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PRICE AND VOLUME MOVEMENTS OF EXTERNAL TRADE IN JANUARY

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THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS GREW BY 13 PER CENT AND 47 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH THE SAME MONTH IN 1987, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (SUNDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

HENCE, THERE WAS AN OVERALL INCREASE OF 29 PER CENT IN THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS. IMPORTS INCREASED BY 34 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS.

ON THE SAME BASIS OF COMPARISON, BOTH THE PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY 4 PER CENT, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, PRICES ALSO ROSE BY 4 PER CENT.

PRICES OF IMPORTS, ON THE OTHER HAND, ROSE BY 5 PER CENT. AS A RESULT, THE TERMS OF TRADE INDEX (EXPRESSED AS A RATIO OF THE TOTAL EXPORT PRICE INDEX TO THE IMPORT PRICE INDEX) DROPPED BY 1 PER CENT.

PRICES ARE BASED ON UNIT VALUES WHICH DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OR QUALITY OF GOODS TRADED, EXCEPT FOR SOME SELECTED COMMODITIES FOR WHICH SPECIFICATION PRICE INDEXES ARE COMPILED.

THE VOLUME OF TRADE IS DERIVED FROM TRADE VALUES BY DISCOUNTING THE EFFECT OF PRICE CHANGES.

CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN IN INTERPRETING THE CHANGES IN THE VOLUME OF BILATERAL TRADE IN ANY SINGLE MONTH, AS THE RESPECTIVE GROWTH RATES FOR INDIVIDUAL MONTH MAY BE SUBJECT TO CONSIDERABLE FLUCTUATIONS.

IN PARTICULAR, THE TRADE FIGURES FOR THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THE YEAR WERE USUALLY AFFECTED BY THE TIMING OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, WHICH OCCURRED IN LATE JANUARY LAST YEAR, WHILE IN THIS YEAR THEY OCCURRED IN MID-FEBRUARY.

COMPARING THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1988 WITH THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1987, THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS INCREASED BY 15 PER CENT, WHILE THAT OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 44 PER CENT, SO THAT FOR TOTAL EXPORTS, A GROWTH OF 27 PER CENT WAS RECORDED IN VOLUME TERMS. THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS ROSE BY 31 PER CENT.

ON THE SAME BASIS OF COMPARISON, PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS ROSE BY 3 PER CENT AND 4 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY. IMPORT PRICES INCREASED BY 6 PER CENT.

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EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF COMPARISON TO THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1988 WITH THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1987, THE VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS INCREASED BY 22 PER CENT WHILE THAT OF RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 47 PER CENT, GIVING AN INCREASE OF 32 PER CENT IN THE VOLUME OF TOTAL EXPORTS. THE VOLUME OF IMPORTS ROSE BY 33 PER CENT.

OVER THE SAME PERIOD, PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS INCREASED BY 3 PER CENT AND 2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY, WHILE THOSE OF IMPORTS ROSE BY 4 PER CENT.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP FOR JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 1.

AS CAN BE SEEN FROM TABLE 1, THE DOMESTIC EXPORT VOLUME OF MANY COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED IN JANUARY 1988 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987, INCLUDING ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS (+38 PER CENT); WATCHES AND CLOCKS (+31 PER CENT); METAL ORES AND SCRAP (+26 PER CENT); METAL MANUFACTURES (+17 PER CENT); DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES (+15 PER CENT); CLOTHING (+6 PER CENT) AS WELL AS TEXTILE FABRICS (+5 PER CENT).

NEVERTHELESS, DECREASES IN DOMESTIC EXPORT VOLUME WERE RECORDED IN RADIOS OF ALL KINDS (-30 PER CENT); TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR ARTICLES (-15 PER CENT); TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES (-2 PER CENT); FOOTWEAR (-1 PER CENT) AS WELL AS TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD (-1 PER CENT).

PRICES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF MOST COMMODITY GROUPS INCREASED IN JANUARY 1988 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987.

THESE INCLUDED METAL ORES AND SCRAP (+9 PER CENT); TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD (+7 PER CENT); RADIOS OF ALL KINDS (+7 PER CENT); METAL MANUFACTURES (+6 PER CENT); CLOTHING (+6 PER CENT); FOOTWEAR (+6 PER CENT); TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR ARTICLES (+6 PER CENT); TEXTILE FABRICS (+6 PER CENT); TEXTILES MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES (+5 PER CENT); WATCHES AND CLOCKS (+3 PER CENT) AS WELL AS DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES (+3 PER CENT).

THE PRICES OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS REMAINED ALMOST UNCHANGED.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY FOR JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 2.

AS PRESENTED IN TABLE 2, IMPORTED FOODSTUFFS INCREASED BY 10 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS IN JANUARY 1988 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987.

SIGNIFICANT GROWTH WAS RECORDED IN VEGETABLES; CEREALS AND CEREAL PREPARATIONS OTHER THAN RICE, WHEAT AND FLOUR AS WELL AS SUGAR. HOWEVER, DECREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE REGISTERED FOR SOYA BEAN OIL, PEANUT OIL AND LARD AS WELL AS LIVE POULTRY.

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OVER THE SAME PERIOD, THE IMPORT VOLUME OF CONSUMER GOODS INCREASED BY 47 PER CENT. THE COMMODITY ITEMS WITH MORE SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES INCLUDED TOBACCO MANUFACTURES; PASSENGER MOTOR CARS; FOOTWEAR AS WELL AS WATCHES.

THE IMPORT VOLUME OF RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES ROSE BY 28 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1988 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987.

THE MAJOR INCREASES WERE RECORDED IN CRUDE ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE MATERIALS; CLAY AND REFRACTORY CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, BUILDING MATERIALS, AND SO ON, EXCEPT GLASS; PLASTIC MOULDING MATERIALS AS WELL AS FABRICS OF WOOL AND MIXTURES.

DECREASES IN IMPORT VOLUME WERE NOTED FOR COTTON YARN AND THREAD AS WELL AS WOVEN COTTON FABRICS.

IMPORTS OF FUELS INCREASED BY 84 PER CENT IN VOLUME TERMS IN JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987.

IN THE CAPITAL GOODS CATEGORY, THE IMPORT VOLUME INCREASED BY 29 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1988 OVER JANUARY 1987.

THERE WERE SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT; ELECTRICAL MACHINERY AS WELL AS SCIENTIFIC, MEDICAL, OPTICAL, MEASURING AND CONTROLLING INSTRUMENTS AND APPARATUS. A DECREASE IN IMPORT VOLUME WAS RECORDED IN INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY OTHER THAN TEXTILE AND ELECTRICAL MACHINERY.

IMPORT PRICES OF ALL END-USE CATEGORIES ROSE IN JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987, RANGING FROM 3 PER CENT FOR FOODSTUFFS TO 10 PER CENT FOR FUELS.

THE CHANGES IN THE VALUE, UNIT VALUE AND VOLUME OF RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY FOR JANUARY 1988 AS COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987 ARE SHOWN IN TABLE 3.

AS DEPICTED IN TABLE 3, THE RE-EXPORT VOLUME OF ALL END-USE CATEGORIES INCREASED IN JANUARY 1988 WHEN COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987, RANGING FROM 10 PER CENT FOR FUELS TO 51 PER CENT FOR CONSUMER GOODS.

PRICES OF RE-EXPORTS OF FUELS INCREASED BY 7 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1988 WHEN COMPARED WITH JANUARY 1987. THOSE OF RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES ROSE BY 5 PER CENT. THE PRICES OF CONSUMER GOODS, FOODSTUFFS AS WELL AS CAPITAL GOODS ALL INCREASED BY 2 PER CENT.

FURTHER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE JANUARY 1988 ISSUE OF THE "HONG KONG TRADE INDEX NUMBERS" AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AROUND APRIL 14 AT \$2.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES REGARDING REGULAR SUBSCRIPTION TO THIS REPORT MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT FRENCH MISSION BUILDING, HONG KONG ON 5-8428802 AND ENQUIRIES ON TRADE INDEXES TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT ON 5-8234918.

TABLE 1: INCREASES IN DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP

COMPARING JANUARY 1988
WITH JANUARY 1987

COMMODITY GROUP	VALUE %	UNIT VALUE %	VOLUME %
CLOTHING	12	6	6
TEXTILE FABRICS	10	6	5
TEXTILE YARN AND THREAD	6	7	-1
TEXTILE MADE-UPS AND RELATED ARTICLES	2	5	-2
RADIOS OF ALL KINDS	-26	7	-30
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS	38	*	38
FOOTWEAR	4	6	-1
METAL MANUFACTURES	25	6	17
METAL ORES AND SCRAP	37	9	26
WATCHES AND CLOCKS	35	3	31
TRAVEL GOODS, HANDBAGS AND SIMILAR ARTICLES	-11	6	-15
DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES	18	3	15
ALL COMMODITIES	17	4	13

NOTES FOR TABLES 1 TO 3:

* INSIGNIFICANT, I.E. LESS THAN 0.5 %.

PERCENTAGE CHANGES ARE CALCULATED FROM TRADE INDEXES TAKEN TO MORE DECIMAL PLACES THAN THOSE TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE "HONG KONG TRADE INDEX NUMBERS". THEY MAY THEREFORE DIFFER FROM THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES TO BE COMPUTED DIRECTLY FROM THE FIGURES TO BE PUBLISHED.

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TABLE 2: INCREASES IN IMPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY

COMPARING JANUARY 1988
WITH JANUARY 1987

END-USE CATEGORY	VALUE %	UNIT VALUE %	VOLUME %
FOODSTUFFS	13	3	10
CONSUMER GOODS	53	4	47
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	35	6	28
FUELS	102	10	84
CAPITAL GOODS	39	8	29
ALL COMMODITIES	41	5	34

TABLE 3: INCREASES IN RE-EXPORTS BY END-USE CATEGORY

COMPARING JANUARY 1988
WITH JANUARY 1987

END-USE CATEGORY	VALUE %	UNIT VALUE %	VOLUME %
FOODSTUFFS	31	2	28
CONSUMER GOODS	54	2	51
RAW MATERIALS AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES	59	5	50
FUELS	18	7	10
CAPITAL GOODS	43	2	41
ALL COMMODITIES	53	4	47

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WORKING LEVEL TALKS ON DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT ADJOURNED

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WORKING LEVEL TALKS ON THE DEFENCE COSTS AGREEMENT ADJOURNED ON FRIDAY WITH THE HONG KONG TEAM RETURNING TODAY (SUNDAY) TO RECEIVE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS.

ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON ANNOUNCED AFTER HIS RECENT LONDON TRIP THAT A SATISFACTORY BASIS FOR A NEW AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED, MR JACOBS SAID DETAILS HAD TO BE AGREED UPON FOR INCLUSION IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT.

HONG KONG'S WORKING TEAM, LED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR ROBERT UPTON, FLEW TO LONDON LAST WEEK AND HAD THREE DAYS OF TALKS WITH THEIR BRITISH COUNTERPARTS.

MR JACOBS SAID THAT IN LIGHT OF PROGRESS MADE IN LAST WEEK'S TALKS HE NOW WISHED TO CONSIDER SOME ASPECTS PERSONALLY. THE TALKS WILL RESUME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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PRESENTATION OF INSIGNIA

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INSIGNIA FOR 92 PEOPLE WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, AT A CEREMONY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT 6 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

SEVENTY-SEVEN RECIPIENTS WERE DECORATED BY THE QUEEN FOR SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC, WHILE 15 WERE AWARDED THE GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A LIST OF THE RECIPIENTS AT THE INSIGNIA PRESENTATION MAY BE COLLECTED FROM THE GIS NEWS DIVISION AT 4 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

ONLY PHOTOGRAPHERS AND CAMERAMEN WITH SPECIAL PASSES WILL BE ADMITTED TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE. THEY SHOULD MEET GIS OFFICERS IN THE GUARD ROOM NOT LATER THAN 5.30 PM.

NEWSPAPERS WITHOUT SUCH PASSES WILL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS BY ARRANGEMENT WITH CAMBRIDGE'S STUDIO, 802, YIP FUNG BUILDING, 2-12 D'AGUILAR STREET, CENTRAL, TELEPHONE 5-223314.

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NEW DISTRICT OFFICER FOR SOUTHERN
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MRS MAUREEN CHAN LEUNG MONG-LIN WILL SUCCEED MR SIMON LORD AS THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICER WITH EFFECT FROM TOMORROW (MONDAY).

MRS CHAN JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN 1972 AS AN ASSISTANT HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR IN THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

SHE BECAME AN ASSISTANT TRADE OFFICER IN THE TRADE DEPARTMENT IN 1976 AND WAS PROMOTED TO PRINCIPAL TRADE OFFICER IN 1982.

IN DECEMBER 1987, MRS CHAN JOINED THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE AND WAS POSTED TO THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION AS THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER OF SHAM SHUI PO.

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LABOUR HOTLINE RECEIVES OVER 650 COMPLAINTS
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MORE THAN 650 COMPLAINTS WERE RECEIVED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT THROUGH ITS HOTLINE - 5-8152200 - DURING 1987.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE MAJORITY OF THE COMPLAINTS INVOLVED THE EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS FOR LONG WORKING HOURS AND ON REST DAYS IN INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS.

OTHERS CONCERNED ILLEGAL EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN, EMPLOYERS FAILING TO TAKE OUT INSURANCE POLICIES FOR THEIR WORKERS AGAINST ACCIDENTS AT WORK, AND EMPLOYMENT OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

THERE WERE ALSO SOME COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S WORK.

FOLLOWING INVESTIGATIONS BY LABOUR INSPECTORS, OVER 56 PER CENT OF THE COMPLAINTS WERE SUBSTANTIATED AND PROSECUTIONS WERE TAKEN OUT AGAINST THE OFFENDERS WHERE APPROPRIATE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE HOTLINE ALSO WELCOMED COMPLAINTS ABOUT OTHER IRREGULARITIES SUCH AS EMPLOYERS FAILING TO GRANT MATERNITY LEAVE AND TO KEEP EMPLOYEES RECORDS.

THE HOTLINE, IN USE SINCE 1978, OPERATES 24 HOURS A DAY.

"AS IT IS SWITCHED ON TO THE AUTO-RECORDING SYSTEM AFTER OFFICE HOURS, THOSE MAKING USE OF IT SHOULD STATE CLEARLY THE CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THEIR COMPLAINT AS WELL AS THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ESTABLISHMENT CONCERNED," HE SAID.

"ALL COMPLAINTS WILL BE HANDLED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND IDENTITIES WILL ONLY BE DISCLOSED WITH THE COMPLAINANTS' CONSENT."

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YOUNG MUSIC LOVERS INVITED TO JOIN '88 MUSIC CAMP

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YOUNG MUSIC LOVERS WHO WISH TO JOIN THIS YEAR'S YOUTH MUSIC CAMP ARE BEING INVITED TO APPLY TO THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH.

SPONSORED BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, THE 1988 HONG KONG YOUTH MUSIC CAMP WILL BE HELD AT THE PO LEUNG KUK PAK TAM CHUNG HOLIDAY CAMP IN SAI KUNG FROM JULY 16 TO 31.

"AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, PROMISING YOUNG MUSICIANS WILL BE RECRUITED BOTH LOCALLY AND OVERSEAS TO JOIN THE CAMP TO HELP FOSTER INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE THROUGH MUSIC," A MUSIC OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"SINCE THE SUMMER OF 1980, THE CAMP HAS BEEN BRINGING TOGETHER LOCAL YOUNG MUSICAL TALENTS FOR INTENSIVE MUSIC TRAINING IN A SUMMER CAMP ATMOSPHERE," HE SAID.

RENOWNED MUSICIANS WILL BE INVITED TO CONDUCT MASTER CLASSES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS. OTHER PROGRAMMES INCLUDE FILM SHOWS AND HI-FI MUSIC APPRECIATION. RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES WILL ALSO BE ARRANGED.

THE CAMP WILL ORGANISE FIVE ORCHESTRAS AND ONE BAND FOR CAMPERS. A FINALE CONCERT WHICH HAS BEEN REGARDED AS THE CLIMAX OF THE CAMP WILL BE HELD AT THE ACADEMY COMMUNITY HALL ON JULY 30.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE AS AT JULY 15 THIS YEAR AND BE ABLE TO PLAY AT LEAST ONE CHINESE OR WESTERN ORCHESTRAL OR BAND INSTRUMENT. ORCHESTRAL EXPERIENCE WILL BE AN ADVANTAGE.

FEEES INCLUSIVE OF TUITION, THREE MEALS A DAY AND ACCOMMODATION ARE \$480 FOR MEMBERS OF THE STRING ORCHESTRA AND THE BAND WHO WILL STAY THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE CAMP PERIOD.

AS FOR CAMPERS WHO JOIN THE JUNIOR STRINGS AND THE CHINESE ORCHESTRAS, THEY WILL STAY FOR EIGHT DAYS AND THE FEES ARE ONLY \$224.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE. CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 28. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-8235341 AND 0-750465.

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DRAWING COMPETITION FOR THE YOUNG

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A DRAWING COMPETITION AIMING TO ENHANCE CHILDREN'S CREATIVITY AND INTEREST IN ART WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 24 (SUNDAY) AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE "1988 INTERNATIONAL DRAWING COMPETITION" WILL HAVE TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR PERCEPTION THROUGH PAINTING ON THE THEMES OF "MY HOMETOWN", "DAYS THAT I CHERISH" AND "THE FUTURE WORLD THAT I DREAM OF".

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS: SECTION A FOR THOSE AGED BETWEEN FOUR AND SIX, SECTION B FOR THOSE BETWEEN SEVEN AND NINE AND SECTION C FOR THOSE BETWEEN 10 AND 13.

THREE WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE SELECTED FROM EACH SECTION AND AWARDED CASH COUPONS OF \$1,000, \$700 AND \$500 RESPECTIVELY IN ADDITION TO OTHER PRIZES.

THERE WILL ALSO BE SEVEN OUTSTANDING AWARDS AND 100 CONSOLATION PRIZES FOR OTHER ENTRIES IN EACH SECTION.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE COMPETITION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE AT 490 NATHAN ROAD; ITS TSIM SHA TSUI SUB-OFFICE AT 40 CARNARVON ROAD; AND THE HARBOUR JAYCEES AT 272 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 15TH FLOOR, BLOCK C, CENTRAL.

THE CONTEST IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE, URBAN COUNCIL, HARBOUR JAYCEES AND SING TAO LIMITED. IT IS SPONSORED BY THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF YUE FUNG STREET IN ABERDEEN

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YUE FUNG STREET NORTHBOUND BETWEEN YUE WOK STREET AND SHEK PAI WAN ROAD IN ABERDEEN WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 13) FOR ROADWORKS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS SHOULD USE YUE WOK STREET FOR ACCESS TO SHEK PAI WAN ROAD.

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NEW AMBULANCE DEPOT, FSD STAFF QUARTERS FOR WONG TAI SIN
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AMBULANCE AND FIRE SERVICES IN WONG TAI SIN AND SURROUNDING AREAS WILL BE IMPROVED UNDER A NEW BUILDING WORKS PROJECT BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE PROJECT WILL INVOLVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AMBULANCE DEPOT AND TWO 25-STOREY BLOCKS OF FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT RANK AND FILE MARRIED QUARTERS.

BOTH THE AMBULANCE DEPOT AND THE STANDARD DESIGN MARRIED QUARTERS WILL BE LOCATED WITHIN THE SITE BOUNDARY OF THE EXISTING WONG TAI SIN DIVISIONAL FIRE STATION.

DETAILS OF THE WORK REQUIRED CAN BE SEEN IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GAZETTE.

CONSTRUCTION IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN JULY AND TAKE ABOUT 20 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT ARE BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. THEY MUST BE SUBMITTED BY NOON ON APRIL 29 THIS YEAR.

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