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TOP LEVEL ECONOMIC MISSION TO JAPAN UNDERWAY

SIR YUET-KEUNG KAN TODAY (SUNDAY) LEFT FOR JAPAN WHERE HE WILL LEAD A HIGH LEVEL HONG KONG ECONOMIC MISSION TO BOOST TWO-WAY TRADE AND ATTRACT MORE JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN HONG KONG.

SIR YUET-KEUNG WAS ACCOMPANIED BY TWO MISSION MEMBERS, MR. T.K. ANN AND MR. MICHAEL SANDBERG. THEY WILL BE JOINED IN TOKYO BY THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSION -- SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG, SIR YUE-KONG PAO, MR. DAVID NEWBIGGING, MR. LEN DUNNING OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND MR. DAVID JORDAN, THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS.

BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE TODAY SIR YUET-KEUNG OUTLINED THE FOUR MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE MISSION. HE SAID THEY WERE:

- * TO INCREASE JAPANESE AWARENESS OF HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC POTENTIAL-
- * TO EXPLORE JOINTLY THE OPPORTUNITIES EXISTING HERE FOR INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT BY JAPANESE COMPANIES AND THE ACQUISITION OF JAPANESE TECHNOLOGY BY HONG KONG COMPANIES-
- * TO ENCOURAGE THE EXPANSION OF TWO-WAY TRADE- AND
- * TO FOSTER GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND HONG KONG AT A SENIOR LEVEL IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

THE MISSION'S PROGRAMME BEGINS TOMORROW (MONDAY) WITH GROUP MEETINGS WITH PROMINENT JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN AND INDUSTRIALISTS FOLLOWED BY A MEETING WITH THE JAPAN FOREIGN TRADE COUNCIL.

ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 21) THE HONG KONG DELEGATION WILL BE JOINED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE FOR TWO DAYS OF HIGH-LEVEL ENGAGEMENTS INCLUDING A MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. FUKUDA. THE GROUP IS ALSO EXPECTED TO SEE THE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. SONODA, THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR. KOMOTO, AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MR. USHIBA.

SIR MURRAY WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 23) A DAY BEFORE THE MISSION CONCLUDES ITS VISIT.

THE ECONOMIC MISSION -- THE HIGHEST LEVEL GROUP OF ITS KIND EVER ASSEMBLED TO REPRESENT HONG KONG ABROAD -- IS BEING JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

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INDUSTRIALISTS CAN HELP FIGHT DRUG ABUSE -- SAYS
SIR SZE-YUEN
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SIR SZE-YUEN CHUNG, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, TODAY (SUNDAY) CALLED ON HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIALISTS TO HELP TACKLE THE DRUG PROBLEM BY OFFERING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO REHABILITATED ADDICTS SO THAT THEY MAY START A NEW LIFE.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE WONG TAI SIN CITY DISTRICT ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN AT MORSE PARK, SIR SZE-YUEN ALSO URGED EMPLOYERS TO PROMOTE RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR WORKERS SO AS TO DIVERT THEIR ATTENTION FROM DRUGS.

HE REFERRED TO A SURVEY CARRIED OUT BY THE GOVERNMENT'S CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ADDICTS WHICH REVEALED THAT OUT OF 31,000 ADDICTS INTERVIEWED 17,000 OF THEM, OR 55.6 PER CENT, WERE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS.

HE SAID: +THIS HAS A SERIOUS IMPLICATION BECAUSE HONG KONG'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING DEPENDS LARGELY ON ITS INDUSTRIAL GROWTH.

+THE SPREAD OF DRUG ABUSE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT THE PRODUCTIVITY OF OUR LABOUR FORCE, NOT TO MENTION ALL OTHER HUMAN MISERIES AND SOCIAL DISORDER IT MAY INCUR.+

HE SAID THE WONG TAI SIN CITY DISTRICT, IN PARTICULAR ITS SAN PO KONG SUB-DISTRICT, WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL AREAS IN HONG KONG WITH MORE THAN 4,200 FACTORIES EMPLOYING SOME 80,000 WORKERS.

+THE NEED TO PREVENT DRUG ABUSE IN THIS DISTRICT, THEREFORE, CANNOT BE OVER-EMPHASISED,+ SIR SZE-YUEN SAID.

THE WONG TAI SIN DRIVE, WHICH WILL RUN FOR FOUR WEEKS, IS THE LAST OF THREE INTENSIVE, DISTRICT-LEVEL CAMPAIGNS ORGANISED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS IN CONJUNCTION WITH DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS THIS YEAR.

IT IS ALSO THE BIGGEST ONE SINCE 1973 WHEN ACAN LAUNCHED ITS FIRST DISTRICT-LEVEL CAMPAIGN IN TSEUN WAN.

AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY TODAY, OVER 10,000 YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE 'TELEMATCH' GAMES AND FUN FAIR.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD MORE THAN 70 EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLICITY EVENTS WILL BE HELD.

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NEW COMMANDER FOR ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT
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THE GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL EDWARD PEPPER, 40, TO SUCCEED LIEUTENANT COLONEL PETER GREGSON AS COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT (THE VOLUNTEERS).

LIEUTENANT COLONEL PEPPER HAS RECENTLY COMPLETED AN ASSIGNMENT AT THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE IN LONDON.

HE WAS COMMISSIONED INTO THE ROYAL TANK REGIMENT IN 1960 AND HAS SINCE SERVED IN GERMANY AND IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, INCLUDING NORTHERN IRELAND. HE HAS ATTENDED BOTH THE STAFF COLLEGE AND NATIONAL DEFENCE COLLEGE.

HE IS MARRIED AND HAS FOUR CHILDREN.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL GREGSON, WHO WAS APPOINTED COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT IN APRIL, 1976, IS BEING POSTED TO NATO HEADQUARTERS IN TURKEY. HE WILL LEAVE HONG KONG ON NOVEMBER 29.

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THIRD REPORT OF 1976 BY-CENSUS PUBLISHED

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THE THIRD REPORT OF THE 1976 BY-CENSUS WHICH SHOWS THE BASIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF LABOUR FORCE IS PUBLISHED TODAY.

THE REPORT, ENTITLED +HONG KONG BY-CENSUS 1976: TERTIARY PLANNING UNIT TABULATIONS+ WAS COMPILED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

IT COMPRISES THREE VOLUMES COVERING HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND NEW KOWLOON, AND THE NEW TERRITORIES AND THE MARINE POPULATION.

THE REPORT CONTAINS TABLES TO ILLUSTRATE THE BASIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION IN EACH TERTIARY PLANNING UNIT, SUCH AS AGE, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, EDUCATION AND OCCUPATION.

IT ALSO SUMMARISES THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE LABOUR FORCE BY INDUSTRY, OCCUPATION, HOURS OF WORK, AND PROVIDES INFORMATION ON WAYS PEOPLE ARE HOUSED, THEIR HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF THEIR HOUSEHOLD INCOME.

IN ADDITION, MAPS SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE TERTIARY PLANNING UNITS ARE INCLUDED IN EACH VOLUME.

COMMENTING ON THE REPORT, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS, MR. C.C. GREENFIELD, SAID, +AS WITH THE LAST TWO REPORTS OF THE BY-CENSUS — THE BASIC TABLES AND THE GRAPHIC GUIDE, WHICH WERE PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER AND DECEMBER LAST YEAR RESPECTIVELY — DETAILED ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF THE BY-CENSUS ARE NOT ATTEMPTED IN THIS REPORT+.

+THESE WILL BE PRESENTED IN THE MAIN REPORT TO BE PUBLISHED LATER THIS YEAR,+ HE ADDED.

COPIES OF THE REPORT ARE NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, CONNAUGHT PLACE AT \$170 PER SET — \$50 FOR VOLUME 1, \$50 FOR VOLUME 2 AND \$70 FOR VOLUME 3.

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NAVIGATIONAL BEACON IN SAI KUNG

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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO PROVIDE A LIGHT BEACON ON A PATCH OF ROCK TO THE SOUTH OF TIU CHUNG CHAU IN SAI KUNG TO IMPROVE NAVIGATIONAL SAFETY IN THE AREA.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

ANY PERSON HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD SUBMIT SUCH OBJECTIONS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM NOVEMBER 16.

THE NOTICE, IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE.

THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, OR THE DISTRICT OFFICE, SAI KUNG, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 692 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, FIRST FLOOR.

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AREA NEEDED FOR SEAWALL FOUNDATION

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THE GOVERNMENT REQUIRES AN AREA OF ABOUT 0.47 HECTARES OF SEA BED AT ABERDEEN HARBOUR TO BUILD ADDITIONAL FOUNDATIONS FOR THE SEAWALL FRONTING THE PROPOSED ABERDEEN RECLAMATION.

THE EXTENT OF THE AREA OF SEA BED INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE IN LAST FRIDAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

ANY PERSON HAVING OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD SUBMIT SUCH OBJECTIONS IN WRITING TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS WITHIN TWO MONTHS FROM NOVEMBER 17.

THE NOTICE, IN BOTH ENGLISH AND CHINESE, WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS POSTED NEAR THE SITE. THE PLAN SHOWING THE AREA OF SEA BED INVOLVED MAY ALSO BE SEEN AT THE PORT WORKS DIVISION, FIRST FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING.

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PHASE II OF CLEARWATER BAY ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
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THE SCHEME TO RELIEVE PRESENT TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN PARTS OF CLEARWATER BAY ROAD WILL ENTER THE SECOND PHASE EARLY NEXT YEAR.

A PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID ABOUT 1,400 METRES OF CARRIAGEWAY WOULD BE WIDENED TO DUAL TWO-LANE STANDARD ROAD WITH FOOTPATHS ON BOTH SIDES.

A PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY WOULD ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TSANG LAN SHUE.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE SECTION OF CLEARWATER BAY ROAD AFFECTED BY THE WORK IS BETWEEN CLEARWATER BAY APARTMENTS AND ANDERSON ROAD.

TENDERS FOR THE WORKS ARE TO BE INVITED SOON. CONSTRUCTION IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN MARCH NEXT YEAR AND THE WORK SHOULD TAKE ABOUT 16 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE WORK HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE NEW TERRITORIES DIVISION OF THE P.W.D. HIGHWAYS OFFICE.

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WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN CAUSEWAY BAY AND MONG KOK WILL BE STOPPED FOR SEVERAL HOURS ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 21) TO FACILITATE WORK BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

IN CAUSEWAY BAY THE SUPPLY WILL BE CUT OFF FOR SEVEN HOURS FROM 11 P.M. ON TUESDAY.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY GREAT GEORGE STREET, SUGAR STREET, AND THE NORTH SIDE OF YEE WO STREET, INCLUDING CHI ON BUILDING, ISLAND HOTEL, HONG KONG BUILDING, HANG LUNG CENTRE, PLAZA HOTEL, PEARL CITY MANSION, GREENFIELD MANSION AND GREAT GEORGE BUILDING.

IN MONG KOK, PREMISES IN 800-947 CANTON ROAD, TAK CHEONG LANE, TAK CHEONG STREET, TUNG ON STREET, KAM FONG STREET, 1-1A WATERLOO ROAD, 1-22 PITT STREET, 2-6 DUNDAS STREET AND 1-4 SOY STREET, WILL BE WITHOUT WATER SUPPLY FOR EIGHT HOURS FROM 10 P.M. ON THAT DAY.

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