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SIR GEOFFREY HOWE TO VISIT HONG KONG  
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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, THE RT HON SIR GEOFFREY HOWE, WILL VISIT HONG KONG ON OCTOBER 11 AND 12 TO BRING HIMSELF UP-TO-DATE WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TERRITORY.

THIS WILL BE SIR GEOFFREY'S FIRST VISIT TO HONG KONG SINCE DECEMBER 1984 WHEN THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION WAS SIGNED.

SIR GEOFFREY WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY LADY HOWE, AND AMONG OFFICIALS IN HIS PARTY WILL BE THE ASSISTANT UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, DR DAVID WILSON, AND SIR GEOFFREY'S PRINCIPAL PRIVATE SECRETARY, MR ANTHONY GALSWORTHY.

SIR GEOFFREY WILL FLY IN FROM LONDON AT 4.30 PM ON SATURDAY (OCTOBER 11) AND WILL ATTEND A MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

IN THE EVENING, SIR GEOFFREY AND LADY HOWE WILL BE GUESTS AT DINNER AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BUILDING. THIS FUNCTION WILL BE HOSTED JOINTLY BY THE GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS.

THE NEXT MORNING, SIR GEOFFREY WILL GIVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE FORMER LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES. HE WILL THEN DEPART FOR CHINA WHERE HE WILL BE THE MINISTER IN ATTENDANCE ON THE QUEEN DURING HER STATE VISIT ON OCTOBER 12 TO 18.

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BANKING ORDINANCE PROVIDES PROTECTION  
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THE NEW BANKING ORDINANCE IS A PACKAGE OF MEASURES DESIGNED TO LIMIT OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPRUDENT BEHAVIOUR BY INSTITUTIONS, THE SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR DAVID NENDICK, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG'S CENTRE OF ASIAN STUDIES, MR NENDICK SAID THIS IMPORTANT PIECE OF LEGISLATION ALSO PROVIDED THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING WITH +WARNING SIGNALS TO TELL HIM WHEN THINGS ARE GOING WRONG SO THAT THERE IS STILL TIME TO PUT THEM RIGHT+.

+FOR HIS PART, THE COMMISSIONER NOW HAS THE ABILITY TO ACT SWIFTLY WHENEVER THE SITUATION SO DEMANDS,+ HE SAID.

MR HENDICK OUTLINED THE SCOPE OF THE NEW ORDINANCE AND REFERRED TO MAJOR CHANGES THAT HAD BEEN INTRODUCED, AND THE REASONS FOR THEM, UNDER SIX HEADINGS: THE COMMISSIONER'S ROLE, AUDIT, REGULATION OF OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT, RESTRICTIONS ON LOANS, THE CAPITAL TO RISK ASSETS RATIO AND THE LIQUIDITY RATIO.

/+IT SHOULD, .....

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+IT SHOULD, HOWEVER, NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT BANKING IS A BUSINESS WHICH INVOLVES RISK -- MISTAKES WILL BE MADE, LOANS WILL NOT ALWAYS BE REPAID, AND PEOPLE WILL NOT ALWAYS BE HONEST.

+LEGISLATION CAN NEVER FULLY REMEDY THESE PITFALLS, NOR CAN IT, OR SHOULD IT, USURP THE PROPER ROLE OF MANAGEMENT WHICH, SIMPLY PUT, IS THAT OF 'MANAGING RISK',+ HE SAID.

HE STRESSED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE NEW ORDINANCE, AS CLEARLY STATED IN ITS PREAMBLE, WAS +TO PROVIDE A MEASURE OF PROTECTION TO DEPOSITORS AND TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL STABILITY AND EFFECTIVE WORKING OF THE BANKING SYSTEM+.

+AND I BELIEVE WE NOW HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL AN ORDINANCE WHICH PROVIDES US WITH BOTH THE DISCIPLINES AND THE FLEXIBILITY WE NEED IF HONG KONG IS TO CONTINUE TO PROSPER AS AN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CENTRE,+ HE SAID.

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#### DRUG EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS PROVES IMPORTANT

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THE IMPORTANCE OF PREVENTIVE EDUCATION IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE HAS LONG BEEN RECOGNISED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THIS EFFECTIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMME IS ONE OF THE STRATEGIES ADOPTED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN).

THIS WAS STATED TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CHAIRMAN OF ACAN, PROFESSOR GERALD CHOA, AT A CEREMONY MARKING THE OPENING OF AN ANTI-DRUGS SEMINAR FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF A REVISED DRUG EDUCATION TEACHING KIT.

PROF GERALD CHOA TOLD THE GATHERING THAT THE FIRST ROUND OF TALKS AT SECONDARY SCHOOLS ON THE DANGER OF DRUG ABUSE WAS NEAR COMPLETION. IT WAS HOPED THAT THE NEXT CYCLE OF SCHOOL TALKS WOULD BEGIN EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THESE TALKS WAS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH BASIC INFORMATION ON DRUGS AND THE PROBLEM OF DRUG ABUSE SO THAT THEY COULD DEVELOP A CORRECT ATTITUDE TOWARDS THEM, HE SAID.

PROF CHOA NOTED THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT DROP OF 23.9 PER CENT IN THE NUMBER OF YOUTHS AGE UNDER 21 NEWLY REPORTED TO THE CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ABUSE (CRDA) IN THE PAST SIX MONTHS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

+ALTHOUGH ENCOURAGED BY THE RESULTS WHICH INDEED REFLECT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STRATEGY ADOPTED, WE SHOULD NOT BE COMPLACENT AND SHOULD CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS IN COMBATTING THE DRUG PROBLEM,+ HE SAID.

/THE ACTING .....

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THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MRS AGNES ALLCOCK, POINTED OUT THAT HEROIN REMAINED THE MOST DANGEROUS AND MOST COMMONLY ABUSED DRUG IN HONG KONG.

+DURING THE FIRST HALF OF 1986, THE NUMBER OF PERSONS REPORTED TO THE CRDA FOR ABUSING HEROIN WAS 6 335, REPRESENTING 97.6 PER CENT OF ALL PERSONS REPORTED IN THE SAME PERIOD,+ SHE SAID.

+AMONG THE HEROIN ABUSERS REPORTED, 6.3 PER CENT WERE YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 21,+ SHE ADDED.

MRS ALLCOCK ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MANDRAX ABUSERS AND THE RECENT SEIZURE OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF SUCH DRUGS BUT GAVE A REASSURANCE THAT THE SITUATION WAS BEING MONITORED CLOSELY.

SHE SAID THAT PUBLICITY AND PREVENTIVE EDUCATION MEASURES WOULD BE STEPPED UP BEFORE THE PROBLEM DETERIORATED.

+APART FROM INCREASED PUBLICITY THROUGH THE MEDIA, THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF PSYCHOTROPIC DRUG ABUSE AND THE PENALTIES INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING WOULD BE EMPHASISED WHEN CONDUCTING DRUG EDUCATION TALKS IN SCHOOLS,+ SHE SAID.

SHE URGED SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO JOIN IN THE BATTLE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE BY REINFORCING DRUG EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

THE SEMINAR FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND EVER HELD, WAS ORGANISED BY THE NARCOTICS DIVISION OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

THE AIM WAS TO GIVE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND TEACHERS A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DRUG PROBLEM AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A FORUM FOR EXCHANGING VIEWS ON THE SUBJECT.

SPEAKERS AT THE SEMINAR, WHICH WAS HELD AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE, INCLUDED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE NARCOTICS DIVISION, ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT, MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

ABOUT 400 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND TEACHERS ATTENDED THE SEMINAR DURING WHICH THE REVISED DRUG EDUCATION TEACHING KIT WAS INTRODUCED BY STAFF OF THE NARCOTICS DIVISION.

THE SPECIALLY DESIGNED AND UPDATED TEACHING KIT CONTAINS TEACHING MATERIALS, EXERCISES FOR STUDENTS, A SET OF SLIDES WITH ACCOMPANYING TAPE AND SCRIPT OF THE RECORDED COMMENTARY, AND A SET OF COLOUR SHOWCARDS ON DRUGS COMMONLY ABUSED IN HONG KONG.

/THE WORK .....

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THE WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN COMBATting THE TWIN PROBLEM OF DRUG ABUSE AND DRUG TRAFFICKING IS ALSO DESCRIBED IN THE KIT.

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BARRACKS INCLUDED IN AMENDED ZONING PLAN  
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THE BOUNDARY OF THE SHAU KEI WAN OUTLINE ZONING PLAN HAS BEEN AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE LEI YUE MUN BARRACKS AND THE ALDRICH BAY RECLAMATION DEVELOPMENT AREA.

THE BARRACKS SITE WILL BE HANDED BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT BY THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES NEXT YEAR.

THE FUTURE USE OF THE SITE IS BEING INVESTIGATED AND AS AN INTERIM MEASURE HAS BEEN ZONED FOR +UNDETERMINED+ USE.

ALSO ZONED FOR +UNDETERMINED+ USE, THE ALDRICH BAY SITE WILL INVOLVE RECLAIMING THE EXISTING TYPHOON SHELTER AND BUILDING A NEW ONE BEYOND THE LIMITS OF THE RECLAMATION AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY STUDIES IN 1984.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT OPEN SPACE AREAS, COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND HOUSING WILL EVENTUALLY OCCUPY THE 25 HECTARES OF LAND.

TO TIE IN WITH NEARBY DEVELOPMENT, THE +OPEN SPACE+, +INDUSTRIAL+ AND +GOVERNMENT-INSTITUTION-COMMUNITY+ SITES AT THE WATERFRONT OF THE EXISTING TYPHOON SHELTER HAVE ALSO BEEN REZONED +UNDETERMINED+.

THE +UNDETERMINED+ AREAS TOTAL 63 HECTARES.

ANOTHER MAJOR AMENDMENT IS A PROPOSAL TO BUILD A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT THE SHAU KEI WAN FOOTHILL (EAST) AREA TO PROVIDE ABOUT 5 500 FLATS FOR 20 000 PEOPLE. SITE FORMATION WORK IS DUE TO START NEXT YEAR. AS PART OF THE PROJECT, A 1.7-HECTARE PARK WILL BE BUILT IN THE CENTRE OF THE ESTATE.

THE PRESENT NUNNERY ON THE SITE WILL BE RETAINED AND A SITE ON THE NORTHERN FRINGES OF THE ESTATE HAS BEEN RESERVED FOR A COMMUNITY CENTRE.

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THE PROPOSED SHAU KEI WAN TRAM DEPOT BENEATH THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR NEAR HING MAN STREET HAS BEEN INCORPORATED INTO THE PLAN. THIS INVOLVES REZONING 7 000 SQUARE METRES OF LAND FROM +OPEN SPACE+ TO +OTHER SPECIFIED USES (TRAM DEPOT)+.

THE NEW DEPOT WILL REPLACE ONE IN WAN CHAI.

A 4 300 SQUARE METRES SITE ON THE RECLAMATION HAS ALSO BEEN RESERVED FOR A SEWAGE SCREENING PLANT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO START OPERATING IN 1989.

THOUGH SHAU KEI WAN IS ADEQUATELY PROVIDED WITH SCHOOLS TO SERVE EXISTING NEEDS, ADDITIONAL SCHOOL SITES HAVE BEEN RESERVED TO MEET FUTURE DEMAND.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE PLAN ARE SITES FOR A FIRE STATION, AN AMBULANCE DEPOT, TEMPLES, MARKETS, A WHOLESALE FISH MARKET, BUS TERMINI, SERVICE RESERVOIRS AND COMMUNITY CENTRES.

THE AREA TO THE EAST OF KORNHILL HAS BEEN ZONED AS +GREEN BELT+, WHILE OTHER SITES IN THE SAME LOCATION HAVE BEEN REZONED FROM +GREEN BELT+ TO +GOVERNMENT-INSTITUTION-COMMUNITY+.

+GREEN BELT+ AREAS ON THE PLAN OCCUPY MORE THAN 54 HECTARES, OR 27 PER CENT OF THE PLANNING AREA.

A TOWN PLANNING BOARD SPOKESMAN SAID THE PLAN AIMED AT PROVIDING MORE LAND FOR COMMUNITY FACILITIES SUCH AS OPEN SPACE AND OTHER GOVERNMENT-INSTITUTION-COMMUNITY USES. THIS WOULD IMPROVE THE GENERAL ENVIRONMENT OF THE DISTRICT.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE POPULATION OF THE PLANNING AREA WOULD BE ABOUT 110 000 ON FULL DEVELOPMENT.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE AMENDMENTS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD BY OCTOBER 23.

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#### WOODHOUSE TO ATTEND REFUGEE TALKS

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THE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR KEN WOODHOUSE, WILL LEAVE FOR GENEVA TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO ATTEND A TWO-WEEK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES AS A MEMBER OF THE BRITISH DELEGATION.

/HE SAID .....

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HE SAID TODAY THAT PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH REFUGEES FROM VIETNAM AND THE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAMME WOULD BE DISCUSSED AS PART OF A GENERAL REVIEW OF THE REFUGEE PROBLEM WORLDWIDE.

AFTER THE MEETING, MR WOODHOUSE WILL VISIT LONDON AND WASHINGTON TO MEET MEMBERS OF RESETTLEMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MR WOODHOUSE WILL MEET THE MEDIA AT THE AIRPORT ON HIS RETURN IN ABOUT THREE WEEKS' TIME. DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN DUE COURSE.

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FIXED PENALTY REGULATIONS GAZETTED  
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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) GAZETTED THE FIXED PENALTY (CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1986 IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEW DRIVING-OFFENCE POINTS SCHEME WHICH CAME INTO EFFECT IN JULY THIS YEAR.

UNDER THE NEW SCHEME, DRIVERS WILL INCUR THREE POINTS FOR EXCEEDING THE SPEED LIMIT BY MORE THAN 15 KPH, FIVE POINTS FOR EXCEEDING THE LIMIT BY MORE THAN 30 KPH AND EIGHT POINTS FOR EXCEEDING THE LIMIT BY MORE THAN 45 KPH.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THESE REGULATIONS SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE AND BROUGHT INTO OPERATION ON JULY 28 THIS YEAR, THAT IS, AT THE SAME TIME AS THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEDULE TO THE FIXED PENALTY (CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) ORDINANCE BUT DID NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE SINCE, DUE TO AN OVERSIGHT, THEY WERE NOT GAZETTED.

+HOWEVER, THE DELAY IN MAKING THESE REGULATIONS AND BRINGING THEM INTO OPERATION DOES NOT AFFECT THE DRIVING-OFFENCE POINTS INCURRED IN THE MEANTIME UNDER THE ROAD TRAFFIC (DRIVING-OFFENCE POINTS) ORDINANCE,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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RATEPAYERS REMINDED TO PAY FOURTH QUARTER RATES

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RATEPAYERS ARE REMINDED THAT RATES FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1986 MUST BE PAID BY 4 PM ON OCTOBER 31.

/A SPOKESMAN .....

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TREASURY SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT LATE PAYMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FIVE PER CENT SURCHARGE AND A FURTHER SURCHARGE OF 10 PER CENT ON ACCOUNTS STILL OUTSTANDING SIX MONTHS AFTER THE DUE DATE.

HE SAID RATEPAYERS SHOULD HAVE BY NOW RECEIVED DEMAND NOTES.

THOSE WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED DEMAND NOTES SHOULD APPLY FOR A COPY AT THE TREASURY RATES SECTION, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), NINTH FLOOR, 11 ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG; THE YAU MA TEI SUB-TREASURY, FOURTH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON; OR 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 RATES MUST BE PAID BEFORE THE DUE DATE, HE POINTED OUT.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT RATES ARE PAYABLE ON VACANT PREMISES BUT ARE REFUNDABLE UNDER CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE RATING ORDINANCE.

HOWEVER, THERE WILL BE NO REFUND 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 IT IS VACANT BY REASON OF AN ORDER OF THE GOVERNMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO POINTED OUT THAT RATEPAYERS WHO HAD 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+ WAS SHOWN IN THE NOTE.

IN THIS CASE THEIR PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY DIRECT DEBIT TO THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS ON OCTOBER 31, 1986.

IN THIS CONNECTION, RATEPAYERS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEIR ACCOUNTS CONTAIN THE NECESSARY FUNDS ON THAT DATE.

TO AVOID 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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#### CLOSURE ORDER SOUGHT FOR ILLEGAL STRUCTURE

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AN ILLEGAL STRUCTURE ON THE MAIN ROOF OF A BUILDING IN KOWLOON IS TO BE DEMOLISHED AS SOON AS A COURT ORDER TO CLOSE IT IS OBTAINED.

AN APPLICATION BY THE BUILDING AUTHORITY FOR THE CLOSURE ORDER WILL BE MADE AT KOWLOON DISTRICT COURT ON DECEMBER 4 IN RESPECT OF THE STRUCTURE OVER FLAT D-1, 6, EASTBOURNE ROAD.

/NOTICES WARNING .....

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NOTICES WARNING THE OCCUPANTS OF THE AUTHORITY'S INTENTION WERE POSTED ON A CONSPICUOUS PART OF THE STRUCTURE TODAY (FRIDAY).

AN ORDER FOR IT TO BE DEMOLISHED, ISSUED MORE THAN 18 MONTHS AGO BY THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE, HAS BEEN IGNORED.

THE PROCEDURE OF OBTAINING A CLOSURE ORDER FIRST IS SO THAT DEMOLITION CAN BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT ENDANGERING THE OCCUPIERS OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

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FIVE LOTS FOR AUCTION THIS MONTH  
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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS PUTTING UP FIVE LOTS OF LAND FOR AUCTION ON OCTOBER 29 -- THREE ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND TWO IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

ONE OF THE HONG KONG SITES IS AT 530-540, LOCKHART ROAD, WAN CHAI. IT HAS AN AREA OF 506.4 SQUARE METRES AND THE DEVELOPER HAS TO COMPLETE A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 2 820 SQUARE METRES BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1990.

THE SITE IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL, EXCLUDING GODOWN AND HOTEL, PURPOSES.

ANOTHER OF THE ISLAND SITES, ALSO IN WAN CHAI, IS AT 497-499, HENNESSY ROAD. IT COVERS AN AREA OF ABOUT 197.1 SQUARE METRES AND IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL, EXCLUDING GODOWN, PURPOSES.

ACCORDING TO THE BUILDING COVENANT, A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 880 SQUARE METRES HAS TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1990.

THE LAST HONG KONG SITE IS SITUATED BETWEEN VICTORIA ROAD AND SAI NING STREET IN KENNEDY TOWN.

COVERING ABOUT 736 SQUARE METRES, THE DEVELOPER HAS TO COMPLETE A GROSS FLOOR AREA OF NOT LESS THAN 3 600 SQUARE METRES BY THE END OF 1990.

IT IS ALSO FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL, EXCLUDING GODOWN, PURPOSES.

THE TWO NEW TERRITORIES SITES ARE NEAR ON LOK TSUEN IN FANLING AND ARE FOR INDUSTRIAL OR GODOWN PURPOSES.

THEY MEASURE 2 029 SQUARE METRES AND 1 690 SQUARE METRES AND THE BUYERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AT LEAST 6 087 SQUARE METRES AND 5 070 SQUARE METRES OF GROSS FLOOR AREA ON THE SITES BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 1990.

THESE SITES WERE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR AUCTION LAST MONTH, BUT WERE WITHDRAWN FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT THE FURAMA HOTEL.

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COMMERCIAL PREMISES IN SAI KUNG TO LET  
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THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT IS TO LET BY TENDER THE GROUND FLOORS AND COCKLOFTS OF FIVE BUILDINGS AT 63-71, MAN NIN STREET IN SAI KUNG.

EACH OF THE PREMISES, MEASURING ABOUT 105 SQUARE METRES AND A YARD OF ABOUT 24 SQUARE METRES, IS FOR COMMERCIAL, EXCLUDING GODOWN, USAGE.

THE TENANCIES ARE FOR THREE YEARS, RENEWABLE ANNUALLY AT THE END OF THIS PERIOD.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING TENDERS IS NOON ON OCTOBER 31.

TENDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SECTION OF THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 10TH FLOOR, 405, NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

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MORE GOVERNMENT JOBS FOR THE DISABLED  
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THE GOVERNMENT IS PROVIDING MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DISABLED IN ITS EFFORTS TO INTEGRATE THEM INTO THE COMMUNITY.

A TOTAL OF 168 DISABLED PERSONS WERE RECRUITED TO THE CIVIL SERVICE IN THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, COMPARED WITH 97 IN THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD.

ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH, THE NUMBER OF DISABLED PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE CIVIL SERVICE HAD JUMPED FROM ABOUT 900 FIVE YEARS AGO TO ABOUT 2 400 AT PRESENT.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID DISABLED PERSONS WERE CONSIDERED ON EQUAL TERMS WITH OTHER APPLICANTS BUT, IF FOUND SUITABLE FOR EMPLOYMENT, THEY WERE GIVEN AN APPROPRIATE DEGREE OF PREFERENCE FOR APPOINTMENT.

+THUS A DISABLED PERSON WOULD NORMALLY BE APPOINTED TO A PARTICULAR POST EVEN THOUGH HE MAY NOT BE ABLE, BECAUSE OF HIS DISABILITY, TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF EVERY POST IN THE RANK,+ HE SAID.

HE REAFFIRMED THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S POLICY OF PLACING THE DISABLED IN APPROPRIATE JOBS WHEREVER POSSIBLE WAS CONSISTENT WITH THE GENERAL POLICY OF INTEGRATING THE DISABLED INTO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE PROCESS OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EVENTUAL GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT.

/+TO FACILITATE .....

+TO FACILITATE THEIR EMPLOYMENT, WHERE NECESSARY, ALTERATIONS TO OFFICE PREMISES AND FITTINGS ARE MADE, AND SPECIAL EQUIPMENT IS ALSO PROVIDED TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR WORK,+ HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT RECOGNISED THAT THE ABILITIES OF MANY DISABLED PERSONS FAR OUTWEIGHED THEIR DISABILITIES AND HOPED THAT MORE DISABLED PEOPLE WOULD BE EMPLOYED IN THE COMING YEAR.

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17 MORE EMPLOYERS PROVIDING JOBS FOR DISABLED  
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THERE HAS BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT FOR DISABLED WORKERS, THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR TONY HAMMOND, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

MR HAMMOND SAID THAT DURING THE 12-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE THIS YEAR, 362 EMPLOYERS GAVE JOBS TO DISABLED PERSONS THROUGH THE SELECTIVE PLACEMENT SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT COMPARED WITH 221 IN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

+THEIR SUPPORT NOT ONLY HELPS DISABLED PERSONS TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR ABILITIES AT WORK BUT ALSO TO LEAD AN INDEPENDENT LIFE,+ HE SAID.

MR HAMMOND WAS SPEAKING AT A LABOUR DEPARTMENT CEREMONY AT WHICH SOUVENIRS WERE PRESENTED TO 10 EMPLOYERS WHO HAD EMPLOYED THE LARGEST NUMBER OF DISABLED PERSONS DURING THE 12-MONTH PERIOD.

HE NOTED THAT THREE OF THE EMPLOYERS WERE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS - THE MOST GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS MAKING UP THE TOP 10 SINCE THE FIRST AWARD CEREMONY WAS HELD IN 1981.

+THIS IS VERY ENCOURAGING BECAUSE AS THE GOVERNMENT IS THE LARGEST EMPLOYER IN HONG KONG, IT SHOULD TAKE THE LEAD IN THE EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PEOPLE,+ MR HAMMOND SAID.

THE EMPLOYERS WERE EACH AWARDED A SOUVENIR PLAQUE AS A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION. THEY WERE LO'S CLEANING SERVICES LTD, SECURITY ALLIANCE LTD, HONG KONG SECURITY LTD, RELIANCE SERVICES CO. LTD, CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, SWIRE MAGNETICS LTD, SEVEN SEAS CANDLES LTD, ELECTROLUX SERVICES (HK) LTD, MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

ANOTHER SIX EMPLOYERS WHO HAD MADE SPECIAL EFFORTS TO RE-ARRANGE DUTIES AND REDEPLOY STAFF IN A BID TO ACCOMMODATE DISABLED EMPLOYEES WERE ALSO PRESENTED CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION.

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THEY WERE HOP FAT INDUSTRIAL CO., SAMWOOD CHEMICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL LABORATORY LTD, SUN WAH ELECTRICAL MANUFACTORY, WAH FUNG INDUSTRIAL CO., WINDSMOOR (HK) LTD AND WING TAT GARMENT FACTORY LTD.

+ON THE BASIS OF THE NUMBER OF DISABLED PERSONS EMPLOYED THEY MAY NOT RANK AMONG THE TOP 10 EMPLOYERS, YET THEIR EFFORTS ARE NO LESS COMMENDABLE,+ MR HAMMOND SAID.

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RECRUIT FIREMEN REMINDED OF RIGOURS OF JOB  
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EIGHTY-TWO RECRUIT FIREMEN WERE REMINDED THAT THEIR WORK CAN ENTAIL DANGER AND HARDSHIP WHEN THEY TOOK PART IN A PASSING OUT PARADE HELD AT THE FIRE SERVICES TRAINING SCHOOL AT PAT HEUNG TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE CHIEF AMBULANCE OFFICER OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR HARRY KENYON, WHO TOOK THE SALUTE AT THE PARADE, SAID THAT THOUGH SOME PEOPLE MIGHT CONSIDER A FIREMAN'S JOB TO BE GLAMOROUS AND EXCITING, THERE WAS ANOTHER SIDE TO THE COIN.

+WHEN THE FLAMES AND EXCITEMENT HAVE DIED DOWN AND THE ONLOOKERS HAVE GONE HOME TO THEIR BEDS YOU WILL OFTEN HAVE TO REMAIN ALL NIGHT LONG IN THE DARK AND WET CONFINES OF A GUTTED BUILDING, SOAKED TO THE SKIN, OFTEN HUNGRY UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT YOU ARE RELIEVED OR YOUR JOB IS COMPLETED,+ HE SAID.

MR KENYON ALSO SAID THAT WHILE A FIREMAN'S LIFE COULD INDEED BE EXCITING AND SOMETIMES DANGEROUS, THERE WERE ALSO SOME OTHER ELEMENTS THEY WOULD HAVE TO COPE WITH.

FOR EXAMPLE, FIREMEN COULD SOMETIMES BE CRITICISED, OFTEN UNFAIRLY, BY THOSE WHO DID NOT APPRECIATE THAT THEIR BEST EFFORTS COULD NOT ALWAYS BE SUCCESSFUL.

AS FIREMEN THEY WOULD HAVE TO WORK LONG HOURS, OFTEN WHEN OTHER PEOPLE WERE ENJOYING HOLIDAY PERIODS, AND SOMETIMES ALSO HAVE TO DEAL WITH TRAGIC SITUATIONS.

IN SPITE OF THESE FACTORS, MR KENYON SAID, +YOU WILL SOON COME TO REALISE, WITH I HOPE A SENSE OF PRIDE, THAT NO ONE ELSE IS EQUIPPED, OR COMPETENT, TO DO YOUR JOB.+

+THE PUBLIC WILL CALL UPON YOUR SERVICES AT ALL HOURS OF THE DAY, IN ALL KINDS OF ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS, IN THE FULL KNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS ONLY YOU THEY CAN TURN TO WHEN HELP IS NEEDED.+

AFTER REVIEWING THE PARADE, MR KENYON PRESENTED THE AWARD FOR THE BEST RECRUIT TO MR CHEUNG WAI-SUN.

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LABOUR EXHIBITION FOR TUEN MUN WORKERS  
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A COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMME WILL BE LAUNCHED IN TUEN MUN TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO ENABLE WORKERS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, LABOUR WELFARE AND LEGISLATION, AND OTHER LABOUR MATTERS.

THE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, YAN OI TONG CENTRE, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

IT INVOLVES A SERIES OF EXHIBITIONS AND SLIDE SHOWS WHICH WILL BE STAGED AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO FIVE PARTS - HEALTH, INCOME, EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, LABOUR LEGISLATION AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT NOON TOMORROW AT THE PUBLIC CARPARK IN KIN ON STREET IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA (AREA 9).

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN SELBY; ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR CHAN WING-KIT; CHAIRMAN OF THE PROGRAMME'S CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR CHAN WU-CHING; DISTRICT SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR CHAN CHE-HIM; CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF YAN OI TONG, MR LO CHI-CHUNG, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, MR YIP HING-CHUNG.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE STAGED AT BUTTERFLY ESTATE COMMERCIAL CENTRE ON OCTOBER 5, ON TING AND YAU OI COMMERCIAL CENTRE ON OCTOBER 11, AND YAN OI TOWN SQUARE ON OCTOBER 12.

IN ADDITION, A QUIZ ON GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF LABOUR MATTERS HAS BEEN CO-ORGANISED WITH THE DISTRICT NEWSPAPER.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT LABOUR EXHIBITION AT NOON TOMORROW IN THE PUBLIC CARPARK IN KIN ON STREET IN THE INDUSTRIAL AREA (AREA 9) OF TUEN MUN.

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STUDENTS REMINDED OF TRAVEL CARD RESTRICTION  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) REMINDED STUDENT TRAVEL CARD HOLDERS THAT FROM OCTOBER 5 (SUNDAY) THEY WILL NO LONGER BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONCESSIONARY FARES ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT ON SUNDAYS.

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+ALSO, THE STUDENT TRAVEL CARD WILL BE INVALID BETWEEN DECEMBER 25 AND JANUARY 1 INCLUSIVE, AND BETWEEN JULY 16 AND AUGUST 31 INCLUSIVE. MOST SCHOOLS WILL BE ON CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR AND SUMMER VACATION RESPECTIVELY ON THESE DATES,+ A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

HE REMINDED STUDENTS TO USE THEIR 1986-87 STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS AS THE CARDS FOR THE LAST ACADEMIC YEAR HAD EXPIRED ON WEDNESDAY.

ABOUT 450 000 STUDENTS HOLD STUDENT TRAVEL CARDS AND THE GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY FOR STUDENT TRAVEL IS ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT \$240 MILLION FOR THE 1986-87 ACADEMIC YEAR.

A LEAFLET EXPLAINING THE REVISED STUDENT TRAVEL SCHEME CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE STUDENT TRAVEL OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, LOW BLOCK, QUEENSWAY GOVERNMENT OFFICES, AND AT DEPARTMENT LICENSING OFFICES.

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#### SPEEDPOST NOW INCLUDES SENEGAL

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SPEEDPOST SERVICE WILL BE EXTENDED TO SENEGAL IN WEST AFRICA FROM MONDAY (OCTOBER 6), A POST OFFICE SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THIS WILL BRING TO 45 THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES INCLUDED IN THE SPEEDPOST NETWORK SERVED FROM HONG KONG.

+SPEEDPOST ITEMS ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR TRANSMISSION TO DAKAR, THE CAPITAL AND ITS SUBURB IN SENEGAL,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

+ITEMS POSTED ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE ADDRESSEES ON THE THIRD WORKING DAY; THOSE POSTED ON TUESDAY WILL BE DELIVERED ON THE FOURTH WORKING DAY WHEREAS ITEMS POSTED ON THURSDAY AND SATURDAY WILL BE DELIVERED ON THE SECOND WORKING DAY.+

BOTH +CONTRACT+ AND +ON DEMAND+ SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE.

THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT PER ITEM FOR SENEGAL IS 20 KG AND THE POSTAGE RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ITEMS WEIGHING UNDER 250 G.	\$110
ITEMS WEIGHING BETWEEN 250 G AND 500 G	\$120
EACH SUBSEQUENT 500 G	\$33

+CUSTOMERS REQUIRING MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO SENEGAL AND THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE GENERALLY SHOULD CONTACT THE POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES ON 5-2671103,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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VARIETY CONCERT TO LAUNCH SINGING CONTEST

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A VARIETY CONCERT FEATURING FOLK SONGS WILL LAUNCH A SINGING COMPETITION IN KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT THIS SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5).

THE KWAI TSING WORKING PEOPLE SINGING CONTEST IS AIMED AT ENHANCING POTENTIAL TALENT AND CULTIVATING AN INTEREST IN MUSIC.

A TOTAL OF 450 APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE CONTEST ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS. APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE AND SEVEN SUB-OFFICES. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS NOVEMBER 5. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 0-254602.

THE COMPETITION IS ORGANISED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT WORKING PEOPLE SINGING CONTEST COMMITTEE WITH SPONSORSHIP BY THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD.

OFFICIATING AT THE CONCERT CEREMONY WILL BE THE ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER OF THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE, MR PETER LEUNG, CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, MR CHAN KWOK-WAI, AND HONORARY SECRETARY OF THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE CENTR, MR ALEXANDER KWAN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE VARIETY CONCERT AT 7 PM ON SUNDAY IN THE S.K.H. MACLEHOSE CENTRE IN KWAI CHUNG.

CONCERT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CLUBHOUSE

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THE EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CONCERT AND CLUBHOUSE FUND-RAISING NIGHT ON OCTOBER 7 (TUESDAY) AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL.

THE 80-MEMBER EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR WAS FORMED IN 1983 AND HAS PERFORMED AT VARIOUS DISTRICT EVENTS. IT WILL JOIN OTHER DISTRICT CHOIRS IN SINGING BEFORE THE QUEEN DURING HER VISIT THIS MONTH.

THE EASTERN DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL HAS BEEN MANAGING THE CHOIR SINCE APRIL LAST YEAR.

ALSO PERFORMING AT THE CONCERT WILL BE THE NEWLY FORMED EASTERN DISTRICT DANCE GROUP, WHICH COMES UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE ARTS COUNCIL AS WELL. IT IS OVER 50-STRONG AND IS NOW RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS.

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THE PROGRAMME WILL START AT 7.30 PM AND WILL FEATURE SONGS, DRAMA, DANCE AND A VIOLIN RECITAL.

TICKETS RANGE IN PRICE FROM \$30 TO \$200 AND CAN BE BOOKED BY TELEPHONING 5-630181 (EXT. 41) OR 5-719898.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES, MR A.K. CHUI, AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG.

THE ARTS COUNCIL OPENED ITS CLUBHOUSE AT BLOCK 11, CHAI WAN ESTATE, IN JULY TO PROVIDE ARTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ANNUAL CONCERT OF EASTERN DISTRICT CHILDREN CHOIR AND CLUBHOUSE FUND-RAISING NIGHT AT 7.30 PM ON OCTOBER 7 AT THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL.

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SCHOOL HEADS TO ATTEND SEMINAR ON SSPA  
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MORE THAN 600 SECONDARY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADS WILL TOMORROW (SATURDAY) ATTEND A SEMINAR ON +ENHANCEMENTS TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES ALLOCATION SYSTEM+, ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

THE SEMINAR, THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF THREE FOR ALL SCHOOL HEADS, IS INTENDED TO FACILITATE DIRECT CONSULTATIONS WITH SCHOOLS ON SSPA ENHANCEMENT SYSTEM. IT WILL BE HELD AT THE SCHOOL HALL OF QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL, 152 SAI YEE STREET, MONG KOK.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (BUILDING AND SYSTEMS), MR S.H. HSU, WILL OPEN THE SEMINAR.

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CIVIC EDUCATION SEMINAR AND QUIZ IN KWUN TONG  
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A SEMINAR AND QUIZ ON CIVIC EDUCATION WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5) AFTERNOON IN KWUN TONG.

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THE FUNCTION, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE, TSUI PING VOLUNTEER GROUP AND ST. BARBARAS' CHURCH SOCIAL SERVICE CENTRE, WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE KWUN TONG COMMUNITY CENTRE AT TSUI PING ROAD FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM.

GUEST SPEAKERS AT THE SEMINAR INCLUDE MR CHANG KA-MUN, MR DAVID CHAN AND MR MAK HOI-WAH. THEY WILL SPEAK ON A WIDE RANGE OF TOPICS INCLUDING CIVIC EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT, THE ROLE OF THE MASS MEDIA AND SOCIAL SERVICES IN PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION.

FOLLOWING THE SEMINAR, THERE WILL BE A QUIZ ON CIVIC EDUCATION.

ADMISSION IS FREE AND ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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RECORD ENTRIES FOR TOLO HARBOUR SWIM  
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THE NUMBER OF SWIMMERS ENTERED FOR THE 19TH CROSS TOLO HARBOUR SWIM ON SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5) HAS SET A RECORD.

A TOTAL OF 1 650 APPLICATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED FOR THE ANNUAL SWIM IN TAI PO.

APPLICANTS INCLUDE 1 400 MEN AND 250 WOMEN, WITH THE YOUNGEST ENTRANT BEING 12 YEARS OLD AND THE OLDEST 83.

THE RACE, ORGANISED BY THE TAI PO SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND CO-SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND A COMMERCIAL FIRM, WILL START AT THE SHA LAN BEACH AND END AT THE TAI MEI TUK WATER SPORTS CENTRE.

ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ANISSA WONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE STARTING CEREMONY AND THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR JAMES HAYES, WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO WINNERS.

PARTICIPANTS ARE REMINDED THAT THE RACE WILL START AT 10 AM AND THAT THEY HAVE TO REPORT TO THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE AT THE TIN HAU TEMPLE IN FUNG SHUI SQUARE, TING KOK ROAD, AT 8 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 19TH CROSS TOLO HARBOUR SWIM IN TAI PO ON SUNDAY. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO USE TRANSPORTATION ARRANGED FOR THEM SHOULD GATHER AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE TAI PO SPORTS ASSOCIATION LI FOOK LAM INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE AT 2 ON CHEUNG ROAD BY 9 AM.

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CENTRAL-WESTERN ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA  
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MORE THAN 200 SWIMMING ATHLETES IN CENTRAL AND WESTERN WILL COMPETE IN THE DISTRICT'S ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA ON SUNDAY (OCTOBER 5).

THE FIVE-HOUR EVENT WILL START AT 1 PM AT THE KENNEDY TOWN SWIMMING POOL. CONTESTANTS WILL TAKE PART IN MORE THAN 30 RACES, INCLUDING FREE STYLE, BACK STROKE, BREAST STROKE, BUTTERFLY AND RELAY.

THE GALA IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS ELIZABETH TSE, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS ASSOCIATION, MR LEUNG CHUNG-YIU, ACTING CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS OFFICER, MRS LEE LEUNG YIM-KWAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, MRS IRENE LI, AND CHAIRMEN OF THE DISTRICT'S SIX AREA COMMITTEES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SWIMMING GALA AT 1 PM AT THE KENNEDY TOWN SWIMMING POOL AT SMITHFIELD, KENNEDY TOWN.

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FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR BUILDING MAC OFFICES  
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MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT SQUATTER AREAS CAN APPLY TO THE DISTRICT BOARD FOR FUNDS TO BUILD OFFICE PREMISES.

UNDER A CONTRIBUTORY SCHEME INTRODUCED BY THE BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE, THE DISTRICT BOARD WILL CONTRIBUTE 80 PER CENT OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS TO LOCAL MAC'S.

THE MAXIMUM DISTRICT BOARD GRANT IS \$20 000, AND MAC'S WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBSEQUENT MAINTENANCE OF THE PREMISES, RENTS, RATES AND ELECTRICITY CHARGES.

A SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE SCHEME WAS DEVISED ON A COST-SHARING BASIS AND PARTICIPANTS WOULD HAVE TO PROVE THAT THEY HAVE A GENUINE INTEREST IN THE PROJECT AND THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO MEET FUTURE EXPENSES ARISING FROM OPERATION OF THE PREMISES.

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+THE DISTRICT BOARD AND DISTRICT OFFICER WILL SCREEN EACH APPLICATION ACCORDING TO ITS OWN MERITS BEFORE APPROVING FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT,+ HE SAID.

+CONSTRUCTION COST SHOULD ONLY COVER ESSENTIAL ITEMS SUCH AS WALLS, PARTITIONS, ROOFING, FLOORING, PAINT-WORK AND LIGHTING, AND NO COMPENSATION OR REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE MADE TO THE MAC IF THE SITE IS LATER CLEARED.

+ALTHOUGH THE DISTRICT BOARD WILL NOT SUBSIDISE THE COST OF FURNITURE OR OTHER EQUIPMENT, THE MAC CAN APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR STATIONERY AND MISCELLANEOUS OFFICE ITEMS UNDER THE DISTRICT OFFICE'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME TO MAC'S,+ HE ADDED.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF THE SCHEME CALL THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE ON 5-540271.

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WESTERN DISTRICT TRAFFIC CHANGES  
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THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN WESTERN DISTRICT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 6) FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS FOR ROAD RECONSTRUCTION ON BELCHER'S STREET:

- \* HAU WO STREET WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND, WHILE THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF HAU WO STREET WILL BE MADE A PEAK HOUR (7 AM TO 10 AM AND 4 PM TO 7 PM) DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY. BESIDES, METERED PARKING SPACES ON HAU WO STREET WILL ALSO BE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.
- \* PUBLIC LIGHT BUS (PLB) STAND ON SMITHFIELD, OPPOSITE THE KENNEDY TOWN PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, WILL BE RESITED TO HAU WO STREET NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH DAVIS STREET, WHILE PLB STAND ON SMITHFIELD NORTH OF BELCHER'S STREET WILL BE RESITED TO THE SECTION OF SMITHFIELD BETWEEN FORBES STREET AND BELCHER'S STREET.
- \* THE SECTION OF SMITHFIELD BETWEEN HAU WO STREET AND BELCHER'S STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES. AFFECTED VEHICLES WILL BE DIVERTED TO HAU WO STREET AND DAVIS STREET TO REJOIN BELCHER'S STREET.
- \* VEHICLES NOT EXCEEDING 10 METRES IN LENGTH ON WESTBOUND BELCHER'S STREET WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN LEFT INTO SMITHFIELD.

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- \* PLB'S WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SECTION OF CADOGAN STREET BETWEEN BELCHER'S STREET AND CATCHICK STREET, AND THE SECTION OF CATCHICK STREET BETWEEN CADOGAN STREET AND SMITHFIELD 24 HOURS DAILY. AT THE SAME TIME, THE SAME ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE MADE A 24-HOUR DAILY PLB RESTRICTED ZONES.
- \* THE SECTION OF BELCHER'S STREET BETWEEN DAVIS STREET AND NORTH STREET WILL BE MADE A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.
- \* VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE SECTION OF SMITHFIELD BETWEEN HOUSE NO. 41A AND ITS JUNCTION WITH BELCHER'S STREET.
- \* VEHICLES TRAVELLING ALONG THE SECTION OF SMITHFIELD SOUTH OF BELCHER'S STREET WILL BE BANNED FROM TURNING RIGHT INTO BELCHER'S STREET. EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND VEHICLES NOT EXCEEDING 10 METRES IN LENGTH ON THIS SECTION OF SMITHFIELD WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN LEFT INTO BELCHER'S STREET. ALL OTHER AFFECTED VEHICLES WILL BE DIVERTED TO POKFIELD ROAD AND POK FU LAM ROAD.
- \* GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 12 ON JOURNEYS TO SAI YING PUN WILL BE DIVERTED TO SMITHFIELD, BELCHER'S STREET WESTBOUND, CADOGAN STREET, CATCHICK STREET, SANDS STREET AND BELCHER'S STREET EASTBOUND BEFORE RESUMING NORMAL ROUTEING. ON JOURNEYS TO KWUN LUNG LAU, IT WILL BE DIVERTED TO BELCHER'S STREET AND SMITHFIELD, OMITTING CADOGAN STREET AND CATCHICK STREET.
- \* GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 13 ON JOURNEYS TO SAI YING PUN WILL BE DIVERTED TO CATCHICK STREET, SANDS STREET, BELCHER'S STREET WESTBOUND AND SMITHFIELD BEFORE RESUMING NORMAL ROUTEING.
- \* GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 23 ON JOURNEYS TO POK FU LAM WILL BE DIVERTED TO CATCHICK STREET, SANDS STREET, BELCHER'S STREET WESTBOUND AND SMITHFIELD BEFORE RESUMING NORMAL ROUTEING. ON JOURNEYS TO KENNEDY TOWN, IT WILL BE DIVERTED TO SMITHFIELD, BELCHER'S STREET WESTBOUND, CADOGAN STREET, CATCHICK STREET, SANDS STREET AND BELCHER'S STREET EASTBOUND BEFORE TERMINATING AT HOLLAND STREET.

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CLOSURE OF SHA TAU KOK ROAD

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SHA TAU KOK ROAD BETWEEN KWAN TEI AND PING CHE ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 11.30 PM ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 6) TO 3.30 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT WORK.

THE MEASURE WILL BE REPEATED FROM 11.30 PM ON OCTOBER 7 TO 3.30 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SHA TAU KOK ROAD, LUK KENG ROAD, BRIDE'S POOL ROAD AND TING KOK ROAD.

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RESTRICTED ZONE CHANGES IN TWO AREAS

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FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 6), THE SECTION OF CHIU LUNG STREET BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL AND A POINT ABOUT NINE METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE MADE A PEAK HOUR (7 - 10 AM AND 4 - 7 PM) DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE.

IN CAUSEWAY BAY, THE SECTION OF GREAT GEORGE STREET BETWEEN PATERSON STREET AND EAST POINT ROAD WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE, ALSO WITH EFFECT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY. THE MEASURE WILL BE IN FORCE FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS.

WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONES, NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS.

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ROAD CLOSURE FOR CHUNG YEUNG

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LOWER SHING MUN ROAD IN TAI WAI, BETWEEN ITS JUNCTIONS WITH TAI PO ROAD AND FU SHAN CREMATORIUM, WILL BE CLOSED DURING CHUNG YEUNG FESTIVAL.

DURING THE CLOSURE, FROM 8 AM TO 4 PM ON OCTOBER 5, 12, 13 AND 19, TRAFFIC EXCEPT EMERGENCY VEHICLES, HEARSEs, AND GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 64K WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE ROAD SECTION.

GRAVE-SWEEPERS GOING TO THE CREMATORIUM SHOULD USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT AS VEHICLES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS ON TAI PO ROAD NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH LOWER SHING MUN ROAD.

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WONG TAI SIN, SHEUNG SHUI RESTRICTED ZONES

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TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN WONG TAI SIN WILL BE DESIGNATED PROHIBITED ZONES FOR VEHICLES OVER 5.5 TONNES FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (OCTOBER 6).

THEY ARE FEI NGOR SHAN ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 750 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND SHA TIN PASS ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 120 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD.

WITH EFFECT FROM MONDAY ALSO, WANG TAU HOM SOUTH ROAD FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH WANG TAU HOM EAST ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 70 METRES WEST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE MADE A RESTRICTED ZONE FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM AND FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM DAILY.

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NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED ZONE.

MEANWHILE, TWO ROAD SECTIONS IN SHEUNG SHUI WILL ALSO BE DESIGNATED PROHIBITED ZONES TO PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES. THESE ARE SAN SHING AVENUE BETWEEN FU HING STREET AND LUNG SUM AVENUE; AND MAN KAM TO ROAD NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH LO WU STATION ROAD.

NO PLB'S WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE RESTRICTED AREA.

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YAU MA TEI WATER CUT  
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN YAU MA TEI WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON TUESDAY (OCTOBER 7) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY WATERLOO ROAD, RECLAMATION STREET, TUNG KUN STREET, CHING PING STREET, PUBLIC SQUARE STREET AND SHANGHAI STREET, INCLUDING SHEK LUNG STREET, MAN MING LANE, HI LUNG LANE, WING SING LANE, CANTON ROAD, LEE TAT STREET AND CHEUNG SHUI STREET.

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ROYAL VISIT PRESS OFFICE

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A PRESS OFFICE HAS BEEN SET UP IN GIS TO HANDLE MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT TO HONG KONG BY THE QUEEN AND THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

ENQUIRIES ON THE VISIT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE ROYAL VISIT PRESS OFFICE ON 5-8428760, 5-8428761 AND 5-8428762.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE REMINDED THAT APPLICATION FORMS FOR LAPEL BADGES TO COVER THE ROYAL VISIT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO GIS ON OR BEFORE MONDAY (OCTOBER 6).

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