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UNIQUE EDUCATION CENTRE ON RURAL HERITAGE OPENS

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THE LIONS NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE IS A UNIQUE EDUCATIONAL FACILITY AND AN EXCELLENT DEMONSTRATION OF THE RICHES AND VARIETY OF HONG KONG'S RURAL ENVIRONMENT, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EDUCATION CENTRE WHICH WAS THE JOINT EFFORTS OF THE LIONS CLUBS AND THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, SIR DAVID SAID IT WAS SOMETHING ALL THOSE INVOLVED COULD TAKE PRIDE IN.

HE SAID THE CENTRE WOULD CAPTURE THE INTEREST AND IMAGINATION OF THOSE UNFAMILIAR WITH HONG KONG'S COUNTRYSIDE AND EDUCATE AND INSPIRE THOSE WHO WISH TO KNOW MORE ABOUT IT.

"OUR COUNTRY PARKS HAVE BEEN CALLED THE 'LUNGS' OF HONG KONG. RIGHTLY SO. FOR THE MOST PART WE ARE URBAN LIVERS.

"ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT THAT WE SHOULD APPRECIATE THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF WHICH WE ARE PART. COUNTRY PARKS DO THAT.

"BUT WE MUST GO FURTHER. WE MUST ENCOURAGE AND EDUCATE," THE GOVERNOR STRESSED.

HE SAID THE LIONS NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN HONG KONG, WAS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THAT DIRECTION.

SIR DAVID ALSO PAID SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO THE LIONS CLUBS FOR THEIR PART IN DEVELOPING THIS PROJECT.

"ITS COMPLETION IS A TRIBUTE TO THE GENEROSITY AND PUBLIC SPIRITEDNESS OF SO MANY BUSINESSMEN IN HONG KONG; AND TO THE WAY THE LIONS CLUBS SO EFFECTIVELY TAP THAT GOODWILL.

"ALSO TO THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS WHOSE CONTRIBUTION TO THIS PROJECT IS SUCH A WELCOME DEMONSTRATION OF OVERSEAS SUPPORT," HE SAID.

SIR DAVID ADDED THAT THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT HAD WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE LIONS CLUBS TO DEVELOP THE CENTRE, SETTING AN EXAMPLE OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE COMMUNITY WHICH HE HOPED WOULD ENCOURAGE OTHERS.

THE GOVERNOR NOTED THAT THE CENTRE'S EXHIBITION HALLS, AN IMPRESSIVE FOCAL POINT OF THE CENTRE'S MANY OTHER ATTRACTIONS, WERE SPLENDID EXAMPLES OF HOW TRADITIONAL CHINESE ARCHITECTURE AND MODERN DESIGN COULD BE BLENDED TO GOOD EFFECT.

"THEY MADE AN IDEAL SETTING FOR THE STUDY OF HONG KONG'S RURAL HERITAGE," SIR DAVID SAID.

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HE SAID THE ATTRACTIONS OF THE EDUCATION CENTRE INCLUDED AN ARBORETUM OF LOCAL TREES WHICH COMPRISED OF SPECIMENS FIRST SCIENTIFICALLY RECORDED IN HONG KONG, A WIDE VARIETY OF FRUIT TREES IN THE ORCHARD, A CHINESE HERBAL GARDEN, OVER 40 TYPES OF VEGETABLE AND FIELD CROPS UNDER CULTIVATION, PLUS A PRODUCE STALL AT WHICH TO BUY THE RESULTS, AND A PICNIC AREA AND PLAYGROUND, IMPORTANT INGREDIENTS IN A REALLY GOOD DAY OUT.

THERE WERE FINISHING TOUCHES STILL TO BE ADDED WHICH INCLUDED A CAFETERIA, AN INSECTARIUM AND MORE LANDSCAPING, HE ADDED.

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NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE NEEDS COMMUNITY SUPPORT

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THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 303 HONG KONG AND MACAU HAS BEEN HIGHLY COMMENDED FOR THEIR ENTHUSIASM IN BRINGING ABOUT THE FIRST EVER NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE TO DISPLAY THE RICHNESS OF HONG KONG'S RURAL HERITAGE.

THE LIONS NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE IN TSIU HANG, SAI KUNG CENTRE WAS OPENED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, AT A CEREMONY TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, DR LAWRENCE LEE, SAID THE LIONS CLUBS' SPONSORSHIP OF THIS MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT BORE OUT THEIR COMMITMENT NOT ONLY TO NATURE EDUCATION BUT ALSO TO THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG.

"I AM MOST IMPRESSED BY THEIR ENTHUSIASM AND SPEED WITH WHICH FUNDS WERE RAISED AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EXHIBITION HALLS WAS COMPLETED," HE SAID.

DR LEE ALSO PAID TRIBUTE TO EVERYONE WHO HAVE ASSISTED IN THIS PROJECT ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.

"WITHOUT THEIR EXPERTISE, DEVOTION AND HARD WORK, OUR DREAM OF SETTING UP A NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE TO DISPLAY TO THE PUBLIC, IN PARTICULAR THE YOUNGER GENERATION, THE RICHNESS OF HONG KONG'S RURAL HERITAGE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN REALISED AT SUCH AN EARLY STAGE," HE SAID.

HE SAID THE OPENING OF THE EXHIBITION HALLS TODAY MARKED THE COMPLETION OF PHASE I OF THE PROJECT AND THE BEGINNING OF PHASE II, WHICH COMPRISED AN INSECTARIUM AMONG OTHER THINGS.

"I AM GLAD THAT THE LIONS CLUBS HAVE UNDERTAKEN TO CONTINUE TO SPONSOR PHASE II BUT PROGRESS OF THE PLAN WILL ALSO DEPEND ON COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO THE LIONS NATURE EDUCATION FOUNDATION.

"I HOPE THOSE WHO HAVE VISITED PHASE I WOULD FIND THE PROJECT MEANINGFUL AND WOULD GIVE THEIR FULL SUPPORT TO THIS MEANINGFUL CAUSE," HE SAID.

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ALSO PRESENT AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WERE THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 303, HONG KONG AND MACAU, MR TAM WING-KUN, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF), MR WILLIAM WOLLARD, WHO SPECIALLY FLOWN TO HONG KONG FROM THE USA.

MR TAM SAID: "THE MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT IS A SIGN OF THE LIONS' CONFIDENCE IN THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG AND WE ARE RECRUITING THE PUBLIC TO STRIVE FOR WHAT IS BEST FOR THE TERRITORY."

EXPLAINING WHY THEY HAD RAISED \$11 MILLION TO FINANCE THIS NATURE EDUCATION PROJECT, HE SAID HONG KONG NEEDED AN OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE WHICH COULD PROVIDE A BASE FOR UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO CONDUCT SCIENTIFIC AND FIELD STUDIES AS WELL AS A BASE FOR SCHOOLS AND ORGANISED GROUPS TO PARTICIPATE IN COUNTRYSIDE CONSERVATION WORK.

"THERE IS ALSO A NEED FOR MORE FACILITIES TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND BETTER OUR COUNTRYSIDE WITH ITS RICH VARIETIES OF VEGETATION, WILDLIFE AND RURAL HERITAGE.

"FURTHERMORE, IT PROVIDES JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE HANDICAPPED TO WORK IN THE CAFETERIA IN THE CENTRE," MR TAM SAID.

MR WOLLARD SAID THE CENTRE WAS THE JOINT EFFORT OF THE LIONS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OTHER CONCERNED CITIZENS IN EDUCATING, INFORMING AND BRINGING PLEASURE TO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

HE SAID THE PROJECT WAS SO MEANINGFUL THAT THE LCIF HAD CONTRIBUTED A TOTAL OF US\$200,000 TO HELP MAKE THIS LIONS NATURE EDUCATION CENTRE A REALITY.

"THIS IS THE LARGEST STANDARD GRANT CONTRIBUTION BY LCIF TO ONE SINGLE DISTRICT IN THE HISTORY OF THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION," HE NOTED.

THE CENTRE WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 2 PM TODAY. APART FROM THREE EXHIBITION HALLS FEATURING HONG KONG'S AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND COUNTRYSIDE RESOURCES, THERE ARE ALSO ATTRACTIVE AND EDUCATIONAL OUTDOOR DISPLAYS, INCLUDING AN ARBORETUM, ORCHARDS, FIELD CROPS, A CHINESE HERBAL GARDEN, A ROCK AND MINERAL CORNER AND A POULTRY CORNER.

OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDE SHELTERS, BENCHES, PICNIC SITES AND CHILDREN'S PLAY EQUIPMENT.

THE CENTRE IS OPEN DAILY FROM 9.30 AM TO 5 PM EXCEPT ON TUESDAY. ADMISSION IS FREE AND NO ADVANCED BOOKING IS REQUIRED. HOWEVER, SCHOOLS OR ORGANISED GROUPS PLANNING A GUIDED TOUR SHOULD CONTACT AFD'S CONSERVATION EDUCATION SECTION ON TEL. 733 2121 FOR APPOINTMENT.

VISITORS COMING BY PRIVATE TRANSPORT CAN PARK THEIR VEHICLES AT A CARPARK NEAR THE HONG KIN ROAD FIRE STATION. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE LIMITED PARKING SPACES, VISITORS ARE ADVISED TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

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THE CENTRE IS SERVED BY KMB ROUTE 92 AND GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 1, BOTH OF WHICH RUN FROM CHOI HUNG TO SAI KUNG. VISITORS SHOULD ALIGHT AT THE TSIU HANG STOP ON HIRAM'S HIGHWAY.

AS THE CAFETERIA IN THE CENTRE IS NOT YET READY, THOSE BRINGING THEIR CHILDREN ALONG OR PLANNING TO HANG AROUND IN THE CENTRE FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME ARE ADVISED TO BRING THEIR OWN SNACKS AND MAKE USE OF THE PICNIC SITES IN THE CENTRE.

IN ORDER THAT MORE PEOPLE CAN BENEFIT FROM THE CENTRE, THE PUBLIC ARE URGED TO EXERCISE SELF-DISCIPLINE AND NOT TO DAMAGE ANY ITEMS ON DISPLAY.

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## HK MFN LOBBY TEAM RETURNS

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MEMBERS OF A HIGH-LEVEL HONG KONG LOBBYING MISSION HAVE BEEN PUTTING HONG KONG'S CASE TO SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS AND CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS DURING THE PAST WEEK AND EXPLAINING THE SEVERE ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES FOR HONG KONG IF THE MOST FAVOURED NATION (MFN) TRADE STATUS FOR CHINA IS REVOKED.

ON HIS RETURN TO HONG KONG TODAY (SATURDAY), MR ALLEN LEE, A MEMBER OF THE LOBBYING TEAM, SAID THE DELEGATION HAD SUCCEEDED IN RAISING THE PROFILE OF HONG KONG IN THE DEBATE.

IN TALKS WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AND CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS, THE HONG KONG DELEGATION HAD EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT BUSH'S POSITION THAT WITHDRAWING OR CONDITIONING MFN WAS NOT THE RIGHT SOLUTION.

HOWEVER, MR LEE SAID THERE WAS A TOUGH BATTLE AHEAD IN CONGRESS, IN THE FACE OF CALLS FROM SOME LEGISLATORS FOR STRINGENT CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO MFN RENEWAL.

THE DELEGATION HAS BEEN LOBBYING IN THE U.S. UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE HONG KONG-UNITED STATES ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION COMMITTEE, WHICH IS HEADED IN HONG KONG BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HONGKONG BANK, MR WILLIAM PURVES, AND IN THE U.S. BY THE FORMER HEAD OF THE U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD, MR PAUL VOLCKER.

MEMBERS OF THE LOBBYING DELEGATION INCLUDED BARONESS DUNN, MR ALLEN LEE, THE OUTGOING SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR JOHN CHAN, AND HIS SUCCESSOR, MR T.H. CHAU.

THE VISIT IS PART OF AN EXTENSIVE AND ONGOING LOBBYING EFFORT BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY THAT BEGAN EARLY LAST MONTH WITH VISITS TO THE U.S. OF LOBBYING TEAMS FROM THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

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PUBLIC URGED TO COMMENT ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT BILL

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THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, TODAY (SATURDAY) CALLED ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS (OWNERS INCORPORATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1991 PUBLISHED LAST WEEK.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE "BUILDING MANAGEMENT SEMINAR -- PERSPECTIVE AND PARTICIPATION" AT THE HONG KONG CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE, MR LAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT PUBLISHED THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION IN THE FORM OF A WHITE BILL FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION AS THE BILL HAD FAR-REACHING EFFECTS ON THE TERRITORY'S FLAT OWNERS.

"MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS AND COMMENTS CAN WRITE TO THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION (CNTA) BEFORE THE END OF AUGUST," HE SAID.

MR LAN SAID THE GOVERNMENT'S ROLE IN PRIVATE BUILDING MANAGEMENT WAS MAINLY TO PROVIDE A BETTER LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE FRAMEWORK TO ASSIST FLAT OWNERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THEIR BUILDINGS MORE EFFECTIVELY.

WITH THIS IN MIND, HE SAID, THE GOVERNMENT HAD PROPOSED TO AMEND THE UNFAIR CLAUSES IN DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT BY MAKING MANDATORY CHANGES OR REMOVING SUCH CLAUSES ALTOGETHER, SO THAT THE INTEREST OF MULTI-STOREY FLAT OWNERS COULD BE EFFECTIVELY PROTECTED AS FAR AS BUILDING MANAGEMENT WAS CONCERNED.

"THE AMENDMENT WILL ALSO BALANCE THE REASONABLE RIGHTS BETWEEN FLAT OWNERS AND PROPERTY DEVELOPERS/MANAGEMENT COMPANY, AS WELL AS MINIMISING THE CONFLICTS BETWEEN THEM," MR LAN SAID.

OUTLINING THE MORE IMPORTANT PROVISIONS IN THE BILL, MR LAN SAID ONE MANDATORY TERM WOULD ENABLE FLAT OWNERS, BY THE VOTE OF NOT LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF THE UNDIVIDED SHARES IN THE BUILDING, TO TERMINATE THE MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT BY GIVING HIM NOT LESS THAN THREE MONTHS' NOTICE.

"HOWEVER, THIS TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENT RESOLUTION SHOULD ONLY BE EFFECTIVE ONE YEAR AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THIS LEGISLATION," HE ADDED.

HE SAID THIS MANDATORY TERM WAS AIMED AT STRENGTHENING THE POWER OF FLAT OWNERS IN THEIR SUPERVISION OF THE SERVICE STANDARD OF THE MANAGER; IT WOULD NOT CAUSE ANY THREAT TO CONSCIENTIOUS MANAGERS.

TO PROTECT THE INTEREST OF SMALL FLAT OWNERS, HE SAID, ANOTHER MANDATORY TERM WAS ALSO MADE TO REQUIRE A MANAGER TO CONSULT THE FLAT OWNERS UPON A BUDGET.

IF THE OWNERS DECIDED TO REJECT THE BUDGET, THEN, UNTIL SUCH TIME A REVISED BUDGET WAS PREPARED AND ACCEPTED, THE BUDGET SHOULD BE THE SAME AS IN THE PREVIOUS FINANCIAL YEAR, PLUS SUCH AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING 10 PER CENT AS THE MANAGER MIGHT DETERMINE, HE SAID.

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"THIS IS TO ENSURE THAT MANAGEMENT OF THE BUILDING WILL BE MAINTAINED IN A REASONABLE STANDARD DURING THE NEGOTIATION PERIOD," MR LAN SAID.

POINTING OUT THAT ONE OF THE COMMON COMPLAINTS RECEIVED WAS ABOUT MANAGEMENT FEES AND ACCOUNTS, MR LAN SAID THE BILL WOULD REQUIRE A MANAGER TO KEEP A PROPER ACCOUNT AND OTHER RECORDS.

HE SAID THE BILL ALSO PROPOSED TWO FORMULAS FOR THE CALCULATION OF MONTHLY MANAGEMENT FEES TO BE PAID BY AN OWNER.

MR LAN SAID ANOTHER IMPORTANT PROPOSAL WAS TARGETTED AT THE UNFAIR CLAUSES IN EXISTING DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT, WHICH PREVENTED OWNERS FROM ESTABLISHING OWNERS CORPORATION.

"THE BILL STATES THAT OWNERS CANNOT BE PREVENTED BY DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT OR ANY OTHER AGREEMENT FROM BEING REGISTERED AS A CORPORATION.

"IF THIS PROPOSAL HAS THE INTENSIVE SUPPORT, THE GOVERNMENT WILL AMEND SECTION 2A OF THE MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS (OWNERS INCORPORATION) ORDINANCE APPROPRIATELY, TO COINCIDE WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S OVERALL POLICY OF IMPROVING THE MANAGEMENT OF BUILDINGS," MR LAN SAID.

MORE THAN 300 OWNERS CORPORATION AND MUTUAL AID COMMITTEE MEMBERS ATTENDED THE SEMINAR WHICH WAS ORGANISED BY THE CNTA.

IT COVERED TOPICS SUCH AS DEEDS OF MUTUAL COVENANT, THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF BUILDINGS, COMMUNAL ELECTRICAL FITTINGS, ELECTRICITY SUPPLY, UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS AND INSURANCE.

A BUILDING MANAGEMENT EXHIBITION WAS ALSO STAGED AT THE VENUE.

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#### BUS PARADE PROMOTES VOTER REGISTRATION

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A DOUBLE-DECKER BUS DECORATED WITH COLOURFUL BANNERS AND BUNTING TOURED WAN CHAI THIS (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON TO REMIND RESIDENTS TO SIGN UP AS VOTERS.

TAKING PART IN THE PARADE, THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS CECILIA YEN, CALLED ON RESIDENTS TO ENROL BEFORE JULY 1 SO THAT THEY WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER.

MISS YEN AND 10 COMMUNITY ORGANISERS ALSO DISTRIBUTED COASTERS CARRYING THE "VOTE 91" LOGO TO PASSERS-BY AND ASSISTED THOSE HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH THE REGISTRATION FORMS.

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THE BUS STARTED OFF FROM HOPEWELL CENTRE AND PROCEEDED TOWARDS QUEENSWAY. THERE IT TURNED EASTWARD INTO THE BUSY STREETS IN CAUSEWAY BAY, AND WENT ON TO THE WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD TRAM TERMINUS AND TAI HANG. THE TOUR ENDED AT MORETON TERRACE.

THE DISTRICT OFFICE WILL SET UP REGISTRATION COUNTERS IN SOME OF THE DISTRICT'S RESTAURANTS AND IN THE CAUSEWAY BAY AND WAN CHAI MTR STATIONS LATER THIS MONTH, A SPOKESMAN SAID.

HOUSEHOLD VISITS WILL BE MADE TO NEWLY-COMPLETED RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND APPEAL LETTERS WILL BE SENT TO THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS STUDYING IN THE DISTRICT'S PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

AN EXHIBITION ON VOTER REGISTRATION WILL BE HELD FROM JUNE 23 TO 30 AT THE TAI YAU SHOPPING ARCADE.

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PHILATELIC EXHIBITION TO COMMEMORATE 150 YEARS  
OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HONG KONG

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THE HONG KONG MUSEUM OF HISTORY AT KOWLOON PARK WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED FROM 10 AM TO 2 PM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 12) TO FACILITATE THE OPENING OF A NEW EXHIBITION - "150 YEARS OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HONG KONG".

THE EXHIBITION, PRESENTED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE POST OFFICE TO COMMEMORATE THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HONG KONG, ILLUSTRATES THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL POSTAL SERVICE.

THE EXHIBITS ON DISPLAY INCLUDE STAMPS ISSUED FROM 1862 UP TO PRESENT, POSTAL MARKINGS OF THE PRE-ADHESIVE PERIOD, DIE PROOF, COLOUR TRIALS AND SPECIMENS OF EARLY STAMPS. THE EXHIBITION ALSO FEATURES ARTEFACTS DEPICTING THE SET UP AND OPERATION OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HONG KONG.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 2 PM ON WEDNESDAY TO AUGUST 4. ADMISSION IS FREE.

MEANWHILE, THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR DOMINIC S.W. WONG, ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT TO MARK THE OCCASION, A SOUVENIR COVER BEARING AN 80-CENT DEFINITIVE STAMP AND CANCELLED BY A POST MARK RESEMBLING THE ONE USED IN 1841, WILL BE ISSUED AT \$2 EACH.

IN ADDITION, A HAND-BACK SERVICE FOR PRIVATELY PREPARED COVERS USING THE SAME POST MARK WILL BE AVAILABLE.

THE SOUVENIR COVERS AND THE HAND-BACK SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 2 PM ON WEDNESDAY AT THE FOLLOWING PHILATELIC OFFICES:

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AIRPORT POST OFFICE  
BEACONSFIELD HOUSE POST OFFICE  
GENERAL POST OFFICE  
GRANVILLE ROAD POST OFFICE  
PEAK POST OFFICE  
SHA TIN CENTRAL POST OFFICE  
TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE

ONLY STAMPED SOUVENIR COVERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY.

ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, DR RONALD LEUNG, AND THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR DOMINIC S.W. WONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE "150 YEARS OF POSTAL SERVICE IN HONG KONG" EXHIBITION AT THE HONG KONG MUSEUM OF HISTORY AT 11 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JUNE 12).

PRIOR TO THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE MUSEUM'S CURATOR, MR JOSEPH TING WILL BRIEF MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ON THE EXHIBITION AND CONDUCT A PRESS PREVIEW AT 10.15 AM.

HONG KONG MUSEUM OF HISTORY IS LOCATED AT THE KOWLOON PARK, HAIPHONG ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI.

COPIES OF THE DATESTAMP IMPRESSION TO BE ISSUED ON JUNE 12 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT GIS'S PRESS BOXES LATER TODAY (SATURDAY).

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE COVERING THE EVENT ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE IN THE MUSEUM CONCOURSE FOR THE PREVIEW NOT LATER THAN 10.15 AM ON WEDNESDAY.

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#### APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR EMPLOYING CHILD ENTERTAINERS

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) REITERATED THAT PERMISSION MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHILD ENTERTAINERS.

THE REMINDER FOLLOWED A RECENT CASE IN WHICH THE SCORPIO FILMS COMPANY, A SUBSIDIARY OF BRILLIANT OASIS LTD, WAS FINED \$12,000 BY A WESTERN MAGISTRATE FOR UNLAWFULLY EMPLOYING CHILD ENTERTAINERS IN PRODUCING A TV COMMERCIAL.

ACTING ON INFORMATION, LABOUR INSPECTORS FOUND THAT FOUR CHILDREN, AGED BETWEEN FOUR AND 10, WERE EMPLOYED IN A STUDIO AT CHAI WAN INDUSTRIAL CITY WITHOUT THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL.

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"ACCORDING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN REGULATIONS, AN EMPLOYER MUST APPLY TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR IN WRITING FOR PERMISSION BEFORE EMPLOYING A CHILD ENTERTAINER," THE SENIOR LABOUR OFFICER (PROSECUTIONS), MR TSANG KIN-WOO, SAID.

"THE EMPLOYER MUST ALSO OBTAIN FROM THE CHILD'S PARENT A WRITTEN CONSENT TO THE EMPLOYMENT AS WELL AS PROOF OF THE CHILD'S SCHOOLING.

"ANY EMPLOYER WHO BREACHES THE PROVISIONS ON CHILD EMPLOYMENT IS LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$20,000," HE SAID.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT EMPLOYMENT OF CHILD ENTERTAINERS MAY BE MADE TO THE LABOUR INSPECTION DIVISION ON TEL. 733 2440.

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FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION CAMPAIGN SLOGAN COMPETITION

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THE FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION (FLE) PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT IS HOLDING A CHINESE SLOGAN COMPETITION TO ENHANCE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF HARMONIOUS FAMILY RELATIONS.

ENTRY FORMS FOR THE COMPETITION, WHICH IS DIVIDED INTO STUDENT AND OPEN SECTIONS, ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT YOUTH OFFICES AND FAMILY SERVICES CENTRES OF THE DEPARTMENT, AN SWD SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

"THE ENTRIES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE SWD FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION RESOURCES CENTRE AT SOUTHERN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, WAN CHAI BY JUNE 29," HE SAID.

THE COMPETITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED WITH ORIENTAL DAILY NEWS AS PART OF THIS YEAR'S FLE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN.

THE PRIZES INCLUDE NICAM TELEVISION SETS, KARAOKE LASER PLAYERS AND MICROWAVE OVENS.

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INSTALLATION OF PARKING METERS IN SHAM SHUI PO

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT PARKING METERS INSTALLED AT THE FOLLOWING PARKING SPACES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE OPERATIONAL FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (JUNE 10).

THE PARKING SPACES ARE AT:

- \* KOWLOON ROAD JUNCTION WITH CASTLE PEAK ROAD;
- \* SAI YEUNG CHOI LANE BETWEEN TAI PO ROAD AND SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET NORTH;
- \* SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET NORTH BETWEEN WONG CHUK STREET AND SAI YEUNG CHOI LANE; AND
- \* WONG CHUK STREET BETWEEN TAI PO ROAD AND SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET NORTH.

THESE ARE TWO-HOUR METERED PARKING SPACES FOR VEHICLES OTHER THAN MEDIUM AND HEAVY GOODS VEHICLES, BUSES, MOTORCYCLES AND PEDAL CYCLES.

THE PARKING METERS WILL OPERATE FROM 8 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE CHARGE IS \$2 FOR EACH 30 MINUTES.

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CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT ON	7.6.91	380
EFFECT OF FORWARDS TO BE SETTLED ON	8.6.91	NEUTRAL
EFFECT OF OPERATIONS THIS MORNING		NEUTRAL

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