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'COMMUNITY WELL REPRESENTED BY CANDIDATES'

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THAT THERE HAS BEEN A VERY GOOD AND WIDE CROSS SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY COMING FORTH AS CANDIDATES FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

ANSWERING QUESTIONS FROM REPORTERS AFTER OPENING THE HKU STANLEY HO SPORTS CENTRE AND THE TRIENNIAL INTERVARSITY GAMES, SIR EDWARD SAID THERE WAS ANOTHER DAY TO GO, AND HE +WOULDN'T BE AT ALL SURPRISED IF WE SEE A FEW MORE COMING TOMORROW.+

ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE REJECTION OF DRAGONAIR'S APPLICATION TO OPERATE CHARTER FLIGHTS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA, HE SAID HE WOULD LEAVE IT TO THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION.

+IT IS BASICALLY FOR HIM TO TAKE THE DECISION OF THAT KIND. I AM SURE HE WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU ANY GUIDANCE YOU NEED ON IT,+ HE ADDED.

ASKED IF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN TALKING TO HIM ABOUT THE PROBLEMS OF HONG KONG PEOPLE GETTING INTO BRITAIN THROUGH MACAU, SIR EDWARD SAID: +WHEN I WAS THERE, I HEARD ABOUT SOME OF THE PRESS REPORTS THERE HAVE BEEN HERE. I THINK THAT'S ONE OF THOSE OCCASIONS WHERE PERHAPS THE REPORTS WERE A LITTLE LARGER THAN THE EVENT.

+IT WAS UNDERSTOOD WITH THE PORTUGUESE DURING THE ACCESSION (TO THE EEC) NEGOTIATIONS THAT THERE WOULD BE DISCUSSIONS TO CLARIFY THE STATUS OF PEOPLE FROM MACAU AND THAT IS WHAT IS HAPPENING AS I UNDERSTAND IT.+

ON A QUESTION ON WHETHER HE HAD HELD MEETINGS WITH JLG MEMBERS IN LONDON, HE SAID: +I HAD A MEETING WHEN I FIRST GOT THERE WITH DR DAVID WILSON AND MR (ANTHONY) GALSWORTHY FROM THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND HAD A GOOD TALK WITH THEM, AND THEN JUST AS THE JOINT LIAISON GROUP WAS FINISHING ITS WORK, I HAD A GOOD TALK WITH ERIC HO AND JOHN BOYD ON THE TELEPHONE TO GET THEIR REACTIONS TO THE WORK OF THE GROUP AND I THINK EVERYBODY AGREES THAT IT WAS A SUCCESSFUL FIRST MEETING.+

ASKED IF HE WOULD BE MEETING MEMBERS OF THE JLG BEFORE THEY WENT TO THE NEXT MEETING IN BEIJING, SIR EDWARD SAID: +I IMAGINE THE BRITISH TEAM WILL PROBABLY COME THROUGH HONG KONG AND IF THEY DO, I SHALL CERTAINLY SEE THEM HERE.+

REPLYING TO ANOTHER QUESTION ON WHETHER HE WOULD GO TO BEIJING WITH MR RICHARD LUCE, HE SAID: +NO, I SHALL NOT BE GOING TO BEIJING WITH MR LUCE. I EXPECT TO BE IN HONG KONG HOPEFULLY FOR AT LEAST FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. I REALLY DO ENJOY IT HERE.+

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17 LEGCO CANDIDATES NOMINATED

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SEVENTEEN NOMINATIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS NEXT MONTH WERE RECEIVED TODAY (MONDAY), BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER RECEIVED SINCE THE OPENING OF NOMINATIONS TO 56. NOMINATIONS WILL CLOSE TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

FOLLOWING ARE THE PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF THE PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES WHOSE NOMINATION FORMS WERE RECEIVED TODAY:

<u>ELECTORAL COLLEGE CONSTITUENCY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>CONTACT TEL. NO.</u>
1. SOUTH KOWLOON	IP KWOK- CHUNG	M	34	SECRETARY	3-300381
2. HK ISLAND (WEST)	ANTHONY NG SUNG- MAN	M	38	DOCTOR	5-480111
3. NEW TERRITORIES (EAST)	ANDREW WONG WANG- FAT	M	41	UNIVERSITY LECTURER	0-612165
4. HK ISLAND (EAST)	CHUM TING- PONG	M	31	POLITICS AND ADMINISTRATION RESEARCH SCHOLAR	5-562712
5. HK ISLAND (EAST)	KWAN LIM-HO	M	38	LAWYER	5-441113
6. SHAM SHUI PO	CHEUNG WING-SUM, AMBROSE	M	34	SOLICITOR	3-7423901
7. SHAM SHUI PO	CHUNG PUI-LAM	M	44	SOLICITOR	3-7422297
8. NEW TERRITORIES (SOUTH)	LAI SUNG-LUNG, RICHARD	M	39	MERCHANT	0-4937473
9. KWUN TONG	POON CHI-FAI	M	33	EXECUTIVE	3-324401 CALL 8201 OR 3-453886

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10. KWUN TONG	CHENG KWAN-SUEN	M	36	MERCHANT	3-456095 OR 3-449925
11. KWUN TONG	LI WAH-MING	M	30	SOCIAL WORKER	3-891242 OR 3-7412914
12. NEW TERRITORIES (WEST)	TAI CHIN-WAH	M	32	SOLICITOR	0-753761 OR 0-790222
13. NEW TERRITORIES (WEST)	TANG SIU-TONG	M	42	DOCTOR	0-773552
14. NEW TERRITORIES (EAST)	LIU CHING-LEUNG	M	42	MERCHANT	0-901433 OR 0-903894
15. NEW TERRITORIES (EAST)	WAI HON-LEUNG	M	53	MERCHANT	0-613349
16. NEW TERRITORIES (EAST)	STEPHEN WONG YUEN-CHEUNG	M	56	REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER AND COMPANY DIRECTOR	0-6565266

<u>FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>CONTACT TEL. NO.</u>
1. COMMERCIAL I	THOMAS CLYDESDALE	M	51	PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANT	5-8262233

FOLLOWING IS A STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN OF THE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED SO FAR:

<u>ELECTORAL COLLEGE CONSTITUENCY</u> (NO. OF SEATS IN BRACKETS)	<u>NO. OF NOMINATIONS RECEIVED</u>
1. URBAN COUNCIL (1) .....	1
2. PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL (1) .....	1
DISTRICT BOARDS:	
3. HK ISLAND (EAST) (1) .....	4
4. HK ISLAND (WEST) (1) .....	3

/5. KWUN TONG (1) .....

5.	KWUN TONG (1) .....	3
6.	WONG TAI SIN (1) .....	2
7.	KOWLOON CITY (1) .....	4
8.	SHAM SHUI PO (1) .....	2
9.	SOUTH KOWLOON (1) .....	2
10.	NEW TERRITORIES (EAST) (1) .....	5
11.	NEW TERRITORIES (WEST) (1) .....	2
12.	NEW TERRITORIES (SOUTH) (1) .....	3
	SUB-TOTAL	32

FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCY

1.	COMMERCIAL I (1) .....	2
	COMMERCIAL II (1) .....	1
2.	INDUSTRIAL I (1) .....	1
	INDUSTRIAL II (1) .....	2
3.	FINANCIAL (1) .....	1
4.	LABOUR (2) .....	2
5.	SOCIAL SERVICES (1) .....	3
6.	MEDICAL (1) .....	2
7.	TEACHING (1) .....	4
8.	LEGAL (1) .....	3
9.	ENGINEERING, ARCHITECTURAL, SURVEYING AND PLANNING (1) .....	3
	SUB-TOTAL	24
		TOTAL : 56

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LOCAL DESIGNER FOR HONG KONG PAVILION AT EXPO '86  
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HONG KONG ARCHITECT DR TAO HO HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED TO DESIGN THE HONG KONG PAVILION AT EXPO '86, TO BE HELD IN VANCOUVER FROM MAY 2 TO OCTOBER 13 NEXT YEAR.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, MR ADOLF HSU, WHO CHAIRS THE HONG KONG EXPO '86 CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO PRESENT DR HO'S DESIGN FOR THE PAVILION, MR HSU DESCRIBED THE CONCEPT AS SYMBOLIC OF HONG KONG'S PERPETUAL MOBILITY.

DR HO'S APPROACH HAS BEEN TO TAKE THE BASIC MODULE HOUSING THE PAVILION - A BOX-SHAPED STRUCTURE IDENTICAL TO THE MAJORITY OF PAVILIONS ON THE EXPO SITE - AND RAISE THE MAIN EXTERIOR WALLS TO ALMOST TWICE THEIR HEIGHT, ENCASING THEM IN A GRID OF BAMBOO SCAFFOLDING.

THE GRID, COVERED WITH LIFE-SIZE MODELS OF SCAFFOLDING WORKERS, WILL SUGGEST A PERMANENT STATE OF RECONSTRUCTION AND REDEVELOPMENT TYPICAL OF HONG KONG'S RESTLESS QUEST FOR IMPROVEMENT.

MR HSU SAID THAT THE HONG KONG PAVILION WOULD DEPEND HEAVILY UPON THE HUMAN ELEMENT TO EXPRESS THE ENERGY AND VITALITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO PROVIDED HONG KONG WITH ITS MOST SIGNIFICANT RESOURCE AND THE REASON FOR ITS SUCCESS.

LIVE EXPONENTS OF THE ART OF SCAFFOLDING CONSTRUCTION WILL BE ALOFT AND AT WORK AMONG THE MANNEQUIN FIGURES, SO AS TO GIVE EXPO VISITORS A GLIMPSE OF THE SKILL, SPEED AND DEXTERITY TYPICAL OF THEIR TRADE. AND THEY WILL BE CONSTANTLY ENGAGED IN MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE STRUCTURE SO AS TO REINFORCE THE APPEARANCE OF CHANGE AND GROWTH.

INSIDE THE PAVILION, A TEAM OF LIVE ENTERTAINERS WILL PERFORM ON STAGE TO SUPPLEMENT AN IMAGINATIVE AUDIO-VISUAL SHOW PROJECTED ON A SCREEN WHICH WILL STRETCH ALMOST THE FULL LENGTH OF THE BUILDING'S INTERIOR.

THE BULK OF THE HONG KONG PRESENTATION AT EXPO '86 WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A THEATRICAL EVENT, COMBINING THE TECHNIQUES OF MULTI-SCREEN IMAGERY WITH THE TRADITIONAL MODE OF LIVE PERFORMANCE, IN KEEPING WITH THE SPIRIT OF CONTRAST PERVADEING THE STORY THEY DEPICT.

TO HELP HIM ACHIEVE THIS DIVERSITY OF TECHNIQUES, DR HO HAS ASSEMBLED A TEAM COMPOSED OF SOME OF HONG KONG'S BEST KNOWN PERSONALITIES IN THEIR VARIOUS ARTISTIC FIELDS. AMONG THEM ARE THEATRICAL IMPRESARIO LO KING MAN, COMPOSER DOMING LAM AND AUDIO-VISUAL EXPERT FRANK FISCHBECK.

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ASSISTING THE TEAM WITH THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS ON SITE WILL BE CANADIAN-BASED BUT HONG KONG-BORN ARCHITECT BING THOM TOGETHER WITH FRANK MAYRS WHO HELPED DESIGN THE ENTIRE EXPO GROUND PLAN IN THE INITIAL CONCEPTUAL STAGES OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORLD FAIR.

THE TAO HO DESIGN PROJECT WAS SELECTED FROM AMONG THREE PRESENTED TO THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE BY DESIGNERS ON A SHORTLIST DRAWN FROM THE 40 ENTRIES SUBMITTED. THESE ENTRIES CAME NOT ONLY FROM HONG KONG BUT FROM LEADING DESIGN AGENCIES IN CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN.

MR HSU SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD BEEN SCRUPULOUSLY FAIR IN VOTING FOR THE SHORTLIST AS WELL AS FOR THE THREE FINISHED PRESENTATIONS.

THE RESULTS, HE SAID, WERE OF A VERY HIGH STANDARD AND HAD MADE THE TASK OF SELECTION A DIFFICULT ONE. BUT ON BALANCE THE COMMITTEE FELT THAT THE TAO HO DESIGN BEST EXPRESSED THE SPIRIT OF PERPETUAL RENEWAL AND GROWTH THAT HAD BUILT HONG KONG AND WOULD CONTINUE TO INSPIRE IT IN THE YEARS TO COME.

REPRESENTED ON THE HONG KONG EXPO '86 CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE ARE THE GOVERNMENT, THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE HONG KONG TOURIST ASSOCIATION, CABLE AND WIRELESS, SWIRE PACIFIC LIMITED, THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS, SING TAO NEWSPAPERS LIMITED AND HUTCHISON WHAMPOA LIMITED.

THE COMMITTEE HAS SO FAR RAISED \$10.5 MILLION FOR THE PROJECT, BUT MR HSU SAID HE HOPED FOR FURTHER SPONSORSHIP TO MAKE HONG KONG'S PARTICIPATION AT EXPO '86 AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE A TRIBUTE TO THE COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY SPIRIT IT WILL SYMBOLISE.

A DISPLAY OF THE PAVILION DESIGN HAS BEEN ARRANGED IN THE MAIN PLAZA OF THE LANDMARK LATER THIS MONTH, AND WILL SUBSEQUENTLY BE MOVED TO THE SILVERCORD BUILDING AND THE OCEAN TERMINAL IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

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CAD EXPLAINS DECISION ON DRAGONAIR  
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THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TODAY CONCERNING THE APPLICATION BY DRAGONAIR TO OPERATE A CHARTER SERVICE:

DRAGONAIR HAVE APPLIED TO OPERATE B737 PASSENGER CHARTER FLIGHTS TWICE-DAILY TO PEKING AND ONCE-DAILY TO SHANGHAI. THIS LEVEL OF SERVICE IS FAR IN EXCESS OF THE SCHEDULED AIR SERVICES TO THESE POINTS. NON-SCHEDULED SERVICES ARE NORMALLY APPROVED TO SUPPLEMENT SCHEDULED SERVICES.

IT IS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE SCHEDULED AIR SERVICES TO PEKING AND SHANGHAI DO NOT MEET THE PUBLIC DEMAND. EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR SOME TIME TO AGREE WITH THE CHINESE AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES FOR ADDITIONAL SCHEDULED SERVICES TO CATER TO THE DEMAND AND TO ALLOW CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS TO EXERCISE THE RIGHTS MADE AVAILABLE BY ITS LICENCE GRANTED BY THE AIR TRANSPORT LICENSING AUTHORITY TO OPERATE SCHEDULED SERVICES TO PEKING AND SHANGHAI (DRAGONAIR HAVE APPLIED TO THE ATLA FOR A LICENCE TO OPERATE SCHEDULED SERVICES TO PEKING AND SHANGHAI BUT THE HEARING OF THE APPLICATION HAS YET TO TAKE PLACE). TO THIS END, A FURTHER ROUND OF TALKS HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO TAKE PLACE IN PEKING ON SEPTEMBER 2 BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CHINESE GOVERNMENTS. IF NEW ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE AGREED TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL SCHEDULED SERVICES, THERE WILL PROBABLY BE NO CASE TO APPROVE NON-SCHEDULED SERVICES.

THE DRAGONAIR APPLICATION HAS THEREFORE BEEN DISAPPROVED BECAUSE OF THE SCALE OF THE SERVICES PROPOSED AND THE TIMING OF THE CHARTER FLIGHTS: THE DAY BEFORE THE NEGOTIATIONS BEGIN IN PEKING. THE MATTER WILL BE REVIEWED IN THE LIGHT OF THE OUTCOME OF THESE DISCUSSIONS.

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SCHOOLS GIVEN GUIDELINES ON CIVIC EDUCATION  
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CIVIC EDUCATION WAS EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY, THE SENIOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (SCHOOLS AND SERVICES), MR T.L. LAM, SAID TODAY (MONDAY) WHEN INTRODUCING THE NEWLY-PUBLISHED +GUIDELINES ON CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS+.

HE SAID WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE SCHOOL IT SHOULD NOT BE TREATED AS JUST ANOTHER SUBJECT WHICH WAS THE EXCLUSIVE RESPONSIBILITY OF A PARTICULAR MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF STAFF.

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+RATHER, A WHOLE SCHOOL APPROACH IS ADVOCATED WHICH UTILISES ALL THE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN BOTH THE FORMAL AND INFORMAL CURRICULUM AND THE ETHOS OF THE SCHOOL OR THE HIDDEN CURRICULUM,+ MR LAM SAID.

THE GUIDELINES WERE BEING PRODUCED IN LINE WITH THE 1984 WHITE PAPER ON +THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG+ WHICH RECOGNISED THE NEED FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE EDUCATED MORE EFFECTIVELY TO COPE WITH THE IMPLICATIONS ARISING FROM PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPING THE LOCAL SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT, MR LAM SAID.

+IN APPLYING THIS PRINCIPLE TO SCHOOLS, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, REVIEWED ITS CIVIC EDUCATION PLAN EARLY THIS YEAR AND CONFIRMED THAT THE INTER-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH, UTILISING ALL THE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE FORMAL CURRICULUM, SHOULD CONTINUE TO FORM THE BASIS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS TOPIC IN SCHOOLS.

+THIS APPROACH SHOULD BE SUPPLEMENTED BY EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES WHICH GIVE PRACTICAL EXPRESSION THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS TO CLASSROOM CONCEPTS.

+IN ADDITION, IT WAS RECOGNISED THAT THE HIDDEN CURRICULUM IS A POTENT INFLUENCE ON PUPILS' DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE FORMATION OF ATTITUDES,+ HE SAID.

MR LAM ALSO EMPHASISED THE NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE WAY IN WHICH HARMONIOUS RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN SCHOOL AUTHORITIES, STAFF, PUPILS AND PARENTS MIGHT BE FOSTERED.

THE OVERALL CIVIC EDUCATION PLAN WAS ENDORSED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, HE ADDED.

TO ADVISE SCHOOLS ON PROMOTING CIVIC EDUCATION THROUGH THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM, THE +GUIDELINES ON CIVIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS+, COMPILED BY THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WOULD BE ISSUED TO ALL SCHOOLS, INCLUDING KINDERGARTENS, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

COPIES OF THE GUIDELINES CAN ALSO BE OBTAINED AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, AT \$6 PER COPY.

SPEAKING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIC EDUCATION IN THE FORMAL SCHOOL CURRICULUM, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (CHIEF INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS), DR Y.F. KONG, SAID IT WAS TAUGHT PRINCIPALLY THROUGH SOCIAL STUDIES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS AS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE PRIMARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM WHILE RELATED SUBJECTS SUCH AS SOCIAL STUDIES, ECONOMICS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ECONOMICS, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY AND CHINESE HISTORY WERE PURSUED IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT CIVIC EDUCATION RELATED TOPICS IN THE SYLLABUS FOR EACH OF THESE SUBJECTS WERE OUTLINED IN THE GUIDELINES.

ON THE FORMULATION OF THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF CIVIC EDUCATION, DR KONG SAID IT WAS RECOGNISED THAT THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEVELOPING AN OVERALL PATTERN OF CIVIC EDUCATION DID NOT REST WITH SCHOOLS ALONE.

+THE PRESERVATION AND STRENGTHENING OF A DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE WILL CALL FOR THE SUPPORT OF MANY DIFFERENT GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, THE MEDIA AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE,+ HE SAID.

+THE SPECIFIC ROLE OF THE SCHOOLS WILL BE TO DEVELOP IN YOUNG PEOPLE THE SORT OF KNOWLEDGE, ATTITUDES AND SKILLS NECESSARY FOR THEM TO BECOME RATIONAL, POLITICALLY SENSITIVE AND RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS WHO CAN CONTRIBUTE CONSTRUCTIVELY TO THE PROCESS OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CHANGE,+ HE ADDED.

DR KONG ALSO SAID THAT SCHOOL HEADS AND TEACHERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT WHILE THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED A CROSS-CURRICULUM APPROACH, SCHOOLS WERE FREE TO OFFER CIVIC EDUCATION AS AN INDEPENDENT SUBJECT ON THE SCHOOL TIME-TABLE IF THEY WISHED, PROVIDED THAT THE SYLLABUS WAS FIRST SUBMITTED TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR APPROVAL, JUST LIKE OTHER SUBJECTS AND SYLLABUSES INITIATED BY SCHOOLS.

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FIRST QUARTER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX RELEASED  
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THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985, AT 109.5, WAS LITTLE CHANGED FROM THAT IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1984 AT 109.1, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

A COMPARISON OF THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985 WITH THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1984, SHOWED A DECREASE OF 23.8 PER CENT.

HOWEVER, THE FIRST QUARTER IS NORMALLY A SEASONAL LOW FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION BECAUSE MOST WORKERS TAKE THEIR ANNUAL LEAVE DURING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY CONTINUED TO SHOW THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN PRODUCTION, RISING BY 48.2 PER CENT OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1984 AND 13.6 PER CENT OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, TO MEET INCREASED DEMAND FOR EXPORTS TO CHINA.

/OTHER INDUSTRIES .....

OTHER INDUSTRIES WITH MORE SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN PRODUCTION OVER THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1984 INCLUDED NEWSPAPER PRINTING, JOB PRINTING AND OTHER PRINTING (+21.9%), PLASTIC PRODUCTS (+21.9%), FOOD (+19.0%), CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS (+19.0%), AND CONSUMER ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS (+11.1%).

HOWEVER, SEVERAL INDUSTRIES REPORTED SIGNIFICANT DECLINES IN PRODUCTION OVER THE SAME PERIOD, INCLUDING BASIC METALS (-25.5%), LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (-17.1%) AND TEXTILES (-13.8%).

BESIDES TOBACCO, INDUSTRIES WITH INCREASES IN PRODUCTION OVER THE PRECEDING QUARTER WERE WOOD AND CORK PRODUCTS AND FURNITURE AND FIXTURES (+5.9%), FOOD (+5.1%), AND CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS (+3.4%).

MARKED DECREASES OVER THE PRECEDING QUARTER WERE RECORDED IN THE PRODUCTION OF RUBBER PRODUCTS (-48.6%), CONSUMER ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS (-30.4%), BASIC METALS (-30.0%), LEATHER PRODUCTS AND FOOTWEAR (-29.5%), TEXTILES (-28.5%), PLASTIC PRODUCTS (-26.5%), TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (-26.0%), PAPER AND PAPER PRODUCTS (-22.9%), AND WEARING APPAREL (-21.0%).

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS PRIMARILY INTENDED TO REFLECT THE LEVELS AND TRENDS OF OUTPUT IN REAL TERMS. IN OTHER WORDS, THE VOLUME OF PRODUCTION IS MEASURED AFTER REMOVING THE EFFECTS OF PRICE CHANGES.

TWO TABLES ON THE QUARTERLY INDEXES OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1985 WILL BE SENT BY FACSIMILE NETWORK AND WILL ALSO BE BOXED FOR COLLECTION.

ONE IS A SUMMARY TABLE FOR BROAD INDUSTRY GROUPS, WHILE THE OTHER GIVES MORE DETAILED INDUSTRY BREAKDOWNS.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN THE +REPORT ON THE QUARTERLY INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, FIRST QUARTER 1985+, WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED AT \$2 A COPY FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, OR AT THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATION SALES COUNTER, KAI TAK COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 317 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION MAY ALSO BE ARRANGED.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 3-7224504.

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YOUNG MUSICIANS RETURN FROM SUCCESSFUL TOUR  
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A GROUP OF 60 YOUNG MUSICIANS RETURNED TO HONG KONG TODAY (MONDAY) AFTER PERFORMING IN THE CHINESE CITIES OF SHANGHAI AND PEKING.

THEIR PERFORMANCES AT THE SHANGHAI CONCERT HALL ON AUGUST 11 (SUNDAY) AND AT THE PEKING NATIONALITIES CULTURAL PALACE ON AUGUST 14 (WEDNESDAY) WERE HIGHLY-ACCLAIMED AND DREW CAPACITY AUDIENCES.

LED BY THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR AND TOUR DIRECTOR, MRS DORIS HO, THE DELEGATION COMPRISED 10 OFFICIALS FROM THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH, 49 MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND 11 MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG YOUTH CHINESE MUSIC ENSEMBLE.

MRS HO SAID SHE WAS EXTREMELY PLEASED THAT THE TOUR HAD BEEN A SUCCESSFUL ONE AND THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES HAD BEEN WIDELY COVERED BY THE MEDIA IN CHINA.

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EMPLOYERS REMINDED OF FLOATING HOLIDAY  
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY) REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT THE SECOND FLOATING HOLIDAY FALLS ON AUGUST 26, THE LAST MONDAY IN AUGUST.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT IF EMPLOYERS HAVE NOT ALREADY FIXED THE DATE OF THE SECOND FLOATING HOLIDAY FOR THIS YEAR AND THEIR EMPLOYEES HAVE NOT REQUESTED THAT THE HOLIDAY BE ADDED TO THEIR PAID ANNUAL LEAVE, THEY SHOULD GIVE EMPLOYEES THE HOLIDAY ON THE ABOVE DATE.

HE SAID THAT UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE, EMPLOYERS HAVE TO FIX THE TWO FLOATING HOLIDAYS AND NOTIFY EMPLOYEES BY A NOTICE PLACED AT A CONSPICUOUS PLACE BEFORE THE END OF THE PRECEDING YEAR.

ALL MANUAL EMPLOYEES AND THOSE NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES EARNING NOT MORE THAN \$9 500 A MONTH ARE ENTITLED TO THE HOLIDAYS AND MUST BE PAID FOR THE DAY-OFF IF THEY HAVE WORKED CONTINUOUSLY FOR THREE MONTHS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE STATUTORY HOLIDAY, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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HOLIDAY PAY SHOULD BE EQUIVALENT TO AN EMPLOYEE'S EARNINGS ON A NORMAL WORKING DAY AND SHOULD INCLUDE BASIC WAGES AS WELL AS ALLOWANCES THAT CAN BE EXPRESSED IN MONEY TERMS SUCH AS MEALS AND COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCES.

WHERE THE EARNINGS VARY FROM DAY TO DAY, HOLIDAY PAY SHOULD BE THE AVERAGE DAILY EARNINGS DURING EVERY COMPLETE WAGE PERIOD, WHICH COULD BE BETWEEN 28 DAYS TO 31 DAYS, PRECEDING THE HOLIDAY.

IF AN EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO WORK ON A STATUTORY HOLIDAY, HE MUST BE GIVEN AN ALTERNATIVE DAY-OFF WITHIN 60 DAYS BEFORE OR AFTER THAT DAY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT STATUTORY HOLIDAYS MAY BE MADE TO THE NEAREST BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE.

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WAN CHAI DB TO DISCUSS STANDING ORDERS  
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WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS THE REVISED DISTRICT BOARD STANDING ORDERS AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON.

THEY WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE TERRITORY-WIDE PROVISION OF NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS, THE DISTRICT'S PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME AND THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAMS.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE THE REPORT OF THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, PROGRESS REPORTS OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS.

IN ADDITION, A QUESTION WILL BE RAISED ON THE PROBLEM OF STREET-SLEEPERS IN THE DISTRICT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT OFFICE AT 201 HENNESSY ROAD, EIGHTH FLOOR, TUNG WAH MANSION, WAN CHAI.

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SUPPORT FOR RECEPTION CENTRE'S COURTESY DRIVE

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THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, MR CHAN WA-SHEK, TODAY (MONDAY) CALLED AT THE VISIT ROOM OF LAI CHI KOK RECEPTION CENTRE, ONE OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S BUSIEST FACILITIES, TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE COURTESY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

THE VISIT ROOMS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S 21 CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS ARE FRONTLINE FACILITIES, AND STAFF WORKING IN THEM ARE CURRENTLY TAKING PART IN A COURTESY DRIVE TO IMPROVE SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC.

LAUNCHED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE BRANCH AND THE CIVIL SERVICE TRAINING CENTRE, THE DRIVE HAS BECOME A SERVICE-WIDE PROMOTION EFFORT.

MR CHAN DISCUSSED THE SCHEME WITH STAFF AT THE RECEPTION CENTRE AND ENCOURAGED THEM TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN PROMOTING COURTESY.

MR CHAN TALKED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WERE VISITING RELATIVES AND FRIENDS IN THE INSTITUTION AND ALSO VISITED A SPECIAL SECTION IN THE WAITING ROOM, RESERVED AS A PLAY AREA FOR CHILDREN OF VISITORS.

STAFF OF THE VISIT ROOM OF THE LAI CHI KOK CENTRE HANDLE ABOUT 130 VISITS DAILY ON WEEKDAYS, AND ABOUT 160 VISITS ON WEEKENDS.

REMAND PRISONERS MAY RECEIVE A DAILY VISIT OF 15 MINUTES, WHILE CONVICTED PRISONERS ARE ENTITLED TO TWO VISITS OF 30 MINUTES EACH A MONTH.

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NEW SPORTS FACILITIES ADDED TO POPULAR PARK

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WORK ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THREE SQUASH COURTS AND SIX TENNIS COURTS AT MORSE PARK, WONG TAI SIN, HAS NOW BEEN COMPLETED.

THE SQUASH COURTS WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 7 A.M. TO 11 P.M. DAILY STARTING FROM WEDNESDAY (AUGUST 21). THE TENNIS COURTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT A LATER DATE.

BUILT AT A COST OF OVER \$5.7 MILLION, THESE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ARE CONSTRUCTED ON A SITE FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY TWO MINI SOCCER PITCHES NEAR THE OPEN AIR THEATRE IN THE PARK.

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ALL THE THREE SQUASH COURTS ARE FULLY AIR CONDITIONED AND ARE EQUIPPED WITH A SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM TO SUPPLY HOT WATER TO THE CHANGING ROOM.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN BOOK THE SQUASH COURTS EITHER SEVEN DAYS IN ADVANCE OR ON THE SPOT.

MEANWHILE, THE TWO TENNIS COURTS AT THE CAUSEWAY BAY SPORTS GROUND WHICH WERE EARLIER ALIENATED TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAYS' ISLAND LINE, ARE NOW RE-OPENED TO THE PUBLIC.

THESE TWO COURTS ARE OPEN FROM 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M. DAILY AND BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE EITHER ONE MONTH OR SEVEN DAYS IN ADVANCE AT THE BOOKING OFFICE IN VICTORIA PARK.

TO ENHANCE THEIR MAXIMUM USAGE, PLANS ARE NOW IN HAND TO INSTALL A FLOODLIGHTING SYSTEM THERE.

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TENDERS CALLED FOR DIAMOND HILL DEVELOPMENT  
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TENDERS ARE INVITED FOR SITE FORMATION WORK AND ROADS AND DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION AS THE FIRST STAGE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DIAMOND HILL AREA IN KOWLOON.

THE PROJECT, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO START IN NOVEMBER, WILL INCLUDE THE REMOVAL OF ABOUT TWO MILLION CUBIC METRES OF MATERIAL FROM THE EXISTING GOVERNMENT QUARRY TO FORM A SITE OF ABOUT 11.5 HECTARES.

ABOUT 9.6 HECTARES OF THE FORMED LAND WOULD BE USED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE WHILE THE REST WOULD BE FOR GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL USE.

WORK ALSO INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ESTATE ROAD AND AN ACCESS ROAD TOTALLING 610 METRES IN LENGTH.

ON COMPLETION, THESE ROADS WILL PROVIDE ACCESS FROM PO KONG VILLAGE ROAD TO THE PROPOSED HOUSING ESTATE AND TO A SECONDARY SCHOOL.

A 220-METRE-LONG PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY WILL ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED TO FORM PART OF THE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS SYSTEM FOR THE DIAMOND HILL DEVELOPMENT AREA.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO TAKE THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE.

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NEW RECREATION GROUND FOR TO KWA WAN  
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THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE RECENTLY AWARDED A \$20 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW URBAN COUNCIL RECREATION GROUND IN TO KWA WAN.

SITUATED ON A 2.4-HECTARE SITE AT CHEUNG NING STREET, THE MULTI-PURPOSE RECREATION GROUND WILL PROVIDE A WIDE RANGE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, INCLUDING AN INDOOR GAMES HALL, TWO MINI-SOCCER PITCHES WITH SPECTATOR STAND, TWO BASKETBALL COURTS AND A JOGGING TRACK.

OTHER FACILITIES INCLUDE LANDSCAPED SITTING-OUT AREAS, A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA AND A MAZE GARDEN.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO START AT THE END OF THIS MONTH AND BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 1986.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE  
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 61.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 362.079 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 489.892 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 83.6 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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MORE PARKING METERS  
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FORTY-TWO GOODS VEHICLE PARKING METERS WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE IN CANTON ROAD, BUTE STREET, AND RECLAMATION STREET IN MONG KOK FROM 9 AM ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 22).

THESE ONE-HOUR METERS WILL CHARGE 50 CENTS FOR 30 MINUTES.

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