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INSIGNIA PRESENTATION

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SEVENTY-FOUR LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN DECORATED BY THE QUEEN WILL RECEIVE THEIR AWARDS FROM THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, AT A CEREMONY IN GOVERNMENT HOUSE ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 5).

THE INSIGNIA TO BE PRESENTED INCLUDE FOUR CBE'S, FIVE OBE'S, ONE ISO, ONE ISM AND EIGHT MBE'S.

SPECIAL PARKING ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR GUESTS ATTENDING THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

ALL CARS CARRYING GUESTS MAY ENTER BY THE MAIN GATE OF GOVERNMENT HOUSE. AFTER GUESTS HAVE ALIGHTED, VEHICLES BEARING G.H. LABELS MAY PARK IN THE FORECOURT OR THE TENNIS COURT AS DIRECTED, OR, IF CHAUFFEUR DRIVEN, RETURN AT 7 P.M.

VEHICLES BEARING BLUE LABELS MUST EXIT BY THE EAST GATE AND THEN PARK AT UPPER ALBERT ROAD, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, THE SLIP ROAD TO THE SOUTH OF THE UNITED STATES CONSULATE BUILDING, THE METERED CAR PARK BETWEEN KENNEDY ROAD AND GARDEN ROAD AND THE CAR PARK AT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOWER ALBERT ROAD.

ALL VEHICLES PARKED INSIDE GOVERNMENT HOUSE SHOULD LEAVE BY THE EAST GATE. OTHER GUESTS ARE REQUESTED TO WALK TO THEIR CARS AFTER THE CEREMONY.

PARKING FACILITIES IN METERED SPACES IN UPPER AND LOWER ALBERT ROADS AND THE METERED CAR PARK BETWEEN KENNEDY ROAD AND GARDEN ROAD WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 3 P.M. UNTIL THE CEREMONY IS OVER ON THAT DAY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

COPIES OF A LIST OF THE RECIPIENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE G.I.S., PRESS ROOM, SIXTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, AT 6 P.M. ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 5).

ONLY PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS WITH SPECIAL PASSES WILL BE ADMITTED TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE. THEY SHOULD MEET G.I.S. OFFICERS IN THE GUARD ROOM OF GOVERNMENT HOUSE NOT LATER THAN 5.30 P.M.

NEWSPAPERS NOT RECEIVING SUCH PASSES WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS BY MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SUPPLY OF PRINTS WITH MING YUEN STUDIO, 22 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG, TELEPHONE: 5-224310.

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COMPREHENSIVE OBSERVATION SCHEME RECEIVES
ENCOURAGING RESPONSE

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THE COMPREHENSIVE OBSERVATION SCHEME INTRODUCED BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN MAY THIS YEAR TO PROVIDE REGULAR CHECK-UPS TO CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO THE AGE OF FIVE, HAS RECEIVED ENCOURAGING RESPONSE WITH ABOUT 25,000 CHILDREN JOINING IT SO FAR.

THE SCHEME WHICH IS TO ENSURE THAT ALL CONGENITAL OR ACQUIRED ANOMALIES OF A CHILD ARE DISCOVERED, AND REMEDIAL ACTIONS TAKEN AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IS ONE OF THE MANY NEW MEDICAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES OUTLINED IN LAST OCTOBER'S REHABILITATION WHITE PAPER, AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

OF THESE 25,000 CHILDREN, ABOUT TWO PER CENT WERE FOUND TO POSSESS CONGENITAL DEFECTS OF VARYING DEGREES WHILE A NUMBER OF OTHERS HAVE RISKS OF DEVELOPING DISABLING CONDITIONS.

THOSE HAVING CONGENITAL ANOMALIES WERE REFERRED TO VARIOUS SPECIALISTS FOR TREATMENT, OR TO THE DEPARTMENT'S ARRAN STREET CHILD ASSESSMENT CENTRE FOR CLOSE OBSERVATION.

THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED HAVING POSSIBILITY TO DEVELOP DISABLING CONDITIONS ARE KEPT UNDER CLOSE OBSERVATION BY MEDICAL STAFF ASSIGNED TO THE SCHEME.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID THE COMPREHENSIVE OBSERVATION SERVICE IS PROVIDED AT THE DEPARTMENT'S 38 MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG AND PARENTS WITH CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FIVE ARE URGED TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN FOR THE SCHEME.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID: +WE AIM TO COVER 50 PER CENT OR MORE OF THIS AGE GROUP OF CHILDREN NEXT YEAR AND WILL EVENTUALLY EXTEND TO HAVE A BLANKET COVERAGE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO THE AGE OF FIVE.

HE SAID THE SCHEME IS AN EXPANSION OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRES WHICH ALSO OFFER ANTE AND POST NATAL CARE TO THE MOTHER, AND HEALTH AND IMMUNISATION SERVICES TO THE INFANT.

UNDER THE SCHEME, ROUTINE CHECK-UPS OF A CHILD'S INTELLIGENCE AND PHYSICAL GROWTH WITH THE AIM OF DETECTING ANY ANOMALIES AT AN EARLY STAGE FOR REMEDY ARE CARRIED OUT AT FIVE STAGES, THE FIRST BEING SIX WEEKS AFTER A CHILD'S BIRTH AND THE LAST WHEN HE APPROACHES THE AGE OF FIVE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THESE CHECK-UPS MAINLY TO TEST A CHILD'S VISUAL, HEARING AND SPEAKING ABILITIES AS WELL AS HIS REFLEX AND SOCIAL ADAPTABILITY ARE CONDUCTED IN A ROOM SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

/+IT GIVES.....

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+IT GIVES A SURROUNDING OF BEING IN A KINDERGARTEN WITH TOYS AND KIDDIE FURNITURE SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE CHECK-UP PURPOSES TO ALLAY A CHILD'S FEAR OF BEING IN A CLINIC WHICH MIGHT IMPEDE THE TEST.

+THE CHECK-UPS ARE CARRIED OUT BY NURSES WHO HAVE RECEIVED SPECIAL TRAINING FOR THIS JOB AND IF ANY ANOMALY IS DISCOVERED, THE DOCTOR WILL BE CONSULTED.

+ONCE A DISABLING CONDITION IS ESTABLISHED, THE CHILD WILL BE REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE SPECIALIST FOR TREATMENT. IF A RISK OF DEVELOPING SUCH A CONDITION OR ANY DELAY IN HIS GROWTH IS DISCOVERED, HE WILL BE KEPT UNDER CLOSE OBSERVATION,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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TOP EEC TEAM ARRIVES IN HONG KONG

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A DELEGATION FROM THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (EEC) ARRIVED IN HONG KONG TODAY (TUESDAY) AFTER A TWO-WEEK VISIT TO CHINA.

THE GROUP, HEADED BY MR. WILHELM HAFERKAMP, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EEC COMMISSION, WAS MET AT HUNG HOM RAILWAY STATION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR. WILLIAM DORWARD.

BESIDES MR. HAFERKAMP, THE 12-MEMBER GROUP INCLUDES SIR ROY DENMAN, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE EEC EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIRECTORATE, AND THE CHEF DE CABINET, MR. F. FROSCHMAIER.

THEY WILL HOLD TALKS TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) MORNING WITH OFFICIALS OF THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT AND MEET INDUSTRIALISTS AT A JOINT MEETING OF THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD AND THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD.

AFTER THE TALKS, THE GROUP WILL ATTEND A LUNCH HOSTED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE.

SIR ROY DENMAN WILL LEAVE HONG KONG TOMORROW EVENING AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GROUP WILL LEAVE FOR EUROPE ON THURSDAY.

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CONSULTANTS SEE HOW SCIENCE IS TAUGHT IN HONG KONG

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A FIVE-MEMBER TEAM OF CONSULTANTS FROM THE UNITED STATES CALLED AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TODAY (TUESDAY) FOR TALKS WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS AND GAINED AN INSIGHT INTO SCIENCE EDUCATION AND PRACTICE IN HONG KONG.

THE TEAM, FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY CENTRES BASED IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WAS MET BY THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (PROFESSIONAL), MR. N.M. HO= THE DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS, MRS. LOUISE MOK, AND STAFF FROM THE SCIENCE SECTION.

NEXT THE TEAM VISITED ST. STEPHEN GIRLS' COLLEGE WHERE THEY SAW A SCIENCE CLASS AT WORK, AND LATER THE NORTHCOTE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH SCIENCE LECTURERS.

THE TEAM IS CURRENTLY ON A VISIT AT THE INVITATION OF THE URBAN COUNCIL TO ADVISE ON A PROPOSED MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN HONG KONG. ITS MEMBERS ARE MR. DANIEL MACMASTER, DR. WATSON LAETSCH, DR. BRADFORD WASHBURN, MR. RUSSELL PEITHMAN AND MR. MICHAEL TEMPLETON.

TODAY'S VISIT TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE COLLEGES IS TO ASSIST THEM IN THEIR ASSESSMENT OF THE AUDIENCE LEVEL AND AREAS WHICH THE PROPOSED MUSEUM SHOULD AIM AT.

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MR. TOPLEY SPEAKS ABOUT PROBLEM SOLVING

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THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, TODAY SPOKE ABOUT HIS OWN EXPERIENCES IN PROBLEM SOLVING.

SPEAKING ON +GETTING THINGS DONE+ AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE PO LEUNG KUK, HE SAID THE FIRST THING WAS TO IDENTIFY THE PROBLEM CORRECTLY.

+BE SURE YOU KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM REALLY IS, THEN THINK COOLLY AND LOGICALLY,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

THE NEXT STEP WAS TO FIND THE RIGHT MAN FOR THE JOB. BUT FOR THAT YOU MUST FIRST IDENTIFY THE ESSENTIAL QUALITIES NEEDED TO DO THE JOB, BE IT THE ABILITY TO PERSUADE, THE CAPACITY TO ORGANISE OR WHATEVER.

ALSO, ONE MUST NOT MISLEAD ONESELF BY UNDUE ATTENTION TO IRRELEVANT OR LESS RELEVANT ASPECTS OF MAN AND JOB, CLOTHES PERHAPS OR A CHARMING MANNER, IN SOME CASES, HE SAID.

+A THIRD IS THAT IF YOU HAVE AN AWKWARD NUT TO CRACK, A REALLY HARD PROBLEM, THEN DEVOTE ENOUGH RESOURCES TO IT SO THAT YOU GIVE YOURSELF A GOOD CHANCE TO BEAT THE PROBLEM,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

ANOTHER POINT WAS THAT IF YOUR MAIN ORGANISATION COULD NOT BEAT A PROBLEM, YOU MIGHT NEED A TEMPORARY SUB-ORGANISATION TO TACKLE IT, HE ADDED.

TO ILLUSTRATE HIS POINTS, MR. TOPLEY RECALLED AN EPISODE WHEN HE WAS WITH THE FORMER RESETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT WHERE 30,000 TONS OF SCRAP METAL HAD TO BE REMOVED FROM A PIECE OF LAND REQUIRED FOR BUILDING A HOUSING ESTATE, AND HOW HE FOUND +THE RIGHT MAN+ TO DO THE JOB.

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BANKING STATISTICS FOR AUGUST

BANKING DEPOSITS AT THE END OF AUGUST THIS YEAR STOOD AT \$63,045 MILLION, COMPRISING \$15,180 MILLION IN DEMAND DEPOSITS, \$23,721 MILLION IN TIME DEPOSITS AND \$24,144 MILLION IN SAVINGS DEPOSITS, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE BANKING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE TODAY.

THE AVERAGE LIQUIDITY DURING THE MONTH WAS 45.24 PER CENT.

THERE WERE 77 LICENSED BANKS IN HONG KONG AT THE END OF AUGUST.

THE FOLLOWING TABLES SHOW A DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF BANK LIABILITIES, ASSETS AND MONEY SUPPLY AT THE END OF THE MONTH:-

<u>LIABILITIES</u>		<u>\$MILLION</u>
DEPOSITS		63,045
AMOUNT DUE TO BANKS ABROAD		39,294
OTHER LIABILITIES		<u>13,057</u>
	TOTAL LIABILITIES:	<u>115,396</u>
 <u>ASSETS</u>		
CASH		1,093
AMOUNT DUE FROM BANKS ABROAD:		
(I) DEMAND AND SHORT TERM CLAIMS	35,568	
(II) TIME DEPOSITS	<u>7,485</u>	43,053
LOANS AND ADVANCES:		
(I) HONG KONG	44,846	
(II) ABROAD	<u>15,827</u>	60,673
INVESTMENTS:		
(I) HONG KONG	4,038	
(II) ABROAD	<u>121</u>	4,159
OTHER ASSETS:		
(I) HONG KONG	5,975	
(II) ABROAD	<u>443</u>	<u>6,418</u>
	TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>115,396</u>

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LEGAL TENDER COINS AND NOTES IN CIRCULATION (A)		
(I) COMMERCIAL BANK ISSUES	6,490	
(II) GOVERNMENT ISSUES	647	
	<u> </u>	7,137
LICENSED BANKS' HOLDINGS OF LEGAL TENDER COINS AND NOTES (B)		1,093
LEGAL TENDER COINS AND NOTES IN HANDS OF NON-BANK PUBLIC (A) - (B) = (C)		6,044
DEMAND DEPOSITS WITH LICENSED BANKS (D)		15,180
MONEY SUPPLY (DEFINITION 1) (C) + (D) = (E)		21,224
TIME DEPOSITS WITH LICENSED BANKS (F)		23,721
SAVINGS DEPOSITS WITH LICENSED BANKS (G)		24,144
MONEY SUPPLY (DEFINITION 2) (E) + (F) + (G) = (H)		69,089

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MR. GORDON BELL ATTENDS TYPHOON CONFERENCE IN BANGKOK
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THE DIRECTOR OF THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY, MR. GORDON BELL LEFT HONG KONG LAST (MONDAY) NIGHT TO ATTEND THE 11TH SESSION OF THE TYPHOON COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN BANGKOK BETWEEN OCTOBER 2 AND 9.

THE MEETING WILL REVIEW THE PROGRESS IN TYPHOON DAMAGE MITIGATION AND PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO FUTURE PROGRAMMES.

MR. BELL IS ACCOMPANIED BY DR. P.C. CHIN, ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

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REGISTRATION TEAM TO VISIT KAM TIN
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A TEAM FROM THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS OFFICE WILL CONDUCT REGISTRATIONS AT KAM TIN RURAL COMMITTEE'S OFFICE FOR THREE DAYS FROM OCTOBER 11 TO 13.

DURING THESE THREE DAYS REGISTRATION WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN 9.30 A.M. AND 4.30 P.M. DAILY.

THE VISIT IS TO ENABLE PARENTS OR GUARDIANS TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN OR WARDS FROM 11 TO 17 YEARS OF AGE FOR JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS, AND HOLDERS OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS FOR ADULT IDENTITY CARDS ON REACHING 18 YEARS OF AGE.

PEOPLE LIVING IN KAM TIN AREA ARE REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN FOR IDENTITY CARDS, AND TO REPORT ANY CHANGES OF EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES, MARITAL STATUS, OR ANY OTHER PARTICULARS WHICH HAVE CHANGED SINCE REGISTERING FOR THEIR IDENTITY CARDS,

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WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN TAI KOK TSUI AND NORTH POINT WILL BE STOPPED FOR SEVERAL HOURS ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 5), TO FACILITATE WORK BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

IN TAI KOK TSUI, THE SUPPLY WILL BE CUT OFF FOR TEN HOURS FROM 8 P.M. ON THURSDAY. PREMISES TO BE AFFECTED ARE THOSE ALONG FUK LEE STREET, WAI ON STREET, MEI ON STREET, CHUNG WUI STREET, TAI TSUN STREET, IVY STREET BETWEEN TAI KOK TSUI ROAD AND KOK CHEUNG STREET, LI TAK STREET, FUK CHAK STREET, KA SIN STREET, POK MAN STREET, FOO KWAI STREET, CHERRY STREET, KOK CHEUNG STREET, HOP KWAN STREET, LOK KWAN STREET, MAN ON STREET, TAI CHING STREET, HOI KING STREET, CHUN WING STREET AND TAI KOK TSUI ROAD.

IN NORTH POINT, PREMISES IN 243-277 KING'S ROAD AND IN KIN WAH STREET, FORT STREET, MING YUEN WEST STREET AND PEACOCK ROAD, WILL BE WITHOUT WATER SUPPLY FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON THURSDAY.

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