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145 PASS PART II OF LICENTIATE EXAM.
FOR UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS
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THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HONG KONG MEDICAL COUNCIL TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT 145 CANDIDATES HAVE PASSED PART II OF THE LICENTIATE EXAMINATION FOR UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS.

A TOTAL OF 170 CANDIDATES SAT FOR THE 3-HOUR EXAMINATION ON APRIL 15, WHICH WAS DESIGNED TO TEST THE CANDIDATES' ENGLISH FOR PROFESSIONAL PURPOSES.

THE 25 CANDIDATES WHO FAILED WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESIT THIS PART OF THE EXAMINATION NEXT YEAR.

THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMITTEE, MR. IAN YOUNG, EXPLAINED THAT THE PAPER COMPRISED A MEDICAL TEXT FOR COMPREHENSION ON WHICH THERE WERE TWELVE QUESTIONS OF THE +TRUE+ OR +FALSE+ TYPE. CANDIDATES WERE ALSO ASKED SEVEN QUESTIONS ON THREE MEDICAL CASE HISTORIES, INCLUDING WRITING A REFERRAL LETTER TO A SPECIALIST, WHAT ADVICE THEY WOULD GIVE A PATIENT SUFFERING FROM A PARTICULAR COMPLAINT AND TO SELECT AND COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE NOTIFICATION FORM FOR A CERTAIN DISEASE.

HE REITERATED THAT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE WORKING PARTY ON UNREGISTRABLE DOCTORS, IT WAS NOT THE AIM TO TEST GENERAL COMPETENCE IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN THIS PART OF THE EXAMINATION.

+THE PAPER HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO ENSURE THAT THE CANDIDATES' COMMAND OF WRITTEN ENGLISH IS ADEQUATE FOR PROFESSIONAL PURPOSES SO THAT THEY CAN COPE WITH SUCH MATTERS AS PRESCRIPTIONS, STATUTORY FORMS, CLINICAL CASE NOTES, TECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORTS AND REFERRALS AND KEEP THEMSELVES REASONABLY UP-TO-DATE WITH THE DEVELOPMENTS AND PROGRESS OF WESTERN MEDICINE THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS,+ HE SAID.

MR. YOUNG SAID THAT HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY CRITICISM OF THIS PAPER FROM ANY OF THE CANDIDATES ALTHOUGH THERE HAD BEEN SOME SPECULATION IN THE PRESS ABOUT THE DIFFICULTY OF THE PAPER BY PEOPLE WHO HAD NOT SEEN IT.

HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WOULD BE ABLE TO SIT FOR THE THIRD PART OF THE LICENTIATE EXAMINATION IN JULY, WHICH IS A 45-MINUTE ORAL EXAMINATION ON PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE. THIS WILL TEST THE CANDIDATES' ABILITY TO APPLY THEIR PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE TO CLINICAL PROBLEMS WITH EMPHASIS UPON ASPECTS OF MEDICINE ENCOUNTERED IN HONG KONG. CANDIDATES WILL BE GIVEN 15-MINUTE ORAL EXAMINATION IN THE THREE DISCIPLINES OF MEDICINE, SURGERY, OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY AND THEY MUST PASS ALL SUBJECTS AT ONE SITTING. CANDIDATES WILL BE GIVEN THE OPTION OF TAKING THE EXAMINATION IN CHINESE OR ENGLISH.

CANDIDATES WHO PASS PART III WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO UNDERGO THE PERIOD OF PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT AND TRAINING OR +EXTERNSHIP+ WHICH WILL NORMALLY BE OF 18-MONTHS DURATION. THE EXTERNSHIP IS DUE TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER.

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NEW PARK FOR TUEN MUN NEW TOWN
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A \$390,000 PARK - THE FIRST RECREATIONAL PROJECT IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN TO BE FINANCED BY A PRIVATE DONATION - WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY BY SIR YUET-KEUNG KAN, SENIOR UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

THE PARK, FEATURING NINE CHINESE PAVILIONS AND A REFRESHMENT KIOSK WITH FLOWERS AND GREENERY, WAS LATER HANDED OVER TO THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR MANAGEMENT.

THE PROJECT, WITH ITS FOUNDATION STONE LAID 16 MONTHS AGO BY THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES, IS NAMED AFTER ITS DONOR, MR. DEACON CHIU, A COMMUNITY LEADER IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

LOCATED AT THE CENTRE OF TUEN MUN, IT SERVES AS AN ADDITIONAL REST GARDEN FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE NEW TOWN.

THE ORIGINAL COST WAS LESS THAN HALF OF THE \$390,000 BUT WAS LATER REVISED TO UPGRADE THE QUALITY AND DESIGN TO EMBODY THE USE OF HIGH-QUALITY CHINESE-STYLE ROOFING AND GLASS MOSAICS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, SIR YUET-KEUNG SAID THE PARK WOULD HELP FILL THE GROWING NEED FOR RECREATIONAL AMENITIES OF THE RAPIDLY DEVELOPING TUEN MUN NEW TOWN.

HE NOTED THAT IN RECENT YEARS, THE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN SPENDING IN TUEN MUN LARGE SUMS OF MONEY IN THE PROVISION OF HOUSING, EDUCATION, MEDICAL AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES TO IMPROVE PEOPLE'S LIVING STANDARD.

HE PRAISED MR. CHIU FOR HIS DONATION OF THE PARK AND FELT IT SHOULD BE AN ENCOURAGING LEAD FOR OTHERS TO FOLLOW.

EARLIER, THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES DESCRIBED THE PROJECT AS A +MATERIAL SIGN+ OF THE PUBLIC'S PARTICIPATION IN THE BUILDING OF THE NEW TOWN AND COMMUNITY.

+I HOPE, AS THE YEARS GO BY, MANY OTHERS WILL FOLLOW THIS EXAMPLE,+ MR. AKERS-JONES ADDED.

FOLLOWING THE HANDING OVER OF THE PARK, THE DIRECTOR OF URBAN SERVICES, MR. BRIAN WILSON, SAID THE DEACON CHIU PARK WAS A MOST WELCOME ADDITION TO RECREATIONAL AMENITIES IN THE NEW TOWN WHICH NOW HAD A POPULATION OF ABOUT 50,000.

HE SAID THAT TUEN MUN, IN COMMON WITH THE OTHER NEW TOWNS AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS, WAS PLANNED TO PROVIDE A FULL RANGE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES NECESSARY FOR A POPULATION OF 500,000 PEOPLE, FROM SMALL SITTING-OUT AREAS TO LARGE SPORTING COMPLEX SUCH AS SWIMMING POOLS AND FOOTBALL STADIA.

+THE TASK IS A MAMMOTH ONE, BUT IT MUST NEVERTHELESS BE ACHIEVED IF THE AIM OF MAKING THE NEW TOWNS SELF SUFFICIENT IS TO MEAN ANYTHING,+ HE SAID.

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ANOTHER PRESTIGE SITE FOR AUCTION

ANOTHER MAJOR DEVELOPMENT SITE ON THE WAN CHAI RECLAMATION WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION IN THE CITY HALL ON MAY 11 (WEDNESDAY) BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE.

THE SITE - OF SOME 4,940 SQUARE METRES - IS LOCATED BETWEEN GLOUCESTER ROAD AND HARBOUR ROAD, AND IS THE SECOND OF SEVERAL PRESTIGE SITES IN THE AREA TO BE SOLD FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT.

THE SITE MAY BE DEVELOPED FOR EITHER COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL USE, OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH. HOTEL DEVELOPMENT IS ALSO PERMITTED.

IT IS NEAR THE MAIN BUSINESS CENTRES OF HONG KONG ISLAND, AND AT THE HUB OF THE MAIN ROAD AND FERRY NETWORK LINKING THE ISLAND AND KOWLOON.

APART FROM THE WAN CHAI RECLAMATION SITE, THERE WILL BE TWO OTHER SITES, OFFERED FOR AUCTION ON THE SAME DAY - MAY 11.

ONE IS LOCATED AT LOWER LASCAR ROW, HAVING AN AREA OF ABOUT 100 SQUARE METRES AND IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL USE.

THE OTHER LOT OF ABOUT 2,800 SQUARE METRES AT BELLEVIEW DRIVE, REPULSE BAY, IS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL USE.

ALTOGETHER, ABOUT 24 LOTS OF CROWN LAND WILL BE PUT UP FOR SALE IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS, AND COMPRISE 15 NON-INDUSTRIAL LOTS, 8 PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL LOTS AND ONE INDUSTRIAL LOT. THE TOTAL AREA INVOLVED IS ABOUT 36,000 SQUARE METRES.

MEANWHILE, 4 LOTS OF CROWN LAND WILL BE AUCTIONED TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 2.30 P.M. IN THE LECTURE HALL, CITY HALL.

ONE LOT OF 2,029.1 SQUARE METRES, SITUATED AT CAPE ROAD, CHUNG HOM KOK, IS EARMARKED FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES AND THE REMAINING THREE LOTS ARE FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

ONE OF THEM, SITUATED BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND LOWER LASCAR ROW, HAS AN AREA OF 1,779.4 SQUARE METRES, ANOTHER OF 100.5 SQUARE METRES, IS AT 11 SHAM CHUN STREET, YAU MA TEI, AND THE LAST LOT IS AT PO FONG LANE, PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD, SAN PO KONG, AND HAS AN AREA OF 97.7 SQUARE METRES.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT, THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG, AND AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR, YAU MA TEI, KOWLOON.

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TALKS ON NEW US/HK TEXTILES AGREEMENT
TO TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK
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NEGOTIATIONS ON A UNITED STATES/HONG KONG TEXTILES AGREEMENT, TO REPLACE THE PRESENT ONE, ARE TO TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE EXISTING THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT EXPIRES ON SEPTEMBER 30 THIS YEAR. IT COVERS VIRTUALLY ALL OF HONG KONG'S COTTON, MAN-MADE FIBRE AND WOOL TEXTILES AND GARMENT EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, MR. PETER TSAO, WILL LEAD THE HONG KONG TEAM AT THE NEGOTIATIONS.

THE TEAM COMPRISES FIVE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT OFFICERS. IT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR INDUSTRIAL ADVISERS, MR. FRANCIS TIEN, MR. JACK TANG, MR. FRANK LIN AND MR. STEPHEN LAU, WHO ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD.

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REGIONAL ASIAN YOUTH MUSIC CAMP
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SIX REPRESENTATIVES FROM HONG KONG WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST REGIONAL ASIAN YOUTH MUSIC CAMP TO BE HELD IN THE NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM MAY 1 TO 16.

THE GROUP IS FINANCED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND LED BY MR. JOHN CHENG, INSPECTOR OF MUSIC OF THE DEPARTMENT. THE OTHER MEMBERS ARE MR. LEE CHUNG-SING OF CHUNG CHI COLLEGE, THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG, MR. FRANCIS POON OF THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC, MR. LEE BO-LUEN AND MISS LEI VAI-MENG OF THE BAPTIST COLLEGE, AND MR. SHUM NGAI-HUNG OF LA SALLE COLLEGE.

THE GROUP WILL LEAVE FOR THE PHILIPPINES ON SATURDAY.

OTHER PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES INCLUDE AUSTRALIA, INDONESIA, JAPAN, KOREA, MALAYSIA, NEW ZEALAND, THE PHILIPPINES, SINGAPORE AND THAILAND. THE CAMP WILL BE HOSTED FOR THE FIRST TIME BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.

THE AIM OF THE CAMP IS TO RAISE THE STANDARDS OF MUSIC AND PROMOTE CULTURAL EXCHANGES AMONG ASIAN COUNTRIES.

AN 84-MEMBER ASIAN YOUTH ORCHESTRA AND ANOTHER 40-MEMBER SECOND ORCHESTRA WILL BE FORMED FROM THE YOUNG MUSICIANS OF THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES.

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SELECTION AND ALLOCATION FOR POST-FORM III EDUCATION
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THE WORKING PARTY ON SELECTION AND ALLOCATION FOR POST-FORM III EDUCATION, WHICH WAS SET UP BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN DECEMBER 1976, HAS MET SIX TIMES.

THIS WAS STATED TODAY BY A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WHEN HE COMMENTED ON A REPORT IN AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE MORNING NEWSPAPER.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THE WORKING PARTY HAD NOT YET STARTED DRAFTING ITS REPORT.

+SO FAR THE WORK OF THE WORKING PARTY HAS IN FACT CONSISTED MAINLY IN STUDYING SOME BASIC INFORMATION PAPERS BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT PLUS ABOUT 30 SUBMISSIONS FROM VARIOUS BODIES AND INDIVIDUALS,+ HE SAID.

+THE WORKING PARTY HAS NOT YET IN ANY WAY COMMITTED ITSELF AS TO THE VIEW IT WILL TAKE.+

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A FURTHER TWO OR THREE MONTHS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE WORKING PARTY'S REPORT.

THE SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED INCLUDE SOME WHICH ARE LIMITED TO WARNING THE WORKING PARTY OF THE DISADVANTAGES OF CERTAIN FORMS OF SELECTION WHILE SOME OTHERS CONTAIN POSITIVE PROPOSALS. THESE INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, SYSTEMS INVOLVING THE USE OF INTERNAL SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS WITH EXTERNAL MONITORING, AND ATTENTION HAS ALSO BEEN DRAWN BY SOME WRITERS TO THE POSSIBILITIES OF VOUCHER SYSTEMS.

BUT IT IS EMPHASISED THAT NO FIRM POSITIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY THE WORKING PARTY. IT MUST ALSO BE POINTED OUT THAT THE WORKING PARTY IS MERELY CHARGED WITH PROVIDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION TO CONSIDER.

+THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY THE REPORT AND THE DIRECTOR WILL NOT MAKE ANY DECISION ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS UNTIL HE HAS CONSULTED APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL BODIES AND CONSIDERED ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+ONLY AFTER THAT PROCESS, THAT IS TO SAY SOMETIME IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1978, WILL A DECISION BE REACHED BY THE GOVERNMENT.+

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ROUTE TWISK TO BE CLOSED TO LEARNER DRIVERS
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LEARNER DRIVERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO USE ROUTE TWISK ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 29.

ANNOUNCING THIS TODAY, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE MEASURE WAS AIMED AT IMPROVING TRAFFIC FLOW ON ROUTE TWISK.

HE POINTED OUT THAT ROUTE TWISK WOULD BE USED BY GOODS VEHICLES AS AN ALTERNATIVE ROUTE BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND TSUEN WAN WHEN THE SECTION OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN SHA TSUI ROAD AND PUI TO ROAD WAS CLOSED TO HEAVY VEHICLES BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11 A.M. AND 6 P.M. DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE LEARNER DRIVERS.

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WATER CUT
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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN SAU MAU PING, KOWLOON, WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 1 A.M. ON SATURDAY (APRIL 30) TO ENABLE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TO CARRY OUT A NIGHT LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY SAU MAU PING ROAD, SAU MAU PING PATH, SAU MING ROAD AND HIU KWONG STREET, INCLUDING BLOCK NOS. 1-30, SAU MAU PING ESTATE.

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