HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS TO MAKE LIFE EASIER FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN ERSKINE CAMP, SAI KUNG, ARE CONTINUING WITH THE OPENING OF A SCHOOL AT THE CAMP AND THE EMPLOYMENT OF SOME INMATES IN SUITABLE JOBS.

QUALIFIED SCHOOL TEACHERS AMONG THE BOAT PEOPLE ARE BEING EMPLOYED TO TEACH CHILDREN IN THEIR OWN CLASSROOMS. LAUNDERERS ARE AT WORK IN THE CAMP LAUNDRY; A BARBER SHOP HAS BEEN SET UP.

SIGNS ARE EMERGING THAT THE BOAT PEOPLE ARE ADAPTING FAVOURABLY TO THEIR UNFORTUNATE SITUATIONS AT ERSKINE.

TWO MONTHS SINCE IT OPENED ITS DOORS TO THE BOAT PEOPLE THE CAMP HAS QUICKLY BECOME ORGANISED AS A CENTRE OF FIRM YET FAIR DISCIPLINE.

DISTURBANCES SO FAR HAVE BEEN MINOR AND MOST OF THE BOAT PEOPLE HAVE ACCEPTED THEIR RESTRICTED ENVIRONMENT.

COMMANDANT OF THE CAMP SUPERINTENDENT VIANNEY WILLY-FURTH SAID: "OUR APPROACH TO THE SITUATION IS NOT A SOFT APPROACH BUT IT IS A BALANCED APPROACH AND IT IS ALREADY BEARING POSITIVE RESULTS."

SINCE IT OPENED IN EARLY AUGUST THE CAMP HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED FROM A GROUP OF DERELICT NISSEN HUTS IN AN OVERGROWN JUNGLE IN SAI KUNG TO AN ORDERLY AND HABITABLE CAMP.

IT IS THE ONLY CAMP IN THE TERRITORY TO BE RUN UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE.

WITH THE PRELIMINARY WORK COMPLETE IN HOUSING AND FEEDING THE NEW ARRIVALS EFFORTS ARE NOW BEING MADE TO IMPROVE THEIR DAILY LIVES AT THE CAMP. HYGIENE AND THE SEPARATION OF SINGLE WOMEN AND FAMILY GROUPS HAVE BEEN AMONG THE PRIORITIES.

AFTER THE FIRST INTAKE OF 1,200 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT THE HASTILY PREPARED CAMP A FURTHER 400 ARRIVED AT THE END OF AUGUST. THERE HAVE BEEN SIX BIRTHS SINCE THE CAMP OPENED.

SAID MR WILLY-FURTH: "THE VIETNAMESE HAVE BEHAVED IN AN ORDERLY MANNER, APART FROM TWO BRIEF PERIODS OF TENSION WHEN THEY FIRST ARRIVED AND WHEN WE HAD TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ARRIVAL OF A FURTHER 400 PEOPLE.

"WE HAD TO MOVE SOME TO MAKE WAY FOR THE NEWCOMERS AND THEY WERE VERY NERVOUS BECAUSE THEY DID NOT KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING TO THEM.

"BUT THINGS QUICKLY RETURNED TO NORMAL."

/EARLY DISTURBANCES

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EARLY DISTURBANCES GENERALLY WERE MINOR FIGHTS BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS AND PETTY THEFTS.

BUT THEN KNIVES AND SCISSORS IMPROVISED FROM SCRAPS OF METAL FOR POSSIBLE USE AS WEAPONS BEGAN BEING SURRENDERED BY THE INMATES THEMSELVES TO PREVENT A GROWTH IN THE THREAT OF VIOLENCE AMONG THEM.

"ALL THESE BLADES, KNIVES AND SCISSORS HAVE BEEN VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED BY THE BOAT PEOPLE," SAID MR WILLY-FURTH. "SOME HAVE BEEN IMPROVISED FROM PIECES OF METAL LEFT BEHIND BY CONTRACTORS.

"THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE HERE ARE LAW ABIDING AND PEACEFUL. THEY DON'T WANT THESE THINGS LYING ABOUT."

A CLOSELY SECURE PLACE HAS NOW BEEN SET ASIDE AT THE CAMP AS A KNIFE STORE WHERE CUTTING IMPLEMENTS ARE ISSUED AND RETURNED UNDER STRICT SUPERVISION.

IMPLEMENTS USED AT THE CAMP BARBER SHOP ARE ALSO USED UNDER RESTRICTION.

"WE HAVE FOUND PEOPLE WITH USEFUL SKILLS, SUCH AS TEACHERS, BARBERS AND LAUNDERERS," SAID MR WILLY-FURTH.

FAMILY GROUPS ARE NOW ACCOMMODATED SEPARATELY AND SINGLE WOMEN ALSO HAVE THEIR OWN DORMITORY.

ONE INMATE WHO HAS OBSERVED THE VALUE OF THE HUMANITARIAN APPROACH BY POLICE OFFICERS, BOTH OFFICIALLY AND INFORMALLY, IS THE CAMP INTERPRETER MISS PHAN THI BICH NGAN, WHO ARRIVED LIKE HER FELLOW INMATES ABOARD A RAMSHACKLE AND CROWDED MOTOR BOAT FROM VIETNAM.

"THE POLICE OFFICERS ARE BEING VERY KIND," SAID NGAN, A CHEMISTRY GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HUE. "THEY HAVE GIVEN THE CHILDREN SWEETS AND CLOTHS AND OFFERED THEIR FRIENDSHIP TO THE PEOPLE IN THE CAMP."

"THEY HAVE TAUGHT THE INMATES FROM THEIR OWN BEHAVIOUR. THE PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO QUEUE FOR FOOD AND OTHER SERVICES AT THE CAMP. THEY NEVER SAW AN ORDERLY QUEUE IN VIETNAM.

"I THINK THE FIRM APPROACH HAS ALSO TAUGHT PEOPLE THAT IF YOU MAKE TROUBLE YOU WILL GET TROUBLE.

"IT'S A MIXTURE OF FRIENDLINESS AND DISCIPLINE."

NGAN WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE OPENING OF THE NEW SCHOOL, WHICH WOULD OCCUPY ALL CHILDREN - AROUND 250 AGED FROM THREE TO 15.

"IT WILL KEEP THEM BUSY, INSTEAD OF JUST RUNNING AROUND AND GETTING INTO TROUBLE CLIMBING TREES. I WOULD LIKE TO TEACH MY KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH TO THE CHILDREN."

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ASKED IF SHE SAW ANY SIGNS OF TENSION CONTINUING AMONG THE HUMAN TRAGEDY AT ERSKINE CAMP, NGAN SAID: "IF THERE WAS THEY WOULD NOT BE AS THEY ARE NOW.

"YOU SHOULD COME HERE IN THE EVENINGS AND SEE THEM ALL SINGING AND DANCING IN THEIR OWN WAY.

"IT IS A REFLECTION OF THE POLICE HUMAN APPROACH TO THEIR UNWELCOME JOB."

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SECOND ROUND OF TALKS ON VBP

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THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS WITH VIETNAM ON THE PROBLEMS OF VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN HONG KONG WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 11 AND 12 IN LONDON.

THE JOINT UK/HK TEAM AT THE TALKS WILL BE LED BY MR ROBIN MCLAREN, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, AND WILL INCLUDE THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR RICHARD CLIFT, AND THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR GEOFFREY BARNES.

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DB TO DISCUSS LIBERALISATION OF VR CENTRES

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THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS TOMORROW (FRIDAY) THE POLICY OF LIBERALISING CLOSED CENTRES FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA ARE DELETION OF TWO BUILDINGS FROM, AND INCLUSION OF THREE OTHERS IN, THE LIST OF TARGET BUILDINGS FOR MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT; AND A PROPOSAL TO REVISE THE DISTRICT BOARD'S BUDGET IN THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR.

PROGRESS REPORTS OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED AT THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, 490 NATHAN ROAD.

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POLLING IN BY-ELECTIONS BEGIN

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POLLING IN BY-ELECTIONS TO FILL ONE VACANCY IN THE URBAN COUNCIL AND ONE IN THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD BEGAN AT 7.30 AM TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE SEATS WERE VACATED BY MR KWAN LIM-HO IN THE YAU TSIM CONSTITUENCY OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, AND BY MR YEUNG FUK-KWONG IN THE TSUEN WAN EAST (NORTH) CONSTITUENCY OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD.

POLLING IS TAKING PLACE AT SEVEN POLLING STATIONS FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL SEAT, WHICH IS BEING CONTESTED BY THREE CANDIDATES.

THE CANDIDATES ARE MS WOO YAN-YUE, MR EDMUND CHOW WAI-HUNG, AND MS JULIANA LI WING-NA.

POLLING FOR THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD SEAT, CONTESTED BY MR LAW KAM-SING AND MR YEUNG FUK-KWONG, IS TAKING PLACE AT ONE POLLING STATION.

THE POLLING STATIONS WILL BE OPEN UNTIL 10.30 PM TODAY.

URBAN COUNCIL BY-ELECTION RESULT

MS LI WING NA, JULIANA WAS ELECTED TO THE YAU TSIM CONSTITUENCY OF THE URBAN COUNCIL THE BY-ELECTION.

THE FOLLOWING ARE POLLING RESULTS:

CANDIDATES	VOTES
1. CHOW WAI-HUNG, EDMUND	1,002
2. LI WING-NA, JULIANA	1,380
3. WOO YAN-YUE, ALIAS WOO LAI-MAN	332

TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD BY-ELECTION RESULT

YEUNG FUK-KWONG WAS ELECTED TO THE TSUEN WAN EAST (NORTH) CONSTITUENCY OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD IN THE BY-ELECTION.

THE FOLLOWING ARE POLLING RESULTS:

CANDIDATES	VOTERS
1. LAW KAM-SING	1,385
2. YEUNG FUK-KWONG	2,705

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APPOINTMENTS TO PROVISIONAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR DENIS CHANG KHEN-LEE AND DR CHRISTOPHER LEONG KA-CHEONG AS MEMBERS TO THE PROVISIONAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY (PHA).

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THESE TWO APPOINTMENTS COMPLETED THE LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE PHA AND, IN ADDITION TO THE APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED LAST FRIDAY, BROUGHT TO 27 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PHA MEMBERS.

THE PHA, WHICH CAME INTO EXISTENCE ON OCTOBER 1, 1988, IS EXPECTED TO HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING LATER THIS MONTH.

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GRADING OF BEACH WATER QUALITY

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED THE LATEST GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF ALL BATHING BEACHES IN HONG KONG.

THE PURPOSE OF THE GRADING SYSTEM IS TO INFORM SWIMMERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE STATE OF BACTERIAL POLLUTION AT VARIOUS BEACHES.

THE GRADING IS BASED ON THE E. COLI DATA OBTAINED BY THE EPD IN ITS ROUTINE BEACH WATER QUALITY MONITORING PROGRAMME.

THE E. COLI DATA USED FOR GRADING ARE BASED ON THE MEDIAN VALUES OF THE MOST RECENT FIVE RESULTS, OBTAINED OVER A TWO AND A HALF MONTH PERIOD ACCORDING TO THE USUAL SAMPLING FREQUENCY.

THE GRADES FOR SOME BEACHES MAY FLUCTUATE. THIS REPRESENTS A NATURAL FLUCTUATION IN THE BACTERIAL QUALITY OF THE BEACHES IN MOST CASES, AS RAIN AND TIDES BRING MORE OR LESS POLLUTION TO THE SWIMMING AREAS.

NEVERTHELESS, THE GRADES GIVE A GOOD GENERAL PICTURE OF THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF BEACHES, AND FORM THE BEST AVAILABLE FORECAST OF BEACH WATER QUALITY IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

THE SYSTEM FOR GRADING BEACH WATER QUALITY IS AS FOLLOWS:

'A' GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS BETWEEN 0-99 PER 100 MILLILITRES, AND THE WATER QUALITY IS GOOD.

/'B' GRADE

'B' GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS BETWEEN 100-999 PER 100 MILLILITRES, AND THE WATER QUALITY IS ACCEPTABLE.

'C' GRADE INDICATES THE MEDIAN E. COLI COUNT IS 1,000 OR MORE PER 100 MILLILITRES, AND THE WATER QUALITY IS POOR.

THE DECISION WHETHER OR NOT TO CLOSE A BEACH TO SWIMMERS IS BASED ON A JUDGEMENT OF WHAT DEGREE OF POLLUTION IS ACCEPTABLE.

NORMALLY, A RECOMMENDATION ON CLOSURE WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED BY THE URBAN OR THE REGIONAL COUNCIL IF A 'C' GRADING OCCURRED REPEATEDLY. SIMILARLY, A RECOMMENDATION TO REOPEN A CLOSED BEACH WOULD ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF A 'B' GRADE OR BETTER WERE CONSISTENTLY OBTAINED.

AT PRESENT, FIVE BATHING BEACHES HAVE BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING PURPOSES, BASED ON THE WATER QUALITY DURING PAST SEASONS.

THESE BEACHES ARE ANGLERS', CASTLE PEAK, SILVERMINE BAY, OLD CAFETERIA AND ROCKY BAY. THEY ARE POLLUTED BY FAECAL WASTES AND FAILED TO ACHIEVE CONSISTENTLY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION AND HONG KONG STANDARDS. THE PUBLIC ARE ADVISED NOT TO SWIM IN THESE FIVE BEACHES. THEY ARE IDENTIFIED BY AN 'X' IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE.

THE GRADES ON THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF VARIOUS BEACHES IN HONG KONG AS AT TODAY AND TWO WEEKS AGO ARE LISTED BELOW :

BEACH -----	LAST GRADING ----- (AS AT 22.9.88)	PRESENT GRADING ----- (AS AT 6.10.88)
HONG KONG SOUTH -----		
BIG WAVE BAY	A	A
CHUNG HOM KOK	A	A
DEEP WATER BAY	B	B
HAIRPIN	A	A
MIDDLE BAY	C	B
REPULSE BAY	C	C
SHEK O	B	B
SOUTH BAY	B	B
ST. STEPHEN'S	A	A

/TURTLE COVE

TURTLE COVE	A	A
STANLEY MAIN	A	A
ROCKY BAY	X	X
TO TEI WAN*	A	A

ISLANDS DISTRICT

CHEUNG SHA UPPER	A	A
CHEUNG SHA LOWER	B	B
DISCOVERY BAY*	A	B
HUNG SHING YEH	A	A
KWUN YAM WAN	A	A
TONG FUK	B	A
LO SO SHING	A	A
PUI O	A	A
SILVERMINE BAY	X	X
TUNG WAN, CHEUNG CHAU	B	B
TUNG O*	A	A

SAI KUNG DISTRICT

CAMPERS	A	A
CLEAR WATER BAY 1ST BEACH	B	B
CLEAR WATER BAY 2ND BEACH	B	A
HAP MUN BAY	A	A
KIU TSUI	A	A
PAK SHA CHAU	A	A
SILVERSTRAND	C	C
TRIO (HEBE HAVEN)	B	A

TSUEN WAN DISTRICT

ANGLERS'	X	X
APPROACH	B	B
CASAM	B	B
GEMINI	B	B
HOI MEI WAN	B	B
LIDO	B	B
TING KAU	C	C
TUNG WAN, MA WAN	A	A

TUEN MUN DISTRICT

OLD CAFETERIA	X	X
NEW CAFETERIA	C	B
CASTLE PEAK	X	X
KADOORIE	C	C
BUTTERFLY	C	C

NOTE: 'X' THE BEACH HAS BEEN DECLARED UNSUITABLE FOR SWIMMING.
* NON-GAZETTED BEACHES.

THE FOLLOWING BEACHES HAVE CHANGED GRADING ON THIS OCCASION:

TONG FUK, CLEAR WATER BAY SECOND AND TRIO (HEBE HAVEN), FROM 'B' TO 'A'; DISCOVERY BAY, FROM 'A' TO 'B'; MIDDLE BAY AND NEW CAFETERIA, FROM 'C' TO 'B'.

THE CHANGES ARE WITHIN THE NORMAL RANGE OF FLUCTUATION OF THE BACTERIAL WATER QUALITY OF THESE BEACHES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CONTACT DR CATHERINE LAM, ACTING PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER (WATER POLICY) OF EPD, AT 3-7211044.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION VARIETY SHOW
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AN EXHIBITION CUM VARIETY SHOW TO PUT ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION MESSAGE ACROSS TO THE ISLANDERS WILL BE HELD AT THE PUI O PLAYGROUND ON LANTAU THIS SATURDAY (OCTOBER 8).

"ALL RESIDENTS ON LANTAU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE EVENT WHERE ADMISSION IS FREE AND THE EXHIBITION WILL START AT 4 PM," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE SAID.

"WINNING ENTRIES OF A PHOTO CONTEST HELD LAST MONTH FEATURING THE PROBLEM SPOTS IN THE DISTRICT THAT CALL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WILL BE DISPLAYED AT THE EXHIBITION," HE SAID.

"A VARIETY SHOW WITH POP SONGS AND DANCING WILL BEGIN AT 7.30 PM TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT WITH THE THEME TO ILLUSTRATE THE IMPORTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION," HE ADDED.

THE EVENT IS ORGANISED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN.

SIMILAR ACTIVITIES WILL ALSO BE HELD ON THE ISLANDS OF CHEUNG CHAU, PENG CHAU AND LAMMA RESPECTIVELY ON THE THREE CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS STARTING OCTOBER 15.

THE VENUES OF THE THREE EXHIBITIONS CUM VARIETY SHOWS WILL BE THE PAK TEI PLAYGROUND ON CHEUNG CHAU, THE OPEN SPACE ADJACENT TO THE FERRY PIER ON PENG CHAU AND THE BASKETBALL COURT AT SOK KWU WAN, LAMMA.

"THE IDEA FOR HOLDING THE EVENT ON ALL FOUR ISLANDS IS TO ALLOW MORE ISLANDERS TO JOIN SO THAT THEY WILL BECOME MORE AWARE OF THE ISSUE AND TO COOPERATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN THE BATTLE AGAINST POLLUTION," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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SEPTEMBER SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL

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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT IS CONDUCTING THE SEPTEMBER 1988 ROUND OF THE SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL IN MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY.

THE SURVEY COVERS ABOUT 94,000 ESTABLISHMENTS WHICH ARE DRAWN FROM VARIOUS SECTORS.

THESE INCLUDE THE DISTRIBUTIVE TRADES SECTOR (WHOLESALE, RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADES, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS), AND THE SERVICES SECTOR (TRANSPORT, STORAGE AND COMMUNICATION; FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES, COMMUNITY, SOCIAL AND PERSONAL SERVICES).

THERE IS FULL ENUMERATION IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR (MINING AND QUARRYING; MANUFACTURING; ELECTRICITY AND GAS).

QUESTIONNAIRES WERE MAILED TO INDIVIDUAL SAMPLE ESTABLISHMENTS AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER.

REMINDERS ARE NOW BEING SENT TO ESTABLISHMENTS NOT RESPONDING TO THE INITIAL QUESTIONNAIRES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SAID THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDER 1982 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 69 OF 1982, GAZETTED ON MARCH 5, 1982) ESTABLISHMENTS RECEIVING QUESTIONNAIRES ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THEM TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE SPECIFIED PERIOD.

INFORMATION IS BEING SOUGHT ON THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ENGAGED AND EXISTING VACANCIES ON SEPTEMBER 30, 1988 FOR EACH SAMPLED ESTABLISHMENT.

SOME 10,000 ESTABLISHMENTS HAVE BEEN RANDOMLY SELECTED FROM THIS SAMPLE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PAYROLL IN EACH OF THE THREE MONTHS DURING THE REFERENCE PERIOD JULY-SEPTEMBER 1988.

ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR (MINING AND QUARRYING; MANUFACTURING; ELECTRICITY AND GAS) WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO FURTHER PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE MAJOR KIND OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 1988.

SHOULD RESPONDENTS HAVE DIFFICULTY IN COMPLETING THE FORMS, THEY ARE WELCOME TO CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE ON TEL. 5-8235076.

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RATEPAYERS GIVEN REMINDER ON FOURTH QUARTER PAYMENT

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RATEPAYERS SHOULD BY NOW HAVE RECEIVED DEMAND NOTES FOR RATES FOR THE QUARTER OCTOBER 1 TO DECEMBER 31, WHICH ARE DEMANDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RATING ORDINANCE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TREASURY SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

ANY RATEPAYER WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED A DEMAND NOTE SHOULD APPLY FORTHWITH FOR A COPY AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

- * THE TREASURY RATES SECTION, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, (WEST WING), NINTH FLOOR, 11 ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG;
- * THE NORTH POINT SUB-TREASURY, ODEON BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR, 28 SHU KUK STREET, HONG KONG;
- * THE YAU MA TEI SUB-TREASURY, FOURTH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, (MARKET STREET ENTRANCE), KOWLOON;
- * THE KOWLOON CITY SUB-TREASURY, MAN SANG COMMERCIAL BUILDING, FIRST FLOOR, 348-352 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD (CORNER OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD AND JUNCTION ROAD), KOWLOON.

NON-RECEIPT OF THE DEMAND NOTE DOES NOT ALTER THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE RATES MUST BE PAID BY 4 PM ON OCTOBER 31, 1988 AND UNLESS SO PAID RATEPAYERS MAY BE SUBJECT TO A SURCHARGE OF FIVE PER CENT IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 22 OF THE RATING ORDINANCE.

A FURTHER SURCHARGE OF 10 PER CENT MAY BE ADDED TO ACCOUNTS (INCLUDING THE NORMAL FIVE PER CENT SURCHARGE) WHICH REMAIN UNPAID SIX MONTHS AFTER THE DUE DATE.

RATEPAYERS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED A VALID DIRECT DEBIT AUTHORISATION SHOULD NOTE THAT PAYMENT SHOULD BE MADE BY POST OR IN PERSON AS STIPULATED IN THE DEMAND NOTE UNLESS THE WORDING 'PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY AUTOPAY' IS SHOWN IN THE DEMAND NOTE.

IN THIS CASE THEIR PAYMENT OF RATES WILL BE MADE BY DIRECT DEBIT TO THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS ON OCTOBER 31, 1988. RATEPAYERS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS CONTAIN THE NECESSARY FUNDS ON THAT DATE.

RATEPAYERS ARE ALSO ADVISED THAT THE AMOUNT PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DATE IS INDICATED ON THE DEMAND NOTE BY AN ARROW-HEAD IN THE 'TOTAL AMOUNT DUE' BOX.

RATES ARE PAYABLE ON VACANT PROPERTIES BUT ARE REFUNDABLE UNDER THE CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 30 OF THE ORDINANCE.

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UNDER SECTION 30(1A) AND (2A) HOWEVER, NO REFUNDS WILL BE PAYABLE IN THE CASE OF A VACANT TENEMENT LAST USED OR INTENDED TO BE USED WHOLLY OR PRIMARILY FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES OR FOR THE PARKING OF VEHICLES (UNLESS VACANT BY REASON OF AN ORDER OF THE GOVERNMENT).

TO AVOID THE POSSIBLE INCONVENIENCE OF QUEUEING, RATEPAYERS ARE URGED TO PAY BY CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER SENT BY POST OR BY EARLY PERSONAL ATTENDANCE AT ANY OF THE OFFICES LISTED ON THE BACK OF THE DEMAND NOTE.

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WONG TAI SIN DB MEMBERS VISIT TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

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MEMBERS OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED TWO SECTIONS OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT IN ORDER TO FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH THE ORGANISATION AND DAILY OPERATIONS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

TODAY'S VISIT IS THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT.

LED BY THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR MICHAEL LEE, AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NG HON-WAH, THE GROUP FIRST VISITED THE DEPARTMENTS TRAFFIC CONTROL AND SURVEILLANCE DIVISION IN NATHAN ROAD.

THEY WERE BRIEFED BY THE ACTING ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR C.C. CHAN, ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AREA TRAFFIC CONTROL IN HONG KONG, PARTICULARLY ON THE OPERATIONS OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM IN THE KOWLOON REGION.

AT THE KOWLOON AREA TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTRE THEY WERE SHOWN A WALL MAP, COMPUTER TERMINALS AND CLOSE CIRCUIT TELEVISION MONITORS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A CONTINUOUS UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

MEMBERS WERE TOLD THAT PRESENTLY SOME 300 TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN KOWLOON WERE UNDER THE KOWLOON AREA TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM.

OPERATORS IN THE CONTROL ROOM, ON RECEIVING THE INFORMATION FROM THE COMPUTERS AND MONITORS, WOULD CHANGE COMPUTER-SELECTED SIGNAL TIMINGS TO MEET UNEXPECTED TRAFFIC DEMANDS, AND MONITOR EQUIPMENT FAULTS TO ENSURE SPEEDY REPAIRS.

THE GROUP ALSO LEARNED THAT THE KOWLOON CONTROL SYSTEM WOULD EVENTUALLY BE EXPANDED TO COVER EAST KOWLOON, AND EVENTUALLY THE ENTIRE KOWLOON REGION IN THE EARLY 90'S.

AFTER VISITING THE CONTROL CENTRE, MEMBERS PROCEEDED TO THE VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRE IN KOWLOON BAY TO SEE THE OPERATION OF AUTOMATED INSPECTION EQUIPMENT IN THE EXAMINATIONS OF GOODS VEHICLES AND PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES.

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC PLAN FOR CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES FROM SUNDAY (OCTOBER 9) FOR THE CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED.

THE ARRANGEMENTS INCLUDE ROAD CLOSURES AND THE STRENGTHENING OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES FOR GRAVE-SWEEPERS.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 4 AM AND 8 PM ON OCTOBER 9 (SUNDAY), 16, 19, 23, 30 AND NOVEMBER 6:

- * KIU TAU ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES (INCLUDING VEHICLES ACCOMPANYING HEARSEs) EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES, EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND HEARSEs.
- * THE SECTION OF ROAD L100 WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ROAD D6 LEADING TO FANLING SOUTH ROUNDABOUT WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES (INCLUDING VEHICLES ACCOMPANYING HEARSEs) EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES, FRANCHISED BUSES AND TAXIS CARRYING PASSENGERS.
- * ROAD B200, THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING FROM WO HOP SHEK ROAD TO WO HOP SHEK VILLAGE, WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

BETWEEN 7 AM AND 8 PM ON THE SAME DAYS, TWO ROAD SECTIONS WILL ALSO BE CLOSED:

- * ROAD L100 EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH ROAD D6 WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL PRIVATE CARS (INCLUDING THOSE ACCOMPANYING HEARSEs) EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES, FRANCHISED BUSES, PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES AND COACHES CARRYING PASSENGERS.
- * ROAD A100 WEST OF ROAD D6 WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC (INCLUDING VEHICLES ACCOMPANYING HEARSEs) EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

FROM 6 AM TO 6 PM ON THE SAME DAYS, THE FANLING KCR FORECOURT AT ITS ACCESS FROM ROAD D5 WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES, GREEN MINIBUSES AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

IN TSUEN WAN, THE SECTION OF LO WAI ROAD BETWEEN LO WAI BUS TERMINUS AND YUEN YUEN HOK YUEN WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC, EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES, FROM 7 AM TO 4 PM ON OCTOBER 9, 16, 19 AND 23.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE LO WAI END TERMINATING POINT FOR GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES NO. 81 AND 81M WILL BE RELOCATED TO THE LO WAI BUS TERMINUS.

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IN ADDITION, IN THE VICINITY OF TSUEN WAN CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM, THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED BY POLICE OFFICERS ON OCTOBER 16, 19, 22, 23 AND 30.

- * WING SHUN STREET BETWEEN TSUEN WAN CEMETERY AND ITS JUNCTION WITH KWAI HEI STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC, EXCEPT HEARSES AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES, BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM ON THESE FIVE DAYS. THE CLOSURE MAY ALSO BE ENFORCED ON ANY OTHER DAYS IF NECESSARY.
- * ROAD CLOSURE MEASURES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED AT WING KIN ROAD JUNCTION WITH KWAI HEI STREET. A ONE-WAY SYSTEM WILL BE ADOPTED AND VEHICLES WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER WING KIN ROAD FROM WING KEI ROAD.
- * A ONE-WAY SYSTEM WILL BE ADOPTED ON THE SECTION OF WING KEI ROAD BETWEEN KWAI HEI STREET AND WING KIN ROAD. VEHICLES WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER VIA KWAI HEI STREET.
- * WING LAP STREET AND WING CHONG STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.
- * THE ROAD UNDER TSING YI NORTH BRIDGE FROM RIVIERA GARDEN ONTO WING SHUN STREET IS STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. NO VEHICULAR OR PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC WILL BE ALLOWED.
- * NO PARKING WILL BE ALLOWED ON ALL APPROACH ROADS IN THE VICINITY OF THE CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM.
- * TEMPORARY TAXI STANDS WILL BE ERECTED ON WING KEI ROAD AND KWAI HEI STREET NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH WING SHUN STREET.

DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIODS, GRAVE-SWEEPERS ARE ADVISED TO TAKE THE MTR AND GET OFF AT KWAI FONG STATION. DIRECTIONAL SIGNS WILL BE ERECTED AT THE STATION TO GUIDE GRAVE-SWEEPERS THE PEDESTRIAN ROUTE LEADING TO TSUEN WAN CEMETERY.

AS FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES, TRAIN SERVICES WILL BE STRENGTHENED AND OPERATE AT FANLING AT A FIVE-MINUTE INTERVAL FROM 7 AM TO 9 AM AND FROM 5 PM TO 7 PM ON OCTOBER 16, 19 AND 23. BETWEEN 9 AM AND 5 PM ON THE SAME DAYS, THE TRAIN SERVICES WILL OPERATE AT A FREQUENCY OF EIGHT TO NINE MINUTES.

ON THE SAME DAYS, A SPECIAL BUS SERVICE, ROUTE 70S, WILL OPERATE BETWEEN JORDAN ROAD FERRY BUS TERMINUS AND WO HOP SHEK VIA TOLO HIGHWAY. THIS SPECIAL SERVICE WILL OPERATE AT ABOUT SIX-MINUTE INTERVAL AT A FARE OF \$4.5.

ANOTHER SPECIAL SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE, ROUTE 70R, WILL OPERATE BETWEEN FANLING KCR STATION AND WO HOP SHEK AT ABOUT THREE-MINUTE INTERVAL ON OCTOBER 9, 16, 19, 23 AND 30. THE FARE WILL BE \$1.2 FOR SINGLE JOURNEY.

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MEANWHILE, SERVICES OF KMB ROUTES 70, 70K, 70X, 73 AND 73A WILL ALSO BE STRENGTHENED. GRAVE-SWEEPERS WISHING TO GO TO SANDY RIDGE CAN TAKE THE REGULAR BUS SERVICE, ROUTE 73K, PLYING BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI AND SAN UK LING, OR THE TRAIN SERVICE TO LO WU.

DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIOD, PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES, TAXIS AND COACHES CARRYING PASSENGERS WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO SET DOWN PASSENGERS AT DESIGNATED LOCATIONS, AND WAITING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

GRAVE-SWEEPERS ARE ADVISED TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT TO GO TO THE CEMETERIES AS THERE WILL BE NO PARKING FACILITIES AVAILABLE IN THE VICINITY OF WO HOP SHEK. PARKING SPACES IN SHEUNG SHUI, FANLING (IN ON LOK TSUEN) AND AROUND TSUEN WAN CEMETERY ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED.

PRIVATE CARS, PRIVATE LIGHT BUSES AND PRIVATE COACHES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SET DOWN OR PICK UP PASSENGERS ON THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS:

- * ROAD D6 BETWEEN ROAD D3 AND WO HOP SHEK ROAD.
- * WO HOP SHEK ROAD BETWEEN WO HOP SHEK MINI-ROUNDAABOUT AND ROAD D6.
- * THE SLIP ROAD AT WO HOP SHEK CONNECTION FROM NORTHBOUND NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD LEADING TO WO HOP SHEK MINI-ROUNDAABOUT.
- * TAI WO SERVICE ROAD WEST BETWEEN WO HOP SHEK MINI-ROUNDAABOUT AND A POINT ABOUT 300 METRES SOUTH OF KIU TAU ROAD.

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CASE WRITING WINNERS SELECTED

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A CEREMONY WILL BE HELD TOMORROW AT THE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (MDC) OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EFFORTS OF FOUR CASE WRITERS WHOSE PRESENTATIONS WILL BECOME VALUABLE MATERIALS FOR MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING.

THE HONG KONG CASE STUDY GROUP AND THE MDC, THE ORGANISERS OF THE "CASE WRITER OF THE YEAR AWARD", TODAY (THURSDAY) ANNOUNCED THAT MR SO KAM-HO OF THE HONG KONG BAPTIST COLLEGE AND MR DANIEL HUI OF CITY POLYTECHNIC WERE THE WINNERS OF THE CASE-WRITING COMPETITION.

THE CASES PRESENTED BY MR ALFRED SIU OF LINGNAN COLLEGE AND MRS LORETT HO OF BAPTIST COLLEGE WERE ALSO HIGHLY COMMENDED BY THE JUDGING PANEL IN THE COMPETITION.

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A TOTAL OF 28 SUBMISSIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED. CASES WERE OF HIGH QUALITY AND WOULD BE KEPT IN THE SOON TO BE OPENED CASE CLEARING HOUSE OF HONG KONG AT MDC FOR PUBLIC REFERENCE, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL SAID.

THE CASE-WRITING WINNERS WILL BE AWARDED PRIZES AND CERTIFICATES TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN A PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT WHICH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE VTC, MR HORACE KNIGHT, AND TRUSTEE OF THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, MR GAGE MCAFFEE, WILL OFFICIATE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 3 PM AT THE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE OF HONG KONG, 17TH FLOOR, HARBOUR CENTRE, 25 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI.

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FOOTDRILL COMPETITION FOR CAS CADETS

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THE CIVIL AID SERVICES CADET CORPS WILL HOLD A FOOTDRILL COMPETITION ON OCTOBER 9 (SUNDAY) AT THE CAS KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE.

TWENTY-FOUR TEAMS FROM CADET UNITS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, INCLUDING ONE GIRL CADET UNIT, WILL COMPETE.

THE COMPETITION WILL BEGIN AT 11 AM AND FINISH AT 5 PM WHEN A PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD.

THE CHAMPION TEAM WILL BE AWARDED THE 'NORMAN LEUNG SHIELD', TO BE PRESENTED BY THE SENIOR ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF THE CIVIL AID SERVICES, MR LEUNG NAI-PANG.

THE PANEL OF JUDGES WILL INCLUDE WARRANT OFFICER II OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT (THE VOLUNTEERS), MR AU KAM-CHUEN, AND STAFF SERGEANT OF THE ROYAL ARMY VETERINARY CORPS, MR KWAN CHEUK-FOR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE COMPETITION WHICH WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY FROM 11 AM TO 5 PM, FOLLOWED BY A PRESENTATION CEREMONY, AT THE CAS KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE, 204 ARGYLE STREET.

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YOUTH CHINESE MUSIC FESTIVAL STARTS NEXT MONTH

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CHINESE MUSIC FANS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENJOY THE PERFORMANCE OF YOUNG AND TALENTED MUSICIANS DURING THE 1988 HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE MUSIC FESTIVAL TO BE HELD FROM NOVEMBER 5 TO 13.

FEATURING A SERIES OF CONCERTS, MASTER CLASSES, LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS, THE NINE-DAY FESTIVAL IS ORGANISED ANNUALLY BY THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH AND AIMED AT IMPROVING THE STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE AS WELL AS STIMULATING GREATER PUBLIC INTEREST IN CHINESE MUSIC.

THE FESTIVAL'S OPENING CONCERT WILL BE HELD AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL AT 8 PM ON NOVEMBER 6 DURING WHICH PIECES OF NEW COMPOSITION SUCH AS 'RESEVILLE', 'TURMOIL IN THE NORTHERN FRONTIER' AND 'THE GENESIS' WILL BE PRESENTED.

FOUR GUEST MUSICIANS FROM CHINA, LI XIAO-GANG (YANG-QIN), QU AN-HUA (ERHU), XIAO JIAN-SHENG (SAN-XIAN) AND SUN GUI-SHENG (DONG-XIAO) HAVE ALSO BEEN INVITED TO GIVE DEMONSTRATION PERFORMANCES AND TO CONDUCT MASTER CLASSES AT VARIOUS MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

IN SUPPORT OF THE FESTIVAL, THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL ORGANISE A CONCERT, TO BE PERFORMED BY THE HONG KONG CHINESE ORCHESTRA, AT 8 PM ON NOVEMBER 9 AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AS PART OF THE FESTIVAL'S PROGRAMMES.

THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA WILL ALSO PERFORM AT THE CONCERT.

DURING THE FESTIVAL PERIOD, TWO OTHER CONCERTS, THE JING YING AND THE INTERFLOW CONCERTS, WILL BE STAGED AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE AT 8 PM ON NOVEMBER 10 AND AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL AT 2 PM ON NOVEMBER 13.

THE JING YING CONCERT, FEATURING THE GUEST MUSICIANS FROM CHINA AND THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA WILL BE THE CLIMAX OF THE FESTIVAL.

"IT IS HOPED THAT THE WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES WOULD MEET WITH THE NEEDS OF CHINESE MUSIC ENTHUSIASTS AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"APPRECIATION SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO THE YUET WAH MUSIC COMPANY AND THE HANG SENG BANK FOR THEIR GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP TOWARD OUR ACTIVITIES," HE ADDED.

TICKETS FOR THE CONCERTS ON NOVEMBER 6, 9 AND 10 AT \$10, \$15, \$20 AND \$30 EACH ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL URBAN OUTLETS.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 3-7962893.

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