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## HONG KONG'S RE-EXPORT TRADE IN 1977

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HONG KONG'S RE-EXPORTS IN 1977 AMOUNTED TO \$9,829 MILLION — AN INCREASE OF 10.1 PER CENT IN VALUE AND 2.3 PER CENT IN VOLUME COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

ACCORDING TO RE-EXPORT TRADE FIGURES RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY, THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF THIS TRADE WAS ATTRIBUTED MAINLY TO A SHARP RISE OF 7.7 PER CENT IN RE-EXPORT PRICES.

MOST OF THE RE-EXPORTS WERE DESTINED TO ASIAN COUNTRIES WHICH ALTOGETHER ACCOUNTED FOR 68 PER CENT OF TOTAL VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS.

COMPARED TO 1976, JAPAN, A LEADING MARKET FOR RE-EXPORTS, RECORDED A SHARP DECLINE OF 10.7 PER CENT TO \$1,339 MILLION LAST YEAR. MAJOR DECLINES OF RE-EXPORTS TO JAPAN OCCURRED IN NON-METALLIC MINERAL MANUFACTURES, COFFEE, TEA AND COCOA.

HOWEVER, SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN RE-EXPORTS WERE REGISTERED FOR OTHER MAJOR ASIAN MARKETS SUCH AS SINGAPORE (VALUED AT \$1,063 MILLION, +13.3 PER CENT), INDONESIA (\$1,059 MILLION, +49.6 PER CENT), TAIWAN (\$872 MILLION, +7 PER CENT) AND SOUTH KOREA (\$456 MILLION, +18.3 PER CENT).

THE FOLLOWING TABLE SHOWS THE CHANGES IN RE-EXPORT TRADE BY END-USE CLASSIFICATION BETWEEN 1976 AND 1977.

|  | VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS IN |       | % CHANGE<br>IN VALUE<br>1977/1976 |
|--|------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
|  | 1976                   | 1977  |                                   |
|  | (HK\$ MN.)             |       |                                   |
| <u>CONSUMER GOODS</u>  | 4,076                  | 4,296 | + 5.4%                            |
| DIAMONDS   | 780                    | 741   | - 5.0%                            |
| WATCHES  | 554                    | 623   | +12.3%                            |
| JADE AND PRECIOUS STONES,<br>IVORY, JEWELLERY,<br>GOLDSMITHS' AND<br>SILVERSMITHS' WARES | 506                    | 449   | -11.3%                            |
| MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL<br>PRODUCTS   | 367                    | 375   | + 2.4%                            |
| TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED<br>ARTICLES   | 324                    | 350   | + 8.1%                            |

/RAW MATERIALS .....

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| <u>RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-<br/>MANUFACTURES</u>   | 2,904 | 3,404 | +17.2% |
| INEDIBLE ANIMAL AND<br>VEGETABLE CRUDE MATERIALS  | 493   | 482   | - 2.2% |
| DYEING, TANNING AND<br>COLOURING MATERIALS  | 339   | 323   | - 4.8% |
| CHEMICAL ELEMENTS AND<br>COMPOUNDS  | 151   | 197   | +30.9% |
| FABRICS OF MAN-MADE FIBRES  | 155   | 182   | +17.9% |
| WOVEN COTTON FABRICS  | 141   | 182   | +28.8% |
| <u>FOODSTUFFS</u>   | 1,000 | 900   | -10.0% |
| FISH AND FISH PREPARATIONS  | 220   | 220   | - 0.2% |
| TEA AND COFFEE  | 316   | 206   | -34.6% |
| VEGETABLES  | 123   | 124   | + 1.2% |
| FRUIT   | 109   | 118   | + 9.0% |
| MEAT AND MEAT PREPARATIONS  | 19    | 25    | +37.1% |
| <u>CAPITAL GOODS</u>  | 887   | 1,140 | +28.6% |
| TEXTILE MACHINERY   | 98    | 112   | +13.7% |
| TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT   | 65    | 107   | +65.1% |
| OTHER INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY<br>(MAINLY METALWORKING AND<br>CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY)       | 38    | 53    | +42.1% |
| ELECTRICAL MACHINERY  | 41    | 53    | +28.8% |
| SCIENTIFIC, MEDICAL, OPTICAL,<br>MEASURING AND CONTROLLING<br>INSTRUMENTS AND APPARATUS | 46    | 52    | +12.9% |
| <u>FUELS</u>  | 60    | 89    | +47.4% |

/RE-EXPORTS .....

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RE-EXPORTS OF CONSUMER GOODS, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR 43.7 PER CENT OF TOTAL RE-EXPORTS IN 1977, SHOWED AN INCREASE OF 5.4 PER CENT IN VALUE.

SIGNIFICANT INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN RE-EXPORTS OF RAW MATERIALS, CAPITAL GOODS AND FUELS.

THE SHARP FALL IN RE-EXPORTS OF FOODSTUFFS WAS LARGELY ATTRIBUTED TO AN UPSURGE IN PRICES FOR TEA AND COFFEE WHICH HAD THE EFFECT OF DEPRESSING THE DEMAND FOR THESE COMMODITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

CHINA WAS THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLIER OF HONG KONG'S RE-EXPORTS IN THE PAST YEARS. RE-EXPORTS OF CHINA ORIGIN, COMPRISING MAINLY TEXTILE MAKE-UP ARTICLES, CRUDE VEGETABLE MATERIALS, CLOTHING AND TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD, WERE VALUED AT \$2,492 MILLION (+ 3.7 PER CENT), OF WHICH \$400 MILLION WERE DESTINED TO INDONESIA, \$282 MILLION TO U.S.A., \$275 MILLION TO SINGAPORE AND \$243 MILLION TO JAPAN.

RE-EXPORTS OF JAPAN ORIGIN ROSE SIGNIFICANTLY FROM \$1,225 MILLION IN 1976 TO \$1,735 MILLION IN 1977, REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF 41.6 PER CENT. THE BULK OF INCREASES OCCURRED IN MOTOR VEHICLES, WATCHES AND CLOCKS.

THE RE-EXPORTS OF JAPAN ORIGIN WERE MAINLY CONSIGNED TO INDONESIA (\$383 MILLION, + 291.4 PER CENT), SINGAPORE (\$292 MILLION, + 8.3 PER CENT) AND THE U.S. (\$177 MILLION, + 30.2 PER CENT).

OTHER MAIN SOURCES OF SUPPLY OF HONG KONG RE-EXPORTS WERE, IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE, U.S.A. (\$1,249 MILLION, + 1 PER CENT), SWITZERLAND AND LIECHTENSTEIN (\$415 MILLION, + 10.7%), TAIWAN (\$362 MILLION, + 40.6 PER CENT) AND F.R. OF GERMANY (\$257 MILLION, + 13.1 PER CENT).

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CIVIL SERVICE DISPUTES NOT CAUSE FOR ALARM  
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IT IS TRUE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN RATHER MORE DISPUTES IN THE CIVIL SERVICE LATELY THAN USED TO BE THE CASE, BUT THEY HAVE NOT NECESSARILY GROWN TO AN EXTENT WHICH SHOULD CAUSE ALARM.

MR. DEREK MACE, PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH, SAID THIS TODAY (WEDNESDAY) DURING A LUNCHTIME TALK TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST.

MR. MACE SAID IT MUST BE REMEMBERED THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE HAD GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, AND NOW REPRESENTED ABOUT SIX PER CENT OF THE EMPLOYED POPULATION OF HONG KONG.

+SIXTEEN DISPUTES IN THE PAST YEAR OR SO HAVE BEEN QUOTED RECENTLY, BUT THEY MUST BE SEEN IN THIS CONTEXT,+ MR. MACE SAID. +INEVITABLY, A CAREFUL ANALYSIS SUGGESTS A COMPLEX VARIETY OF CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES AND IT IS ALL TOO EASY TO JUMP TO THE CONCLUSION THAT POOR OR INADEQUATE MANAGEMENT IS THE PRINCIPLE ONE.

+MY OWN, AND I EMPHASISE VERY PERSONAL, ASSESSMENT IS THAT, APART FROM A GENERAL WORLDWIDE TREND TOWARDS INSTABILITY WHICH HAS AFFECTED LABOUR RELATIONS LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE, THE SHEER SIZE OF THE CIVIL SERVICE AND THE UNDERLYING ASSUMPTIONS UPON WHICH EMPLOYMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR ARE BASED MUST LEAD TO RATHER MORE DISPUTES AND OF A DIFFERENT TYPE THAN ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

+THE VAST MAJORITY OF BUSINESSES IN HONG KONG ARE RELATIVELY SMALL IN SCALE AND THERE ARE NOT THE SAME PROBLEMS OF COMMUNICATION WHICH COULD SO EASILY ARISE IN A LARGER ORGANISATION.

+AND INCIDENTALLY, HOW I ENVY THE SMALL BUSINESS WHICH DOES NOT HAVE TO OPERATE ON THE BASIS OF EVERYONE KNOWING PRECISELY HOW MUCH EVERYONE ELSE IN THE ORGANISATION IS GETTING UP TO AND INCLUDING THE MANAGING DIRECTOR.+

MR. MACE SAID A FURTHER DIFFERENCE WHICH MIGHT BE SIGNIFICANT WAS THAT THE +BOSS+ IN THE CIVIL SERVICE WAS A MORE SENIOR OFFICER, BUT NECESSARILY AN EMPLOYEE JUST THE SAME. POSSIBLY HE LACKED THE AUTHORITY OR EVEN THE MOTIVATION TO REACT IN THE SAME WAY AS WOULD THE BUSINESSMAN.

THESE CONSIDERATIONS BROUGHT WITH THEM SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF FRONT LINE SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT WHICH, MR. MACE THOUGHT, WE ALL WOULD ACCEPT REQUIRED POSSIBLY GREATER ATTENTION THAN HAD BEEN GIVEN IN THE PAST.

HE ADDED: +BUT I THINK A THIRD FACTOR IS OF EVEN GREATER SIGNIFICANCE. THIS IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE BUSINESS WORLD AND CIVIL SERVICE IN THE ESSENTIAL NATURE OF THE WORK CONTRACT.

+ALTHOUGH THERE IS CERTAINLY A HIGHER DEGREE OF MOBILITY IN AND OUT OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE THAN WAS ONCE THE CASE IT IS STILL VERY TRUE TO SAY THAT GOVERNMENT SERVICE IMPLIES A COMMITMENT TO A FULL CAREER IN MOST CASES.+

/MR. MACE .....

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MR. MACE SAID THE PENSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NON-INDUSTRIAL CIVIL SERVANT HAD THE EFFECT OF DETERRING MOBILITY SINCE THEY PROVIDED FOR PAYMENT OF PENSION ONLY AFTER REACHING AGE 50 AND WITH A MINIMUM OF 10 YEARS' SERVICE.

HE SAID BY AND LARGE THE PUBLIC SERVICE WANTED THE BULK OF ITS MIDDLE AND SENIOR STAFF TO STAY FOR A WORKING LIFE TIME. MOST DID SO, NOT ONLY BECAUSE THEY WERE LOCKED INTO THEIR PENSION ARRANGEMENTS BUT ALSO BECAUSE IN LARGE AREAS OF WORK THE EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE GAINED HAD LITTLE MARKET VALUE IN THE COMMERCIAL FIELD.

+SO, UNLIKE THE EMPLOYEES OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY WHO CAN 'VOTE WITH THEIR FEET' -- LEAVE THE COMPANY IF THEY CONSIDER THEY ARE NOT GETTING A FAIR DEAL -- THIS IS NOT EQUALLY AN ALTERNATIVE FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE.

+I SUGGEST TO YOU, THEREFORE, IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT, ONCE HAVING IRRETRIEVABLY COMMITTED HIMSELF TO THE CIVIL SERVICE, THE PUBLIC SERVANT IS HIGHLY SENSITIVE TO HIS EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS.+

MR. MACE ALSO SUGGESTED IT WAS ONLY TO BE EXPECTED THAT CIVIL SERVANTS WERE MORE VOCAL THAN IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR BECAUSE THEY WERE BACKED BY A HIGH DEGREE OF JOB SECURITY AND IN A SITUATION WHERE DETAILS OF EVERY CIVIL SERVANT'S PAY AND CONDITIONS WERE PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE FOR THE PRICE OF A COPY OF THE PRINTED ESTIMATES. THE TWO SITUATIONS WERE REALLY VERY DIFFERENT, HE SAID.

+HAVING SAID THIS I WOULD NOT HOWEVER LIKE YOU TO GAIN THE IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE AT ALL COMPLACENT. EVEN ONE SERIOUS DISPUTE IS TOO MANY AND I HAVE MADE THESE COMMENTS NOT IN EXCUSE, BUT SIMPLY TO HELP A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS AND DIFFICULTIES WE FACE IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.+

HE SAID THERE WAS CERTAINLY MUCH TO BE DONE IN THE FIELD OF PAY MANAGEMENT WHICH, LIKE OTHER ASPECTS OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION, WAS DEMANDING MORE ATTENTION THAN HAD EVER BEEN NECESSARY IN THE PAST.

+I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE IS VERY MUCH AWARE OF THE NEED FOR GREATER EFFORT IN THIS FIELD AND THAT WE ARE DOING ALL WE CAN TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY,+ HE SAID.

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PLAN TO IMPROVE BUS SERVICES IN KOWLOON  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY HAVE AGREED ON A PROGRAMME TO IMPROVE EXISTING BUS SERVICES AND TO INTRODUCE NEW ROUTES IN KOWLOON THIS YEAR FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF AN ASSESSMENT ON THE ADEQUACY OF BUS SERVICES FOR URBAN AREAS OF KOWLOON.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID IMPROVEMENTS BY MEANS OF USING LARGER CAPACITY BUSES AND INCREASING FREQUENCIES WILL BE INTRODUCED ON EIGHT EXISTING ROUTES COVERING LAM TIN, SAU MAU PING, TSZ WAN SHAN, LOK FU, CHEUNG SHA WAN AND LAI CHI KOK.

SEVEN NEW ROUTES ARE ALSO PLANNED, SOME TO CATER FOR THE DEMAND GENERATED BY NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS IN TAI WOH PING, CHOI WAN ESTATE AND SHUN LEE ESTATE WHICH WILL BE OCCUPIED BY THE MIDDLE OF THIS YEAR.

OTHER NEW SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO AREAS NOT SERVED BY BUSES BEFORE AND WILL BE OPERATED WHEN NEW ROADS SUITABLE FOR THE OPERATION OF BUSES ARE COMPLETED.

THE EXPERIMENTAL BUS ROUTE 11A INTRODUCED LAST YEAR, WILL BE CANCELLED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DURING THE EXPERIMENTAL PERIOD, THE AVERAGE OCCUPANCY OF THIS PEAK-HOUR ONLY SERVICE HAS BEEN VERY LOW.

HE SAID THAT THE RESIDENTS OF KOWLOON BAY TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA HAD EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH THE EXPERIMENTAL DIVERSION OF ROUTE 15A WHICH THEY CONSIDERED OF LIMITED USE ONLY.

A SURVEY CARRIED OUT LAST MONTH SHOWED THAT THE PATRONAGE ALONG WAI YIP STREET HAD INCREASED BY 16 PER CENT ON BOTH TZE WAN SHAN BOUND AND LAM TIN BOUND JOURNEYS SINCE THE DIVERSION OF THE BUS ROUTE IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT IN VIEW OF THE INCREASED DEMAND, ROUTE 15A WOULD CONTINUE OPERATING ALONG WAI YIP STREET.

HE SAID THAT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO MEET THE REQUEST OF THE KOWLOON BAY 2ND, 3RD AND 4TH VILLAGE TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT ACTION GROUP FOR A DIRECT BUS SERVICE TO JORDAN ROAD AND THEIR WORK PLACE AT HONG KONG TEXTILE FACTORY IN CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

HOWEVER, HE POINTED OUT THAT A NEW BUS SERVICE BETWEEN KWUN TONG AND CHEUNG SHA WAN IS INCLUDED IN THE ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR 1978. THIS ROUTE WILL OPERATE ALONG WAI YIP STREET AND WILL BE USEFUL FOR PASSENGERS WISHING TO GO TO CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

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INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT MISSION TO EUROPE

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF INDUSTRY, MR. ROY PORTER, LEAVES FOR EUROPE THIS EVENING TO SEEK MORE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT AS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORT TO DIVERSIFY OUR INDUSTRIAL BASE.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT SAID THAT MR. PORTER WOULD GO FIRST TO LONDON TO ATTEND A CONFEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRIES SEMINAR ON APRIL 26 AT WHICH THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, WOULD BE THE MAIN SPEAKER.

MR. PORTER WILL MEET BRITISH INDUSTRIALISTS AND HAVE TALKS WITH OFFICIALS AT THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE IN LONDON.

HE WILL ALSO HOLD A SEMINAR AT THE UTRECHT EXHIBITION CENTRE IN HOLLAND. THE SEMINAR WILL COINCIDE WITH TECH-TRANSFER '78 -- THE INTERNATIONAL FAIR FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.

THE SEMINAR WILL FEATURE A 15-MINUTE COLOUR FILM PRODUCED BY THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT TO SHOW HONG KONG'S ATTRactions AS A MANUFACTURING CENTRE. ALSO GIVING A TALK AT THE SEMINAR WILL BE DR. JOHN WRIGHT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY CENTRE.

FROM HOLLAND MR. PORTER WILL RETURN TO BRITAIN WHERE HE WILL PRESENT A SEMINAR IN BIRMINGHAM BEFORE RENEWING CONTACTS MADE ON PREVIOUS VISITS TO FACTORIES IN THE MIDLANDS.

THE DEPARTMENT'S SPOKESMAN SAID THAT AN INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION OFFICER OF THE INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION BRANCH, MR. CYRIL BERNARD, AND ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER MR. EDMUND CHEUNG, ARE ALREADY IN EUROPE ORGANISING THIS LATEST SERIES OF SEMINARS.

AFTER THE UTRECHT AND BIRMINGHAM SEMINARS, THEY WILL SEPARATELY FOLLOW UP CONTACTS WITH MANUFACTURERS, MAINLY IN THE LIGHT AND MEDIUM HEAVY INDUSTRIES, BEFORE RETURNING TO HONG KONG.

THE DEPARTMENT'S PREVIOUS FULL-SCALE INDUSTRIAL PROMOTION MISSION TO EUROPE WAS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER LAST YEAR WHEN MR. PORTER AND MR. CHEUNG VISITED BRITAIN, GERMANY AND SWITZERLAND.

ONE OF THE RESULTS OF THAT EARLIER MISSION WAS THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR POWDER METALLURGY PLANT WHICH IS BEING SET UP IN YAU TONG.

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO ATTEND ASIAN  
DEVELOPMENT BANK MEETING IN VIENNA  
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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR. PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, LEAVES HONG KONG THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING TO ATTEND THE 11TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN VIENNA FROM APRIL 24 TO 26.

ALSO IN HONG KONG'S DELEGATION WILL BE MR. DOUGLAS BLYE, SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS= AND MRS. STELLA HUNG, ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN THE MONETARY AFFAIRS BRANCH.

THE DELEGATION IS DUE BACK ON APRIL 30.

DURING MR. HADDON-CAVE'S ABSENCE, MR. HENRY CHING, DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY, WILL ACT AS FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

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CHIEF SECRETARY OPENS SWIMMING POOL AT POLYTECHNIC  
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, TODAY OPENED THE SWIMMING POOL AT THE POLYTECHNIC, WHICH WAS NAMED IN MEMORY OF A FORMER DEPUTY COLONIAL SECRETARY, THE LATE MR. MICHAEL CLINTON.

SIR DENYS SAID MR. CLINTON WOULD HAVE BEEN GLAD BECAUSE THE POOL WOULD PROVIDE SPORTING FACILITIES FOR THE YOUTH OF HONG KONG +FOR WHOM HE HAD BOTH ADMIRATION AND LIKING+.

SIR DENYS THOUGHT THAT, ABOVE ALL, MR. CLINTON WOULD HAVE BEEN DELIGHTED THAT HIS NAME SHOULD BE RECORDED IN THIS PERMANENT FORM IN HONG KONG.

+MICHAEL SPENT MORE THAN HALF HIS LIFE HERE,+ SIR DENYS SAID. +HONG KONG WAS FAR MORE TO HIM THAN JUST THE PLACE WHERE HE WORKED. IT WAS THE CORE OF HIS LIFE, THE MAGNET FOR HIS TALENT AND ENERGY AND THE PART OF THE WORLD WHICH HE LOVED BEST.

+WHAT BETTER MONUMENT COULD THERE BE, FOR SOMEONE WHO THOUGHT SO WELL OF HONG KONG AND OF ITS YOUTH, THAN THIS POOL, WHICH WILL BRING PLEASURE TO THOUSANDS OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN IN THE YEARS TO COME AND WILL REMIND US, WHO KNEW HIM, OF A FINE LIFE OF SERVICE TO HONG KONG?+

SIR DENYS SAID MR. CLINTON'S MANY FRIENDS REMEMBERED HIS WISDOM, BORN OF KEEN OBSERVATION AND WIDE EXPERIENCE OF HIS FELLOW MEN, AND TOLERANCE.

/+THEY RECALL .....

+THEY RECALL HIS QUIET FIRMNESS AND HIS MORAL PRINCIPLE, IN AN AGE OF EXPEDIENCY. THEY THINK OF HIS SUDDEN SMILE, OF HIS FRIENDLY EYES AND OF HIS FREQUENT LAUGHTER. THEY REMEMBER A MAN OF CHARITY, WHOM THEY MISS GREATLY AND FOR WHOSE FRIENDSHIP THEY ARE GRATEFUL.+

SIR DENYS SAID MR. CLINTON WOULD HAVE BEEN PLEASED HAD HE BEEN ABLE TO BE PRESENT THAT A GROUP OF HIS FRIENDS SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT SO MUCH OF HIM THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO DONATE +THIS SUPERB POOL+ TO HIS MEMORY.

+HE WOULD HAVE BEEN HAPPY,+ SIR DENYS SAID, +BECAUSE HE BELIEVED FIRMLY IN THE POLYTECHNIC AND IN ITS VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AND WAS ONE OF ITS EARLIEST PROPONENTS WITHIN OFFICIAL CIRCLES.+

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HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARINE DEPARTMENT  
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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT ITS PORT COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE AND PUBLIC CARGO WORKING AREAS AT WAN CHAI, YAU MA TEI, KWUN TONG AND TSUEN WAN WILL REMAIN OPEN ON FRIDAY (APRIL 21), WHICH IS A GENERAL HOLIDAY.

THE MACAU FERRY WHARF UNIT OFFICES WILL BE OPEN FROM 7.30 A.M. ON THAT DAY TO 1.30 A.M. THE NEXT DAY.

ALL OTHER OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE CLOSED DURING THE HOLIDAY.

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