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LONDON TRIP +EXCEEDINGLY USEFUL+
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, RETURNED TO HONG KONG THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING AFTER AN +EXCEEDINGLY USEFUL TRIP+ TO LONDON WITH UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

DURING THEIR FOUR-DAY VISIT, THEY HAD MEETINGS WITH BRITISH MINISTERS ON A WIDE VARIETY OF SUBJECTS AND ATTENDED THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

TALKING TO REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT ABOUT THE TRIP, SIR EDWARD SAID: +WE'VE HAD A VERY USEFUL VISIT.

+IT GAVE US A VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE SITUATION WITH THE PRIME MINISTER, THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND MR RENTON AND BRING THEM UP TO DATE ON DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG.

+THEY ONCE AGAIN ASSURED US OF THE VERY GREAT IMPORTANCE WHICH THEY ATTACHED TO CONSULTATIONS OF THIS KIND.

+IT WAS OF COURSE VERY MUCH A MATTER OF REVIEW RATHER THAN TAKING NEW SUBSTANTIAL DECISIONS.

+BUT WE WERE ABLE TO COVER A WIDE VARIETY OF SUBJECTS SUCH AS THE STATE OF OPINION IN HONG KONG, THE 1987 REVIEW, DAYA BAY, VIETNAMESE REFUGEES, BN(O) PASSPORTS AND MATTERS OF THAT KIND.

+QUITE APART FROM THAT, WE WERE ABLE TO MEET A NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AT A RECEPTION WHICH WE GAVE, AND I ATTENDED A VERY SUCCESSFUL DINNER GIVEN BY THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.+

DESCRIBING THE DINNER AS A VERY GOOD PART OF THE PROGRAMME, SIR EDWARD SAID IT WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED BY A LOT OF BUSINESSMEN INTERESTED IN TRADE WITH HONG KONG.

+WE MUST NEVER FORGET THAT A PROSPEROUS AND STABLE ECONOMY IS VITAL TO THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG, AND TRADE MATTERS ARE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE. SO ALL IN ALL, IT WAS A VARIED AND EXCEEDINGLY USEFUL TRIP.+

ASKED ABOUT DIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNOR SAID: +THE SITUATION ON DIRECT ELECTIONS REMAINS AS IT WAS, WHICH IS THAT THEY WILL BE COVERED IN THE 1987 REVIEW.

+AND YOU WILL HAVE SEEN IN STATEMENTS MADE IN LONDON THAT MINISTERS MADE CLEAR THEIR CONTINUING COMMITMENT TO THAT REVIEW AND THEIR INTENTION THAT, IN DRAWING CONCLUSIONS FROM IT, THEY WILL TAKE A FULL ACCOUNT OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED IN HONG KONG.+

ON THE DAYA BAY ISSUE, SIR EDWARD SAID THEY HAD REFLECTED THE CONCERNS FELT IN HONG KONG TO MINISTERS.

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+AND YOU'LL HAVE SEEN IN THE STATEMENT THAT THEY HAVE INDEED REFLECTED THOSE ONTO THE CHINESE AUTHORITIES.

+THEY MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT THEY RECOGNISED THEIR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WELL BEING AND THE CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG.+

HE ADDED THAT THEY EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WOULD BE BUILT AND OPERATED AND MANAGED, AND EVERY EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO REACH THE HIGHEST INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.

THREE OF THE EXCO MEMBERS RETURNED WITH THE GOVERNOR. THEY WERE MR OSWALD CHEUNG, MISS LYDIA DUNN AND MR LEE QUO-WEI.

THEY WERE MET BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, THE DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL, SIR MARK HEATH, AND THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES, MR JOHN CHAN.

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MORE PAEDIATRIC BEDS TO BE PROVIDED

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AN ADDITIONAL 890 PAEDIATRIC BEDS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS IN NEW HOSPITAL PROJECTS AND EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING HOSPITALS, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PAEDIATRIC BEDS TO ABOUT 2 370.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES, DR K.L. THONG, TODAY (SATURDAY) WHEN HE OPENED THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON CALCIUM, PHOSPHATE AND MINERAL NUTRITION IN CHILDREN.

THE TWO-DAY SYMPOSIUM IS THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG PAEDIATRIC SOCIETY AND IS DESIGNED AS A SATELLITE MEETING OF THE SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY HELD RECENTLY IN TOKYO.

THE SYMPOSIUM, ATTENDED BY ABOUT 150 DELEGATES, CONCENTRATES ON ONE ASPECT OF RENAL MEDICINE AND IS INTENDED TO BE A SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOP FOR RESEARCH WORKERS WHO WILL PRESENT THE LATEST ADVANCES IN THIS FIELD.

DR THONG SAID THAT AS PART OF THE CONTINUOUS EXPANSION OF HONG KONG'S MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES A FURTHER SEVEN CHILD ASSESSMENT CENTRES WOULD ALSO BE PROVIDED IN THE NEXT DECADE.

HE SAID IT WAS OPPORTUNE THAT THE HONG KONG SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRICS HAD ORGANISED THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AT THIS TIME AS HONG KONG WOULD NO DOUBT DERIVE MUCH GOOD FROM IT.

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REFERRING TO THE SYSTEM OF DELIVERING MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES IN HONG KONG, DR THONG SAID THAT SERVICES FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN HAD UNDERGONE CONSIDERABLE EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT OVER THE PAST THREE DECADES.

AT THE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE LEVEL, HE SAID, THE NUMBER OF FAMILY HEALTH SERVICE CENTRES HAD INCREASED FROM 19 TO 44.

AT THE SAME TIME, PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES SUCH AS HEALTH EDUCATION, MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH, INCLUDING FAMILY PLANNING, DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING, CHILD ASSESSMENT, GENETIC COUNSELLING AND NEONATAL SCREENING HAD ALL BEEN DEVELOPED AND STRENGTHENED.

DR THONG NOTED THAT AT THE SECONDARY AND TERTIARY LEVEL, WIDE RANGE OF TREATMENT AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES HAD ALSO BEEN PROVIDED THROUGH A NETWORK OF HOSPITALS, MEDICAL REHABILITATION CENTRES AND CLINICS.

REGARDING HEALTH INDICES, DR THONG SAID IN THIS RESPECT HONG KONG COMPARED FAVOURABLY WITH MANY ADVANCED COUNTRIES.

IN 1985, HE SAID, THE INFANT MORTALITY RATE WAS 7.6 PER 1 000 LIVE BIRTHS; THE MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE 0.05 PER 1 000 TOTAL BIRTHS; AND THE PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE 7.7 PER 1 000 TOTAL BIRTHS. LIFE EXPECTANCY FOR MALES WAS 73 YEARS AND FOR FEMALES 79 YEARS.

ON THE PATTERN OF CHILDHOOD DISEASES, DR THONG SAID THIS +HAD CHANGED FOR THE BETTER+.

THROUGH THE INTRODUCTION OF AN EXPANDED PROGRAMME OF IMMUNISATION SINCE THE 1960'S, ALL THE VACCINE-PREVENTABLE CHILDHOOD DISEASES HAD EITHER VIRTUALLY BEEN ERADICATED OR BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL.

+NOWADAYS, CONGENITAL ANOMALIES, PREMATUREITY WITH RESPIRATORY DISTRESS SYNDROME AND ACCIDENTAL INJURIES HAVE BECOME THE LEADING CAUSES OF ILLNESS OR DEATHS AMONG INFANTS AND CHILDREN,+ HE NOTED.

DR THONG ALSO SAID THAT THERE WAS NOW ALSO AN INCREASING AWARENESS CONCERNING METABOLIC DISORDERS IN CHILDREN.

HE FELT THAT THE THEME OF THE SYMPOSIUM ON CALCIUM, PHOSPHATE AND MINERAL NUTRITION WAS MOST TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE IN THE LIGHT OF A CHANGE IN THE PATTERN OF DISEASES IN INFANTS AND CHILDREN.

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FUND RAISING COMPETITION FOR HOSPITAL PROJECT

KWUN TONG RESIDENTS HAVE A CHANCE TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT IN IMPROVING THE DISTRICT'S MEDICAL FACILITIES BY MAKING DONATIONS DURING A THREE-DAY FUND-RAISING COMPETITION WHICH STARTS TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE COMPETITION WILL INVOLVE ALL THE 14 AREA COMMITTEES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS' CORPORATIONS IN THE DISTRICT.

IT IS ONE OF THE SEVERAL FUNCTIONS ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL EXTENSION PROJECT.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, MEMBERS OF THE 14 AREA COMMITTEES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS' CORPORATIONS WILL MAKE DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS TO APPEAL FOR DONATIONS. THE VISITS WILL BE MADE FROM TOMORROW TO TUESDAY, FROM 7 PM TO 10 PM.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO MAKE VISITS DURING THE DAY TIME TOMORROW IN SOME AREAS.

THEY WILL CARRY WITH THEM A TIN BOX WITH THE WORDING +FUND RAISING FOR UCH EXTENSION PROJECT+ PAINTED IN RED. RESIDENTS ARE ASKED TO PUT THEIR DONATIONS INTO THE BOX.

FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES, AREA COMMITTEE AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL CARRY CARDS GIVING THEIR NAMES.

THE THREE AREAS WITH THE HIGHEST AMOUNT IN DONATIONS WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES.

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CIVIC FUN DAY IN EASTERN DISTRICT

EASTERN DISTRICT RESIDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CIVIC EDUCATION TOMORROW (SUNDAY) WHEN THE +EASTERN DISTRICT CIVIC FUN DAY+ OPENS AT VICTORIA PARK.

THE EVENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD, EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE URBAN COUNCIL. IT WILL FEATURE A TELEMATCH, 20 GAMESTALLS AND A CHILDREN'S FUN FAIR.

OVER 25 DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS, AREA COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CIVIC FUN DAY EITHER IN THE FORM OF COMPETING IN THE TELEMATCH OR ESTABLISHING THEIR OWN GAMESTALLS.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE FUN DAY WILL BE THE HOISTING OF A HUGE PUBLICITY BALLOON TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE EVENT BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG.

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OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION PROMOTION WORKING GROUP, MR PAUL YIN, EASTERN DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER, MR G.W. ROPER, AND THE AMENITIES OFFICER (HONG KONG) OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR DANIEL WAN.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EASTERN DISTRICT CIVIC FUN DAY TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW AT VICTORIA PARK, CAUSEWAY BAY.

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FESTIVAL FUN FOR TUEN MUN RESIDENTS
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A NUMBER OF CARNIVALS WILL BE HELD IN TUEN MUN SO THAT RESIDENTS CAN CELEBRATE THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL IN A COMMUNITY ATMOSPHERE.

THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED ABOUT \$61 000 FOR DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES TO ORGANISE PROGRAMMES BETWEEN TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AND SEPTEMBER 20.

TO LAUNCH THE WEEK-LONG CELEBRATIONS, A LANTERN CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE AMPHITHEATRE IN BUTTERFLY ESTATE. PROGRAMMES WILL INCLUDE LANTERN MAKING AND DESIGN COMPETITIONS, GAMESTALLS, SINGING AND DANCING.

OTHER FREE EVENTS WILL ALSO BE HELD IN TAI HING ESTATE, WU KING ESTATE, SIU SHAN COURT AND SIU HONG COURT.

THE DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF THE ACTIVITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
SEPTEMBER 19	7 PM	WU KING ESTATE SOCCER PITCH (NEAR WU TSUI HOUSE)
SEPTEMBER 19	8 PM	ROOFTOP OF CARPARK IN SIU SHAN COURT
SEPTEMBER 20	8 PM	SIU HONG COURT SQUARE
SEPTEMBER 21	7 PM	OPEN SPACE AT THE REAR OF TAI HING NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE UNIT

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PHOTO EXHIBITION ON DISTRICT'S CHARACTERISTICS

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MORE THAN 100 PHOTOGRAPHS DEPICTING THE OLD AND NEW CHARACTERISTICS OF NORTH DISTRICT WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE PODIUM OF CHOI YUEN ESTATE IN SHEUNG SHUI TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE NORTH DISTRICT JUVENILE ASSOCIATION, THE EXHIBITION IS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S CIVIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED THIS YEAR.

APART FROM ENTRIES BY LEADING PHOTOGRAPHERS, EXHIBITS ALSO INCLUDE WINNING ENTRIES FROM A +GET TO KNOW NORTH DISTRICT+ COMPETITION HELD IN AUGUST.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PETER TAM, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE EXHIBITION AND PRESENT PRIZES TO WINNERS OF THE COMPETITION.

THE EXHIBITION WILL ALSO BE MOUNTED AT THE COMMON CORRIDOR ON GROUND FLOOR OF CHEUNG WAH ESTATE IN FANLING NEXT SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 21).

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING AND PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE PHOTOGRAPH EXHIBITION TOMORROW AT 10 AM AT THE PODIUM OF CHOI YUEN ESTATE, SHEUNG SHUI.

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DB MEMBERS COMPETE AT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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A BASKETBALL TEAM FORMED BY WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF WILL COMPETE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT FOR THE POLICE COMMUNITY SHIELD.

OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 10 AM WILL INCLUDE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR MICHAEL CHENG, URBAN COUNCILLOR, MISS CECILIA YEUNG, BOARD MEMBER, MR YIU SIU-SING, WONG TAI SIN POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR F.S. KAVANAGH, AND THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (EAST), MR CHESTER KWOK.

IT IS THE TWELFTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT ORGANISED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE POLICE AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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A TOTAL OF 24 MEN'S TEAMS AND 16 WOMEN'S TEAMS WILL TAKE PART IN THIS YEAR'S MATCHES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN POLICE COMMUNITY SHIELD BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT OPENING CEREMONY AT 10 AM TOMORROW AT THE MORSE PARK INDOOR GAMES HALL.

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TSUEN WAN, TAI PO WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 10 PM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 16) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WO YI HOP ROAD AND THE JUNCTION OF HO FUNG COLLEGE, CHEUNG PEI SHAN ROAD AND ROUTE TWISK, INCLUDING CHEUNG SHAN ESTATE, SAM TUNG UK, LO WAI ROAD, SHING MUN ROAD, WO YI HOP VILLAGE, HILL TOP ROAD, HILL TOP COUNTRY CLUB, YI PEI CHUN ROAD, LO WAI CHUEN, SAN CHUEN, PAK TIN PA CHUEN AND HOI PA CHUEN.

IT WILL ALSO AFFECT SAJ LAU KOK CHUEN, MA SIN PAI CHUEN, YUEN YUEN HOK YUEN, FU YUNG SHAN CHUEN, CHUK LAM SIM YUEN, TUNG PO TO, FU YUNG SHAN ROAD, YI PEI CHUN, PAK TIN PA SAN CHUEN, KWU HANG CHUEN, CHUNG KUK TO AND NAM TIN CHUK.

ON THE SAME DAY, FRESH AND SALT WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN TAI PO WILL BE STOPPED FROM 9 PM TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY FOR REPAIR WORK.

THE STOPPAGE WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES ALONG TAI PO ROAD FROM WAN TAU STREET TO TAI PO KAU, INCLUDING KWONG FUK ESTATE, WANG FUK COURT, WONG YI AU, MEI WOON SAN TSUEN, YIN TZE LANE, STRAFFORD HOUSE, TAI PO KAU AND TAI PO KAU SAN WAI.

LOOKOUT LANE, ST CHRISTOPHER'S HOME, ISLAND HOUSE, TAI PO POLICE STATION, TAI PO KCR STATION AND SHAN TONG TSUEN WILL ALSO BE AFFECTED.

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