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DECISIONS ON PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT LIKELY NEXT YEAR : GOVERNOR
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THE GOVERNMENT WAS AIMING AT MAKING DECISIONS ON THE FURTHER EXPANSION OF THE CONTAINER PORT AND THE LOCATION OF A POSSIBLE NEW AIRPORT BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER VISITING KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER TERMINALS, SIR DAVID SAID THAT THE PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY STUDY WOULD LOOK INTO THE SHORT TERM AND LONG TERM DEVELOPMENTS OF THE CONTAINER PORT.

"THERE IS THE LONGER TERM DECISION. HOW DO WE EXPAND THE WHOLE PORT; IF WE NEED A NEW AIRPORT, WHERE DO WE PUT THE NEW AIRPORT; AND HOW TO TIE THOSE TWO THINGS TOGETHER? THE AIM IS TO GET THOSE DECISIONS BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR," HE SAID.

ON THE SHORT TERM, SIR DAVID SAID THAT RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD BE MADE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR ON WHERE THE NEXT PHASE OF CONTAINER TERMINALS SHOULD GO.

THE GOVERNOR NOTED THAT HONG KONG'S CONTAINER PORT HAD OVERTAKEN ROTTERDAM AS THE BUSIEST PORT IN THE WORLD.

"WE'VE GOT TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE BECAUSE THE AMOUNT OF THROUGHPUT THROUGH THE CONTAINER PORT HERE IS BOUND TO INCREASE AT LEAST AT THE RATE THAT HAS BEEN GOING ON IN THE LAST FEW YEARS," SIR DAVID SAID.

NOTING THAT THE FIRST BERTH OF TERMINAL 6, WHICH WOULD COME INTO OPERATION NEXT MONTH, AND THE SUCCESSIVE SERIES OF NEW BERTHS SHOULD ENABLE HONG KONG TO KEEP UP WITH THE LIKELY DEMAND FOR THE NEXT FEW YEARS UNTIL 1993/94, SIR DAVID SAID WE WOULD HAVE TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE AFTER THAT.

PLANNING ON AN ESTIMATED 12 PER CENT INCREASE EACH YEAR CONTINUING, THERE WERE DISPUTES ABOUT WHETHER THAT WOULD PROVE TO BE PESSIMISTIC, IN OTHER WORDS, THAT THERE MIGHT ACTUALLY BE MORE THAN THAT, OR WHETHER IT MIGHT BE LESS THAN THAT, HE SAID.

"BUT A 12 PER CENT PER YEAR GROWTH IS WHAT WE ARE PLANNING ON. ON THAT BASIS, THE EXPANSION WE ALREADY HAVE IN HAND WILL CARRY US THROUGH TILL 1993," HE ADDED.

ASKED HIS FEELINGS ABOUT A PROPOSAL TO HOLD AN EXPO 1997, THE GOVERNOR SAID THAT IN LIGHT OF THE MASSIVE DEVELOPMENTS IN HONG KONG, IT WAS A VERY INTERESTING AND ENCOURAGING IDEA TO LOOK AT THE QUESTION OF 1997 IN A POSITIVE WAY.

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"WHETHER IT WILL TURN OUT TO BE PRACTICAL OR NOT NEEDS A GREAT DEAL OF FURTHER INVESTIGATION, BUT IT'S A VERY INTERESTING IDEA WHICH HAS BEEN PUT FORWARD WITH A LOT OF ENTHUSIASM BY THOSE CONCERNED AND WE NEED TO LOOK AT IT IN DETAIL," SIR DAVID SAID.

HE ALSO SAID IT WAS A VERY POSITIVE WAY TO LOOK AT 1997, AND TO TRY TO THINK OF THINGS WHICH WOULD ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO COME TO HONG KONG AND SEE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN AT THAT TIME.

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GOVERNOR VISITS KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, TODAY (THURSDAY) VISITED THE KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT AND MET THE OPERATORS THERE.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE, MR DERICK HALL, SIR DAVID TOURED THE MODERN TERMINALS LTD, THE ASIA TERMINALS LTD, THE SEA-LAND ORIENT LTD AND THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL TERMINALS LTD.

THE GOVERNOR LEARNT ABOUT THE VARIED ASPECTS OF TERMINAL OPERATIONS AND THE IMPORTANT ROLE THESE FACILITIES PLAY IN THE GENERAL ECONOMY OF HONG KONG.

LAST YEAR, THE TERMINALS IN KWAI CHUNG HANDLED A TOTAL OF 2.61 MILLION TEU'S OUT OF THE TOTAL OF 3.46 MILLION TEU'S FOR HONG KONG.

IN ADDITION TO LOCAL IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, ABOUT 30 PER CENT OF THE CARGO HANDLED WAS TRANSHIPMENT CARGO. OF THIS SOME 50 PER CENT WAS CHINA ORIENTATED WITH THE BALANCE TO/FROM THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGION.

NEW TECHNOLOGICAL CONTAINER HANDLING EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN INSTALLED BY THE OPERATORS SO THAT HONG KONG HANDLED ALMOST TWICE AS MANY TEU'S PER HECTARE AS ITS NEAREST RIVAL AND WAS ABLE TO DESPATCH VESSELS IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE PORT TIME OF 12 TO 14 HOURS.

WITH HONG KONG SURPASSING ROTTERDAM LAST YEAR IN TERMS OF CONTAINER THROUGHPUT, SIR DAVID SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AT THE PORT KEEP PACE WITH THE EVER INCREASING DEMAND.

IN ADDITION TO THE RECLAMATION OF THE KWAI CHUNG CREEK, COMPLETED IN MID-1987, WHICH INCREASED CAPACITY BY ABOUT HALF A MILLION TEU'S, SIR DAVID WAS TOLD THAT THE MODERN TERMINALS LTD IS RECLAIMING AN AREA OF SOME 4.9 HECTARES ADJACENT TO TERMINAL 5 TO FURTHER BOOST THEIR CAPACITY BY SOME 10 TO 12 PER CENT.

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AT THE ASIA TERMINALS LTD, THE SECOND PHASE OF A MULTI STOREY CONTAINER FREIGHT STATION ON SEA-LAND'S TERMINAL 3 WAS OPENED LAST MONTH. THIS HAS INCREASED STORAGE CAPACITY BY ALMOST ONE MILLION SQUARE FEET AND MAINTAINS THE TERMINAL'S POSITION AS THE LARGEST CONTAINER FREIGHT STATION IN ASIA.

SIR DAVID WAS ALSO TOLD THAT TERMINAL 6 AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL TERMINALS, COMPRISING A RECLAMATION OF 29 HECTARES FROM THE SEA, IS DUE TO RECEIVE ITS FIRST VESSEL ALONGSIDE THE FIRST BERTH NEXT MONTH.

WITH THE COMPLETION OF TERMINAL 6 SCHEDULED FOR THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR, THE CAPACITY AT KWAI CHUNG PORT WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 3.5 MILLION TEU'S.

SIR DAVID NOTED THAT CAPACITY WILL BE INCREASED TO APPROXIMATELY 4.5 MILLION TEU'S ON THE COMPLETION OF TERMINAL 7 IN 1993.

ON CURRENT GROWTH RATES, IT IS FORECAST THAT THESE FACILITIES SHOULD MEET HONG KONG'S DEMAND UP TO 1993-94.

AS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND THE LOCATIONS OF THE NEXT PHASE OF CONTAINER TERMINALS, THEY ARE BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE "PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY" (PADS) STUDY.

THE PADS, WHICH COMMENCED LAST MONTH, IS DUE TO MAKE PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR.

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SECOND STUDY ON ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY IN PIPELINE

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THE GOVERNMENT WILL COMMISSION A SECOND STUDY OF THE LOCAL ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY THIS YEAR WITH THE AIM OF ASSESSING PROSPECTS FOR FUTURE GROWTH FOR THE INDUSTRY, THE OBSTACLES THAT LIE IN THE WAY AND WHAT CAN BE DONE TO REMOVE THEM.

THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR K.Y. YEUNG, SAID THIS TODAY (THURSDAY) WHEN SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE HONG KONG COMPUTER CONFERENCE.

MR YEUNG SAID THAT WHILE THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY WAS HONG KONG'S SECOND LARGEST EXPORT EARNER, THE LEVEL OF TECHNOLOGY THAT HONG KONG HAD ATTAINED IN THE USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS WAS FAR HIGHER THAN IN THE MANUFACTURE OF SUCH EQUIPMENT.

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"AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, THE GOVERNMENT, IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY AND THE HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL (HKPC), HAS BEEN ACTIVELY PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING A SERIES OF MEASURES THAT WOULD ENABLE THE INDUSTRY TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES TO GROWTH," HE SAID.

HE NOTED THAT THE HKPC WAS BEING FUNDED TO OPEN UP TWO NEW LABORATORIES - THE SURFACE MOUNT TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY AND THE RADIO FREQUENCY AND DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS LABORATORY - BY THE END OF THIS YEAR TO PROVIDE A VARIETY OF BUREAU, CONSULTANCY AND TRAINING SERVICES FOR THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT STANDARDS AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY, WHICH KEPT A LARGE VARIETY OF PRIMARY ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC STANDARDS THAT WERE TRACEABLE WORLDWIDE, PROVIDED CALIBRATION SERVICES TO ENABLE MANUFACTURERS TO ACHIEVE THE DEGREE OF PRECISION THEY NEEDED IN MOVING UPMARKET.

IN THE AREA OF EDUCATION AND MANPOWER TRAINING, HE SAID COMPUTER TRAINING HAD BEEN INTRODUCED INTO SECONDARY SCHOOLS WHILE ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING COURSES NOW AVAILABLE AT THE TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS HAD BEEN BROUGHT MORE CLOSELY INTO LINE WITH DEMAND.

"THUS, IN THE FIELD OF MANPOWER TRAINING AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT, MUCH IS ALREADY BEING DONE TO PREPARE THE GROUND FOR THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY FOR FRESH INVESTMENT, IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY MOVE FORWARD FROM THE RELATIVELY LOW END OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TOWARDS ITS MIDDLE AND UPPER REACHES," HE SAID.

AS TO THE USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR, MR YEUNG SAID THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT WAS AWARE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE LARGE MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS, THAT INVESTMENT IN AUTOMATION SYSTEMS WAS SOMEWHAT PATCHWORK.

HOWEVER, THERE WAS AMPLE EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT MANUFACTURERS WOULD INVEST HEAVILY IN THE EXPANSION OF PRODUCTION CAPACITY WHEN EXPORT PROSPECTS WERE FAVOURABLE.

TO FIND SOFTWARE THAT MET SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS, MR YEUNG SUGGESTED THE MANUFACTURER SHOULD SEEK EXPERT ADVICE, WHICH WAS AVAILABLE FROM BOTH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE HKPC'S AUTOMATION UNIT AND CAD/CAM WORKSHOP.

LAST YEAR, THE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY ACCOUNTED FOR ABOUT 22 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS AT A VALUE OF \$42 BILLION.

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\$20,000 PENALTY IMPOSED ON TV STATION

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AT ITS MEETING TODAY (THURSDAY), THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY DECIDED THAT A FINANCIAL PENALTY OF \$20,000 SHOULD BE IMPOSED ON TVB FOR HAVING EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE IN ONE OF THE EPISODES OF THEIR RECENT DRAMA SERIES "THE FINAL VERDICT".

THE DECISION WAS MADE AFTER THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY HAD CONSIDERED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF ITS COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE ON THE COMPLAINTS LODGED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AGAINST THE DRAMA SERIES.

SO FAR A TOTAL OF 97 COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

THE SCENE IN QUESTION, WHICH DEPICTS THE BRUTAL KILLING OF A FAMILY OF SIX AT THE BEGINNING OF EPISODE 6 OF THE SERIES, WAS FOUND TO HAVE CONTRAVENED THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODES OF PRACTICE RELATING TO PROGRAMME STANDARDS.

IN REACHING THE DECISION, THE AUTHORITY TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THAT TVB HAD RECENTLY BEEN WARNED ON THREE OCCASIONS FOR HAVING EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE IN ITS DRAMA PRODUCTIONS, AND CONSIDERED THAT REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY HAD BEEN AFFORDED TO TVB TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION BEFORE THE CASE IN QUESTION OCCURRED.

APART FROM VIOLENCE, A LARGE NUMBER OF THE COMPLAINTS ON "THE FINAL VERDICT" WERE RELATED TO THE PORTRAYAL OF THE POLICE FORCE IN THE SERIES.

THE BROADCASTING AUTHORITY, WHILE TAKING THE VIEW THAT PROPER REGARD SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE NEEDS OF CREATIVE WORK IN DRAMA PRODUCTIONS, WAS OF THE OPINION THAT THE APPROACH ADOPTED IN THE SERIES COULD HAVE BEEN MORE BALANCED.

ACCORDINGLY, IT WOULD REMIND TVB THAT A PROPER BALANCE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED IN THE CONTENTS OF ITS PROGRAMMES.

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BUSINESS GRADUATES IN SHORT SUPPLY

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THE PRESENT SUPPLY OF LOCALLY TRAINED BUSINESS GRADUATES FALLS SHORT OF THE SUBSTANTIAL DEMAND FOR MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL IN MAJOR ECONOMIC SECTORS, ACCORDING TO A VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL (VTC) SURVEY.

THE COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISORY TRAINING FORECAST IN ITS RECENTLY RELEASED MANPOWER SURVEY REPORT THAT LOCAL LARGE COMPANIES IN THE INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCE AND SERVICES SECTORS WOULD ANNUALLY REQUIRE AN ADDITION OF 5,200 MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS IN ALL FIELDS (OTHER THAN PRODUCTION) OF MANAGEMENT.

TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE RECRUITMENT PATTERN, THE COMMITTEE NOTED THAT HALF OF THESE VACANCIES, ABOUT 2,600, WOULD BE FILLED BY BUSINESS GRADUATES; AND YET LOCAL TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS COULD ONLY SUPPLY SOME 1,600 GRADUATES A YEAR.

IN VIEW OF THE IMBALANCED SUPPLY AND DEMAND, THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE STRONG DEMAND AND ALLOCATE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES FOR COURSES ON BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT.

THE SURVEY CONDUCTED IN LATE 1986 SHOWED THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 63,000 MANAGERS, 110,000 SUPERVISORS AND 18,000 OWNER-MANAGERS IN 1,900 MEDIUM-SIZED, LARGE AND CORPORATE COMPANIES.

THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERED THAT EVEN A SMALL PROPORTION OF THESE MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS WHO NEED UPGRADING TRAINING WOULD REPRESENT AN ENORMOUS DEMAND FOR POST-EXPERIENCE MANAGEMENT TRAINING.

THIS WOULD BE SEPARATE FROM THE DEMAND FROM THOSE MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS IN SOME 180,000 SMALLER COMPANIES NOT COVERED IN THE SURVEY.

APART FROM EXPANDING SHORT UPGRADING MANAGEMENT COURSES PROVISIONS BY EDUCATION AND TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERED THAT DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMMES COULD BE A MAJOR AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO MEET THE VAST DEMAND FOR MANAGEMENT TRAINING.

THE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTRE OF THE VTC COULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THIS RESPECT, THE COMMITTEE SAID.

THE 300-PAGE REPORT CONTAINS MANY FINDINGS AND DETAILED ANALYSIS ON THE MANPOWER SITUATION AND TRAINING NEEDS OF MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS. IT IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE IN CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL, AT \$36 A COPY.

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THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE SIMULTANEOUSLY BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND THE UK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT:

UK/HONG KONG AIR SERVICES: BA/BCAL MERGER

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THE MERGER BETWEEN BRITISH AIRWAYS AND BRITISH CALEDONIAN AIRWAYS BECOMES FULLY EFFECTIVE FROM TODAY (APRIL 14).

HOWEVER, IN THE INTERESTS OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ALLOW BRITISH AIRWAYS TO CONTINUE TRADING ON THE HONG KONG ROUTE FOR THE TIME BEING UNDER THE NAME OF BRITISH CALEDONIAN AIRWAYS.

THIS WILL BE ON A TEMPORARY AND TRANSITIONAL BASIS PENDING THE COMPLETION OF A REVIEW OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR UK/HONG KONG AIR SERVICES WHICH AIMS AT ENSURING A BALANCED CIVIL AVIATION RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UK AND HONG KONG.

THIS REVIEW IS NOW BEING CARRIED OUT JOINTLY BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND THE UNITED KINGDOM DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT, AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT IT WILL BE COMPLETED LATER THIS YEAR.

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NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YUEN LONG

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WORK ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SECONDARY SCHOOL IN YUEN LONG HAS STARTED FOLLOWING THE AWARD OF A \$20.2 MILLION CONTRACT BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE SCHOOL IS BEING BUILT TO MEET THE GROWING NEEDS OF THE YUEN LONG NEW TOWN.

SITUATED ON A 5,637-SQUARE-METRE SITE AT TOWN PARK ROAD SOUTH, THE SCHOOL WILL HAVE 24 CLASSROOMS, A NUMBER OF SPECIAL ROOMS AND AN ASSEMBLY HALL.

OTHER FACILITIES WILL INCLUDE A BASKETBALL COURT, A COVERED PLAYGROUND, STAFF QUARTERS AND CAR PARKING SPACES.

THE PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER NEXT YEAR.

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TWO VIB FOR KWUN TONG DB CHAIRMANSHIP

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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NEW TERM KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE ELECTED IN AN OPEN MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON.

AT THE CLOSE OF NOMINATIONS ON APRIL 11, TWO BOARD MEMBERS HAD BEEN NOMINATED FOR THE CHAIRMANSHIP.

THEY ARE MR LAM HANG-FAI AND MRS WINNIE POON YAM WAI-CHUN.

AFTER THE ELECTION, MEMBERS WILL ENDORSE THE DISTRICT BOARD STANDING ORDERS AND CONSIDER REORGANISING COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUP UNDER THE BOARD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW TERM KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET.

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KOWLOON CITY DB MEETS TOMORROW

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THE FIRST MEETING OF THE FOURTH TERM KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO ELECT THE BOARD'S CHAIRMAN FOR THE NEW TERM.

THE INCUMBENT CHAIRMAN, MR WONG SIK-KONG, IS THE SOLE NOMINEE.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE FORMATION OF DISTRICT BOARD COMMITTEES; THE PROCEDURE FOR THE ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN; SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR APRIL AND MAY; AND THE DISTRICT BOARD STANDING ORDERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TO BEGIN AT 2.15 PM TOMORROW IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, 141 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, TO KWA WAN.

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YAU TSIM DB GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS

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THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) TO ELECT ITS NEW CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMEN OF ITS THREE COMMITTEES.

THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, WILL BE THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

MR YIP WAH IS THE ONLY NOMINEE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE BOARD.

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR BOARD MEETINGS AS WELL AS ITS BUDGET THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE FIRST MEETING OF THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, 490 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

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NEW TAI PO DB TO MEET TOMORROW

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THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING FOR THE NEW TERM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

AT THE MEETING, MEMBERS WILL ELECT A CHAIRMAN AND THE BOARD'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE REGIONAL COUNCIL.

NOMINEES FOR THE BOARD CHAIRMANSHIP ARE MR HO YUNG-SANG AND MR LEUNG WO-PING.

CANDIDATES FOR THE POST OF REPRESENTATIVE ON THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ARE MR CHENG CHUN-PING, MR LEE HO-FAI AND MR TANG PUI-TAT.

ALSO AT THE MEETING, THE BOARD WILL NOMINATE UP TO FOUR OF ITS MEMBERS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AS CO-OPTED MEMBERS OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PRIVATE IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT, ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152 KWONG FUK ROAD, TAI PO. IT WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

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SPECIAL VALLEY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESIDENT'S VISIT

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN HAPPY VALLEY ON SUNDAY (APRIL 17) WHEN PRESIDENT CORAZON AQUINO OF THE PHILIPPINES WILL ATTEND MASS AT ST MARGARET'S CHURCH.

THESE ARRANGEMENTS, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FROM 6 AM TO 1 PM.

BROADWOOD ROAD BETWEEN VENTRIS ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES; AND BROADWOOD ROAD BETWEEN LINK ROAD AND VENTRIS ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY UPHILL.

MEANWHILE, FROM 10 AM TO 1 PM, VENTRIS ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND THOSE VEHICLES REQUIRING ACCESS TO LOCAL PREMISES AND TO UPPER BROADWOOD ROAD AND LEIGHTON HILL AREA. THE UPHILL LANE OF LINK ROAD WILL ALSO BE CLOSED EXCEPT FOR LOCAL ACCESS.

VEHICLES ON CAROLINE HILL ROAD HEADING FOR HAPPY VALLEY WILL BE DIVERTED VIA LEIGHTON ROAD AND WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD.

VEHICLES ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD HEADING FOR UPPER BROADWOOD ROAD AND LEIGHTON HILL SHOULD USE BLUE POOL ROAD AND VENTRIS ROAD.

VEHICLES EMERGING FROM UPPER BROADWOOD ROAD MUST TURN RIGHT ON TO LINK ROAD, WHILE THOSE COMING FROM LEIGHTON HILL MUST TURN LEFT ON TO LINK ROAD.

IN ADDITION, SPORTS ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND IF NECESSARY FOR CROWD DISPERSAL.

ALL ON-STREET PARKING SPACES IN VENTRIS ROAD AND THE CARPARK ON WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD OPPOSITE BROADWOOD ROAD WILL BE SUSPENDED.

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OUTREACH DENTAL TEAM MOVES TO PO TOI

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A TEAM OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL UNDER THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OUTREACH DENTAL SCHEME, AFTER BEING STATIONED AT PAK MONG ON NORTHERN LANTAU FOR 10 WEEKS, MOVES TO PO TOI TODAY (THURSDAY) TO PROVIDE FREE SERVICES TO ISLANDERS THERE.

THE DENTIST-IN-CHARGE, DR PETER TREPPER, SAID THE SCHEME WAS WELCOMED BY ISLANDERS, PARTICULARLY THE ELDERLY PEOPLE IN REMOTE AREAS, AS IT ENABLED THEM TO GET PROPER DENTAL TREATMENT CONVENIENTLY.

"DURING OUR STAY IN PAK MONG, WE PROVIDED DENTAL TREATMENT TO 50 ELDERLY RESIDENTS FROM THE THREE TINY VILLAGES OF PAK MONG, NGAU KWU LONG AND TAI HO," HE SAID.

"WE HAVE CARRIED OUT 50 RESTORATIONS AND FILLINGS, 33 EXTRACTIONS AND PROVIDED DENTURES FOR SOME PATIENTS WHICH MEANS \$29,000 WORTH OF SERVICES HAD BEEN PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE TO THAT SMALL COMMUNITY," DR TREPPER SAID.

"IN SOME OF OUR VISITS, PHYSICIANS FROM OUR HOSPITAL ALSO CAME ALONG TO PROVIDE OTHER FREE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO THE ISLANDERS," HE ADDED.

THE SCHEME WAS INITIATED ABOUT A YEAR AGO BY THE ADVENTIST HOSPITAL WHICH PROVIDED DENTAL PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT. IT WAS ORGANISED BY ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE WHICH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR LOGISTICAL SUPPORT.

FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, THE MEDICAL TEAM, WHICH COMPRISES A DENTIST AND TWO DENTAL ASSISTANTS, WILL BE STATIONED AT PO TOI VILLAGE OFFICE EVERY THURSDAY FROM 10.30 AM TO 3 PM TO PROVIDE FREE SERVICE TO ISLANDERS THERE.

"PO TOI IS OUR THIRD STOP AFTER TUNG CHUNG AND PAK MONG. AS THE SCHEME IS APPROACHING ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY, WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE A CONTINUOUS ONE SO THAT OUTREACH SERVICES CAN BE FURTHER EXTENDED AND MORE PEOPLE CAN BENEFIT FROM IT," DR TREPPER ADDED.

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SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO ISRAEL EXTENDED

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THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO ISRAEL, WHICH IS AT PRESENT AVAILABLE TO 20 CITIES, WILL BE EXTENDED TO ALL PLACES IN THE COUNTRY WITH EFFECT FROM MONDAY, APRIL 18, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE IS A FAST AND RELIABLE MEANS FOR FORWARDING BUSINESS DOCUMENTS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE OVERSEAS AND A FREE PICK-UP SERVICE IS AVAILABLE.

CUSTOMERS REQUIRING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE MAY CONTACT THE POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES ON 5-8683868.

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ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS FACE DEMOLITION

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY IS SEEKING THE CLOSURE OF ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS ON THE ROOF OF A BUILDING AT 67-71 NAM ON STREET, SHAU KEI WAN, SO THAT THEY CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS OR TO THE PUBLIC.

THE CLOSURE IS PART OF THE EXERCISE TO ENFORCE AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE IN JUNE 1987 REQUIRING THE DEMOLITION OF THE ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS.

A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM THE HONG KONG DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON JUNE 15 WAS POSTED ON THE ILLEGAL BUILDING WORKS TODAY (THURSDAY).

DEMOLITION WORK WILL START ONCE A CLOSURE ORDER IS MADE.

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TUEN MUN RESIDENTS TO LEARN ABOUT FINANCIAL SERVICES

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TUEN MUN RESIDENTS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE COMMON TYPES OF FINANCIAL SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THEM BY ATTENDING A SEMINAR AND EXHIBITION ON SUNDAY (APRIL 17) ON PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND MONETARY SERVICES.

PREPARED BY THE HONG KONG MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, THE EXHIBITION WILL COVER FIVE SPECIFIC AREAS OF FINANCIAL SERVICES - RETAIL BANKING, INSURANCE, INVESTMENT BANKING, STOCK EXCHANGE AND REAL ESTATE.

IT WILL BE HELD ON THE PODIUM NEXT TO THE MUSIC FOUNTAIN IN TUEN MUN TOWN PLAZA, AND WILL RUN FOR A WEEK.

TO COMPLEMENT THE EXHIBITION, A SEMINAR ON MODERN RETAIL BANKING SERVICES, INSURANCE FOR BUSINESSES AND PROPERTIES, SAVINGS-RELATED LIFE INSURANCE SCHEMES AND UNIT TRUSTS WILL BE HELD IN THE TUEN MUN TOWN HALL CULTURAL ACTIVITIES HALL ON SUNDAY. IT WILL START AT 10.30 AM.

THE SEMINAR AND EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY PRESENTED AS A PUBLIC SERVICE BY THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, HONG KONG MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE AND TUEN MUN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EXHIBITION ON PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND MONETARY SERVICES WILL BE HELD AT 12.30 PM ON SUNDAY (APRIL 17) ON THE PODIUM NEXT TO THE MUSIC FOUNTAIN IN TUEN MUN TOWN PLAZA.

OFFICIATING WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR DAVID NENDICK; CHAIRMAN OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, MR YIP HING-CHUNG; AND LEGCO MEMBER, MR LAU WONG-FAT.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO TAKE GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT TO THE TOWN PLAZA ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT 11 AM AT THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER, TSIM SHA TSUI.

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APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR SAI KUNG DRAGON BOAT RACES

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APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR TEAMS WHICH WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SAI KUNG DRAGON BOAT RACES CELEBRATING THE TUEN NG FESTIVAL ON JUNE 18.

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, NON-PROFIT MAKING ORGANISATIONS, COMMERCIAL FIRMS, BANKS AND POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN AND OUTSIDE SAI KUNG DISTRICT ARE ALL WELCOME TO ENTER.

THE DRAGON BOAT RACES, SPONSORED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, ARE ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT DRAGON BOAT RACING ASSOCIATION.

EVENTS WILL START FROM 9 AM OVER A 1,000 METRE COURSE OFF THE SAI KUNG TOWN WATERFRONT.

BOATS AND EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED TO TEAMS AND THEY WILL BE ALLOCATED PRACTICE TIME.

THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS MAY 18. APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE SAI KUNG COMMUNITY CENTRE, SHA HA PUBLIC SPORTS FIELD, SAI KUNG TOWN. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 3-7921762.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC RESTRICTION IN CENTRAL

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THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL TO A POINT ABOUT 26 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION, WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY FROM 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY (APRIL 17).

THE RESTRICTION, WHICH WILL FACILITATE THE LAYING OF CROSS ROAD DUCTS, WILL BE IN FORCE FOR ONE DAY ONLY.

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP WITHIN THE URBAN CLEARWAY FOR GOODS OR PASSENGERS.

AT THE SAME TIME, BUS ROUTES NOS. 10, 20, 101, 104 AND 105 WILL BE DIVERTED VIA QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CHANGES IN YUEN LONG

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TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TUEN MUN-YUEN LONG LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM, NO VEHICLES ON SAN HEI TSUEN STREET WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN LEFT ON TO THE TUEN MUN-BOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD (PING SHAN SECTION) FROM 10 AM ON SUNDAY (APRIL 17).

THE MEASURE WILL BE IN FORCE UNTIL JUNE 30.

MEANWHILE, FROM 10 AM ON JUNE 1 AND UNTIL JUNE 30, THE LEFT-TURN MOVEMENTS FROM THE TUEN MUN-BOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD (PING SHAN SECTION) ON TO SAN HEI TSUEN STREET WILL ALSO BE SUSPENDED.

AFFECTED VEHICLES WILL BE DIVERTED VIA TONG YAN SAN TSUEN ROAD.

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