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FRANCIS MAUDE ARRIVES IN HONG KONG

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THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT GIVEN BY MR FRANCIS MAUDE, MINISTER OF STATE OF FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, ON HIS ARRIVAL IN HONG KONG THIS (MONDAY) AFTERNOON :

I'M ALWAYS VERY GLAD TO COME BACK TO HONG KONG, ALTHOUGH THIS IS ONLY A VERY FLEETING VISIT. I SHOULD BE BACK EVEN MORE BRIEFLY ON FRIDAY. PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS SAID TO HAVE TWO TRAYS ON HIS DESK. ONE WAS MARKED "IMPORTANT", THE OTHER WAS MARKED "URGENT". FOR ME, THE TWO COME TOGETHER IN A TRAY WHICH IS SIMPLY MARKED "HONG KONG". AND THAT'S WHY I'M NOW ON MY WAY TO PEKING. IT'S BECAUSE THE FUTURE OF HONG KONG IS TOO IMPORTANT NOT TO GO, BECAUSE WE HAVE PRACTICAL ISSUES TO DISCUSS AND TO RESOLVE OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS. AND TO DO THAT, WE NEED TO HAVE A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH PEKING. BUT I DON'T THINK I NEED TO EXPLAIN THIS TO HONG KONG. HONG KONG PEOPLE ARE PRAGMATIC AND THEY ARE REALISTIC. I SHALL BE SEEING EXCO TOMORROW MORNING TO SEEK THEIR ADVICE AND I KNOW THEIR ADVICE WILL, AS ALWAYS, REFLECT BOTH QUALITIES. IN MAKING THIS VISIT TO PEKING, I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THE EVENTS OF LAST JUNE. BUT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS MADE SOME POSITIVE STEPS IN RECENT MONTHS AND NOTABLY, THE RELEASE OF DETAINEES. I WARMLY WELCOME THOSE STEPS, BUT RECOGNISE THAT WE HOPE TO SEE FURTHER PROGRESS. WE HAVE TO LOOK FORWARD NOW, 1997 IS A REALITY. IT PRESENTS US WITH CHALLENGES AND HONG KONG HAS ALWAYS RISEN TO CHALLENGES. CHALLENGES THAT WE CAN MEET WITH CONFIDENCE AND CONFIDENCE WHICH IS BASED ON THE JOINT DECLARATION, ON THE BASIC LAW AND ON THE CONCEPT OF "ONE NATION, TWO SYSTEMS". THERE'S A REAL COMMITMENT TO THE CONTINUED STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG FROM BOTH THE BRITISH AND THE CHINESE GOVERNMENTS. WE MUST NOW ALL WORK TOGETHER TO FULFIL THAT COMMITMENT.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MR MAUDE WILL LEAVE FOR PEKING BY FLIGHT CA 102 AT 12.20 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY). THERE WILL BE A PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITY AT THE AIRPORT FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER MR MAUDE'S DEPARTURE. THEY SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS ROOM BY 11.40 AM. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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12 QUESTIONS AND 21 BILLS ON LEGCO AGENDA

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MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WILL ASK A TOTAL OF 12 QUESTIONS AND CONSIDER 21 BILLS AT THE COUNCIL'S MEETING ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 25).

OF THE 21 BILLS, EIGHT WILL BE INTRODUCED FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS AND DEBATES ON THEM WILL BE ADJOURNED.

THEY ARE THE HONG KONG BILL OF RIGHTS BILL 1990, THE ELECTORAL PROVISIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE URBAN COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1990, THE REGIONAL COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1990, THE DISTRICT BOARDS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE CORRUPT AND ILLEGAL PRACTICES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 AND THE BRITISH NATIONALITY (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990.

THE OTHER BILLS ARE EACH DUE TO BE GIVEN A SECOND READING, AND THEN TO GO THROUGH THE COMMITTEE STAGE AND THIRD READING.

THEY ARE THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES APPEALS BOARDS BILL 1990, THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 4) BILL 1990, THE COMPANIES (AMENDMENT) (NO. 5) BILL 1990, THE HANG LUNG BANK (ACQUISITION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE SECURITIES (INSIDER DEALING) BILL 1989, THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE COMMODITIES TRADING (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE STOCK EXCHANGES UNIFICATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 1990, THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990, THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BILL 1990, THE CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1989 AND A PRIVATE BILL, THE MORRISON SCHOLARSHIPS FUND BILL 1990.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY WILL SPEAK ON THE SECURITIES AND FUTURES COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 1989, AND THE HON EDWARD HO WILL SPEAK ON THE REPORT OF THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD 1988 AND 1989.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE AN EXTRA FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AFTER THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING DUE TO URGENT BUSINESS BEFORE THE SUMMER RECESS.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO OBSERVE THE PROCEEDINGS OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERIES AND THEY MAY MAKE RESERVATIONS BY TELEPHONING 844 0899.

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MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES ADEQUATE FOR SOUTH LANTAU

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THE GOVERNMENT WILL ENSURE THAT AN ADEQUATE LEVEL OF MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LANTAU AND TOURISTS TO THE ISLAND WHEN THE SOUTH LANTAU HOSPITAL CLOSES DOWN BY THE END OF THIS YEAR UPON COMPLETION OF THE REPROVISIONING OF MUI WO DISPENSARY.

BRIEFING LANTAU ISLAND RURAL COMMITTEES AND ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ON THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS TO BE INTRODUCED UPON CLOSURE OF THE SOUTH LANTAU HOSPITAL THIS (MONDAY) AFTERNOON, AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR ALBERT LAM, SAID AN ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICE WOULD BE INTRODUCED AT THE REPROVISIONED MUI WO DISPENSARY TO COPE WITH DEMAND FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS.

MR LAM POINTED OUT THAT THIS WOULD SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICE AT THE TAI O JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC.

"THE GOVERNMENT APPRECIATES LOCAL RESIDENTS' CONCERN THAT ACCESS TO THE CLINIC MAY BE A PROBLEM TO CERTAIN PATIENTS. THEREFORE ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AT THE MUI WO DISPENSARY.

"FOR EMERGENCY OR SERIOUS CASES, FERRY, POLICE LAUNCH AND HELICOPTER SERVICE WILL CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSPORTING PATIENTS TO THE URBAN AREA," HE SAID.

TURNING TO GENERAL OUT-PATIENT (GOP) SERVICES, MR LAM SAID THE EXISTING ONES AT TAI O JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC AND MUI WO DISPENSARY WOULD CONTINUE TO BE MAINTAINED AS THEY ARE.

"THE TRAVELLING DISPENSARY OPERATED BY SOUTH LANTAU HOSPITAL WILL BE TAKEN OVER BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE REMOTE PARTS OF SOUTH LANTAU," HE SAID.

THE DECISION TO CLOSE DOWN THE SOUTH LANTAU HOSPITAL WAS BASED ON THE CONTINUING UNDER-UTILISATION OF THE FACILITIES THERE, MR LAM EXPLAINED.

LOCATED IN CHEUNG SHA, THE HOSPITAL WITH 15 IN-PATIENT BEDS IS ONE OF FOUR MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS ON LANTAU ISLAND, THE OTHERS BEING AT TAI O, MUI WO AND TUNG CHUNG.

OWING TO THE POPULATION PATTERN OF LANTAU ISLAND, THE HOSPITAL HAS BEEN UNDER-UTILISED FOR MANY YEARS, AND INDICATIONS ARE THAT THIS TREND WILL CONTINUE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

DURING 1985-89, THE HOSPITAL ADMITTED ONLY AN AVERAGE OF 26 IN-PATIENTS EACH YEAR, WITH THE OCCUPANCY RATE DROPPING FROM 3.1 PER CENT IN 1985 TO 0.04 PER CENT IN 1989. ALL ADMISSIONS IN RECENT YEARS HAVE BEEN MATERNITY CASES AND IN THE WHOLE OF 1989, THERE WERE ONLY NINE ADMISSIONS.

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FOLLOWING THE CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL, MATERNITY CASES CAN BE TAKEN TO TAI O JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC, WHICH OPERATES 15 MATERNITY BEDS AND SHOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT CAPACITY TO CATER FOR DEMAND.

AS FOR ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY AND GOP SERVICES, THE AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCES AT SOUTH LANTAO HOSPITAL IN 1985 TO 1989 WERE ONLY 6.7 AND 14.6 RESPECTIVELY.

IN 1989, THERE WERE 6.1 AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCES FOR ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY AND 12 FOR GOP. THESE REPRESENT AN EXTREMELY LOW UTILISATION RATE.

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GREATER EFFORTS NEEDED TO BALANCE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR ELDERLY

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GREATER EFFORTS AND PRIORITY FOR RESOURCES WILL BE NEEDED IN THE COMING YEARS TO BALANCE THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PEOPLE.

THIS WAS SAID TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR M.D. CARTLAND, WHEN ADDRESSING THE INAUGURATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (1990-92) OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT RESPECT FOR THE AGED ASSOCIATION.

HE NOTED THAT A BIG MAJORITY OF ELDERLY PEOPLE WOULD REMAIN IN THE COMMUNITY EITHER WITH THEIR FAMILIES OR LOOKING AFTER THEMSELVES.

"WHERE NECESSARY THEY CAN BE ASSISTED BY HOME HELP SERVICES, SOCIAL CENTRES, DAY CARE CENTRES AND OTHER SUCH SERVICES DESIGNED TO ENABLE THEM TO REMAIN IN A FAMILIAR ENVIRONMENT," MR CARTLAND SAID.

"UNFORTUNATELY THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A RELATIVELY SMALL PROPORTION OF ELDERLY PEOPLE WHO CAN NO LONGER BE LOOKED AFTER SATISFACTORILY IN THEIR HOMES.

"FOR THEM A VARIETY OF RESIDENTIAL SERVICES ARE NEEDED INCLUDING HOSTELS, HOMES FOR THE AGED AND CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOMES," HE SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR WERE ACTIVELY EXPANDING SERVICES IN THIS AREA, HE SAID.

MR CARTLAND, HOWEVER, POINTED OUT THAT THE SERVICES WERE STILL INADEQUATE, PARTICULARLY OF CARE-AND-ATTENTION HOMES.

HE CALLED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF MORE NON-PROFIT-MAKING SELF-FINANCING HOMES FOR THE ELDERLY.

TURNING TO THE WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION, MR CARTLAND PAID TRIBUTE TO ITS EFFORTS IN KEEPING THE ELDERLY ACTIVE AND INTERESTED, ADDING THAT ALL ITS WORK CERTAINLY HELPED ELDERLY PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT LEAD A HEALTHIER AND RICHER LIFE.

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DEPARTMENTAL QUARTERS FOR DISCIPLINED SERVICES  
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GOVERNMENT APPROVAL HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL QUARTERS FOR THE DISCIPLINED SERVICES.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY) THE PURCHASE INVOLVED DEPARTMENTAL QUARTERS LOCATED AT OR NEAR THE PLACE OF WORK OF THE INDIVIDUAL SERVICES WHICH WOULD IMPROVE THEIR EFFICIENCY IN DEALING WITH OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

THIS IS PART OF AN ONGOING PROGRAMME TO MEET THE QUARTERING NEEDS OF THE DISCIPLINED SERVICES WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

A SUM OF \$600 MILLION HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THE PURCHASE IN 1990-91, INVOLVING ABOUT 700 UNITS. ABOUT 500 UNITS WILL BE ALLOCATED TO THE POLICE AND THE OTHER 200 TO THE OTHER DISCIPLINED SERVICES.

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26 PASSED FINAL LICENTIATE EXAMINATION  
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THE LICENTIATE COMMITTEE OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF HONG KONG ANNOUNCED TODAY (MONDAY) THAT 26 OUT OF 86 CANDIDATES HAVE PASSED THE FINAL PART OF THE LICENTIATE EXAMINATION FOR UNREGISTRATABLE DOCTORS.

HELD FROM JULY 10 TO 12, THIS PART OF THE EXAMINATION WAS AN ORAL TEST ON THE ABILITY OF CANDIDATES TO APPLY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE TO CLINICAL PROBLEMS.

CANDIDATES WERE EXAMINED BY TWO PANELS OF EXAMINERS IN EACH OF THE THREE DISCIPLINES - MEDICINE, SURGERY, AND OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY.

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO UNDERGO AN 18-MONTH PERIOD OF ASSESSMENT AND TRAINING IN HOSPITALS APPROVED BY THE MEDICAL COUNCIL, STARTING IN SEPTEMBER.

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DB DELEGATION LEAVES FOR EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR  
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A 26-MEMBER DELEGATION OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD LEFT FOR EUROPE THIS (MONDAY) EVENING ON A TWO-WEEK STUDY TOUR.

LED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI, THE MEMBERS ARE ACCOMPANIED BY ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR VINCENT LIU, AND DB SECRETARY, MR CHAN YAU-KEUNG.

"THE TOUR AIMS AT ENABLING MEMBERS TO OBSERVE HOW OTHER COUNTRIES TACKLE PROBLEMS SIMILAR TO HONG KONG'S," MR LAM SAID.

THE GROUP WILL TOUR SIX COUNTRIES, NAMELY ITALY, SWITZERLAND, FRANCE, BELGIUM, THE NETHERLANDS AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

MEMBERS WILL VISIT A FACTORY PRODUCING EQUIPMENT FOR TREATING WASTE IN ROME, A TANNERY IN FLORENCE, A NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN PARIS AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF AMSTERDAM.

WHILE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM BETWEEN AUGUST 1 AND 5, THE DELEGATION WILL VISIT WESTMINSTER COUNCIL, THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE IN LONDON, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT AND THE BIRMINGHAM HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

THE DELEGATION WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG ON AUGUST 6.

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TRADERS REMINDED TO PROPERLY MANIFEST EXPORTED GOODS  
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THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY) REMINDED TRADERS TO PROPERLY MANIFEST THEIR EXPORTED GOODS LEST THEY WOULD CONTRAVENE THE IMPORT AND EXPORT ORDINANCE.

THE REMINDER WAS MADE FOLLOWING THE SEIZURE OF ABOUT \$780,000 WORTH OF COLOUR NEGATIVE FILM, SHARK FIN AND GINSENG WITHOUT MANIFEST FROM A LORRY AT MAN KAM TO CONTROL POINT ON SATURDAY (JULY 21).

CUSTOMS OFFICERS INTERCEPTED THE LORRY AT 4.30 PM AND FOUND INSIDE A SECRET COMPARTMENT A TOTAL OF 36 CARTONS OF COLOUR NEGATIVE FILM, 24 CARTONS OF SHARK FIN AND 24 BAGS OF AMERICAN GINSENG.

THE 24-YEAR-OLD DRIVER WAS ARRESTED. HE WAS CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTING TO EXPORT UNMANIFESTED CARGO AND ALTERING THE STRUCTURE OF A VEHICLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SMUGGLING.

HE HAD BEEN RELEASED ON BAIL AND WILL APPEAR IN FANLING MAGISTRACY ON AUGUST 13.

UNDER THE IMPORT AND EXPORT ORDINANCE, THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR IMPORTING OR EXPORTING UNMANIFESTED CARGO IS \$50,000 AND TWO YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

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SOUTHERN DB GROUP ON STUDY TOUR OF JAPAN

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A SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD DELEGATION LEFT FOR KUMAMOTO, JAPAN TODAY (MONDAY) ON AN EIGHT-DAY STUDY VISIT.

LED BY THE DB CHAIRMAN, MR HUI YUNG-CHUNG, AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MRS MAUREEN CHAN, AND THE DB SECRETARY, MR CHAN KING-CHIU, THE DELEGATION COMPRISES 10 OTHER DB MEMBERS AND THREE CO-OPTED MEMBERS.

MR HUI SAID THE DELEGATION WILL STUDY INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN KUMAMOTO. THEY WILL VISIT THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION DEPARTMENT AND THE MINAMATA PROMOTION OFFICE TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH OFFICIALS.

THEY WILL ALSO CALL ON THE SECRETARIAT OFFICE OF THE KUMAMOTO PREFECTURAL ASSEMBLY, THE CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, THE AGRICULTURAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT AND AN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTRE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ASSEMBLY SYSTEM IN JAPAN, AND CITY PLANNING, HOUSING, AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE PREFECTURE.

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SURVEY AND LANDS OFFICES IN NORTH DISTRICT ON THE MOVE

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THE SURVEY OFFICE AND THE LANDS OFFICE IN NORTH DISTRICT, NEW TERRITORIES WILL MOVE TO NEW PREMISES ON FRIDAY (JULY 27) AND ON SATURDAY (JULY 28) RESPECTIVELY.

AFTER THE MOVE, THE DISTRICT SURVEY OFFICE WILL BE ACCOMMODATED ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF THE FANLING GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 3 PIK FUNG ROAD, FANLING, NEW TERRITORIES. THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE WILL OCCUPY THE SIXTH FLOOR OF THE SAME BUILDING.

TO FACILITATE THE REMOVAL, SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT SURVEY OFFICE WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO THURSDAY, WHILE SERVICES OF THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE WILL BE SUSPENDED ON FRIDAY.

FOR ENQUIRIES, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN CONTACT THE DISTRICT SURVEY OFFICE ON 675 1555 AND THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE ON 675 1502.

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PREFERENTIAL TRAVEL SCHEME FOR ELDERLY ON DB COMMITTEE AGENDA  
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THE COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS A PROPOSED PREFERENTIAL TRAVEL SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

UNDER THE SCHEME, CONCESSIONARY FARES WILL BE OFFERED TO THE ELDERLY.

THE COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE DB'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 1990 DISTRICT SELECTION OF AN OUTSTANDING KMB BUS CONDUCTOR.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER THE ALLOCATION OF \$20,000 IN DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR IMPLEMENTING A COMMUNITY-IN-PERSPECTIVE PROJECT, \$22,000 FOR SPONSORING A MID-AUTUMN LANTERN CARNIVAL AND \$15,000 FOR ORGANISING FIGHT CRIME ACTIVITIES.

IN ADDITION, A TEAM WILL BE FORMED TO VET APPLICATIONS FOR DB FUNDS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, 157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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DB JOINT COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS LRT VENTILATION PROBLEM  
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THE TUEN MUN/YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARDS' JOINT COMMITTEE ON MONITORING LRT SERVICES WILL DISCUSS THE FREQUENT BREAKDOWN OF AIR-CONDITIONERS AND INADEQUATE VENTILATION INSIDE LIGHT RAIL VEHICLES AT A MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WILL ASK THE LRT MANAGEMENT TO PROVIDE FIGURES ON THE NUMBER OF BREAKDOWNS SINCE LAST MAY, FOLLOWING REPEATED COMPLAINTS BY PASSENGERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE TUEN MUN/YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARDS' JOINT COMMITTEE ON MONITORING LRT SERVICES TO BE HELD TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT 10 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD, THIRD FLOOR, TUEN MUN GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1 TUEN HI ROAD, TUEN MUN.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 50.1 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 293.854 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 339.242 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 57.9 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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WATER CUTS IN HO MAN TIN, KING'S PARK AND SHEUNG SHUI

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FLUSHING WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES AT HO MAN TIN AND KING'S PARK WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 9 AM TO 5 PM ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 25) TO FACILITATE THE CLEANING OF THE HO MAN TIN HIGH LEVEL SALT WATER SERVICE RESERVOIR.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES AT HO MAN TIN AND KING'S PARK, INCLUDING KING GEORGE V COLLEGE, HO MAN TIN ESTATE, OI MAN ESTATE, CHUN MAN COURT AND VALLEY ROAD ESTATE.

ON THURSDAY (JULY 26), FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SHEUNG SHUI WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 PM TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE WATER WORKS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT CERTAIN PREMISES AND VILLAGES BESIDE FAN KAM ROAD, INCLUDING FANLING PUMPING STATION, TAI LUNG EXPERIMENTAL FARM, ON PO VILLAGE, TONG KUNG LENG VILLAGE, LIN TONG MEI TSOI YUEN VILLAGE, YEE ON SAN TSUEN, TSIU KENG LO WAI, TSIU KENG PANG UK, LAI TAU TSUI, YING PUN VILLAGE, CHAN UK PO AND TAM SHUI HANG VILLAGE.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN SHAM SHUI PO

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 25), FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT FOUR WEEKS, THE VEHICULAR TURNING MOVEMENTS FROM KWONG LEE ROAD INTO FAT TSEUNG STREET AND FROM FAT TSEUNG STREET ONTO KWONG LEE ROAD IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE BANNED TO FACILITATE THE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS WORKS.

MOTORISTS FROM PO ON ROAD HEADING FOR KWONG LEE ROAD ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA CHEUNG FAT STREET OR TONKIN STREET.

MOTORISTS FROM KWONG LEE ROAD HEADING FOR PO ON ROAD ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA TONKIN STREET OR CHEUNG FAT STREET.

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TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IN TSUEN WAN  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN TSUEN WAN FROM 12.45 AM TO 5.30 AM ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 25) TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS TEXACO ROAD.

A SECTION OF TEXACO ROAD BETWEEN YEUNG UK ROAD AND SHA TSUI ROAD WILL BE CLOSED AND THE LEFT TURNING FROM YEUNG UK ROAD ONTO TEXACO ROAD WILL BE BANNED.

MOTORISTS TRAVELLING ON TEXACO ROAD SOUTHBOUND HEADING FOR TSING YI ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA SHA TSUI ROAD, KWU HANG ROAD AND YEUNG UK ROAD BEFORE RE-JOINING TEXACO ROAD SOUTHBOUND; WHILE THOSE ON TEXACO ROAD NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR KOWLOON AND SHA TIN ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA YEUNG UK ROAD, KWU HANG ROAD AND SHA TSUI ROAD BEFORE RE-JOINING TEXACO ROAD NORTHBOUND.

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EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN TSIM SHA TSUI  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE RE-ROUTEING OF COX'S ROAD BETWEEN AUSTIN ROAD AND TAK SHING STREET, IN TSIM SHA TSUI, INTO ONE WAY NORTHBOUND WILL BE EXTENDED TO 12.01 AM ON FRIDAY (JULY 27), TO FACILITATE WATERMAIN LAYING WORKS THERE.

VEHICLES ON JORDAN ROAD HEADING FOR AUSTIN ROAD CAN TRAVEL VIA PARKES STREET SOUTHBOUND ONTO AUSTIN ROAD.

BUSES OF KMB ROUTE 2C (TAT CHEE AVENUE TO STAR FERRY) ARE DIVERTED TO OPERATE VIA NATHAN ROAD ON JOURNEYS TO STAR FERRY UNTIL THE SAME TIME THAT DAY.

DURING THIS PERIOD OF ROUTE DIVERSION, BUS STOPS FOR KMB ROUTE 2C HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AT HOUSE NOS. 230, 134, 26 NATHAN ROAD. THE PREVIOUS BUS STOPS ON COX'S ROAD SOUTHBOUND, CHEONG WAN ROAD AND CHATHAM ROAD SOUTHBOUND OBSERVED BY THE ROUTE WILL CONTINUE TO BE SUSPENDED.

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