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YOUTH ORCHESTRAS CONTINUE TO DRAW CROWD IN U.K.

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THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA CONTINUE TO DRAW ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSES FROM AUDIENCES DURING THEIR CURRENT TOUR OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

FOLLOWING THEIR SUCCESSES IN BRISTOL AND ABERDEEN THE YOUTH CHINESE ORCHESTRA TOOK PART IN THE ORIENTAL MUSIC FESTIVAL ORGANISED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM ON WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 15).

THE ORCHESTRA PLAYED CLASSICAL ITEMS FROM ITS REPERTOIRE DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THE CONCERT TO AN AUDIENCE THAT INCLUDED REPRESENTATIVES FROM JAPAN, KOREA, SINGAPORE, CHINA, INDONESIA AND VIETNAM. THEIR PROGRAMME INCLUDED SOLO AND ENSEMBLE PIECES FOR A VARIETY OF ANCIENT CHINESE INSTRUMENTS.

IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE PERFORMANCE THE ORCHESTRA PLAYED 20TH CENTURY COMPOSITIONS TO SHOW THE CONTRAST AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHINESE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC.

THE ORGANISERS OF THE FESTIVAL IN DURHAM LABELLED THE HONG KONG CONTRIBUTION AS +ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING SO FAR+, AND THE ORCHESTRA HAD TO RETURN ON STAGE TWICE IN RESPONSE TO ENCORES FROM THE AUDIENCE.

AT A RECEPTION AFTER THE CONCERT, THE HONG KONG GROUP PRESENTED SOUVENIRS TO REPRESENTATIVES OF EACH OF THE COUNTRIES PRESENT, TO THE UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM AND TO THE ORGANISERS OF THE FESTIVAL.

EARLIER IN THE DAY MEMBERS OF THE ORCHESTRA PAID A COURTESY CALL ON THE MAYOR OF DURHAM.

THEY WERE SHOWN ROUND THE CHAMBERS OF THE GUILDHALL AND GIVEN, AS SOUVENIRS, FIRST DAY COVERS COMMEMORATING THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRANTING OF THE CHARTER FOR THE CITY. THE HONG KONG MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR, MR. GORDON SIU PRESENTED THE MAYOR WITH SOUVENIRS ON BEHALF OF THE ORCHESTRA.

LION DANCING WHICH THRILLED THE AUDIENCE, OPENED THE TWO ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCES IN EDINBURGH ON AUGUST 10-15. THE LIONS SALUTED THE LORD PROVOST OF EDINBURGH WHO ATTENDED THE PERFORMANCE WITH OTHER CIVIC LEADERS FROM THE CITY.

THE CHINESE ORCHESTRA PERFORMED A SELECTION OF ANCIENT AND MODERN CHINESE MUSIC, AND THE YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, UNDER THE BATON OF DAVID STONE, MUSIC CONSULTANT, ENDED THE CONCERT WITH A ROUSING INTERPRETATION OF WALTON'S HENRY V SUITE.

THE 165 MUSICIANS ATTENDED A RECEPTION GIVEN BY THE LORD PROVOST OF EDINBURGH ON AUGUST 15. ON BEHALF OF THE ORCHESTRA, THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR PRESENTED A SOUVENIR TO THE LORD PROVOST, AND PASSED ON THE GREETINGS OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG.

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MEANWHILE, A NUMBER OF YOUNG HONG KONG MUSICIANS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO PLAY IN THE SECOND INTERNATIONAL ORCHESTRA IN ABERDEEN. THE LEADER OF THE ORCHESTRA IS AN 18-YEAR-OLD HONG KONG MUSICIAN TO YAN.

COMMENTING ON THE ACHIEVEMENT HONG KONG'S MUSIC CONSULTANT MR. DAVID STONE SAID: +THIS IS A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS, AND IS CLEARLY INDICATIVE OF HONG KONG'S POTENTIAL.+

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TRANSFORMATION OF TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN CONTINUING
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THE TRANSFORMATION OF TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN IS CONTINUING WITH A HOST OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES FIGURING LARGELY IN THE PROCESS.

WORK ON A MULTI-PURPOSE AUDITORIUM IS JUST ONE OF THE PROJECTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT BETWEEN APRIL AND JUNE ALONE THREE STANDARD SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND RANK AND FILE MARRIED QUARTERS FOR THE FIRE SERVICES IN KWAI CHUNG WERE COMPLETED.

+ALSO UNDER CONSTRUCTION WERE ANOTHER FIVE SECONDARY SCHOOLS, TWO PRIMARY SCHOOLS, A CREMATORIUM AND COLUMBARIUM, A PERMANENT MARKET, AND AN ESTATE COMMUNITY BUILDING,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

PILING CONTRACTS FOR THE URBAN CLINIC AT LEI MUK SHUE, A PRIMARY SCHOOL AT SHEK WAI KOK ESTATE AND THE BUILDING CONTRACT FOR THE KWAI CHUNG INDOOR GAMES HALL WERE AWARDED.

AND WORKING DRAWINGS WERE IN HAND FOR A COMMUNITY HALL AND A PRIMARY SCHOOL AT SHEK WAI KOK ESTATE, A COMMUNITY HALL AT LAI YIU ESTATE, AN ESTATE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT CHEUNG CHING ESTATE, A SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX IN KWAI CHUNG, A MARKET AND LIBRARY BUILDING AT SHEK YAM, A COOKED FOOD CENTRE, A LORRY PARKING AREA IN KWAI CHUNG AND A RECREATIONAL CENTRE AT TSO KUNG TAM PARK.

AS TO HOUSING, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT CHEUNG SHAN ESTATE WAS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED, AND DOMESTIC BLOCKS AT LEI MUK SHUE, SHEK WAI KOK, CHEUNG CHING AND TAI WO HAU WERE UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

WORK ON SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY LINE, INCLUDING TAI WO HAU AND LAI KING STATIONS, IS ALSO IN HAND.

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CARRY OUT DUTIES FIRMLY BUT POLITELY - CUSTOMS OFFICERS TOLD

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TWELVE INSPECTORS OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE WHO HAVE JUST COMPLETED A 28-WEEK INTENSIVE TRAINING COURSE, WERE CALLED ON TO CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES FIRMLY BUT WITH POLITENESS AT ALL TIMES.

ADDRESSING THE GROUP AT THE PASSING-OUT PARADE HELD AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TRAINING SCHOOL IN TAI LAM CHUNG TODAY (SATURDAY), SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT, MR. J.C. PRISK SAID, +IN THE PERFORMANCE OF YOUR DUTIES YOU WILL COME ACROSS PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE, SOME OF THEM ARE CO-OPERATIVE BUT OTHERS ARE FAR FROM REASONABLE.

+TO DEAL WITH THEM YOU SHOULD BE POLITE IN YOUR BEHAVIOUR, FOR YOUR BEHAVIOUR WILL REFLECT ON THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE SERVICE AS A WHOLE. FAVOURABLE OR ADVERSE COMMENTS ON THE SERVICE VERY MUCH DEPEND UPON HOW YOU HANDLE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.+

HE STRESSED THAT WHATEVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, CUSTOMS INSPECTORS SHOULD CONTROL THEIR TEMPER AND BE MODERATE.

+BY THE VERY NATURE OF YOUR DUTIES YOU WILL BE SUBJECT TO ENORMOUS PRESSURES AND TEMPTATIONS,+ MR. PRISK ADDED.

+THESE MUST BE RESISTED, FOR AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE, NOTHING LESS THAN AN ABSOLUTE STANDARD OF INTEGRITY IS ACCEPTABLE,+ MR. PRISK SAID.

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NEW MARITIME BUOYAGE SYSTEM

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT WILL INTRODUCE A NEW SYSTEM OF MARITIME BUOYAGE EARLY NEXT YEAR TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANISATION (IMCO).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) IMCO CONSIDERED THAT THE LACK OF UNIFORMITY IN BUOYAGE AND THE WRECK-MAKING RULES ADOPTED BY VARIOUS COUNTRIES TENDED TO CONFUSE MARINERS.

+THEREFORE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIGHTHOUSE AUTHORITIES (IALA), A NEW SET OF RULES COMBINING BOTH CARDINAL AND LATERAL MARKS INTO A SINGLE SYSTEM HAS BEEN INTRODUCED,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM, PORT HAND BUOYS WILL BE PAINTED RED AND DISPLAY RED LIGHTS- STARBOARD HAND BUOYS WILL BE PAINTED GREEN AND DISPLAY GREEN LIGHTS.

/OTHER BUOYS

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OTHER BUOYS OF DIFFERENT SHAPES AND COLOURS WITH SPECIFIC TOP MARKS WILL INDICATE ISOLATED DANGERS AND SAFE WATER.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE NEW SYSTEM WILL BE PHASED IN FROM APRIL NEXT YEAR. IT WILL TAKE ABOUT EIGHT MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

+THE ADVANTAGES OF THE NEW SCHEME ARE THAT SINCE THE SYSTEM IS INTERNATIONALLY UNIFORM, MARINERS WILL BE FAMILIAR WITH IT AND, BY OBSERVING THE SHAPES, COLOURS AND TOP MARKS OF BUOYS, THEY WILL READILY IDENTIFY THOSE WATERS THAT ARE SAFE FOR NAVIGATION,+ HE ADDED.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SALISBURY ROAD
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THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SALISBURY ROAD BETWEEN CHATHAM ROAD AND MIDDLE ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR FIVE HOURS BETWEEN 0.30 A.M. AND 5.30 A.M. ON TUESDAY (AUGUST 21) TO FACILITATE THE REMOVAL OF THE WOODEN FRAMEWORK OF A PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGE IN THE AREA.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF THE SAME SECTION OF SALISBURY ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE WAY EASTBOUND, WHILE THE SLIP ROAD IN FRONT OF THE NEW WORLD CENTRE WILL BE OPENED FOR ONE-WAY WESTBOUND TRAFFIC.

THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SALISBURY ROAD BETWEEN CHATHAM ROAD AND MIDDLE ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC IN THE SAME PERIOD ON AUGUST 25, DURING WHICH, THE SLIP ROAD IN FRONT OF THE NEW WORLD CENTRE WILL BE OPENED FOR ONE-WAY WESTBOUND TRAFFIC.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP IN THE AREA AND POLICE OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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RE-ROUTING OF MAXICAB SERVICE

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DUE TO THE CLOSURE OF BROADWOOD ROAD NEXT MONTH FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT WORK, MAXICAB ROUTE 14 OPERATING BETWEEN PURVES ROAD AND CAUSEWAY BAY ON HONG KONG ISLAND WILL BE REVISED FROM MONDAY (AUGUST 20).

THE REVISED ROUTE WILL BE VIA TAI HANG ROAD, BLUE POOL ROAD AND VENTRIS ROAD INSTEAD OF BROADWOOD ROAD.

THE RE-ROUTING WILL UNDERGO A TRIAL PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS DURING WHICH A SURVEY WILL BE CARRIED OUT TO ASSESS THE LEVEL OF SERVICE AND RECOMMENDATIONS WILL THEN BE MADE ON WHETHER THE SERVICE SHOULD BE FRANCHISED OR TERMINATED.

THREE MAXICABS ARE OPERATING ON THIS ROUTE FROM 7.15 A.M. TO 7.30 P.M. DAILY WITH PEAK FREQUENCIES AT 10 MINUTES INTERVALS AND OFF-PEAK 15 MINUTES.

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FIRING PRACTICE

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON FOUR DAYS NEXT WEEK.

THE PUBLIC ARE WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING DURING THE TIME OF FIRING PRACTICE.

THE PRACTISING TIMES ARE:

<u>DATES</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
AUGUST 21 (TUESDAY)	8 A.M. - 1.30 P.M.
AUGUST 22 (WEDNESDAY)	11 A.M. - 4 P.M.
AUGUST 23 (THURSDAY)	8 A.M. - 4 P.M.
AUGUST 24 (FRIDAY)	8 A.M. - 4 P.M.

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