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ONE MORE DAY FOR D.B. CANDIDATES TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS
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POTENTIAL CANDIDATES SHOULD MAKE GOOD USE OF TUESDAY (AUGUST 31) — THE FINAL DAY FOR NOMINATIONS — TO SUBMIT THEIR NAMES FOR THE COMING URBAN DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE APPEAL CAME FROM THE CITY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER (EASTERN), MR CHARLES GATELY TODAY AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE DISTRICT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME.

HE WAS PLEASED TO SEE THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN HIS DISTRICT HAD ALREADY REGISTERED AS VOTERS.

+I HOPED THAT THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES STANDING FOR THE ELECTIONS WILL BE EQUALLY ENCOURAGING,+ HE SAID.

+FURTHERMORE, I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO A GOOD VOTER TURN-OUT ON THE ELECTION DAY, SEPTEMBER 23.+

TODAY'S EVENT, HELD AT THE VICTORIA PARK SWIMMING POOL, WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY A WATER CARNIVAL WITH LIFE-SAVING AND WATER-DIVING DEMONSTRATIONS AND A SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING PERFORMANCE.

A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY WAS PERFORMED BY EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR, MR OSWALD CHEUNG, STEWARD OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB WHICH HAD DONATED \$4 MILLION TOWARDS THE EXPENSES FOR THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

THE TWO-MONTH PROGRAMME IN EASTERN, CO-ORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, HAD PROVIDED MEANINGFUL AND HEALTHY ACTIVITIES FOR MORE THAN 20 000 YOUNG PEOPLE DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

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GAS ENGINEERS DUE THURSDAY
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TWO HIGHLY EXPERIENCED GAS ENGINEERS FROM BRITAIN WILL ARRIVE ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 2) TO TAKE UP THE TOP POSTS IN THE NEW GAS ADVISER'S OFFICE.

THEY ARE MR KENNETH TUNNAH, WHO WILL BE THE GAS ADVISER, AND MR ANTHONY NAM, WHO WILL ASSUME THE POST OF CHIEF GAS ENGINEER (SYSTEMS).

THE GAS ADVISER'S OFFICE COMES UNDER THE DIRECTOR OF ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SERVICES. ITS INITIAL ESTABLISHMENT COMPRISES THE GAS ADVISER, TWO CHIEF ENGINEERS, THREE ENGINEERS AND SIX INSPECTORS.

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THE OFFICE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING THE GOVERNMENT ON ALL MATTERS RELATING TO TOWNGAS AND LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS INDUSTRIES IN HONG KONG.

ITS DUTIES WILL INCLUDE THE PREPARATION OF DRAFTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR AND THE INTRODUCTION OF REVISED OR NEW ORDINANCES, REGULATIONS AND CODES OF PRACTICE AND FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THESE LAWS AND STANDARDS, LEADING TO A FIRM AND EFFECTIVE CONTROL AND SURVEILLANCE OF ALL SAFETY ASPECTS RELATING TO THE PRODUCTION, TRANSMISSION, STORAGE, DISTRIBUTION, INSTALLATION AND USE OF MANUFACTURED GAS AND LPG.

MR TUNNAH, FORMERLY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING (NORTHERN GAS) IN BRITAIN, HAS CONSIDERABLE TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE OF BOTH THE GAS AND OIL INDUSTRIES AND MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE AT SENIOR LEVEL.

DURING HIS 28 YEARS IN THE FIELD, MR TUNNAH SERVED IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES WITH THE NORTH THAMES GAS BOARD AND THE NORTHERN GAS BOARD. ONE OF THE MANY PROJECTS IN WHICH MR TUNNAH INVOLVED WAS THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND COMMISSIONING OF THE FIRST EVER LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS INSTALLATION, WITH USE OF A NEW PROCESS WHICH WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AND WHICH IS NOW EMPLOYED WORLD-WIDE.

MR TUNNAH WAS ONE OF TWO RESIDENT GAS CONSULTANTS SECONDED FROM BRITAIN EARLIER THIS YEAR TO ADVISE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT ON SAFETY AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF TOWNGAS AND LPG OPERATIONS IN HONG KONG.

HE SPENT SIX MONTHS HERE AND PAID NUMEROUS SITE VISITS TO INSPECT GAS INSTALLATIONS AND APPLIANCES AND HELD REGULAR MEETINGS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GAS INDUSTRIES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, WITH A VIEW TO ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR THE GAS ADVISER'S OFFICE. IN HIS NEW APPOINTMENT, HE WILL ASSUME THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE GAS SAFETY INDUSTRY LIAISON SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE GAS SAFETY COMMITTEE.

MR NAM JOINED THE BRITISH GAS CORPORATION (WALES REGION) IN 1968 AND MOST RECENTLY HELD THE POST OF DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS ENGINEER.

HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF CODES OF PRACTICE AND MANPOWER PLANS, MONITORING JOB TRAINING, CARRYING OUT TECHNICAL AUDITS OF FIELD OPERATIONS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES FOR DISTRIBUTION WORK.

MR NAM, WHOSE PARENTS WERE BORN IN GUANGZHOU, SPEAKS CANTONESE.

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INTERCHANGE FACILITIES AT KCR KOWLOON STATION
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A WIDE RANGE OF CONVENIENT INTERCHANGE FACILITIES ARE PROVIDED FOR COMMUTERS OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY AT KOWLOON STATION - THE TERMINUS WHICH WAS MOVED FROM TSIM SHA TSUI TO HUNG HOM SINCE 1975.

MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE NOW USING THIS BUSY STATION FOR THE NEW ELECTRIC TRAINS PLYING BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND SHA TIN, THE DIESEL TRAINS FROM KOWLOON TO LO WU- AND THE DIRECT THROUGH TRAINS BETWEEN KOWLOON AND GUANGZHOU, A KCR SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

+IN VIEW OF THE INCREASED PASSENGER TRAFFIC, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO REMIND THE PUBLIC MORE DETAILS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE INTERCHANGE FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT THIS POPULAR STATION,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THE KOWLOON STATION IS CONVENIENTLY LINKED BY A WALKWAY TO HUNG HOM FERRY FOR FERRIES TO CENTRAL, WAN CHAI AND NORTH POINT.

THE WALKWAY ALSO LEADS TO THE HUNG HOM FERRY BUS TERMINUS FOR KMB BUSES ON ROUTE NO. 3B FOR TSZ WAN SHAN (NORTH), RT. NO. 5D FOR TELFORD GARDENS, RT. NO. 7B FOR WANG TAU HOM AND RT. NO. 15 FOR LAM TIN (NORTH).

IN ADDITION, THE WALKWAY SYSTEM CAN REACH THE SOUTHBOUND BUS LAY-BY IN THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL PLAZA WHERE KCR PASSENGERS CAN BOARD ALL CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL BUSES HEADING FOR KENNEDY TOWN (RT. NO. 101, 104), SHAU KEI WAN (RT. NO. 102), POKFIELD ROAD (RT. NO. 103), WEST POINT (RT. NO. 105, 113), CHAI WAN (RT. NO. 106), BRAEMAR HILL ROAD (RT. NO. 108), CENTRAL (MACAU FERRY, RT. NO. 111), NORTH POINT (RT. NO. 112), QUARRY BAY (RT. NO. 116) AND WAH FU (RT. NO. 170).

AT THE PODIUM LEVEL OF THE STATION, INTERCHANGE FACILITIES INCLUDE A TAXI STAND, MAXICAB SERVICES, EN-ROUTE BUS SERVICES AND THE KOWLOON STATION BUS TERMINUS.

DETAILS OF THESE INTERCHANGE FACILITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

A TAXI STAND WITH 15 PARKING SPACES IS LOCATED AT THE EASTERN ENTRANCE OF THE STATION.

THREE MAXICAB ROUTES HEADING FOR HANKOW ROAD IN TSIM SHA TSUI FROM TAI WAN SHAN (RT. NO. 5), WHAMPOA ESTATE (RT. NO. 6) AND HO MAN TIN (RT. NO. 8) VIA THE KOWLOON STATION.

THREE KMB ROUTES FROM TSZ WAN SHAN (SOUTH, RT. NO. 5C), OI MAN (RT. NO. 8) AND KAI TAK AIRPORT (CARGO TERMINAL, RT. NO. 25) TERMINATE AT STAR FERRY BUS TERMINUS VIA THE KOWLOON STATION.

TERMINATING AT THE BUS TERMINUS ON THE PODIUM ARE THREE BUS ROUTES HEADING FOR KWUN TONG FERRY (RT. NO. 5B), LOK FU (RT. NO. 7A) AND SHAM SHUI PO FERRY (RT. NO. 12A).

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SPECIAL CEILINGS FOR NEW BUILDING
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SPECIALIST CONTRACTORS ARE BEING SOUGHT BY THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF INTEGRATED LIGHT/AIR SUSPENDED CEILINGS FOR A 28-STOREY GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDING IN CENTRAL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE WORK WOULD INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ABOUT 28 500 SQUARE METRES OF SUSPENDED CEILINGS IN THE HARBOUR BUILDING AT CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

+THE CEILING SYSTEM ADOPTED SHOULD BE A LIGHT/AIR INTEGRATED ONE WHICH USES LIGHT TROFFERS WITH SIDE GRILLES AND AIR BOOTS TO PERFORM BOTH THE FUNCTION OF LIGHTING AND AIR DIFFUSION AND RETURN,+ HE SAID.

+APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT TEST PERFORMANCE DATA SHOWING THAT THEY ARE WELL ESTABLISHED WITH PERMANENT OFFICE AND WORKSHOP ACCOMMODATION, AND HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE OF THIS TYPE OF WORK IN MAJOR HOTELS, OFFICE BUILDINGS, BANK BUILDINGS OR SIMILAR PROJECTS.

+THEY WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR DESIGN INCLUDING THE MATERIAL USED, METHOD OF FIXING AND STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE AND SO ON.

+APPLICANTS WILL ONLY BE INCLUDED ON OUR TENDERING LIST AFTER AN INTERVIEW TO ASCERTAIN THE SUITABILITY OF THEIR PROPRIETARY SYSTEM,+ HE ADDED.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT, ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, BEFORE SEPTEMBER 17, AND SHOULD BE MARKED: +APPLICATION FOR INCLUSION ON LIST OF SPECIALIST CONTRACTORS FOR THE EXECUTION OF INTEGRATED LIGHT/AIR SUSPENDED CEILING TO HARBOUR BUILDING AT CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL+.

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TAI PO SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME WELL RECEIVED
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MORE THAN 15 000 YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK PART IN SOME 120 OUTDOOR AND INDOOR ACTIVITIES IN THE TWO-MONTH LONG TAI PO DISTRICT SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME, WHICH ENDED THIS (SUNDAY) EVENING WITH A CEREMONY HELD AT THE TAI PO PLAYGROUND.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NICKY LO, SAID THAT THE WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES HAD SERVED TO HELP THE PARTICIPANTS DEVELOP HEALTHY BODIES AND MINDS DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

HE ALSO STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING SUFFICIENT LOCAL RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

+THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE PROGRAMME IS CO-ORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE WITH DISTRICT BOARD SPONSORSHIP.

+WITH THIS YEAR'S EXPERIENCE, IT IS HOPED THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO ARRANGE A MORE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRAMME FOR OUR EVER-INCREASING POPULATION NEXT YEAR.+

HE THANKED THE DISTRICT YOUTH RECREATION CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE AND LOCAL LEADERS WHO HAD CONTRIBUTED THEIR TIME, MONEY AND EFFORT TOWARD MAKING THE PROGRAMME A SUCCESS.

A MILITARY BAND PERFORMANCE, A SOCCER TOURNAMENT AND PRESENTATION OF SOUVENIRS HIGHLIGHTED THE CLOSING CEREMONY AT WHICH THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR CHEUNG WAI-LAM AND THE SAI KUNG NORTH RURAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR LAM PAK-PING, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

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CENTRAL FIRE STATION WILL BE REMEMBERED
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CENTRAL FIRE STATION, A LANDMARK IN THE HEART OF HONG KONG'S COMMERCIAL DISTRICT FOR OVER HALF A CENTURY, IS SOON TO BE DEMOLISHED TO GIVE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY.

THE FIRE STATION IS WELL REMEMBERED BY MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED OR LIVED IN THE AREA FOR THE PAST 56 YEARS AS THEIR SAVIOUR IN PROTECTING LIVES AND PROPERTIES.

SITUATED AT 91 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, THE CENTRAL FIRE STATION HAS BEEN THE BASTION OF FIRE DEFENCE FOR CENTRAL DISTRICT AND ITS SURROUNDING AREA. DURING ITS LONG HISTORY, THE FIRE STATION HAS HOUSED MANY FIRE APPLIANCES — FROM MANUAL FIRE PUMPS TO THE PRESENT 26-METER SNORKEL — AND AMBULANCES. THE FIRE STATION HAS RESPONDED TO COUNTLESS OF INCIDENTS.

+THE CLOSURE OF THE FIRE STATION WILL IN NO WAY LESSEN THE AVAILABILITY OF THE EQUIPMENT AND MANPOWER IN ATTENDING INCIDENTS IN THE AREA,+ A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

+IN ORDER TO HAVE A PROPER FIRE AND OTHER CALAMITY DEFENCE FOR CENTRAL DISTRICT AND ITS NEIGHBOURING AREA, TWO FIRE STATIONS — ONE AT SHEUNG WAN, THE OTHER IN GARDEN ROAD — WERE COMMISSIONED LAST YEAR AND HAVE NOW ASSUMED THE RESPONSIBILITY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

A CLOSING-DOWN CEREMONY WAS HELD TODAY. AMONGST THOSE WITNESSING TODAY'S CEREMONY ARE MANY SERVING AND RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WHO HAVE SOME TIME IN THEIR CAREERS SERVED AT THE OLD CENTRAL FIRE STATION.

+THEY WILL RECALL OF NUMEROUS INCIDENTS THEY ATTENDED, SOME HUMOUROUS, MANY TRAGIC. THEY BORE WITNESS TO THE ANGUISH AND THE SUFFERING OF THOSE AFFLICTED BY THE RAVAGES OF FIRE, TEMPEST AND OTHER CALAMITIES,+ HE SAID.

+THEY WILL ALSO RECALL THEIR OWN AND THEIR COLLEAGUES' DETERMINED EFFORTS UNDER EXACTING AND ARDUOUS CONDITIONS AND OF THOSE MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT WHO RODE FROM CENTRAL FIRE STATION AND NEVER RETURNED. IN THEIR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND DEDICATION TO THEIR CHOSEN PROFESSION THEY GAVE THEIR LIVES.+

TO MARK THE CLOSING CEREMONY, 12 FIRE APPLIANCES AND AN AMBULANCE MAKE A SYMBOLIC 'TURN-OUT' FOR THE LAST TIME FROM THE FIRE STATION.

THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES, MR F.M. WATSON WHO IS THE GUEST OF HONOUR AT THE CEREMONY, IS PRESENTED WITH A FLAG WHICH HAS BEEN FLYING AT THE CENTRAL FIRE STATION FOR THE LAST TIME, BY A PROBATIONARY STATION OFFICER.

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CHEUNG CHAU SPORTSGROUND OPENS TO JOGGERS

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THE CHEUNG CHAU SPORTSGROUND WILL BE OPENED FOR TWO HOURS EARLY IN THE MORNING TO JOGGERS FOR PRACTICE STARTING SEPTEMBER 1 (WEDNESDAY).

THEY CAN MAKE USE OF THE ALL-WEATHER RUNNING TRACK OF THE SPORTSGROUND WITHOUT ADVANCE BOOKING OR PAYING ENTRANCE CHARGES.

PEOPLE PURSUING THEIR MORNING EXERCISE ARE ALSO WELCOMED TO USE THE SPORTSGROUND DURING THE OPENING HOURS BETWEEN 7 AM AND 9 AM, SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

AS THE TRACK OF THE SPORTSGROUND IS DESIGNED FOR RUNNING PURPOSE, NO CYCLING, ROLLER-SKATING AND SKATE-BOARDING ARE ALLOWED IN THE TRACK SURFACE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN ORDER TO KEEP THE SPORTSGROUND IN A WELL-MAINTAINED CONDITION, PEOPLE ENTERING THE TRACK ARE ADVISED NOT TO WEAR SPIKED RUNNING SHOES AND TO ENSURE THEIR SHOES ARE CLEARED OF MUD.

MORNING JOGGERS ARE ALSO ADVISED THAT NO SMOKING, EATING AND DRINKING ARE PERMITTED. THEY ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTION OF THE MANAGEMENT OFFICE, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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EXTENSION OF SPEEDPOST NETWORK TO SOUTH KOREA

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THE POSTMASTER GENERAL TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 1), THE SPEEDPOST NETWORK TO SOUTH KOREA WHICH IS PRESENTLY CONFINED TO EIGHT CITIES WILL BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE 19 MORE CITIES.

THE NAMES OF THE 27 CITIES IN SOUTH KOREA TO WHICH SPEEDPOST SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE ARE:

SEOUL, BUCHEON, BUSAN, CHANGWON, CHEONGJU, CHUNCHEON, DAEGU, DAEJEON, DONGHAE, GANGNEONG, GUMI, GUNSAN, GWANGJU, GYEONGJU, INCHEON, IRI, JEJU, JEONJU, JINJU, MASAN, MOKPO, POHANG, SUNCHEON, SUWON, ULSAN, WONJU AND YEOSU.

SPEEDPOST PACKAGES POSTED IN HONG KONG WILL BE DELIVERED ON THE NEXT DAY FOR THOSE ADDRESSED TO SEOUL, AND ON THE SECOND DAY IN ALL OTHER CITIES.

THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT FOR INDIVIDUAL SPEEDPOST PACKAGES TO SOUTH KOREA WILL BE INCREASED FROM 10 KG TO 20 KG FROM THE SAME DATE. THE SPEEDPOST MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT TO JAPAN WILL ALSO BE REVISED FROM 4 KG TO 10 KG.

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NEW POLICE STATION FOR AIRPORT

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A NEW DIVISIONAL POLICE STATION WILL BE BUILT AT KAI TAK AIRPORT.

IT WILL CONSIST OF A COMPOSITE BLOCK, PARTLY 10-STOREY AND PARTLY SIX-STOREY HIGH, AND A ONE-STOREY ANCILLARY BUILDING SURROUNDING A COMPOUND.

FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED WILL INCLUDE DUTY/LECTURE ROOM, ARMOURY, MOTOR TRANSPORT OFFICE, BARBER SHOP, CELLS, REPORT ROOM, OFFICES, BARRACKS, CANTEENS, RECREATION AND LAUNDRY SECTIONS, DOG KENNELS, STORES AND EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION FOR INSPECTORS.

TENDERS ARE BEING SOUGHT BY THE GOVERNMENT, TO UNDERTAKE THE CONSTRUCTION WORK WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 1984.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN YUEN LONG

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CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN YUEN LONG WEST ROUNDABOUT AND SHUI PIN WAI ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 PM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 1) UNTIL 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE.

DURING THE CLOSURE, TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA SHUI PIN WAI ROAD, MA WANG ROAD AND MA MIU ROAD.

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