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## UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS FOR FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991

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BOTH THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE ROSE DURING THE PERIOD FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE FIGURES SHOWED THAT THE LABOUR MARKET HAD BECOME LESS TIGHT IN RECENT MONTHS.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991 WAS 2.1%, COMPARED WITH 1.4% FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1991 AND 1.8% FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

THE INCREASES OF 0.7 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT OVER THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD AND 0.3 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT OVER THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER ARE BOTH STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT.

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991 WAS ESTIMATED AT 59,000, COMPARED WITH 38,400 IN THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1991 AND 48,700 IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991 WAS 2.1%, COMPARED WITH 0.7% FOR BOTH NOVEMBER 1990 - JANUARY 1991 AND FEBRUARY - APRIL 1990.

THE INCREASE OF 1.4 PERCENTAGE POINTS OVER THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD AND THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER IS STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT.

THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS IN FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991 WAS 57,700, COMPARED WITH 18,500 IN THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1991 AND 20,300 IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO), PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS (SUCH AS SLACK WORK, MATERIAL SHORTAGE, MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN AND INABILITY TO FIND FULL-TIME WORK) WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE EITHER SEEKING OR AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK.

COMMENTING ON THESE FIGURES, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS SAID BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (FOR EXAMPLE PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES THAT HAD BEEN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME.

THE COMMISSIONER ADDED THAT, BASED ON A SYSTEM OF PROVISIONAL COUNTS, THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATES COVERING THE LATEST THREE-MONTH PERIOD COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN TWO WEEKS AFTER THE SURVEY.

THESE PROVIDE AN EARLY INDICATION OF THE LATEST UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

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THE PROVISIONAL SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR MARCH - MAY 1991 WAS 2.4% AND THE PROVISIONAL UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 1.9%.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE SURVEY FOR FEBRUARY - APRIL 1991 COVERED A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 10,800 HOUSEHOLDS OR 38,000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION IN HONG KONG.

PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AGED 15 AND ABOVE IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED.

IN THE SURVEY, THE DEFINITIONS USED IN MEASURING UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT FOLLOW CLOSELY THOSE RECOMMENDED BY THE ILO.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE REPORT ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR.

THE NEXT REPORT COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 1991 WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL AROUND JUNE 20 AT \$13.50 PER COPY.

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HONG KONG DEMONSTRATES SUCCESS: GOVERNOR

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT WE NEED TO REMIND OURSELVES FROM TIME TO TIME ABOUT THE BROADER PICTURE OF HONG KONG.

PART OF THIS LARGER PICTURE, SIR DAVID SAID, WAS THAT HONG KONG WAS NOT JUST A PLACE WITH PROBLEMS.

ADDRESSING THE OPENING OF FESTIVAL CANADA'91, THE GOVERNOR POINTED OUT THAT THE CONTRAST BETWEEN SOME OF THE MORE ALARMIST NEWS STORIES ABOUT HONG KONG AND WHAT WAS ACTUALLY HAPPENING HERE MIGHT STRIKE VISITORS FROM CANADA MORE FORCIBLY THAN THOSE OF US WHO LIVED IN THIS UNIQUE TERRITORY.

"BUT WE TOO CAN SOMETIMES LOSE SIGHT OF THE BROADER PICTURE.

"WE ARE SOMETIMES PRONE TO BEING TOO OBSESSED WITH WHATEVER IS OUR IMMEDIATE PROBLEM," HE SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID EVERY PLACE IN THE WORLD HAD ITS PROBLEMS IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.

"HONG KONG IS A PLACE WHICH DEMONSTRATES SUCCESS. VISIBLE SUCCESS. SUCCESS AGAINST THE ODDS. NOT EVERYWHERE CAN SAY THAT," HE SAID.

THE GOVERNOR NOTED THAT THE CANADIAN COMMUNITY IN HONG KONG WAS LARGE - AS MANY AS 35,000 PEOPLE - AND THAT CANADIAN INVESTMENT IN HONG KONG AND SOUTHERN CHINA WAS GROWING.

"CANADIAN BUSINESSMEN CAN SEE THE POTENTIAL. THEY SEE THAT, WHATEVER THE IMMEDIATE POLITICAL CONCERNS MAY BE, THE OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE TOO; AND THE LONG-TERM PROSPECTS FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH ARE AT LEAST AS GOOD IN HONG KONG AS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD," SIR DAVID SAID.

THE GOVERNOR WELCOMED THE CANADIAN INVOLVEMENT AND THE VERY PRACTICAL INTEREST WHICH CANADA HAD TAKEN IN HONG KONG.

SIR DAVID SAID THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA'S VISIT TO HONG KONG LAST MONTH WAS A MOST WELCOME DEMONSTRATION OF THAT INTEREST.

"IN HIS SPEECHES HERE AND IN HIS MEETINGS WITH ME, HE LEFT A STRONG IMPRESSION OF THE GOODWILL TOWARDS HONG KONG THAT EXISTS IN CANADA AND OF CANADA'S CONVICTION OF THE VALUE TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF HONG KONG'S CONTINUED SUCCESS.

"WE TREASURE THIS GOODWILL, WE RECIPROCATE THE FEELINGS OF FRIENDSHIP," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

SIR DAVID SAID HONG KONG LOOKED FORWARD TO SHOWING CANADIANS MORE ABOUT HONG KONG THROUGH HONG KONG FESTIVAL WHICH WOULD TAKE PLACE IN CITIES ACROSS CANADA IN THE AUTUMN OF 1992.

"THAT WILL BE OUR OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE PLEASURE AND ENJOYMENT IN RETURN; OUR CHANCE TO DEMONSTRATE HOW MUCH HONG KONG HAS TO OFFER," HE SAID.

CONGRATULATING THE ORGANISERS OF FESTIVAL CANADA ON PUTTING TOGETHER SUCH AN IMPRESSIVE RANGE OF ENTERTAINMENT, SIR DAVID SAID:

"IT REPRESENTS A GREAT DEAL OF EFFORT, IMAGINATION AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

"IT IS A DEMONSTRATION OF THE WAY THE CANADIAN COMMUNITY AND CANADIAN BUSINESSES ARE SO READY TO PARTICIPATE IN HONG KONG LIFE.

"AND IT SAYS MUCH FOR THE DEDICATION AND EFFICIENCY OF THE COMMISSION FOR CANADA WHICH HAS PULLED TOGETHER THESE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUCH GOOD EFFECT," HE SAID.

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HK-CANADA FILM CO-PRODUCTION MOU SIGNED

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THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) TO FACILITATE FILM AND TELEVISION CO-PRODUCTION TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

SIGNING THE MOU ON BEHALF OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WAS THE SECRETARY FOR RECREATION AND CULTURE, MR JAMES SO. SIGNING ON BEHALF OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WAS THE COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA IN HONG KONG, MR JOHN HIGGINBOTHAM.

SPEAKING AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY DURING THE OPENING OF THE CANADIAN FILM FESTIVAL, MR SO SAID THE MOU WOULD PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR LOCAL AND CANADIAN PRODUCERS TO POOL THEIR CREATIVE, TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO CO-PRODUCE GOOD QUALITY FILMS AND TELEVISION PROGRAMMES.

"LOCAL CO-PRODUCERS CAN EXPECT TO BENEFIT FROM POOLING RESOURCES WITH THEIR CANADIAN COUNTERPARTS AND ALSO INDIRECTLY FROM PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FUNDING AVAILABLE IN CANADA FOR CO-PRODUCTIONS," MR SO SAID.

"THE COMMUNITY WILL PARTICULARLY WELCOME THE MOU BECAUSE THE HONG KONG AUDIENCE CAN, AS A CONSEQUENCE, LOOK FORWARD TO A GREATER CHOICE OF GOOD QUALITY FILMS AND TELEVISION PROGRAMMES.

"THE MOU IS SIGNIFICANT TO HONG KONG NOT JUST BECAUSE OF THESE MORE TANGIBLE BENEFITS BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT REINFORCES HONG KONG'S STANDING IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND EMPHASISES THE STRONG AND INCREASING LINKS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CANADA," MR SO ADDED.

UNDER THE MOU, INTERESTED PARTIES WISHING TO ENTER INTO A CO-PRODUCTION PROJECT WILL HAVE TO APPLY TO A CERTIFYING BODY.

DISCUSSIONS ARE NOW UNDERWAY BETWEEN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT, THE COMMISSION FOR CANADA AND LOCAL TELEVISION AND MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY TO DRAW UP PROCEDURES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CERTIFYING BODY.

A ONE-DAY SEMINAR TO BRIEF THE LOCAL FILM AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY ON THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CO-PRODUCTION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY (JUNE 22) AT 3 PM IN THE COMMON ROOM OF THE ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS.

THE SEMINAR WILL BE CONDUCTED JOINTLY BY THE VISITING BRITISH COLUMBIA FILM COMMISSION OF CANADA AND THE RECREATION AND CULTURE BRANCH.

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CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH REORGANISED  
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THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH HAS BEEN REORGANISED.

THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM, ANNOUNCED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM TODAY (WEDNESDAY), THE BRANCH WOULD PROVIDE A ONE-STOP SERVICE FOR GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND BE BETTER EQUIPPED TO DEAL WITH DEPARTMENTAL ISSUES.

MR WIGGHAM NOTED THAT THE CSB WAS FORMERLY ORGANISED ON A FUNCTIONAL BASIS AND WAS HIGHLY COMPARTMENTALISED.

THE MAIN FEATURE OF THE REORGANISATION WAS THE MERGER OF ITS MAIN FUNCTIONAL DIVISIONS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE SO THAT FROM NOW ON DEPARTMENTS NEED CONTACT ONLY ONE DIVISION ON MOST OCCASIONS.

"THIS IS ACHIEVED BY THE SETTING UP OF FIVE DEPARTMENTAL DIVISIONS TO TAKE UP MATTERS PREVIOUSLY DEALT WITH BY THE PAY AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE DIVISION, APPOINTMENTS DIVISIONS AS WELL AS STAFF MANAGEMENT AND DISCIPLINE DIVISION," MR WIGGHAM SAID.

EACH DEPARTMENTAL DIVISION IS HEADED BY A PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY (PAS), AND EACH DEALS WITH A FULL RANGE OF CSB FUNCTIONS IN RESPECT OF A GROUP OF DEPARTMENTS.

THE PAS IS THE CONTACT POINT BETWEEN DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CSB, AND HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY AND THE AUTHORITY TO DEAL WITH THE FULL RANGE OF ISSUES RELATING TO APPOINTMENTS, PAY STRUCTURE AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE, STAFF MANAGEMENT, STAFF DISCIPLINE, STAFF COMPLAINTS AND DIRECTORATE SUCCESSION FOR THE GROUP OF DEPARTMENTS IN HIS OR HER SCHEDULE.

"THE PAS IS EXPECTED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND BE FAMILIAR WITH MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS IN HIS GROUP OF DEPARTMENTS," MR WIGGHAM SAID.

"THE NEW SET-UP WILL FACILITATE THE EVOLUTION OF A BALANCED AND BROAD CSB VIEW AT AN EARLY STAGE IN THE CONSIDERATION OF ANY SETS OF PROBLEM," HE SAID.

APART FROM THE DEPARTMENTAL DIVISIONS, THERE WOULD BE THREE FUNCTIONAL DIVISIONS TO DEAL WITH SERVICE-WIDE MATTERS. THEY ARE THE STAFF RELATIONS DIVISION, THE MANAGEMENT DIVISION AND THE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION. THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION AND THE GENERAL GRADES DIVISION HAVE NOT BEEN AFFECTED BY THE CHANGE.

MR WIGGHAM SAID STRUCTURAL CHANGES WERE NOT THE ONLY AREA BEING PURSUED. THE OTHER AREA OF CHANGE WAS THE DELEGATION OF MORE AUTHORITY TO HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS FOR THEM TO MANAGE HUMAN RESOURCES MORE EFFECTIVELY.

ALSO COMING INTO EFFECT TODAY IS THE CHANGE OF THE CHINESE NAME OF THE BRANCH TO ONE WHICH REFLECTS MORE ACCURATELY THE ROLE OF THE BRANCH: "公務員事務科". THE CHINESE TITLE OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE HAS ALSO BEEN CHANGED CORRESPONDINGLY TO "公務員事務司".

PROFESSIONAL PERSONS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE  
TO BE ESTABLISHED

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THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DR STUART REED, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF A PROFESSIONAL PERSONS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (PROPECC).

THE COMMITTEE WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS AND DR REED EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND THE INSTITUTION OF SURVEYORS WOULD ACCEPT HIS INVITATION TO JOIN THE NEW CONSULTATIVE BODY.

IT WILL BE CHAIRED BY THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

"THIS COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE A FORUM FOR PROFESSIONALS TO PUT THEIR VIEWS TO THE EPD ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS OF BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT, AND FOR THE EPD TO SOUND OUT THE PRACTICABILITY AND IMPLICATIONS OF NEW MEASURES AIMED AT EITHER IMPROVING THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT OR AVOIDING THE CREATION OF NEW ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS," DR REED SAID.

HE WAS ADDRESSING MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS AT ITS LUNCHEON MEETING TODAY.

"CONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS IS NOT YET AN INTEGRAL AND ROUTINE PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND THE RESULT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT IS THAT ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS ARE LEFT TO A VERY LATE STAGE AND WE ARE MORE OFTEN THAN NOT FACED WITH A VERY 'LATE FOCUS'.

"THE RESULT IS THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL OUT-TURN IS NOT AS GOOD AS IT COULD OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN," THE DIRECTOR SAID.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE EPD HAS FOUND AN INCREASED NEED TO PRESS, INDEED TO INSIST, THAT ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS ARE TAKEN PROPERLY INTO ACCOUNT AT THE EARLIEST STAGE OF NEW BUILDING DEVELOPMENT.

THE INTENTION OF THE PROPECC IS TO ADDRESS PROBLEMS THAT THE PROFESSIONS ARE EXPERIENCING IN MEETING EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, AND TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE FUTURE REQUIREMENTS.

DR REED ALSO OUTLINED SOME OF THE TOPICS THAT THE NEW COMMITTEE IS EXPECTED TO DISCUSS:

\* DESIGN REQUIREMENTS ON LANDFILL GAS SEEPAGE IN RELATION TO DEVELOPMENT SITES ADJACENT TO OLD GARBAGE DUMPS.

\* ISSUES RELATING TO DIRECT PLUME IMPINGEMENT FROM CHIMNEYS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RELAXATION OF AIRPORT HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AND THE USE OF ROOF-TOP SPACE FOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES SUCH AS SWIMMING POOLS AND TENNIS COURTS.

\* PROVISION FOR WASTE STORAGE AND COLLECTION IN BUILDINGS, ESPECIALLY IN THE FUTURE FOR HANDLING SEPARATED AND RECYCLABLE WASTES.

\* INTEGRATION OF CHIMNEYS INTO BUILDING DESIGNS TO AVOID THE "AFTER THOUGHT" APPEARANCE, THAT IS THE RULE AT PRESENT RATHER THAN THE EXCEPTION.

\* DESIGN OF NEW INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS FOR INDUSTRIES WITH SPECIAL ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS.

\* DESIGN, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES IN PRIVATE BUILDINGS.

DR REED SAID THESE ISSUES AND MANY OTHERS ARE ALL SUBJECTS ON WHICH THE EPD AND REPRESENTATIVES OF HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND INSTITUTE OF SURVEYORS SHOULD GET TOGETHER AS A MATTER OF URGENCY IN THE INTERESTS OF MAKING HONG KONG A MORE HEALTHY AND PLEASANT PLACE TO LIVE.

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CONSULTANCY STUDY ON CENTRALISED INCINERATION FACILITY  
FOR SPECIAL WASTES

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) HAS COMMISSIONED A CONSULTANT TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A CENTRALISED INCINERATION FACILITY FOR DISPOSAL OF SPECIAL WASTES.

SPECIAL WASTES INCLUDE CLINICAL WASTES, ANIMAL CARCASSES AND SECURITY WASTES (SEIZED NARCOTICS, EXPIRED DOCUMENTS AND RETURNED DUTIABLE GOODS).

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THE STUDY WOULD ASSESS THE TECHNICAL, FINANCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS FOR THE PROPOSED INCINERATION FACILITY.

"AN IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME FOR ITS PROVISION, OPERATION AND MONITORING WILL ALSO BE PREPARED," HE SAID.

THE CENTRALISED INCINERATION FACILITY IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION, AS OUTLINED IN THE WHITE PAPER ON POLLUTION PUBLISHED IN JUNE 1989, THAT A DEDICATED FACILITY TO INTERNATIONAL SAFETY AND SECURITY STANDARDS FOR THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF SPECIAL WASTES SHOULD BE BUILT.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE INCINERATION FACILITY NEAR TUEN MUN IS EXPECTED TO START IN MID 1992 AND THE FACILITY IS EXPECTED TO BE COMMISSIONED IN 1994.

THE CONSULTANCY STUDY, AT A COST OF \$2.4 MILLION, WILL BE COMPLETED IN SIX MONTHS. THE RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION SCHEME MADE WILL BE ASSESSED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND USED AS A BASIS FOR THE PROVISION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE FACILITY.

AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSULTANCY STUDY WAS SIGNED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) BETWEEN EPD'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (WASTE AND WATER POLICY), MR MIKE STOKOE, AND THE DIRECTOR OF ERL (ASIA) LIMITED, MR E. TURNER.

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GOVT AND KCRC EXAMINE DISRUPTION OF SERVICE

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THE GOVERNMENT AND THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION HELD A MEETING THIS (WEDNESDAY) MORNING TO REVIEW THE SERIOUS DISRUPTION OF KCR SERVICES BETWEEN UNIVERSITY AND TAI PO STATIONS YESTERDAY.

BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND KCRC ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DISRUPTION AND THE INCONVENIENCE IT HAS CAUSED TO THE PUBLIC.

THE CORPORATION IS CONTINUING ITS INVESTIGATION INTO THE INCIDENT AND ALSO RE-EXAMINING ITS PLANS AND PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING EMERGENCY SITUATIONS IN THE LIGHT OF YESTERDAY'S EXPERIENCE. A REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNMENT IN TWO WEEKS.

IN THE MEANTIME, THE GOVERNMENT AND KCRC ARE REVIEWING THE ADEQUACY AND TYPE OF RELIEF TRANSPORT SERVICES FOR COPING WITH LARGE NUMBERS OF CROSS-BORDER PASSENGERS WITH HAND-CARRIED LUGGAGES.

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SHW OPENS TRAINING CENTRE FOR DISABLED

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THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, TODAY (WEDNESDAY) OPENED THE FIRST TRAINING CENTRE IN HONG KONG THAT WAS PLANNED AND BUILT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL CATEGORIES OF DISABLED PERSONS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TUEN MUN SKILLS CENTRE FOR THE DISABLED, MRS WONG SAID TWO NEW SKILLS CENTRES WERE BEING PLANNED FOR COMPLETION IN 1995/96.

SHE SAID THE TUEN MUN SKILLS CENTRE WAS NOT ONLY DESIGNED TO EQUIP TRAINEES WITH INDUSTRIAL SKILLS BUT ALSO PROVIDED THEM WITH THE INDEPENDENCE AND SOCIAL SKILLS THEY WOULD NEED FOR FULL INTEGRATION IN THE WORKPLACE AND FOR LEADING A FULLER AND MORE SATISFYING SOCIAL LIFE.

"THE CENTRE ALSO PROVIDES BRIDGING PROGRAMMES WHICH WOULD HELP SOME DISABLED STUDENTS TO BRIDGE OVER TO PROGRAMMES IN TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRES AND HOPEFULLY TO PROGRAMMES IN THE NEW TECHNICAL COLLEGES AS WELL IN THE FUTURE," MRS WONG SAID.

THE CENTRE HAS 14 SPACIOUS WORKSHOPS, FOUR CLASSROOMS, AS WELL AS 15 DORMITORIES AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES.

MRS WONG RECALLED THAT THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT TOOK OVER THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR THE DISABLED WHEN IT WAS SET UP IN 1982.

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"IN 1982, THERE WERE ONLY 440 TRAINING PLACES AVAILABLE, 204 IN GOVERNMENT OPERATED SKILLS CENTRES AND THE REMAINING IN SUBVENTED CENTRES.

"SINCE THEN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PLACES HAS STEADILY INCREASED AND WHEN THIS CENTRE BECOMES FULLY OPERATIONAL, A TOTAL OF 976 TRAINING PLACES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DISABLED PERSONS REQUIRING TRAINING," SHE SAID.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE FUTURE PLANNING, MRS WONG NOTED THAT THE 1990 REVIEW OF THE REHABILITATION PROGRAMME PLAN INDICATED THAT THERE WOULD BE A SHORTFALL OF PLACES IN SKILLS CENTRES.

"TO MEET THIS SHORTFALL, TWO NEW CENTRES ARE BEING PLANNED, ONE AT ABERDEEN AND THE OTHER AT WEST KOWLOON, FOR COMPLETION IN 1995/96.

"THESE CENTRES WILL PROVIDE A FURTHER 360 PLACES, INCREASING THE TOTAL TO ABOUT 1,340 PLACES WHICH WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO MEET THE PROJECTED DEMAND," MRS WONG SAID.

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#### NEW SKILLS CENTRE FOR DISABLED OPENS

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THE TUEN MUN SKILLS CENTRE FOR THE DISABLED, THE FIRST TRAINING CENTRE BUILT BY THE GOVERNMENT TO CATER FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF DISABLED PEOPLE, WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, OFFICIATED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY ABOUT 100 GUESTS.

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING, MR H.R. KNIGHT, PROVIDED BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE \$59-MILLION CENTRE WHICH WAS BUILT WITH BOARDING FACILITIES IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN.

"STANDING ON A 5,000 SQUARE METRE SITE ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF YAU OI ESTATE, THE CENTRE HAS SOME 6,300 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE FLOOR SPACE AND 3,800 SQUARE METRES OF OPEN RECREATIONAL AREA," HE SAID.

AFTER THE CEREMONY, THE GUESTS TOURED THE FIRST PHASE OF THE CENTRE, WHICH IS NOW IN OPERATION WITH EIGHT CLASSES BEING RUN. WHEN FULLY OPERATIONAL NEXT YEAR, THE CENTRE WILL RUN 25 CLASSES WITH 300 PLACES, HALF OF WHICH WILL BE RESIDENTIAL ONES.

THE CENTRE HOUSES 14 WORKSHOPS, FOUR CLASSROOMS AND SPECIAL ROOMS SUCH AS LIBRARY, SKETCHING ROOM AND AUDIO VISUAL AIDS ROOM. THE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES ARE MADE UP OF 15 SPECIALLY DESIGNED SELF-CONTAINED DORMITORY UNITS.

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A TOTAL OF 13 TRAINING PROGRAMMES ON CLEANING AND SERVICING, OFFICE MACHINES PRACTICE, INDUSTRIAL SEWING, GARMENT MAKING, ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION, ELECTRONIC SERVICING, JEWELLERY, LEATHER WORK, METAL WORK, OFFSET PRINTING, PACKAGING AND ASSEMBLY, PRINTING, SIGNWRITING AND DECORATION, AND WOODWORK, ARE PROVIDED.

THE MODULES OF EMPLOYABLE SKILL INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACH IS ADOPTED IN THESE VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES WHICH CATER FOR INDIVIDUAL ABILITIES AND PROGRESS OF TRAINEES.

ALL VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES ARE FREE. A MONTHLY BOARDING FEE OF \$470 TO \$500 IS CHARGED FOR RESIDENT TRAINEES.

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## CAREER AT SEA FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

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THE MERCHANT NAVY OFFERS CHALLENGING CAREER PROSPECTS FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS AND YOUNG PEOPLE, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MARINE (MULTI-LATERAL POLICY), MR TSUI SHUNG-YIU, SAID TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

MR TSUI, WHO HAS SIX YEARS SEA-GOING EXPERIENCE AS A MARINE ENGINEER, WAS ADDRESSING A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF CITY NORTHWEST HONG KONG.

MR TSUI SAID: "THERE ARE AMPLE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO QUALIFIED MERCHANT NAVY OFFICERS BOTH AT SEA AND ASHORE.

"QUALIFIED MERCHANT NAVY OFFICERS CAN JOIN THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY AS PORT CAPTAINS/HARBOUR MASTERS, MARINE SUPERINTENDENTS, DOCK MASTERS, PILOTS, MARINE SURVEYORS, SHIP AND CARGO SURVEYORS AND LECTURERS.

"THEY CAN APPLY TO JOIN THE MARINE DEPARTMENT AS MARINE OFFICERS OR SURVEYORS."

HE SAID THE MARINE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG SHIPPING COMMUNITY HAD BEEN CONCERNED FOR SOME TIME WITH THE PROBLEMS POSED BY THE WORLDWIDE SHORTAGE OF MERCHANT NAVY OFFICERS AND IN PARTICULAR THE FALLING RECRUITMENT OF LOCAL TRAINEE OFFICERS.

TOGETHER WITH THE HONG KONG SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, THE MARINE DEPARTMENT HAD TAKEN A NUMBER OF INITIATIVES TO RAISE THE INTERESTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN A CAREER AT SEA.

MR TSUI SAID: "THESE INCLUDED EXHIBITIONS, VIDEO SHOWS, TALKS, VISITS TO THE MARINE DEPARTMENT AND ADJUSTMENT TO TRAINING COURSES TO MEET PRESENT DAY NEEDS."

DURING THE LUNCHEON, MR TSUI ALSO INTRODUCED THE MARINE DEPARTMENT'S EIGHT-AND-A-HALF-MINUTE CHINESE LANGUAGE VIDEO TITLED "MAKE A CAREER AT SEA" AIMED AT INTERESTING YOUNG PEOPLE ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE UPPER FORMS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SUCH A CAREER.

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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR PROBATIONERS SCHEME

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT TODAY (WEDNESDAY) REMINDED PEOPLE INTERESTED IN ASSISTING IN THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS TO SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION FOR JOINING THE VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO JUNE 24.

THE SCHEME WAS SET UP IN 1976 TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND PARTICIPATION IN HELPING OFFENDERS.

"THE VOLUNTEERS ARE EXPECTED TO ASSIST PROBATIONERS IN ACTIVITIES WHICH REQUIRE NO PROFESSIONAL SKILLS," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

"THE RANGE OF SERVICES INCLUDE HELPING PROBATIONERS WHO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH SCHOOL WORK, GUIDING THEM IN THE PROPER USE OF LEISURE TIME AND DIRECTING THEIR INTEREST INTO WHOLESOME SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

"THE VOLUNTEERS ALSO PROVIDE FRIENDSHIP ESPECIALLY TO THOSE PROBATIONERS WITHOUT FAMILY SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE, AND SHARE WITH THEM PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE."

THE VOLUNTEERS SHOULD PREFERABLY BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD, OF SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION LEVEL, MATURE IN PERSONALITY AND WILLING TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH LAW OFFENDERS.

THEY SHOULD ALSO BE WILLING TO SACRIFICE THEIR LEISURE TIME TO SERVE OTHERS WITHOUT MONETARY REWARD.

"NEWLY RECRUITED VOLUNTEERS WILL BE GIVEN A TRAINING AND ORIENTATION COURSE BEFORE STARTING THEIR SERVICES," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THEY WILL NOT HAVE TO TAKE OVER THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF PROBATION OFFICERS," HE ADDED.

THE PERIOD OF SERVICE IS NORMALLY SIX MONTHS SUBJECT TO EXTENSION. THE SPOKESMAN SAID A VOLUNTEER WHO SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED THE SIX-MONTH ASSIGNMENT WOULD BE AWARDED A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AT AN ANNUAL CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

FORMER PARTICIPANTS OF THE SCHEME ARE WELCOME TO APPLY AGAIN.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT PROBATION OFFICES ATTACHED TO MAGISTRACIES AND THE CENTRE FOR THE VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS ON THE 19TH FLOOR, WORLD TRADE CENTRE, 280 GLOUCESTER ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE VSP CENTRE BY JUNE 24.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SCHEME CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 895 4190.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (WEDNESDAY) STOOD AT 26.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 156.229 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 267.641 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 45.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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REVOCATION OF DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY REGISTRATION

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THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING ANNOUNCED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT THE REGISTRATION OF CARANIP FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED AS A DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY HAS BEEN REVOKED AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 19, 1991 AT ITS OWN REQUEST UNDER SECTION 31(2) OF THE BANKING ORDINANCE.

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MAY ANTI-POLLUTION PROSECUTION FIGURE RELEASED

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TODAY (WEDNESDAY) RELEASED A LIST OF COMPANIES THAT HAVE BEEN FOUND GUILTY IN THE COURTS, DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, OF BREACHING ANTI-POLLUTION LEGISLATION CURRENTLY ENFORCED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

SIMILAR ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE REGULARLY ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

THE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS COULD BE VERY TIME-CONSUMING AND AS A RESULT THERE WAS SOMETIMES A LENGTHY TIME GAP BETWEEN THE DATE OF THE OFFENCE AND THE CONVICTION DATE.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE LIST OF PROSECUTION CASES AND THE ASSOCIATED FINES IMPOSED BY THE COURTS DURING THE MONTH OF MAY THIS YEAR:

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NAME (COMPANY/ PERSON)	ADDRESS	DATE OF OFFENCE	NATURE OF OFFENCE	FINES(\$)	RECORD OF OFFENCE	COURT
1. TRI- VIEW LTD	DES VOEUX RD CENTRAL, CENTRAL	1.12.89- 31.12.89	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	1,500	1ST	CENTRAL
2. TRI- VIEW LTD	DES VOEUX RD CENTRAL, CENTRAL	20.12.89 -29.7.90	"	1,500	2ND	CENTRAL
3. EATON HOTELS INTER- NATIONAL LTD	HARBOUR RD, WAN CHAI	15.4.90- 15.6.90	"	1,000	1ST	SOUTH KOWLOON
4. FULLEN- RICH INVESTMENTS LTD	SALISBURY RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	20.4.90- 22.8.90	"	2,500	1ST	FANLING
5. HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO LTD	THREE EXCHANGE SQ, CENTRAL	30.4.90- 12.9.90	"	2,000	2ND	EASTERN
6. SEENHON LTD	JUNCTION RD, KOWLOON TONG	29.5.90- 28.6.90	"	4,000	1ST	SHA TIN
7. TAK FU PRINTING & DYEING CO LTD	SAM KA TSUEN, YAU TONG	1.7.90- 31.8.90	"	1,000	1ST	KWUN TONG
8. WAI SIU CONCRETE CO LTD	WANG KEE ST, KOWLOON BAY	18.7.90	APCO: FAILURE TO TAKE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY AIR POLLUTANT	5,000	1ST	FANLING
9. JACKIE SHARK'S FIN CHIU CHOW RESTR. LTD	NATHAN RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	20.7.90- 25.9.90	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	750	1ST	SOUTH KOWLOON

10. UNIVER- SAL (HOT- DIP) GALVANISING LTD	NATHAN RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	23.7.90	APCO: FAILURE TO TAKE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY AIR POLLUTANT	5,000	1ST	FANLING
11. FORTUNE SOURCE LTD	HARBOUR CITY, TSIM SHA TSUI	27.7.90- 8.8.90	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	1,000	1ST	EASTERN
12. WAH SANG KAI KEE FOUNDRY	FO TAN, SHA TIN	1.8.90	APCO: USING PROHIBITED FUEL IN THE TERRITORY	1,000	1ST	SHA TIN
13. YUPY LTD	KWAI FUK RD, KWAI CHUNG	11.8.90- 28.10.90	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	1,000	1ST	SOUTH KOWLOON
14. KING PUI (HK) LTD	KAT TING VILLAGE, SHA TIN	14.8.90	APCO: USING PROHIBITED FUEL IN THE TERRITORY	2,000	1ST	SHA TIN
15. CLEVER POWER IND LTD	FUK MAN RD, SAI KUNG	18.8.90- 7.11.90	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	500	1ST	KWUN TONG
16. PAK SHUN RESTAURANT	CHUNG ON ST, TSUEN WAN	10.9.90- 24.9.90	APCO: FAILURE TO FURNISH THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE AUTHORITY	1,000	1ST	TSUEN WAN
17. ASCEND DYEING WORKS LTD	WANG LUNG ST, TSUEN WAN	14.9.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	3,000	3RD	TSUEN WAN
18. CHEUNG TAK-YUEN	SA PO RD, KOWLOON CITY	15.9.90	NCO: FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIRE- MENT IN A NOISE ABATEMENT NOTICE	20,000	1ST	SAN PO KONG
19. AIMSHERO INVESTMENTS LTD	PAK TAI ST, HUNG HOM	16.9.90	APCO: UNAUTHORISED INSTALLATION OR ALTERATION OF FURNACES	2,000	1ST	SAN PO KONG

20.GOOD HARVEST LAUNDRY CO	TSING YI IND CTR, TSING YI	2.10.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	6,000	1ST	TSUEN WAN
21.PIONEER ELASTIC FABRIC LTD	KWAI TING RD, KWAI CHUNG	5.10.90	"	2,000	4TH	TSUEN WAN
22.CHUNG HUNG-LEUNG	RUSSELL ST, CAUSEWAY BAY	7.10.90	NCO: PERMIT CONSTRUCTION WORK NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONDITIONS IN A PERMIT	5,000	1ST	EASTERN
23.WAI SIU CONCRETE CO LTD	WANG KEE ST, KOWLOON BAY	11.10.90	APCO: FAILURE TO TAKE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY AIR POLLUTANT	7,500	2ND	FANLING
24.WIDA SIZING WORKS LTD	MA KOK ST, TSUEN WAN	18.10.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	8,000	2ND	TSUEN WAN
25.SINO- SOUTH INDUSTRIES LTD	HO TIN ST, TUEN MUN	18.10.90	"	3,000	3RD	TUEN MUN
26.ACE TANG TRADING & MANUFACTUR- ING CO LTD	ON NING RD, YUEN LONG	23.10.90	NCO: FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT IN A NOISE ABATEMENT NOTICE	5,000	1ST	FANLING
27.GUANG- DONG WATER CONSERVANCY & HYDRO- POWER ENGRG DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	ASHLEY RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	31.10.90	APCO: CONTRAVENING TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF A SPECIFIED PROCESS LICENCE	8,000	4TH	SAN PO KONG
28.LINK TEXTILES & CO (HK) LTD	YEUNG UK RD, TSUEN WAN	31.10.90- 14.11.90	APCO: FAILURE TO FURNISH THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE AUTHORITY	1,000	1ST	TSUEN WAN

29.MING LEE METAL FOUNDRY LTD	LAM TEI, TUEN MUN	1.11.90	APCO: FAILURE TO TAKE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY AIR POLLUTANT	2,000	1ST	TUEN MUN
30.GLORY LOONG INDUSTRIES LTD	TAI YAU ST, SAN PO KONG	2.11.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	3,000	2ND	SAN PO KONG
31.WING KWONG SANG SANG	FU YUNG SHAN, TSUEN WAN	8.11.90	APCO: FAILURE TO ABATE AN AIR POLLUTANT NUISANCE (GENERAL)	1,000	2ND	TSUEN WAN
32.EASTER FINISHING CO LTD	TIN HAU RD, TUEN MUN	12.11.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	2,000	4TH	TUEN MUN
33.NAN SING DYEING WORKS LTD	AUSTIN RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	13.11.90	"	5,000	1ST	TSUEN WAN
34.LEIGHTON CONTRACTORS PTY LTD	QUEEN'S RD EAST, WAN CHAI	19.11.90	APCO: CONTRAVENING TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF A SPECIFIED PROCESS LICENCE	4,000	1ST	EASTERN
35.LEIGHTON CONTRACTORS PTY LTD	QUEEN'S RD EAST, WAN CHAI	22.11.90	"	6,000	2ND	EASTERN
36.CHEUK KIN TRADING LTD	NATHAN RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	22.11.90	NCO: FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENT IN A NOISE ABATE- MENT NOTICE	5,000	1ST	SOUTH KOWLOON
37.GUANG- DONG WATER CONSERVANCY & HYDRO- POWER ENGRG DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	ASHLEY RD, TSIM SHA TSUI	27.11.90	APCO: CONTRAVENING TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF A SPECIFIED PROCESS LICENCE	8,000	5TH	SAN PO KONG
38.WILSONIA DEVELOPMENT LTD	TA CHUEN PING ST, KWAI CHUNG	27.11.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	4,500	1ST	TSUEN WAN

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39.NISHI-MATSU CONSTRUCTION CO LTD	TAI HANG DRIVE, SO KON PO	9.12.90	NCO: CARRY OUT CONSTRUCTION WORK WITHOUT A VALID CONSTRUCTION NOISE PERMIT	5,000	1ST	EASTERN
40.KWOK SIU-WAI	TAI HANG DRIVE, SO KON PO	9.12.90	NCO: PERMIT CONSTRUCTION WORK WITHOUT A VALID CONSTRUCTION NOISE PERMIT	5,000	1ST	EASTERN
41.LICK SANG KNITTING & DYEING FTY	WANG LUNG ST, TSUEN WAN	11.12.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	8,000	6TH	TSUEN WAN
42.DIK SUN DYEING FTY LTD	WING LAP ST, KWAI CHUNG	11.12.90	"	4,500	3RD	TSUEN WAN
43.YAT SUN DYEING & FINISHING WORKS LTD	SAN ON ST, TUEN MUN	18.12.90	"	3,000	3RD	TUEN MUN
44.KAN YUK	WING KEE, PAK SHER WOR NEW VILLAGE, CLEARWATER BAY	19.12.90	WPCO: DISCHARGE WASTE MATTER INTO A STREAM IN THE JUNK BAY WATER CONTROL ZONE WITHOUT A LICENCE	3,500	1ST	KWUN TONG
45.SHUI LUNG TEXTILES LTD	TAI YAU ST, SAN PO KONG	21.12.90	APCO: EXCESSIVE DARK SMOKE EMISSION	2,000	1ST	SAN PO KONG
46.MAXMIL-LION IND LTD	SHING FONG ST, KWAI CHUNG	7.1.91	"	3,000	2ND	TSUEN WAN
47.MAXMIL-LION IND LTD	SHING FONG ST, KWAI CHUNG	17.1.91	"	3,000	3RD	TSUEN WAN

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48. UNIVER- SAL DOCK- YARD LTD	KO FAI RD, YAU TONG	18.1.91	DASO: DUMPING OF 750 CUBIC METRES OF DREDGED MARINE MUD AT SEA SOUTH OF CHEUNG CHAU WITHOUT A LICENCE	5,000	5TH	EASTERN
49. LEIGHTON CONTRACTORS PTY LTD	QUEEN'S RD EAST, WAN CHAI	21.1.91	APCO: CONTRAVENING TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF A SPECIFIED PROCESS LICENCE	3,000	3RD	EASTERN
50. UNIVER- SAL DOCK- YARD LTD	KO FAI RD, YAU TONG	5.2.91	DASO: DUMPING OF 750 CUBIC METRES OF DREDGED MARINE MUD AT MIRS BAY WITHOUT A LICENCE	2,500	6TH	EASTERN
51. KORNWALL CONSTRUC- TION & ENGINEERING CO LTD	MAN WAN RD, MONG KOK	7.2.91	WPCO: DISCHARGE MATTER INTO A STORM WATER DRAIN	10,000	1ST	SHA TIN
52. CHENG PUI-KUEN (TUG BOAT MASTER)	ABERDEEN MAIN RD, ABERDEEN	28.2.91	DASO: DUMPING OF 750 CUBIC METRES OF EXCAVATED MATERIAL AT SEA SOUTHEAST OF TUNG LUNG CHAU OTHERWISE THAN UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LICENCE CONDITION	3,000	1ST	EASTERN
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LEUNG KOON-YAU (BARGE SAILOR)	HING WAH EST, CHAI WAN	28.2.91	DASO: DUMPING OF 750 CUBIC METRES OF EXCAVATED MATERIAL AT SEA SOUTHEAST OF TUNG LUNG CHAU OTHERWISE THAN UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LICENCE CONDITION	3,500	2ND	EASTERN

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APCO: AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE

NCO: NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE

DASO: DUMPING AT SEA ACT 1974 (OVERSEAS TERRITORIES) ORDER 1975

WPCO: WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE

ON THE PROVISION OF THE NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE RELATING TO NEIGHBOURHOOD NOISE, THREE PERSONS WERE PROSECUTED BY THE POLICE FOR EMITTING EXCESSIVE NOISE FROM DOMESTIC PLACES, WITH FINES OF \$250 EACH.

CASE 51 WAS THE FIRST CASE IN WHICH A CONSTRUCTION COMPANY WAS PROSECUTED AND CONVICTED UNDER THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE FOR OFFENCE OF DISCHARGING MUDDY WASTEWATER INTO STORMWATER DRAINS FROM CONSTRUCTION WORK.

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID WASTEWATER ARISING FROM CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES HAVE LONG BEEN PROBLEMS OF POLLUTION AND HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR BLOCKAGE OF PUBLIC DRAINS ESPECIALLY IN AREAS WHICH ARE BEING DEVELOPED. THE WIDENING OF THE AMBIT OF THE WPCO BY THE AMENDMENT IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR HAS ENABLED THE AUTHORITY TO CONTROL ALL EFFLUENTS, OTHER THAN DOMESTIC SEWAGE AND UNPOLLUTED WATER, DISCHARGED TO PUBLIC SEWERS.

CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES ARE ADVISED TO ENSURE THAT WASTEWATER FROM CONSTRUCTION SITE UNDERGO SEDIMENTATION FACILITIES TO REMOVE THE SOLIDS BEFORE DISCHARGING IT INTO ANY PUBLIC DRAINS.

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## NOTE TO EDITORS:

ENQUIRIES ON SPECIFIC CASE CAN BE ADDRESSED TO THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICERS :

APCO	MR FRANKLIN CHUNG	TEL NO. 835 1046
NCO	MR STEVEN HO	TEL NO. 835 1123
DASO	MR PATRICK LEI	TEL NO. 782 7280
WPCO CASE 44	DR DANIEL LAU	TEL NO. 782 7282
WPCO CASE 51	MR PERRY LAI	TEL NO. 417 4100

HOWEVER, ENQUIRIES ON GENERAL ISSUES SHOULD CONTINUE BE DIRECTED TO THE EPD'S PUBLIC RELATIONS SECTION.

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GOVT LOT TO LET BY TENDER

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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE SHORT-TERM TENANCY OF A LOT AT WESTERN PARK ROAD, WESTERN RECLAMATION.

IT IS A 9,250-SQUARE-METRE SITE FOR OPEN STORAGE AND/OR VEHICULAR PARKING, INCLUDING CONTAINER VEHICLES, AND FOR THE STUFFING AND DESTUFFING OF CONTAINERS.

THE TENANCY IS FOR 18 MONTHS AND RENEWABLE MONTHLY THEREAFTER.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF TENDERS IS NOON ON JULY 5.

FORM OF TENDER, TENDER NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND TENDER PLAN INSPECTED AT THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES, HONG KONG WEST AND KOWLOON AND THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, 14TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, CENTRAL.

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ACTION AGAINST UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORK

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING TO CLOSE AN UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORK IN SHAM SHUI PO SO THAT IT CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS OR THE PUBLIC.

THE BUILDING WORK IS LOCATED AT THE REAR YARD ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF 108 KI LUNG STREET.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT ON SEPTEMBER 25 WAS POSTED ON THE PREMISES TODAY (WEDNESDAY).

IT IS EXPECTED THAT DEMOLITION WORKS WILL START ONCE THE CLOSURE ORDER IS GRANTED.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND

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EXCHANGE FUND BILLS TENDER RESULTS --- WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 1991

ISSUE NUMBER	Q125	Y191
AMOUNT APPLIED	HKD 855 MN	HKD 446 MN
AMOUNT ALLOTTED	HKD 400 MN	HKD 200 MN
AVERAGE ACCEPTED YIELD	7.63 PCT	7.62 PCT
HIGHEST ACCEPTED YIELD	7.68 PCT	7.64 PCT
PRO RATA RATIO	ABOUT 93 PCT	FULLY ALLOTTED

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## HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND

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NEXT TENDER OF EXCHANGE FUND BILLS --- TUESDAY 25 JUNE 1991

ISSUE NUMBER	Q126	H167
ISSUE DATE	26 JUN 91	26 JUN 91
MATURITY DATE	25 SEP 91	27 DEC 91
TENOR	91 DAYS	184 DAYS*
AMOUNT ON OFFER	HKD 400 + 80 MN	HKD 200 + 60 MN

\*REPEAT 184 DAYS

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND  
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS

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	DATE	\$ MILLION
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CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT ON	14.6.91	430*
EFFECT OF FORWARDS TO BE SETTLED ON	19.6.91	+339
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS MORNING		-389
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS AFTERNOON		NEUTRAL
*LATE O/N ASSISTANCE OF 50 MN PROVIDED ON 14.6.91 TO BE REVERSED TODAY		
TRADE WEIGHTED INDEX	115.0	*+0.2* 19.6.91

## HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

CLOSING YIELDS OF EXCHANGE FUND BILLS

	14.6.91	19.6.91
MATURING IN 1 WEEK	7.60 PCT	7.68 PCT
1 MONTH	7.54 PCT	7.62 PCT
3 MONTHS	7.52 PCT	7.61 PCT
6 MONTHS	7.51 PCT	7.59 PCT
12 MONTHS	7.48 PCT	7.60 PCT
TOTAL BILLS TRANSFERRED	1,510 MN	2,083 MN

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