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URBAN COUNCIL ELECTORATE
OVER 34,000 NAMES IN NEW REGISTER
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A TOTAL OF 34,078 PERSONS HAS BEEN REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE NEXT URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 5, 1975.

THE NAMES OF THESE REGISTERED ELECTORS TOGETHER WITH THEIR ELECTORAL NUMBERS AND OTHER DETAILS OF ADDRESS AND IDENTITY, ARE CONTAINED IN THE NEW FINAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS COMPILED BY THE REGISTRATION OFFICER AND WILL BE PUBLISHED ON DECEMBER 30, 1974.

ANNOUNCING THIS, THE REGISTRATION OFFICER, MR. JOHN MITCHELL POINTED OUT THAT THE NEW REGISTER WAS IN TWO VOLUMES.

VOLUME I, IN FOUR PARTS, CONTAINS THE NAMES OF THOSE ELECTORS WHO ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE KING'S COLLEGE POLLING STATION, THE CITY HALL POLLING STATION, THE HENNESSY ROAD GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION AND THE NORTH POINT GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION.

VOLUME II, IN NINE PARTS, CONTAINS THE NAMES OF THOSE ELECTORS REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER POLLING STATION, THE QUEEN ELIZABETH SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE KOWLOON TECHNICAL SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE PERTH STREET GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE KWUN TONG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE TSUEN WAN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION, THE HEUNG YEE KUK YUEN LONG DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL POLLING STATION AND THE WONG SHIU CHI MIDDLE SCHOOL POLLING STATION (TAI PO).

THE FINAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT, NO. 4, SUNNING ROAD, 7TH FLOOR, KA CHEONG BUILDING, HONG KONG DURING OFFICE HOURS ON WEEKDAYS BEGINNING FROM DECEMBER 30, 1974. COPIES OF THE REGISTER WILL BE ON SALE, AT \$45 PER VOLUME, AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, STAR FERRY CONCOURSE.

MR. MITCHELL EXPLAINED THAT THE LAST REGISTER, PUBLISHED ON DECEMBER 30, 1972, WOULD REMAIN LEGALLY VALID UNTIL JANUARY 14, 1975, AFTER WHICH DATE THE NEW REGISTER, TO BE PUBLISHED ON DECEMBER 30, 1974 WOULD SUPERCEDE THE LAST REGISTER AND WOULD REMAIN LEGALLY IN FORCE UNTIL JANUARY 14, 1977.

PREPARATION OF THE NEXT PROVISIONAL REGISTER, FROM WHICH THE NEXT FINAL REGISTER IS COMPILED, WILL COMMENCE ON FEBRUARY 15, 1976.

+THIS MEANS THAT ONLY THOSE PERSONS WHOSE NAMES APPEAR IN THE NEW FINAL REGISTER WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION TO BE HELD NEXT MARCH. ANY PERSON WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE BUT WHO HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED CANNOT APPLY FOR REGISTRATION AS AN ELECTOR BEFORE FEBRUARY, 1976,+ MR. MITCHELL ADDED.

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THE REGISTRATION OFFICER ALSO STATED THAT HE WOULD POST TO EVERY ELECTOR A POLL CARD BEARING HIS OR HER ELECTORAL NUMBER.

THESE CARDS ARE DESIGNED TO ASSIST VOTERS ON ELECTION DAY, SINCE THEIR PRODUCTION TO THE POLLING OFFICERS TOGETHER WITH THE ELECTORS' HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD, OR SOME OTHER FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION, WILL READILY IDENTIFY THE HOLDERS AND ENABLE THEM TO OBTAIN A BALLOT PAPER WITH THE MINIMUM OF DELAY.

THE POLL CARDS WILL BE POSTED BEFORE THE END OF FEBRUARY NEXT AND ELECTORS ARE URGED NOT TO MISLAY THEM.

ELECTORS ARE ALSO REMINDED TO KEEP THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS SO THAT POLL CARDS CAN BE POSTED TO THEIR CORRECT ADDRESS.

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MORE ORGANISATIONS COME UNDER
PREVENTION OF BRIBERY ORDINANCE
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THE NUMBER OF SCHEDULED ORGANISATIONS COMING WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF A +PUBLIC BODY+ TO BRING THEM UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF THE PREVENTION OF BRIBERY ORDINANCE HAS BEEN DOUBLED TO 36.

THE NEW SCHEDULE TO THE ORDINANCE WAS GAZETTED TODAY FOLLOWING ITS APPROVAL BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL LAST WEEK. IT COMES INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

THE MAIN EFFECT IS THAT THE ORGANISATIONS LISTED ARE BROUGHT WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF +PUBLIC BODY+. THIS MEANS THAT UNDER THE ORDINANCE THEIR EMPLOYEES ARE CLASSIFIED AS +PUBLIC SERVANTS+.

THE PREVENTION OF BRIBERY ORDINANCE PROHIBITS BOTH OFFERING AN ADVANTAGE TO, AND SOLICITING AN ADVANTAGE BY A +PUBLIC SERVANT+. IT ALSO PROHIBITS THE OFFERING OF A BRIBE BY A PERSON WHO IS DEALING WITH A +PUBLIC BODY+.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT THE 36 ORGANISATIONS NOW LISTED ON THE SCHEDULE, ALL HAVE FUNCTIONS OR CHARACTER WHICH ARE OF A PUBLIC NATURE.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE SCHEDULE WAS NOT STATIC AND THAT AS NEW ORGANISATIONS COME INTO EXISTENCE TO PROVIDE SERVICES OF A PUBLIC NATURE IT IS INTENDED THAT THEY, TOO, SHOULD BE INCLUDED.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THE CRITERIA FOR INCLUSION OF ORGANISATIONS IN THE SCHEDULE IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW.

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STANDARD FARE STRUCTURE FOR LANTAO BUSES
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BUSES ON LANTAO ISLAND WILL OPERATE ON A STANDARD FARE STRUCTURE WHICH WILL PROVIDE CONCESSION RATES FOR REGULAR TRAVELLERS AND HALF FARES FOR STUDENTS IN UNIFORM AND CHILDREN.

THE FARE STRUCTURE WILL START ON WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 1) FOLLOWING THE INTRODUCTION EARLIER THIS MONTH OF NEW BUS TIMETABLES WHICH GIVE COMMUTERS IMPROVED FREQUENCIES AND BETTER CONNECTING FACILITIES WITH FERRY SERVICES TO THE ISLAND.

THE NEW MEASURE AIMS AT STANDARDISING BUS FARES ON LANTAO ISLAND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NEW TIMETABLES WHICH NOW PROVIDE A BASIC GUARANTEED LEVEL OF SERVICE.

THE STANDARD FARE STRUCTURE WILL APPLY TO THE ISLAND'S FIVE BUS ROUTES WHICH ARE: (A) BETWEEN MUI WO AND TAI O VIA PUI O, CHEUNG SHA, TONG FUK, SHUI HAU AND KEUNG SHAN- (B) BETWEEN MUI WO AND NGONG PING VIA PUI O, CHEUNG SHA, TONG FUK, SHUI HAU AND PAVILION- (C) BETWEEN MUI WO AND TUNG CHUNG VIA PUI O, CHEUNG SHA, AND TUNG CHUNG ROAD- (D) BETWEEN MUI WO AND CHEUNG SHA VIA PUI O- AND (E) BETWEEN MUI WO AND TAI LONG WAN VIA SOUTH LANTAO ROAD AND TAI LONG WAN ACCESS ROAD.

UNDER THIS FARE STRUCTURE, PASSENGERS CAN BUY MONTHLY OR SEASON TICKETS WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM TO ENJOY EITHER UNLIMITED JOURNEYS WITHIN A MONTH, OR A REFUND FOR ANY UNUSED TRIPS AT THE END OF A SEASON.

THE NEW LANTAO BUS COMPANY WILL ISSUE MONTHLY TICKETS AT 30 TIMES THE APPROPRIATE FARES ON ALL ROUTES EXCEPT THE MUI WO-NGONG PING ROUTE FOR WHICH THE RATE WILL BE 20 TIMES ONLY. THESE TICKETS CAN BE USED FOR AS MANY JOURNEYS AS THE HOLDER MAY WISH TO TAKE ON ANY DAY OF THE MONTH.

THERE WILL ALSO BE THE CONCESSION SEASON TICKET WHICH IS CALCULATED ON REDUCED RATES. IT CAN BE VALID FOR 30 TO 60 JOURNEYS DEPENDING ON THE CHOICE OF THE BUYER. HE WILL THEN PAY A LUMP SUM FOR THE NUMBER OF TRIPS DESIRED. HOWEVER, MONEY FOR ANY JOURNEYS UNUSED WILL BE REFUNDED AT THE END OF A THREE-MONTH PERIOD.

STUDENTS IN UNIFORM OR CHILDREN BELOW THE AGE OF 12 YEARS WILL ENJOY HALF FARES CALCULATED TO THE NEAREST 10 CENTS, WHILE THOSE BELOW THE AGE OF FOUR YEARS ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT BUT NOT OCCUPYING A SEAT MAY BE CARRIED FREE.

/THE FULL-JOURNEY

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THE FULL-JOURNEY FARES FOR THE VARIOUS ROUTES FROM MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS (FARES FOR SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN BRACKETS) ARE: \$1 (\$2) FOR THE MUI WO-CHEUNG SHA ROUTE- \$1.50 FOR THE MUI WO-TAI LONG WAN ROUTE- \$2 (\$3) FOR THE MUI WO-TAI O AND MUI WO-TUNG CHUNG ROUTES- AND \$3 (\$4) FOR THE MUI WO-HOONG PING ROUTE. INTERMEDIATE FARES AT CORRESPONDINGLY LOWER RATES WILL APPLY IN THE CASE OF SHORTER JOURNEYS.

STAFF OF THE NEW LANTAO BUS COMPANY WILL HAVE COPIES OF THE FARE TABLES AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION BY PASSENGERS, AND COPIES WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYED AT ALL BUS TERMINI.

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SWIMMING RACE AT TSUEN WAN BEACH
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A LONG DISTANCE SELF-SURVIVAL RACE WILL BE HELD AT APPROACH BEACH, TSUEN WAN, NEW TERRITORIES BETWEEN 2 P.M. AND 3 P.M. ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29).

THE RACE WILL START FROM BETWEEN BATHING HUTS NOS. 44 AND 45, ROUND A MARKER BUOY STATIONED OFF SHORE AND THEN RUN PARALLEL TO THE SHORE IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION ROUND A FURTHER MARKER BUOY AND FINISH BETWEEN BATHING HUTS NOS. 13 AND 14.

OWNERS AND COXSWAINS OF SMALL CRAFT ARE REQUESTED TO KEEP WELL CLEAR OF THE SWIMMERS AND MARSHALLING BOATS AND EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN UNDERWAY IN THE VICINITY.

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PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION IN HONG KONG

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF THE PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS VERY CAREFULLY AND HAS TAKEN AN OBJECTIVE AND REALISTIC VIEW, THE ACTING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (TECHNICAL), MR. DANIEL WATERS SAID THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT A SEMINAR ON +AIMS OF PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION+ ORGANISED BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON PREVOCATIONAL EDUCATION OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

MR. WATERS SAID: +THE PRESENT THINKING OF THE GOVERNMENT, IN LINE WITH THE REVISED VIEWS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IS THAT PREVOCATIONAL TYPE SCHOOLS ARE NOT THE MOST SUITABLE OVERALL SOLUTION FOR OUR PRESENT EDUCATION PROBLEMS.

+THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT THEY HAVE NO PART TO PLAY, MERELY THAT PREVOCATIONAL TYPE SCHOOLS WILL NOT BE THE DOMINANT ELEMENT IN THE EXPANSION PLANS FOR THE JUNIOR SECONDARY LEVEL, AS LAID DOWN IN THE 1974 WHITE PAPER.

+THE GOVERNMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVIEW OVERALL POLICY AND REACT ACCORDINGLY, AS EXPERIENCE INDICATES.+

THE WHITE PAPER DID NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE MODIFICATIONS, OR OF REAPPRAISAL.

+IT IS RECOGNISED THAT A POLICY WITHOUT FLEXIBILITY WOULD NOT BE WISE,+ THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR EMPHASISED.

HE REITERATED THAT PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS WOULD CONTINUE TO EXIST IN THEIR OWN RIGHT AND WITH PARITY OF ESTEEM AND IMPORTANCE WITH OTHER SCHOOLS.

MR. WATERS BELIEVED THAT PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS HAD AN INTEGRAL PART TO PLAY IN THE EDUCATION SYSTEM ALTHOUGH THE EVENTUAL TOTAL NUMBER OF PREVOCATIONAL PLACES TO BE OFFERED - SOME 10,000 BY 1983 - WAS SMALL.

THESE SCHOOLS ARE FULLY SUBSIDIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THE TUITION FEE PAID BY PUPILS IS ONLY \$200 A YEAR WHICH IS HALF THE FEE CHARGED IN THE STANDARD GRAMMAR AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR POINTED OUT THAT ONE OF THE MAIN FEATURES OF THE WHITE PAPER, BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, WAS THAT THERE SHOULD BE A SINGLE STREAM OF EDUCATION FOR THE FIRST NINE YEARS, WITH A COMMON CORE OF INSTRUCTION.

BRANCHING INTO GRAMMAR OR TECHNICAL STREAMS WOULD COME AFTER THE PROPOSED HONG KONG JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION TAKEN AT FORM III LEVEL.

/MR. WATERS

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MR. WATERS SAID THAT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WAS FULLY AWARE THAT +SOME PUPILS IN PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS MAY WISH TO ENTER SENIOR SECONDARY COURSES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR AND WE ARE GIVING THIS MATTER CAREFUL ATTENTION.

+IN ADDITION, AFTER 1982, WHEN THE NEW JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION IS EXPECTED TO BE HELD, PUPILS FROM PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS SHOULD BE ABLE TO SIT THIS EXAMINATION FOR SELECTION TO FORM IV IN THE AIDED SECTOR.+

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SAID THAT TECHNICAL EDUCATION WAS A VERY IMPORTANT SUBJECT AND THE GOVERNMENT HAD DONE A GREAT DEAL DURING RECENT YEARS - THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POLYTECHNIC= THE SETTING UP OF A TECHNICAL BRANCH, INCLUDING A TECHNICAL INSPECTORATE, IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT= THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE= THE INTRODUCTION OF ENHANCED FINANCIAL GRANTS FOR STUDENT TECHNICAL TEACHERS= THE ADDITION OF AN EXTRA FLOOR TO THE WORKSHOP WING OF THE MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEPARTMENT OF PRINTING IN THE INSTITUTE.

TWO MORE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES - ONE AT KWAI CHUNG AND THE OTHER AT KWUN TONG - WILL BE OPENED IN 1975.

ANOTHER ONE AT CHEUNG SHA WAN IS EXPECTED TO OPEN IN 1977/78 AND THE SAN PO KONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

PREPARATION WAS IN HAND FOR THREE MORE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AT SHA TIN, TSUEN WAN AND TUEN MUN.

PLANS WERE GOING AHEAD FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF PRACTICAL/ TECHNICAL SUBJECTS INTO ALL SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN LINE WITH THE WHITE PAPER RECOMMENDATIONS.

MR. WATERS SAID: +SUCH DEVELOPMENTS ARE OBVIOUSLY IMPORTANT. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE EXPANSION AND INCREASED SOPHISTICATION OF INDUSTRY AND THE RELATED AREAS OF THE ECONOMY WILL DEPEND TO A VERY LARGE EXTENT ON A SOUND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME.+

NOTE TO EDITORS:

COPIES OF THE FULL TEXT OF MR. WATERS' SPEECH IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE ARE DISTRIBUTED SEPARATELY IN THE G.I.S. PRESS BOXES.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT AT CHOI HUNG INTERCHANGE

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS TO COINCIDE WITH THE OPENING OF A FLYOVER AT THE CHOI HUNG INTERCHANGE TO TRAFFIC FROM KWUN TONG TO LUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND CLEARWATER BAY ROAD NEXT WEEK.

THE FLYOVER WILL BE OPENED AT 10 AM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 30).

AS THERE WILL BE NO RIGHT-TURN FACILITY AT GROUND LEVEL AFTER THE FLYOVER IS OPENED, MOTORISTS FROM KWUN TONG PROCEEDING TO LUNG CHEUNG ROAD OR CLEARWATER BAY ROAD WILL HAVE TO SELECT THE LEFT-HAND LANE OPPOSITE PING SHEK ESTATE INSTEAD OF USING THE RIGHT-HAND LANE AS AT PRESENT.

ON THE OTHER HAND, MOTORISTS FROM KWUN TONG PROCEEDING TOWARDS THE AIRPORT WILL HAVE TO SELECT THE RIGHT-HAND LANE INSTEAD OF THE LEFT-HAND LANE.

ABOUT ONE WEEK AFTER THE FLYOVER IS OPENED, DIRECT ACCESS FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC FROM PRINCE EDWARD ROAD TO PING SHEK ESTATE, R.A.F. OFFICERS' QUARTERS, KAI TAK MANSION AND ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL WILL BE REMOVED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. AT THE SAME TIME, DIVERSION SIGNS VIA NGAU CHI WAN FIRE STATION WILL BE ERECTED FOR MOTORISTS WISHING TO GAIN ACCESS TO THESE PROPERTIES FROM PRINCE EDWARD ROAD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE POSTED IN THE AREA TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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ROYALTY PAYMENTS OF KMB AND CMB TO BE WAIVED

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TWO BILLS WHICH SEEK TO WAIVE THE ROYALTY PAYMENTS FOR BOTH THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY AND THE CHINA MOTOR BUS COMPANY WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SOON.

IF THE BILLS - THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES (KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1975 AND THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES (HONG KONG ISLAND) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1975 - ARE PASSED, THE TWO COMPANIES WILL NOT HAVE TO PAY ROYALTIES TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR FINANCIAL YEARS - 1972-3, 1973-4 AND 1974-5.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE COMPANIES ALSO HAD THEIR ROYALTY WAIVED IN 1970-1 AND AGAIN IN 1971-2.

HE SAID THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WAS BEING INTRODUCED TO ENABLE BOTH KMB AND CMB TO UNDERTAKE SUBSTANTIAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMMES WHICH INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL BUSES AND EQUIPMENT AS PART OF MEASURES TO IMPROVE BUS SERVICES GENERALLY.

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CAMPING COMPETITION FOR CAS CADETS

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A FOUR-DAY CAMPING COMPETITION INVOLVING 450 CADETS OF THE CIVIL AID SERVICES HAS STARTED TODAY AT THE DODWELL'S RIDGE CAMP IN FANLING.

THE COMPETITION IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE COMRADESHIP AMONG MEMBERS OF THE 20 ESTABLISHED CADET UNITS.

+BY HOLDING THE CAMP, WE HOPE TO OBSERVE THE LEADERSHIP, TEAMWORK AND INITIATIVE OF THE CADETS THROUGH VARIOUS FORMS OF COMPETITIONS SUCH AS FOOTDRILL, COOKING, CAMP FIRE AND PHYSICAL CONTESTS,+ SAID MR. JOHN FORTUNE, CHIEF STAFF OFFICER OF THE CIVIL AID SERVICES.

AN OPEN DAY WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29), BETWEEN 10 AM AND 1 PM, TO ENABLE SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE C.A.S. AS WELL AS MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO VISIT THE CAMP SITE AND WATCH THE COMPETITION.

THE COMPETITION WILL END ON MONDAY WHEN WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE CAMPING EVENT AND OPEN DAY ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) MORNING.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO VISIT DODWELL'S RIDGE CAMP BY C.A.S. TRANSPORT SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE C.A.S. KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE, 204 ARGYLE STREET (NEXT TO KOWLOON CITY POLICE STATION) BY 9.30 AM.

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TSUEN WAN YOUTH SEMINAR

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A SEMINAR WILL BE HELD BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE IN TSUEN WAN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING IN THE DISTRICT THIS WEEKEND.

THE YOUTH SEMINAR, TO BE HELD FROM DECEMBER 29 TO 31, IS DESIGNED TO HELP YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE SOCIAL SURROUNDING AND THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT.

IT WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A WEEKEND RESIDENTIAL CAMP WHERE PARTICIPANTS WILL SPEND THREE DAYS AND TWO NIGHTS AT MORRISON HALL, HATTON ROAD, ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE SEMINAR IS OPEN TO YOUTH AGED BETWEEN 16 AND 20.

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VARIETY SHOW FOR THE DEAF

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SOME 400 DEAF PEOPLE ARE TO BE ENTERTAINED AT A VARIETY SHOW ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) AT THE CHAI VAN COMMUNITY CENTRE.

ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE DEAF, IT WILL LAST TWO HOURS FROM 4 TO 6 P.M. THE PROGRAMMES WILL INCLUDE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN LION DANCES, A CHINESE MARTIAL ARTS DISPLAY AND PUPPET AND MAGIC SHOWS.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE DANCES PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE MA TAU VAI GIRLS' HOME AND H.K.T.V.B. ARTISTES.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. MORRIS MORGAN AND MRS. MORGAN TOGETHER WITH THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE DEAF, MR. LI FOOK-HING AND MRS. LI, WILL OFFICIATE BY DOTTING THE EYES OF THE LIONS. ALSO PRESENT WILL BE THE H.K.T.V.B. STAR, MISS LYDIA SUM.

FORTY VOLUNTEERS FROM THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICE (EASTERN) WILL ASSIST IN THE FUNCTION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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DEATH OF ASSISTANT POST-MASTER GENERAL

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MR. RONALD VICTOR TALBOT-JONES, ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL, SUFFERED A HEART ATTACK YESTERDAY (THURSDAY) AND DIED SOON AFTER BEING ADMITTED INTO QUEEN MARY HOSPITAL. HE WAS 64.

AFTER 23 YEARS' SERVICE IN MALAYA AND EAST AFRICA, MR. TALBOT-JONES JOINED THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AS A WIRELESS ENGINEER IN 1960.

IN 1962 HE WAS APPOINTED CHIEF CONTROLLER OF TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES AND FOR A SHORT PERIOD IN 1965 ACTED AS POSTMASTER GENERAL. HE RETIRED IN 1970 AND DURING THAT YEAR WAS HONOURED WITH THE IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER.

AFTER A PERIOD WORKING FOR INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION IN THE PHILIPPINES HE WAS REAPPOINTED IN HONG KONG AS ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL IN MARCH 1973.

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LEASE OF FORESHORES AND SEABED AT SHA TIN HOI PROPOSED
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ABOUT 50 ACRES OF FORESHORES AND SEA BED ON THE EASTERN COAST OF SHA TIN HOI (TIDE COVE), NEW TERRITORIES, WILL BE LEASED BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR PRIVATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

THIS IS PART OF THE PROPOSED RECLAMATION FOR SHA TIN NEW TOWN, STAGE I.

THE LEASE WILL BE SOLD BY PRIVATE TREATY GRANT TO A DEVELOPER WHO WILL BE REQUIRED TO RECLAIM AND FORM A FURTHER 65 ACRES FOR GOVERNMENT HOUSING PROJECTS.

THE DEVELOPER WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE WITHIN THE GRANT AREA, A FULLY COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING SCHOOLS, SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND OPEN SPACES.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE AREA WILL ACCOMMODATE A POPULATION OF 32,500.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTIFICATION IN TODAY'S GAZETTE WHICH CALLS UPON ALL PERSONS HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL OR ANY CLAIMS OF PRIVATE RIGHT TO SUBMIT THEIR OBJECTIONS OR CLAIMS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE, IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, CAN BE SEEN ON THE NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

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CONSTRUCTION OF PUMPING STATION IN SAI KUNG
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TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUMPING STATION, CATCHWATER, PIPELINE AND ACCESS ROAD IN SAI KUNG TO SERVE THE HIGH ISLAND WATER SCHEME.

LOCATED AT KEI LING HA VILLAGE, THE PUMPING STATION WILL BE ONE OF EIGHT TO BE BUILT AS PART OF THE HIGH ISLAND WATER SCHEME TO DEVELOP THE LOWLAND CATCHMENTS OF THE SAI KUNG PENINSULA.

STREAM WATER TO THE SOUTHEAST OF KEI LING HA LO WEI AND WATER COLLECTED BY THE CATCHWATER WILL BE PUMPED THROUGH A PIPELINE AND TUNNEL SYSTEM INTO THE RESERVOIR.

A 600-METRE-LONG PIPELINE, A 3,800-METRE-LONG CATCHWATER ACCESS ROAD TOGETHER WITH A CATCHWATER WILL ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED.

DURING THE CONSTRUCTION WORK, IRRIGATION TO THE FARM LAND IN THE AREA WILL BE IMPROVED. IN ADDITION, ACCESS TO THE REMOTE VILLAGE OF YUNG SHUE AU WILL BE IMPROVED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CATCHWATER ACCESS ROAD.

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CONSUMER ADVISORY SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING PRICES WERE REALISED TODAY (FRIDAY) AT SALE UNDER THE RICE CONTROL SCHEME AND AT THE VEGETABLE MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AND THE FISH MARKETING ORGANISATION WHOLESALE MARKET AT CHEUNG SHA WAN, KOWLOON :

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF RICE

<u>GRADE OF RICE</u>	<u>AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY</u>	<u>WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)</u>
<u>CHINA RICE</u>		
SEE MEW	GOOD	1.67
S.C. JIEN	GOOD	1.58
PO NGAI	GOOD	---
CHU CHO	GOOD	---
<u>THAI RICE</u>		
100% WHOLE	GOOD	1.60
10-15% BROKENS	GOOD	---
A1 SUPER EXTRA	GOOD	---
A1 SUPER	GOOD	---
WHOLE GLUTINOUS	GOOD	1.48
<u>U.S. RICE</u>	GOOD	---
<u>AUSTRALIAN RICE</u>	GOOD	1.62
<u>PAKISTAN RICE</u>	GOOD	---
<u>TAIWAN RICE</u>	GOOD	---

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF SWINE

(ALL SOURCES)

AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	-	GOOD
WHOLESALE PRICES OF PORK (\$/PICUL-LIVE WEIGHT)	-	330 (AVERAGE)

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SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF MARINE FISH

(FMO CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET)

SPECIES	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
GOLDEN THREAD	GOOD	5.30	1.80	4.00
BIG-EYES	GOOD	3.00	0.50	2.20
SQUID	LIMITED	6.50	2.70	5.00
HAIR-TAILS	NORMAL	2.80	0.70	1.30
LIZARD FISHES	GOOD	3.30	0.90	1.60
CROAKERS	GOOD	3.00	0.70	1.40
CONGER-PIKE-EELS	NORMAL	3.50	2.20	3.00
MELON COAT	LIMITED	3.00	1.80	2.40
BREAMS	SCARCE	5.00	3.50	4.20
YELLOW BELLY	GOOD	1.60	0.60	1.00
MACKERELS	NORMAL	5.70	3.00	4.20
RED GOAT FISH	LIMITED	1.40	0.40	0.70
FORK-TAIL	NORMAL	1.50	0.55	0.90
HORSE-HEAD	SCARCE	6.20	2.50	4.50
MELON SEED	NORMAL	3.30	1.40	2.20
POMFRETS	SCARCE	10.00	7.00	8.50
GARROUPAS	NORMAL	8.50	5.00	6.80
YELLOW CROAKER	SCARCE	7.50	6.00	7.00

SUPPLIES AND WHOLESALE PRICES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED VEGETABLES

(V.M.O. CHEUNG SHA WAN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET)

TYPE OF VEGETABLE	AVAILABILITY OF SUPPLY	WHOLESALE PRICE (\$/CATTY)		
		HIGH	LOW	MODE
FLOWERING CABBAGE	NORMAL	1.20	0.30	0.70
WHITE CABBAGE	GOOD	0.40	0.05	0.25
CHINESE LETTUCE	GOOD	0.80	0.20	0.50
WATER SPINACH	--	--	--	--
CHINESE KALE	NORMAL	1.20	0.40	0.80
STRING BEANS	--	--	--	--
SPRING ONION	NORMAL	1.20	0.30	0.80
SPINACH	NORMAL	1.40	0.30	0.80
WATER CRESS	GOOD	1.00	0.20	0.60
LEAF MUSTARD CABBAGE	NORMAL	0.40	0.10	0.25
CHINESE SPINACH	--	--	--	--
TOMATO	SCARCE	2.40	1.20	1.80

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