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NEW METHOD OF CALCULATING RATES PROPOSED  
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A BILL WHICH CONTAINS PROPOSALS TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF CALCULATING RATES PAYABLE TO THE URBAN COUNCIL AND PROVIDES FOR REGIONAL COUNCIL RATES IS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

UNDER THE RATING (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985, IT IS PROPOSED THAT WITH EFFECT FROM APRIL 1, 1986, THE TWO COUNCILS SHOULD RECEIVE RATES ACTUALLY COLLECTED ON THEIR BEHALF.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE CURRENT PRACTICE WAS THAT RATES DEMANDED WERE PAID BY THE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING SERVICES TO THE URBAN COUNCIL ACCORDING TO THE UC RATES PERCENTAGE BUT REFUNDS, RATE RELIEF AND WATER CONCESSIONS WERE BORNE ENTIRELY BY GENERAL RATES.

IT IS FELT THAT THE PROPOSED NEW METHOD OF CALCULATION -- THE SHARING PRO RATA BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE TWO COUNCILS OF ALL RATES ACTUALLY COLLECTED, AFTER DEDUCTING ALL REFUNDS, ADDING ALL SURCHARGES AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT WATER CONCESSIONS AND RATE RELIEF -- WILL ALLOW THE TWO COUNCILS' RATES PERCENTAGES TO REFLECT THE RESOURCES NECESSARY TO MEET THE COST OF THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDE.

THIS METHOD WILL ALSO ALLOW THE YIELD FROM THE TWO COUNCILS' RATES TO INCREASE ANNUALLY AS THE INCIDENCE OF RATE RELIEF LESSENS.

THE BILL ALSO DEFINES THE GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE OF THE TWO COUNCILS RATES BY REFERENCE TO THEIR AREAS SPECIFIED IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ORDINANCE.

+ARREARS RECEIVED AND REFUNDS PAID AFTER APRIL 1, 1986 IN RESPECT OF PERIODS BEFORE THAT DATE, WHICH UNDER EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE PAID FROM OR DEBITED TO GENERAL RATES IN FULL, WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND THE TWO COUNCILS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

+SIMILARLY, PAYMENTS AND RECEIPTS RECEIVED OR MADE AFTER ANY FUTURE REVISION IN RATES PERCENTAGES IN RESPECT OF PERIODS BEFORE THE REVISION COMES INTO FORCE WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE TWO COUNCILS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW PERCENTAGES,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT THESE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS, PROPOSED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SIMPLICITY, WILL RESULT IN AN ESTIMATED NET AMOUNT OF \$50 MILLION BEING PAID TO THE TWO COUNCILS IN 1986-87 AND 1987-88 WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE ACCRUED TO GOVERNMENT.

THIS SUM HAS BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN ASSESSING THE FINANCIAL NEEDS OF THE TWO COUNCILS IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

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APART FROM THE NEW MEANS OF CALCULATION, THE BILL PROPOSES TO EXTEND THE AUTHORITY TO SIGN AGREEMENTS TO ALTER VALUATION LISTS AND NOTICES OF DECISION TO RATING AND VALUATION SURVEYORS.

ANOTHER PROVISION OF THE BILL ENABLES RATES PAYABLE TO BE ROUNDED DOWN TO THE NEAREST DOLLAR AND THE BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD TO THE NEXT QUARTER.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS ON JANUARY 8, 1986.

COMMENTS ON PROVISIONS OF THE BILL CAN BE SENT TO THE DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY AT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, FIFTH FLOOR, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, CENTRAL; THE COMMISSIONER OF RATING AND VALUATION AT HENNESSY CENTRE, 500 HENNESSY ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY; OR UMELCO AT 8, JACKSON ROAD, CENTRAL.

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VIEWS ON IMPROVED ANIMAL WASTE CONTROL SOUGHT

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) PUBLISHED A CONSULTATIVE PAPER TO INVITE VIEWS ON ITS PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVED CONTROL OF THE POLLUTION CAUSED BY ANIMAL WASTES.

THE PAPER DESCRIBES THE CARELESS DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE AS THE MAJOR SOURCE OF POLLUTION IN WATER-COURSES AND COASTAL WATERS IN HONG KONG AND IT DISCUSSES THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR CONTROL.

PRESENTING THE PAPER ON THE CONTROL OF POLLUTION CAUSED BY ANIMAL WASTES AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, THE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE (POLLUTION), MR I.A. HOWARD, POINTED OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THERE WERE EXISTING POWERS TO CHECK THE CARELESS DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTES, INCLUDING THE PROHIBITION ON THE DISPOSAL OF MANURE IN A WATER-COURSE OF STREAM, THERE WERE PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES IN ENFORCEMENT, BECAUSE THESE WASTES WERE DELIBERATELY DUMPED INTO RIVERS AND STREAMS WHEN ENFORCEMENT STAFF WERE NOT PRESENT.

+THE ADMINISTRATION HAS CONCLUDED THAT A TOTAL BAN ON LIVESTOCK KEEPING IN SOME AREAS WITH TIGHTER CONTROLS IN OTHERS IS THE MOST APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION,+ SAID MR HOWARD.

COPIES OF THE PAPER ARE BEING SENT TO ALL DISTRICT BOARDS, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL, THE HEUNG YEE KUK AND LIVESTOCK FARMERS' ASSOCIATIONS TO SEEK THEIR VIEWS ON THIS APPROACH.

MR HOWARD POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT FELT THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO PHASE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE CONTROLS OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED TIMETABLE:-

(I) PHASE I (YEAR 1 TO YEAR 3):

LIVESTOCK KEEPING WOULD BE BANNED ON HONG KONG ISLAND AND IN KOWLOON, NEW KOWLOON, SHA TIN, TAI PO, FANLING, SHEUNG SHUI, TSUEN WAN AND TUEN MUN NEW TOWNS. IN ADDITION, THE STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS WOULD BE CLOSELY CONTROLLED:

- (A) TOLO HARBOUR AND TOLO CHANNEL WATER CATCHMENT (OUTSIDE THE TWO NEW TOWNS)
- (B) RIVER INDUS AND UPPER SHENZHEN CATCHMENT
- (C) TSUEN WAN HINTERLAND AND TAI LAM CHUNG CATCHMENT
- (D) TUEN MUN HINTERLAND

(II) PHASE II (YEAR 4 TO YEAR 6):

LIVESTOCK KEEPING WOULD BE BANNED IN YUEN LONG NEW TOWN AND PART OF TUEN MUN - YUEN LONG CORRIDOR. IN ADDITION, THE STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE IN THE YUEN LONG HINTERLAND, TIN SHUI WAI AND KAM TIN WOULD BE CLOSELY CONTROLLED.

(III) PHASE III (YEAR 7 TO YEAR 9):

THE STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE IN THE REMAINING AREAS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES WOULD BE CLOSELY CONTROLLED.

THE PAPER ALSO PROPOSES THAT IN AREAS WHERE CONTROLS - RATHER THAN A BAN - WOULD APPLY, THERE WOULD BE NEW REGULATIONS WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED BY ALL KEEPERS OF LIVESTOCK.

+THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE REGULATIONS WOULD BE TO ENSURE THAT PROPER WASTE DISPOSAL METHODS, INCLUDING CONTAINERS, STORAGE FACILITIES, DRAINS AND CHANNELS WERE USED ON ALL PREMISES WHERE LIVESTOCK WERE KEPT. A CODE OF PRACTICE WOULD BE ISSUED TO HELP LIVESTOCK KEEPERS TO COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS,+ MR HOWARD SAID.

THE NEW CONTROLS, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RIVER ACTION PLANS WHICH HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP BY DISTRICT WORKING GROUPS ON WATERCOURSE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT.

TO ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEME, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO PROVIDE ANIMAL WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES AT AN ACCEPTABLE STANDARD. THE PAPER PROPOSES THAT WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES, WHETHER THEY WERE OPERATED BY COMMERCIAL INTERESTS OR FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVES WOULD, FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY, NEED TO BE LICENSED UNDER THE WASTE DISPOSAL ORDINANCE.

THE GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT EXPECT TO COMMIT ITSELF TO THE PROVISION OF EITHER FREE OR SUBSIDIZED COLLECTION SERVICES BUT IT WOULD, IN LINE WITH THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL AND TRADE WASTES, EXPECT TO PROVIDE SITES AND THE SERVICE FOR FINAL DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL WASTE.

MR HOWARD POINTED OUT THAT SOME OF THE PROPOSALS WOULD INEVITABLY GIVE RISE TO A NEED TO COMPENSATE LIVESTOCK KEEPERS WHO WOULD BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THEM. THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THIS MIGHT HAPPEN WERE MENTIONED IN THE PAPER. HE ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO THE SUGGESTION THAT PEOPLE KEEPING LIVESTOCK IN AREAS WHERE THIS IS ALREADY SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED SHOULD NOT BE COMPENSATED.

MR HOWARD STRESSED THAT THERE WOULD BE A LENGTHY PERIOD BETWEEN THE ANNOUNCEMENT AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF NEW CONTROLS.

+IN A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF CASES, THIS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY MITIGATE THE EFFECT OF IMPOSING NEW AND TIGHTER CONTROLS AND WOULD ENABLE LIVESTOCK-KEEPERS TO CONSIDER THEIR POSITION AND TO ORGANISE EITHER FOR COMPLIANCE OR FOR SOME ALTERNATIVE FORM OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY.

+IT IS ALSO PROPOSED THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY NEW CONTROL MEASURES SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PROGRAMME OF AGRICULTURAL AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY EXTENSION SERVICES, WHICH WOULD ADVISE FARMERS HOW BEST TO COMPLY WITH THE NEW CONTROLS, ASSIST THEM TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF COMPLIANCE IN INDIVIDUAL CASES, DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ON RELEVANT WASTE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY AND PROMOTE ALTERNATIVE ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES,+ MR HOWARD SAID.

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC WHO WISH TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON THE PROPOSALS SHOULD WRITE TO THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT.

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FERRY FARES, MOTOR BOAT HIRE CHARGES REVISED  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) ANNOUNCED REVISIONS TO THE MAXIMUM FARES OF LICENSED FERRY SERVICES BETWEEN ABERDEEN AND AP LEI CHAU WITH EFFECT FROM JANUARY 1, 1986.

THE FARES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OLD WILL BE INCREASED RESPECTIVELY FROM 60 CENTS TO 80 CENTS AND FROM 30 CENTS TO 40 CENTS. STUDENT MONTHLY TICKETS WILL BE RAISED FROM \$15 TO \$18 WHILE FACTORY GIRL MONTHLY TICKETS WILL GO UP FROM \$33 TO \$36.

AS FOR THE CARRIAGE OF GOODS, THE CHARGE WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED AT 50 CENTS PER 60.5 KILOGRAMS OR 0.11 CUBIC METRE.

MEANWHILE, STARTING FROM THE SAME DAY, THE MAXIMUM HIRE CHARGES FOR ANY MOTOR BOAT WHICH POSSESSES CLASS 1 LICENCE AND STRUCTURALLY INELIGIBLE FOR A LICENCE IN ANY OTHER CLASS WILL ALSO BE REVISED AS FOLLOWS:

<u>PERIOD OF HIRE</u>	<u>BOATS LICENSED TO CARRY BETWEEN 30 AND 50 PASSENGERS</u>	<u>BOATS LICENSED TO CARRY MORE THAN 50 PASSENGERS</u>	
ANY PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 40 MINUTES	\$65	\$80	
ANY PERIOD BETWEEN 40 MINUTES AND ONE HOUR	\$100	\$120	
EACH SUBSEQUENT PERIOD OF 20 MINUTES OR PART THEREOF	\$35	\$40	

  

<u>JOURNEY DISTANCE</u>	<u>BOATS LICENSED TO CARRY BETWEEN 30 AND 50 PASSENGERS</u>	<u>BOATS LICENSED TO CARRY MORE THAN 50 PASSENGERS</u>	<u>CROSS HARBOUR (PER HEAD)</u>
SHORT DISTANCE (UP TO 40 MINUTES)	\$65	\$80	\$6
MEDIUM DISTANCE (UP TO ONE HOUR)	\$100	\$120	-
LONG DISTANCE (OVER ONE HOUR)	\$130	\$160	-

THE RATE OF HIRE MAY BE CALCULATED FROM THE TIME WHEN THE MOTOR BOAT IS ON HIRE UNTIL THE TIME IT RETURNS TO THE ORIGINAL PLACE OF HIRE. THE RATE MAY ALSO BE DOUBLED WHEN TYPHOON SIGNAL NO. 3 OR HIGHER IS HOISTED.

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BILL PROPOSES ADDITIONAL MEMBERS FOR TDC  
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A BILL WHICH PROVIDES FOR TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CHINESE GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HONG KONG, TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IS GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

UNDER THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985, THE CHAIRMAN AND A NOMINEE OF THE CHINESE GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HONG KONG, ARE TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE OTHER THREE MAJOR TRADE AND INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATIONS (HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, FEDERATION OF HONG KONG INDUSTRIES AND CHINESE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION) ARE CURRENTLY REPRESENTED ON THE COUNCIL.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DUE TO THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, SOME CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR THE SECTIONS DEALING WITH MEETING PROCEDURES OF THE COUNCIL.

+IT ALSO SEEKS TO DELEGATE GREATER POWER OF APPOINTMENT OF STAFF TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,+ HE ADDED.

THE BILL IS EXPECTED TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR FIRST READING ON JANUARY 8, 1986.

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U.S. REPORT ON IMPORTS UNDER ATTACK  
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THE INFORMAL GROUP OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, EXPORTERS OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING, OF WHICH HONG KONG IS REPRESENTED HAS HIT OUT AT A REPORT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THAT THE PROVISIONS AND THE APPLICATION OF THE MULTI-FIBRE ARRANGEMENT (MFA) HAVE FAILED TO PREVENT EXCESSIVE TEXTILES IMPORTS INTO THE U.S.

IN A LETTER TO THE U.S. SENATE, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP, AMBASSADOR FELIPE JARAMILLO OF COLOMBIA, SAID THE FINDINGS OF THE REPORT ON THE FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT OF TEXTILES AND APPAREL IMPORT QUOTAS BY THE U.S. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS SUFFERED FROM FACTUAL INCONSISTENCIES AS WELL AS FROM MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE MFA AND THE EFFECT OF IMPORTS ON THE U.S. TEXTILES AND APPAREL INDUSTRIES.

+IT FAILS TO REFLECT THE REALITIES OF THE TRADE SITUATION,+ AMBASSADOR JARAMILLO SAID.

REPRESENTING 28 TRADING PARTNERS OF THE U.S., THE INFORMAL GROUP OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT THE INCREASE OF IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES FOR THE YEARS 1983 AND 1984 SHOULD BE VIEWED IN PERSPECTIVE.

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IT POINTED OUT THAT FOR THE PERIOD 1973 TO 1984 AS A WHOLE THE ANNUAL RATE OF GROWTH OF IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES HAD BEEN SIX PER CENT. HOWEVER, MARKED RISE IN IMPORTS SEEMED TO BE A FEATURE OF THE PAST.

IMPORTS IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1985 WERE ONLY 0.5 PER CENT HIGHER THAN THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1984. IMPORTS FROM THE DEVELOPING MFA COUNTRIES (WHICH ARE ALL RESTRAINED) HAD DECLINED BY THREE PER CENT WHILE THOSE FROM WESTERN EUROPE CONTINUED TO INCREASE BY 20 PER CENT.

THE STATEMENT ALSO STRESSED THAT THE EFFICACY OF ANY INTERNATIONAL RULES DEPENDS UPON THEIR FAITHFUL OBSERVANCE BY ALL MEMBERS AND A WILLINGNESS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE DIFFICULTIES AND THE INTERESTS OF THE OTHERS.

+THE REPORT SEEMS TO SUGGEST THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD ACT WITH IMPUNITY IRRESPECTIVE OF THE RULES AND IN DISREGARD OF THE INTERESTS OF HER TRADING PARTNERS.

+OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT EVERY COUNTRY HAS TO FUNCTION WITHIN THE AGREED FRAMEWORK AND EXERCISE ITS RIGHTS WITH DUE CONSIDERATIONS FOR ITS OBLIGATIONS,+ THE STATEMENT CONCLUDED.

A TRADE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDC) STATEMENT WAS HELPFUL TO CORRECT MIS-INTERPRETATIONS OF FACTS AND RESULTANT MISLEADING CONCLUSIONS IN THE U.S. REPORT.

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#### STEPS TAKEN TO EASE CHINA FERRY RUSH

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TO EASE CONGESTION, THE FORMER MACAU FERRY TERMINAL IN CENTRAL WILL BE UTILISED FROM MID-JANUARY 1986 FOR 50 PER CENT OF THE CHINA FERRY SERVICES CURRENTLY OPERATING FROM THE TAI KOK TSUI CHINA FERRY TERMINAL.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) THAT THIS WAS BEING DONE AS AN INTERIM MEASURE, PENDING COMPLETION OF THE NEW CHINA FERRY TERMINAL IN CANTON ROAD AROUND DECEMBER, 1987.

SERVICES AT THE TAI KOK TSUI TERMINAL HAVE GROWN SO MUCH SINCE IT STARTED OPERATION IN 1978 THAT ADDITIONAL FACILITIES ARE NECESSARY TO RELIEVE THE SEVERE OVER-CROWDING AT PEAK PERIODS, HE SAID.

TOTAL TRAFFIC HAD RISEN FROM LITTLE MORE THAN 400 000 PASSENGERS IN 1980 TO ALMOST 1.6 MILLION IN 1984, HE SAID.

+MEASURES ARE NOW IN HAND TO BRING THIS TEMPORARY HONG KONG-CHINA TERMINAL INTO OPERATION IN MID-JANUARY, WHICH WILL ALLOW TIME FOR ANY OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS TO BE RESOLVED BEFORE THE PASSENGER PEAKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CHINESE NEW YEAR.

/+AMONG VARIOUS .....

+AMONG VARIOUS MEASURES IS THE SHIPPING AND PORT CONTROL (HONG KONG-CHINA AND MACAU FERRY TERMINALS)(AMENDMENT)(NO. 3) REGULATIONS 1985 GAZETTED TODAY,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE MARINE DEPARTMENT WOULD ASSUME THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS TERMINAL AND BERTHING FEES WOULD BE CHARGEABLE AT THE SAME RATE APPLICABLE TO THE CHINA FERRY SERVICE OPERATED FROM THE SHA TIN-MEISHA TERMINAL, HE SAID.

THE OPPORTUNITY IS ALSO TAKEN TO MAKE OTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS.

+TO AVOID INDIVIDUAL REFERENCES TO THE VARIOUS HIGH SPEED CRAFT SUCH AS HYDROFOILS AND JETFOILS WHICH ATTRACT A DIFFERENT LEVEL OF BERTHING FEE TO CONVENTIONAL FERRIES, IT IS PROPOSED TO SUBSTITUTE FOR THESE THE GENERIC TERM 'DYNAMICALLY SUPPORTED CRAFT',+ HE SAID.

THE AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS WOULD TAKE EFFECT FROM 6 AM ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1986.

DETAILED TRANSFER OF SERVICES WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE FERRY COMPANIES CONCERNED.

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EMPLOYMENT, VANCANCIES, PAYROLL SURVEY STARTED  
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THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT HAS STARTED THE FOURTH ROUND OF THE SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL IN MAJOR SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON EMPLOYMENT, VACANCIES AND PAYROLL FOR 1985.

THE SURVEY IS CONDUCTED QUARTERLY AND RESULTS ARE USEFUL IN PROVIDING SHORT-TERM ECONOMIC INDICATORS AS WELL AS INFORMATION ON THE STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN THE LABOUR MARKET IN HONG KONG.

THE DECEMBER ROUND OF THE SURVEY COVERS ABOUT 33 000 ESTABLISHMENTS DRAWN FROM VARIOUS SECTORS INCLUDING THE DISTRIBUTIVE TRADE (WHOLESALE, RETAIL, IMPORT AND EXPORT, RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS), THE SERVICES SECTOR (TRANSPORT, STORAGE AND COMMUNICATION; FINANCING, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS SERVICES; COMMUNITY, SOCIAL AND PERSONAL SERVICES) AND THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR (MINING AND QUARRYING; MANUFACTURING; ELECTRICITY AND GAS).

INFORMATION ON THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ENGAGED AND EXISTING VACANCIES ON DECEMBER 30, 1985 WILL BE SOUGHT FROM EACH ESTABLISHMENT.

SOME 10 000 ESTABLISHMENTS ARE SELECTED FROM THE SAMPLE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PAYROLL IN EACH OF THE THREE MONTHS DURING THE REFERENCE PERIOD OF OCTOBER TO DECEMBER.

QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING MAILED TO INDIVIDUAL SAMPLE ESTABLISHMENTS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS ORDER 1982, ESTABLISHMENTS RECEIVING QUESTIONNAIRES ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THEM TO THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE SPECIFIED PERIOD.

RESPONDENTS FINDING DIFFICULTIES IN COMPLETING THE FORMS SHOULD CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE AT THE FOLLOWING TELEPHONE NUMBERS (PRINTED AT THE BACK OF QUESTIONNAIRES):

5-436551    5-444301    5-455661    5-455668

THOSE ESTABLISHMENTS KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT DURING OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1985 WILL ALSO BE ENUMERATED TO MAKE THE SURVEY RESULTS COMPLETE.

FIELD OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT, EACH BEARING A GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARD, WILL CALL ON THESE ESTABLISHMENTS TO SOLICIT INFORMATION ON THE NUMBER OF PERSONS ENGAGED, EXISTING VACANCIES, TYPE OF OWNERSHIP, NATURE OF BUSINESS AND DATE ON WHICH BUSINESS COMMENCED.

IN CASE OF ENQUIRIES REGARDING THESE FIELD VISITS, PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT FOR ASSISTANCE AT 5-444364.

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FOUR LOTS TO BE SOLD AT FIRST 1986 AUCTION  
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THE FIRST LAND AUCTION IN 1986 WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 23 AT 2.30 PM IN THE CITY HALL THEATRE.

OF THE FOUR LOTS TO BE AUCTIONED, THE ONLY URBAN SITE IS AT SOUTH BAY ROAD, REPULSE BAY, AND IS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL USE.

ACCORDING TO THE BUILDING COVENANT, THE DEVELOPER HAS TO DEVELOP NOT LESS THAN 6 570 SQUARE METRES OF THE GROSS FLOOR AREA ON THE 3 650-SQUARE-METRE SITE BEFORE MARCH 31, 1990.

THE OTHER SITES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES MEASURE 13 350 SQUARE METRES, 3 231 SQUARE METRES AND 1 670 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY. ALL ARE FOR INDUSTRIAL OR GODOWN USES, EXCLUDING OFFENSIVE TRADE.

THE LARGEST SITE IS AT NGAU PEI SHA STREET, SHA TIN, NEXT TO THE PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL. NOT LESS THAN 28 035 SQUARE METRES OF ITS GROSS FLOOR AREA IS REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE JANUARY 31, 1990.

UNDER THE BUILDING COVENANT OF THE NEXT LOT AT TUI MIN HOI, SAI KUNG, THE DEVELOPER HAS TO COMPLETE NOT LESS THAN 4 847 SQUARE METRES OF THE GROSS FLOOR AREA BEFORE MARCH 31, 1989.

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THE FOURTH SITE IS AT TAI LIN PAI ROAD, KWAI CHUNG, AND NOT LESS THAN 9 519 SQUARE METRES OF ITS GROSS FLOOR AREA HAVE TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE MARCH 31, 1990.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM, AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT, THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY DIVISION, MURRAY BUILDING, FIFTH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), GROUND FLOOR, HONG KONG AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES, KOWLOON, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON.

CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICES OF SHA TIN, TUEN MUN, YUEN LONG, TSUEN WAN, TAI PO, NORTH, SAI KUNG AND ISLANDS.

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PREQUALIFICATION CALLED FOR MAJOR ROAD WORKS  
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THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING CONTRACTORS TO APPLY FOR INCLUSION ONTO A LIST OF PREQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS TO CARRY OUT CONSTRUCTION OF TWO FLYOVERS AND AN UNDERPASS IN CENTRAL.

THE FIRST PROJECT INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 260-METRE FLYOVER ALONG HARCOURT ROAD TO ITS JUNCTION WITH COTTON TREE DRIVE, A DUAL TWO-LANE UNDERPASS MEASURING 280 METRES LONG ALONG CONNAUGHT ROAD AT PEDDER STREET, AND A FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS CONNAUGHT ROAD AT POTTINGER STREET, AN EXTENSION OF THE STAR FERRY SUBWAY, AND MODIFICATION TO THE EXISTING GROUND-LEVEL ROADS.

WORK ON THE SECOND PROJECT WILL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DUAL THREE-LANE FLYOVER ALONG CONNAUGHT ROAD BETWEEN SUTHERLAND STREET AND GILMAN STREET, AND TWO FOOTBRIDGES ACROSS CONNAUGHT ROAD AT MORRISON STREET AND TUNG HING LANE.

IT IS EXPECTED THAT WORK ON THE PROJECTS, PART OF THE UPGRADED CONNAUGHT ROAD SCHEME, WILL START IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1986 AND BE COMPLETED BY 1989.

ONLY CONTRACTORS FROM THE APPROVED CONTRACTORS FOR PUBLIC WORKS: BUILDING, CIVIL ENGINEERING AND WATER WORKS LIST I IN GROUP C AND LIST II FOR ROADS AND DRAINAGE WORKS WHO HAVE A PROVEN RECORD OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF MAJOR CONCRETE HIGHWAY STRUCTURES WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR PREQUALIFICATION.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PREQUALIFICATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM MESSRS. PETER Y.S. PUN AND ASSOCIATES, FIRST FLOOR, LOCKHART CENTRE, 301-307 LOCKHART ROAD, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN, CENTRAL TENDER BOARD, AND PLACED IN THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT TENDER BOX AT THE LIFT LOBBY ON THE LOWER GROUND FLOOR OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG BEFORE NOON ON JANUARY 24.

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CAREERS QUIZ WINNERS AWARDED HOME COMPUTERS

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THREE FORM FIVE STUDENTS WHO SCORED THE HIGHEST MARKS IN THE CAREERS QUIZ COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WERE TODAY (FRIDAY) EACH AWARDED WITH A HOME COMPUTER.

THEY WERE LUK LAI-MEI OF SHUN LEE CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL, CHIU WAI-SHING OF CHENG GENE HANG COLLEGE AND NG KIT-YEE OF SHUN LEE CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL.

THREE SCHOOLS, CHENG GENE HANG COLLEGE, CHEUNG SHA WAN CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL AND KOWLOON TRUE LIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL WHICH SCORED THE HIGHEST AVERAGE MARKS ALSO RECEIVED THEIR TROPHIES FROM THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR DARWIN CHEN.

AT A PRESENTATION CEREMONY THIS AFTERNOON, MR CHEN SAID THAT MORE THAN 90 000 STUDENTS FROM OVER 200 SECONDARY SCHOOLS TOOK PART IN THE CAREERS QUIZ THIS YEAR, A RECORD BOTH IN THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS SINCE THE ANNUAL EVENT STARTED IN 1982.

+THIS REFLECTS THE GROWING SUPPORT FROM SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS FOR CAREERS ACTIVITIES AND IS ENCOURAGING TO THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THIS DEPARTMENT,+ HE SAID.

MR CHEN SAID THE QUIZ WAS ONE OF THE LARGE SCALE CAREERS ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE YEAS TO AROUSE CAREERS AWARENESS OF THE STUDENTS.

IT ALSO ENCOURAGED THE STUDENTS TO THINK MORE POSITIVELY ABOUT THEIR FUTURE CAREERS AND OCCUPATIONS AND HELPED THEM CONDUCT MORE USEFUL CAREERS INFORMATION RESEARCH.

HE SAID THE QUIZ OWED ITS SUCCESS TO THE CONCERTED AND SUSTAINED EFFORTS OF MANY PEOPLE AND ORGANISATIONS, PARTICULARLY THE PRINCIPALS AND CAREERS TEACHERS OF PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS.

MR CHEN ALSO THANKED WONG'S KONG KING LIMITED, WHO SPONSORED ALL THE PRIZES INCLUDING THE THREE HOME COMPUTERS, AND THE GOVERNMENT DATA PROCESSING AGENCY FOR MARKING THE ANSWER SHEETS.

ALSO OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY TO PRESENT THE HOME COMPUTERS WAS MR W.S. WONG, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WONG'S INDUSTRIAL (HOLDINGS) LTD.

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BUILDING WITH BEST SECURITY SYSTEM CHOSEN

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A PANEL OF JUDGES FROM THE EASTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE HAS CHOSEN BRAEMAR HILL MANSION IN CAUSEWAY BAY AS THE BUILDING WITH THE BEST SECURITY AND CRIME PREVENTION SYSTEM.

SECOND AND THIRD IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE CAMPAIGN WERE MAYSON GARDEN MANSION, ALSO IN CAUSEWAY BAY, AND SKYROOM TERRACE IN NORTH POINT.

THE PANEL OF JUDGES COMPRISED AREA COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE POLICE'S CRIME PREVENTION BUREAU.

THE JUDGES VISITED AND INSPECTED EACH OF THE 11 FINALISTS IN THE COMPETITION WHICH WERE SCATTERED FROM CAUSEWAY BAY TO CHAI WAN.

CONSIDERATION IN JUDGING THE BUILDINGS INCLUDED CRIME PREVENTION MEASURES UNDERTAKEN BY THE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES OR OWNERS CORPORATIONS, THE NUMBER OF FLATS IN EACH BUILDING, MANAGEMENT FEES CHARGED, LIGHTING IN STAIRCASES AND CORRIDORS, CLOSED CIRCUIT TV AND OTHER SECURITY MEASURES.

THE JUDGES ALSO SELECTED THE WINNERS OF A SLOGAN DESIGN COMPETITION HELD FOR STUDENTS IN THE DISTRICT TO HELP PROMOTE THE FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN.

OUT OF THE 200 PLUS ENTRIES RECEIVED, HO MAN-BUN WAS CHOSEN THE WINNER, WHILE THE SECOND AND THIRD WINNERS WERE LAM WAI-SHING AND HO YIN-FUN. THERE WERE ALSO 10 OUTSTANDING AWARDS FOR THE COMPETITION.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES OR OWNERS CORPORATIONS OF THE WINNING BUILDINGS AND THE WINNERS OF THE SLOGAN DESIGN COMPETITION DURING AN EASTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME NIGHT ON JANUARY 4.

ACTIVITIES DURING THE EASTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN, WHICH STARTED IN AUGUST, INCLUDED VISITS TO THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOLS IN ABERDEEN AND FANLING, AND THE POLICE EMERGENCY CONTROL CENTRE, AS WELL AS SEVERAL CRIME PREVENTION SEMINARS ORGANISED FOR RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

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VENUE FIXED FOR TSUEN WAN NEW YEAR FAIR  
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THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL MAKE AVAILABLE THE SHA TSUI ROAD PLAYGROUND FOR THE ANNUAL LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR IN TSUEN WAN FROM FEBRUARY 2 TO 9.

THIS WAS DISCLOSED BY THE RSD'S DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT (TSUEN WAN), MR LAI CHUNG-KUEN, AT A MEETING TODAY (FRIDAY) OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL.

MR LAI SAID THE RSD WOULD DEMARCATATE A TOTAL OF 208 STALL SITES TO COPE WITH DEMAND FOR SEASONAL GOODS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR. THESE WOULD INCLUDE 34 DRY GOODS, 172 WET GOODS AND TWO SOFT DRINKS STALLS.

+THE PURPOSE IS TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE OUTLETS FOR SEASONAL FLOWER GROWERS TO SELL THEIR MERCHANDISE AND TO DISCOURAGE UNLICENSED HAWKING IN THE TOWNSHIP AREAS DURING THIS FESTIVAL PERIOD,+ HE EXPLAINED.

MR LAI ADDED THAT THE STALLS WOULD BE LET AT AN AUCTION TO BE HELD AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL ON JANUARY 14 AT 9.30 AM.

THE UPSET PRICE FOR EACH DRY GOODS STALL IS \$125 AND FOR EACH WET GOODS STALL \$150. SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WOULD ALSO BE REQUIRED TO PAY A TEMPORARY HAWKER LICENCE FEE OF \$70 EACH.

TO FACILITATE THE PREPARATION AND CLOSING DOWN OF THE FAIR, TWO TARMAC SURFACED MINI-SOCCER PITCHES ON THE SPORTSGROUND WOULD BE CLOSED FROM JANUARY 31 TO FEBRUARY 12.

THE DISTRICT LEISURE MANAGER (TSUEN WAN), MR LI HUNG-CHEUNG, ALSO DISCLOSED AT THE MEETING THAT THE RSD WOULD ORGANISE 93 RECREATION AND SPORTS PROJECTS IN TSUEN WAN IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS APPROVED THE NAMING OF A NEW DISTRICT OPEN SPACE IN TSUEN WAN AS +KWOK SHUI ROAD PARK.+

THE PARK, BEING DEVELOPED IN TWO PHASES, IS BOUNDED BY KWOK SHUI ROAD, CASTLE PEAK ROAD AND TEXACO ROAD.

PHASE I OF THE PROJECT, COVERING ABOUT ONE HECTARE, WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC ON DECEMBER 1 AND CONTAINS A GARDEN, WATER FEATURES, AN ENTRANCE PLAZA AND THE USUAL PARK AMENITIES.

WORK ON PHASE II IS IN PROGRESS AND IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY NEXT JUNE. IT WILL PROVIDE THREE BASKETBALL COURTS, TWO VOLLEYBALL COURTS, A SEVEN-A-SIDE SOCCER PITCH, ONE HANDBALL COURT, A SKATING RINK, CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS, CHANGING ROOMS AND TOILETS.

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ACCESS ROAD OFF TEXACO ROAD PROPOSED  
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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO PERMIT A PRIVATE DEVELOPER TO BUILD A TEMPORARY ACCESS ROAD BRANCHING OFF FROM TEXACO ROAD NEAR THE TSUEN WAN SEWAGE PUMPING STATION.

FOOTPATHS OF 2.75 METRES WIDE WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ROAD.

IT WILL SERVE THE INITIAL STAGE OF A COMPREHENSIVE PRIVATE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME IN THE REMAINING PORTION OF TSUEN WAN MARINE LOT NO. 1 AND TSUEN WAN INLAND LOT NO. 50 AT TSUEN WAN RECLAMATION.

THE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME WILL INVOLVE THE PROVISION OF 5 700 RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR A POPULATION OF 23 000 AND COMMERCIAL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

A PLAN AND SCHEME OF THE ROAD WORK ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, HONG KONG, AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE AND THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE AT TSUEN WAN STATION MULTI-STOREY CARPARK BUILDING, 174-208 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, TSUEN WAN, NEW TERRITORIES.

OBJECTIONS TO THE WORK SHOULD BE SENT IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS BY FEBRUARY 25.

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CLEAN AND GREEN FINALISTS TO COMPETE  
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THE FINAL OF THE POPULAR +CLEAN AND GREEN+ SCHEME, ORGANISED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 11 AM AT THE TWISK MANAGEMENT CENTRE IN TAI LAM COUNTRY PARK.

TEN FINALISTS FROM AMONG 5 740 PARTICIPANTS WILL VIE FOR THE TITLE OF OVERALL CHAMPION IN A SERIES OF OUTDOOR COMPETITIONS TO TEST THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF COUNTRYSIDE CONSERVATION.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTRY PARKS BOARD PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE, MR HOWARD YOUNG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE FINAL AND PRIZE PRESENTATION. TRANSPORT FOR THE MEDIA WILL LEAVE FROM THE CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, KOWLOON, AT 10 AM SHARP.

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FIRE PREVENTION EXHIBITION FOR SHA TIN  
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THE FOURTH FIRE PREVENTION MINI EXHIBITION FOR THIS WINTER WILL BE HELD AT THE FOOTBRIDGE GALLERY, NEW TOWN PLAZA, SHA TIN, ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) FROM NOON TO 3 PM.

THE EXHIBITION WILL REMIND SHA TIN RESIDENTS OF THE NEED TO BE CAREFUL WITH THE PREVAILING COLD AND DRY WEATHER.

BESIDE RECEIVING AN INFORMATIVE BOOKLET ON FIRE PREVENTION IN THE HOME, A 1986 CALENDAR CARD AND A BOOKMARK, VISITORS TO THE EXHIBITION WILL SEE A PICTORIAL PRESENTATION OF HOW CARELESSNESS COULD LEAD TO AN OUTBREAK OF FIRE.

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DETAILS ON OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY PROMOTION  
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CHAIRMAN OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY PROMOTION SCHEME ORGANISING COMMITTEE, DR LAI MING WAH, WILL MEET THE PRESS ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 30) AFTERNOON TO INTRODUCE DETAILS OF THE SCHEME.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT OFFICE, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING (NEXT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), 166-174 HING FONG ROAD.

LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF FACTORY INSPECTOR, MR YIP YUK-LUN, AND DR CHAN HOK-SUM, FROM THE ASSOCIATION FOR ENGINEERING AND MEDICAL VOLUNTEER SERVICES, WILL ALSO BE PRESENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

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JAPANESE BAND ARRIVES FOR FESTIVAL  
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THE OROKU JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BAND FROM OKINAWA, JAPAN, ARRIVED YESTERDAY (THURSDAY) TO TAKE PART IN THE 1985 HONG KONG YOUTH BAND FESTIVAL, WHICH IS ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BRANCH.

LED BY THE PRINCIPAL, MR GENSEI OYADOMARI, THE BAND COMPRISES 68 MEMBERS AND FIVE OFFICIALS.

THE BAND HAS WON NUMEROUS TITLES IN NATIONAL COMPETITIONS IN JAPAN AND WILL PLAY AT A CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT THE CITY PLAZA, TAIKOO SHING, TONIGHT (FRIDAY).

THEY WILL PERFORM AGAIN AT A FESTIVAL CONCERT AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL AT 8 PM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) AND AT THE GALA FINALE AT QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AT 8 PM ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, WILL MEET THE MEDIA ON DECEMBER 30 (MONDAY) AT 9.30 AM IN THE GIS PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR, BEACONSFIELD HOUSE, CENTRAL.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

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### 50 FAMILIES JOIN COOKING CONTEST

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FIFTY FAMILIES IN KWUN TONG WILL SERVE UP THEIR BEST CHINESE DISHES AT A COOKING COMPETITION THIS SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) AFTERNOON.

EACH PARTICIPATING TEAM, CONSISTING OF AT LEAST TWO MEMBERS OF A FAMILY, WILL ALSO BE ASKED TO NAME THEIR DISHES WITH THEMES ON FAMILY LIFE, DISTRICT CHARACTERISTICS OR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

APART FROM SELECTING THE BEST DISHES, THE ADJUDICATORS WILL AWARD THE DISH WITH THE MOST IMAGINATIVE NAME.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND COOKING TUTORS WILL BE THE ADJUDICATORS FOR THE COMPETITION.

THE FAMILY COOKING COMPETITION IS ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG FESTIVAL '85 ORGANISING COMMITTEE TO LET FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE A CHANCE TO SHARE THE FUN OF COOKING.

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#### NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE COMPETITION AT 1 PM ON SUNDAY AT THE COVERED CARPARK OF THE KWUN TONG VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE IN TSUI PING ROAD.

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### FIGHT CRIME CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY

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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) BETWEEN 2 PM AND 5 PM AT THE CHI FU FA YUEN SKATING RINK TO PROMOTE THE CRIME PREVENTION MESSAGE IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

THE CARNIVAL IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF A MONTH-LONG CAMPAIGN ORGANISED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND WILL FEATURE A VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES.

A SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE COMMITTEE HOPED TO ALERT RESIDENTS OF THE NEED TO PREVENT AND COMBAT CRIME, PROMOTE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND INCREASE RESIDENTS' KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE WORK OF THE FORCE.

THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD HAS ALLOCATED \$30 000 TO SPONSOR THE CARNIVAL WHICH CONSISTS OF GAMES STALLS AND A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING A LION DANCE, KARATE DEMONSTRATION, ACROBATIC ACTS, AND PERFORMANCES BY THE DISTRICT'S YOUTH CHOIR AS WELL AS WELL-KNOWN ARTISTES AND SINGERS.

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THERE WILL ALSO BE A TOURING EXHIBITION OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, AS THE DRIVE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE BY YOUTHS IS ONE OF THE MAIN THEMES OF THE FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

OFFICIATING AT SUNDAY'S OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR EDDY CHAN; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER (WESTERN DISTRICT), MR D. DEPTFORD; SOUTHERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR JOSEPH CHAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE, MR LAM KWOK-KWONG, MR KAN MAN-LÉE, MR KWOK WAI-MING AND MISS YAU YUK-LAN.

ADMISSION TO THE CARNIVAL IS FREE AND GAMES TICKETS ARE OBTAINABLE AT THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS BRANCH OFFICES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY AND CARNIVAL OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME CAMPAIGN AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY AT THE CHI FU FA YUEN SKATING RINK IN POKFULAM.

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EASTERN DISTRICT HOLDING SPORTS FESTIVAL  
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THE SECOND EASTERN DISTRICT SPORTS FESTIVAL WILL BE LAUNCHED WITH AN OPENING CEREMONY FOLLOWED BY TELEMATCH GAMES BETWEEN DISTRICT BOARD AND AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON SUNDAY MORNING (DECEMBER 29) AT THE WAN CHAI SPORTS GROUND.

IT IS ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE URBAN COUNCIL, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION.

THE TWO-WEEK FESTIVAL WILL FEATURE BADMINTON, PING PONG, TENNIS, BASKETBALL AND FOOTBALL MATCHES ORGANISED THROUGH THE TWELVE AREA COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT.

FOLLOWING THE OPENING ON SUNDAY, THERE WILL BE A RELAY RACE BETWEEN THE 12 AREA COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT, AND A WALKATHON BETWEEN THE DISTRICT BOARD'S THREE SUB-COMMITTEES, THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, AND THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE.

EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG, CHIEF MANAGER (LEISURE SERVICES) OF URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR PETER RULL, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT RECREATION AND SPORTS ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION, MR SIU MING, WILL OFFICIATE AT AN OPENING CEREMONY AT 9.30 AM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING OF THE SECOND EASTERN DISTRICT SPORTS FESTIVAL AND EDUCATION DISTRICT ATHLETIC MEET AT 9.30 AM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) AT WAN CHAI SPORTS GROUND IN HARBOUR ROAD.

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YOUTH BASEBALL TEAMS COMPETE IN SHA TIN  
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THE FIRST SHATIN CHILDREN'S BASEBALL INVITATION TOURNAMENT IN HONG KONG WILL BE HELD AT THE YUEN WO SPORTS GROUND IN SHA TIN ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29).

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, DR JAMES HAYES, ACCOMPANIED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TIN SPORTS ASSOCIATION, MR LEE KWONG, AND SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LAM WOON-KWONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY.

OTHER GUESTS INCLUDE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR NG CHAN-LAM, LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MR ANDREW WONG, AND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WAI HON-LEUNG AND WONG PO-MING.

FOUR TEAMS, SHATIN MIXED, HONGKONG JAPANESE A AND B, AND GUANGZHOU MIXED WILL COMPETE FOR TOP HONOURS.

THE TOURNAMENT IS ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND CO-ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TOSS UP CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 10 AM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 29) AT THE YUEN WO SPORTS GROUND IN SHA TIN.

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DATES FOR FIRING PRACTICE  
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FIRING PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HA TSUEN-CASTLE  
PEAK RANGE ON 13 DAYS IN JANUARY, 1986.

THE PUBLIC IS WARNED NOT TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN RED FLAGS  
ARE HOISTED.

THE DATES AND TIMES OF THE PRACTICE ARE:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
JANUARY 2 (THURSDAY)	8 AM TO 5 PM
JANUARY 3 (FRIDAY)	8 AM TO 5 PM
JANUARY 4 (SATURDAY)	8 AM TO 5 PM
JANUARY 6 (MONDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 7 (TUESDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 8 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 9 (THURSDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 10 (FRIDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 15 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 16 (THURSDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 28 (TUESDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 29 (WEDNESDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM
JANUARY 30 (THURSDAY)	8 AM TO 4 PM

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COMMUNITY CENTRE CLOSED  
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TAI HING COMMUNITY HALL IN TUEN MUN HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO FACILITATE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORK.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS WISHING TO BOOK THE VENUE FOR ACTIVITIES CAN SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATIONS IN EARLY FEBRUARY.

BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE THROUGH THE TAI HING SUB-OFFICE OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE TAI HING COMMUNITY HALL.

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SALT WATER CUT  
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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN, KWAI CHUNG AND CHAI WAN KOK, EXCEPT LAI KING ESTATE, LAI YIU ESTATE, CHO YIU ESTATE AND LAI KING TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA, WILL BE TURNED OFF BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 2 PM ON MONDAY (DECEMBER 30).

THIS IS TO ALLOW MAINS WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT.

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