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MARINE ORDERED INQUIRY INTO SEA ACCIDENT

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THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE, MR ALLAN PYRKE, YESTERDAY (FRIDAY) ORDERED A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INTO AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING A HONG KONG-REGISTERED SUCTION DREDGER "MAAS" IN MACAU WATERS ON THURSDAY (AUGUST 12) EVENING.

FOUR CREW MEMBERS OF THE DREDGER WERE STILL REPORTED MISSING.

THE INQUIRY WAS ORDERED UNDER THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ORDINANCE AFTER MR PYRKE HAD CONSIDERED AN INITIAL REPORT ON THE INCIDENT. THE PURPOSE OF THE INQUIRY IS TO IDENTIFY THE CAUSES OF THE ACCIDENT.

NAUTICAL SURVEYOR, CAPTAIN KENNETH YEOMANS, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO CONDUCT THE INQUIRY.

ABOUT 8.30 PM ON AUGUST 12, THE "MAAS" CAPSIZED OFF DONGAO DAO IN MACAU WATERS AND LATER SANK.

THERE WERE 20 CREW MEMBERS ON BOARD THE DREDGER, OF WHICH 14 WERE RESCUED AND TWO BODIES WERE PICKED UP.

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LANDFILL CONTRACT AWARDED

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) HAS AWARDED THE CONTRACT OF THE SOUTH-EAST NEW TERRITORIES (SENT) LANDFILL TO GREEN VALLEY LANDFILL LIMITED, A CONSORTIUM COMPRISING WASTE MANAGEMENT INC, CITIC PACIFIC LTD AND SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES LTD.

THE LANDFILL IS THE SECOND OF THE THREE STRATEGIC LARGE-CAPACITY LANDFILLS TO BE DEVELOPED UNDER THE LONG-TERM WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY IN HONG KONG.

AN EPD SPOKESMAN SAID: "THIS \$3.5 BILLION CONTRACT ADOPTS A DESIGN-BUILD-OPERATE ARRANGEMENT UNDER WHICH THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, RESTORATION AND AFTERCARE OF THE LANDFILL."

FIVE PREVIOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PROJECTS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED BY EPD IN A SIMILAR FASHION.

THE LANDFILL WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE 39 MILLION TONNES OF WASTE AND IS EXPECTED TO START OPERATION IN AUGUST 1994.

THE OPERATION WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE YEAR 2007, AFTER WHICH A 30-YEAR AFTERCARE PERIOD WILL FOLLOW.

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THE SPOKESMAN SAID: "THE CONTRACT REQUIRES THE CONTRACTOR TO SATISFY VERY STRINGENT ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS FOR BOTH CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE LANDFILL, INCLUDING LINING THE SITE WITH AN IMPERMEABLE MEMBRANE AS WELL AS COLLECTING AND TREATING THE POLLUTED LIQUIDS AND LANDFILL GAS BEFORE ANY DISCHARGE FROM THE SITE."

IN ADDITION, AIR, NOISE AND WATER QUALITY WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY MONITORED BOTH WITHIN THE LANDFILL AND IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD, HE SAID.

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#### VANDALISM REGRETTED

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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR IAN STRACHAN, TODAY (SATURDAY) REGRETTED THE VANDALISM WHICH HAD TAKEN PLACE AT THE PARENTS RESOURCE CENTRE OF THE HONG KONG DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION. THIS CENTRE WILL SOON BE OPEN IN TUNG TAU ESTATE.

"THE PARENTS RESOURCE CENTRE PROVIDES USEFUL SERVICES TO PEOPLE WITH DOWN SYNDROME AND THEIR PARENTS. IT HELPS TOWARDS THE INTEGRATION OF THE DISABLED INTO THE COMMUNITY. DISABLED PERSONS HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE COMMUNITY FACILITIES.

"WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN A DIALOGUE WITH THE DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION AND THE LOCAL RESIDENTS. WE WILL FIGHT PREJUDICE VIGOROUSLY. THIS PROJECT WILL PROCEED.

"I AM PLEASED TO LEARN THAT THE POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THIS INCIDENT."

MR STRACHAN NOTED THAT THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, HAD ALSO EXPRESSED HER PERSONAL CONCERN OVER THIS INCIDENT.

SHE HAD REPEATEDLY STATED IN RECENT MONTHS HER DETERMINATION TO SUPPORT THE RIGHT OF DISABLED PERSONS TO LIVE AND WORK WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.

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ANTI-RABIES INOCULATION DRIVE IN FISHING PORTS

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THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT WILL LAUNCH A SPECIAL DOG INOCULATION DRIVE IN FISHING PORTS OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS SO THAT FISHERMEN CAN HAVE THEIR DOGS IMMUNISED AGAINST RABIES.

THE DRIVE, A REGULAR EXERCISE SINCE 1980, IS INTENDED TO HELP FISHERMEN WHO FIND LITTLE TIME TO TAKE THEIR DOGS TO AN INOCULATION CENTRE OR A GOVERNMENT KENNEL FOR INOCULATION.

STARTING FROM MONDAY (AUGUST 16), THE DEPARTMENT'S MOBILE DOG INOCULATION TEAMS WILL GO TO THE TERRITORY'S SEVEN FISHING PORTS AND MAKE BOAT-TO-BOAT VISITS BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM DAILY. THE WHOLE OPERATION IS EXPECTED TO LAST UNTIL AUGUST 26.

THEY WILL VISIT THE FISHING PORTS IN SHA TAU KOK ON AUGUST 16; SHAM MUN CHAI ON AUGUST 17 AND 18; ABERDEEN ON AUGUST 18 AND 19; CASTLE PEAK BAY ON AUGUST 19 AND 20; CHEUNG CHAU ON AUGUST 23 AND 24 AS WELL AS SHAU KEI WAN AND SAI KUNG ON AUGUST 25 AND 26.

THE DEPARTMENT'S SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICER, DR K K LIU SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE DRIVE WAS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE OUTBREAK OF RABIES IN HONG KONG.

"THE TERRITORY REGAINED THE RABIES-FREE AREA STATUS ON JULY 10, 1989 BY HAVING SUCCESSFULLY PREVENTED THE OUTBREAK OF ANY INDIGENOUS RABIES CASE SINCE JULY 10, 1987," HE SAID.

NEVERTHELESS, HE STRESSED THAT RABIES WAS A DEADLY DISEASE TRANSMISSIBLE FROM ANIMALS TO HUMAN. DOGS ON FISHING VESSELS ARE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE BECAUSE OF THEIR POSSIBLE CONTACTS WITH OTHER ANIMALS OUTSIDE HONG KONG.

"IT IS, THEREFORE, IMPORTANT THAT FISHERMEN'S DOGS ARE INOCULATED AGAINST THE DISEASE AT LEAST EVERY THREE YEARS TO KEEP UP THEIR IMMUNITY," DR LIU ADDED.

HE CALLED ON FISHERMEN WHO OWNED DOGS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE SPECIAL INOCULATION SERVICE.

SINCE THE DRIVE WAS LAUNCHED IN 1980, A TOTAL OF 4,790 DOGS OWNED BY FISHERMEN HAVE BEEN INOCULATED.

UNDER THE DOGS AND CATS ORDINANCE, ALL DOGS OVER FIVE MONTHS OLD ARE REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED AND INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RENDER THE OWNER LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$5,000 AND SIX MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.

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## TSUEN WAN ANTI-DRUGS CONCERT

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AN ANTI-DRUG CONCERT WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) IN TSUEN WAN.

FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY POP SONGS SINGERS, DISC JOCKEYS AND SOLAR AMBASSADORS OF THE RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, THE 'LIVE A POSITIVE LIFE ANTI-DRUG SOLAR CONCERT' WILL BE BROADCASTED LIVE ON CHANNEL TWO OF THE RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG.

THE CONCERT IS PART OF THE MONTH-LONG TSUEN WAN DISTRICT ANTI-DRUGS CAMPAIGN WHICH IS ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE.

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## ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CONCERT AT 2 PM TOMORROW ON SECOND FLOOR, RIVIERA PLAZA, TSUEN WAN.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS, MR A SINCLAIR; CHAIRMAN OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS, PROFESSOR C N CHEN; CHAIRMAN OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR CHAN YAN-LEUNG; AND ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (COMMUNITY AFFAIRS) OF TSUEN WAN, MISS ESTHER LEUNG; WILL BE OFFICIATING GUESTS.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EXCHANGE FUND  
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS

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\$ MILLION

OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,048
REVERSAL OF LAF	+952
BALANCE AFTER REVERSAL OF LAF	2,000
NET INJECTION/WITHDRAWAL TODAY	NIL
EFFECT OF LAF TODAY	-690
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,310
LAF RATE 2.00 BID/4.00 OFFER	TWI 112.3 *-0.1* 14.8.93

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STATEMENT ON CMB STAFF REDUNDANCY

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IN RESPONSE TO PRESS ENQUIRIES, A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TONIGHT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HOPED THAT, AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (MONDAY), CMB WORKERS AND THE MANAGEMENT COULD SATISFACTORILY RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES OVER STAFF REDUNDANCIES.

"THE TWO SIDES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE, AND ARE MINDFUL OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC. THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CLOSELY MONITORING THE SITUATION, AND HAS MAINTAINED CLOSE CONTACT WITH BOTH PARTIES."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID: "IT WOULD CLEARLY BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST FOR THE TWO SIDES TO REACH A SETTLEMENT OF THEIR DIFFERENCES BY WAY OF NEGOTIATION.

"BUT IF TALKS SHOULD BREAK DOWN AND THIS IS FOLLOWED BY INDUSTRIAL ACTION AFFECTING CMB SERVICES, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WOULD INTRODUCE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT INCONVENIENCE TO CMB PASSENGERS IS MINIMISED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE. THESE MEASURES WOULD INCLUDE THE DEPLOYMENT, IF NECESSARY, OF ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES."

"SHOULD CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT THE ACTIVATION OF THESE CONTINGENCY MEASURES, DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED THROUGH RADIO AND TV AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IN PARTICULAR THOSE WHO HAVE TO USE CMB SERVICES, ARE ADVISED TO TUNE IN ON THEIR TV AND RADIO EARLY ON TUESDAY MORNING, BEFORE SETTING OUT ON THEIR JOURNEYS."

THE SPOKESMAN CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT "THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS NO MORE THAN AN EARLY NOTIFICATION TO MEMBERS OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC THAT, SHOULD INDUSTRIAL ACTION BE TAKEN, WE HAVE PLANS TO COPE WITH IT.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE ARE EXPECTING INDUSTRIAL ACTION. INDEED, AS BOTH SIDES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE, WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THEY COULD REACH AN AMICABLE SETTLEMENT ON MONDAY EVENING."

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\$11 MILLION GRANTS FOR PUBLICITY ON REHABILITATION

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MORE THAN 30 PUBLIC EDUCATION PROJECTS ON REHABILITATION, AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$11 MILLION, WILL BE LAUNCHED OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS TO PROMOTE BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND COMMUNITY ACCEPTANCE OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE BRANCH SAID THE BULK OF FUNDING REQUIRED HAD BEEN SECURED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

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"THE QUEEN ELIZABETH FOUNDATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED HAS RECENTLY APPROVED A GRANT OF \$2.7 MILLION FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECTS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB, A STAUNCH SUPPORTER OF PROJECTS TO HELP THE DISABLED, HAS ALSO AGREED TO DONATE \$7.4 MILLION FOR THESE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES.

"THEIR STAUNCH SUPPORT WILL GIVE A TREMENDOUS BOOST TO OUR PUBLICITY EFFORTS WHICH WILL BE TARGETED AT LOCAL RESIDENTS," HE ADDED.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PUBLICITY PROGRAMME INCLUDE SOCIAL SERVICE PROJECTS, FRIENDSHIP CARD SCHEME, CREATIVE DESIGN COMPETITION IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM, TALENT QUEST FOR DISABLED PERSONS, INTERNATIONAL DISABLED PERSONS' DAY, REHABILITATION SPECIAL AND MENTAL HEALTH WEEK.

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT PUBLIC EDUCATION WAS THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO ERADICATE PREJUDICE AGAINST DISABLED PERSONS.

THE GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE THE LEAD TO STEP UP PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE YEARS AHEAD TO ACHIEVE THE ULTIMATE GOALS OF FULL PARTICIPATION AND EQUALISATION OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DISABLED.

HE CALLED ON THE PUBLIC TO TAKE PART IN THE WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES WHEN THEY WERE LAUNCHED AND TO MAKE A COLLECTIVE EFFORT TO FACILITATE THE INTEGRATION OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES INTO THE COMMUNITY.

THE PUBLICITY ACTIVITIES WILL BE ORGANISED BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION IN REHABILITATION WHICH IS CHAIRED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR REHABILITATION MR ALLAN CHOW.

OTHER MEMBERS INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM CONCERNED GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE AND THE PARENTS' ASSOCIATION.

"TO ENHANCE EFFECTIVENESS OF ITS WORK, IT WILL STRENGTHEN ITS CO-ORDINATING ROLE, MONITOR CLOSELY PROGRESS OF EACH FUNCTION AND, UPON COMPLETION, EVALUATE ITS EFFICACY FOR FUTURE REFERENCE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#### 48 NEW BUILDING PLANS APPROVED IN JUNE

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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY APPROVED 48 NEW BUILDING PLANS IN JUNE THIS YEAR.

OF THEM, 12 WERE FOR HONG KONG, 13 FOR KOWLOON AND 23 FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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THE APPROVED PLANS INCLUDED 26 FOR APARTMENT, APARTMENT/COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS, FIVE FOR COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS AND EIGHT FOR FACTORY AND INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

IN THE MONTH, CONSENT WERE GIVEN FOR WORK TO START ON 31 PROJECTS, INVOLVING 66,121 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA AND 88,392 SQUARE METRES OF USABLE NON-DOMESTIC FLOOR AREA.

THE TOTAL DECLARED COST OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED WAS ABOUT \$3,172 MILLION. USABLE FLOOR AREAS OF THE BUILDINGS FOR DOMESTIC AND NON-DOMESTIC USES WERE ABOUT 105,707 SQUARE METRES AND ABOUT 203,983 SQUARE METRES RESPECTIVELY.

IN THE MONTH, THE AUTHORITY ISSUED 38 OCCUPATION PERMITS - 13 FOR HONG KONG ISLAND, SIX FOR KOWLOON, AND 19 FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES.

IN ADDITION, 30 DEMOLITION CONSENTS INVOLVING 72 BUILDINGS WERE ISSUED.

THE CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION RECEIVED 885 COMPLAINTS OF UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS, CARRIED OUT 1,891 INSPECTIONS AND ISSUED 188 REMOVAL ORDERS IN RESPECT OF UNAUTHORISED BUILDING WORKS.

THE DANGEROUS BUILDINGS SECTION INSPECTED 826 BUILDINGS AND OBTAINED 13 EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDERS.

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#### CONSULTATION ON WASTE DISPOSAL CHARGES ENDS SOON

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CONSULTATION ON A PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE A DIRECT CHARGING SCHEME FOR THE DISPOSAL OF PRIVATELY COLLECTED WASTE AT LANDFILLS WILL END ON AUGUST 20.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE CONSULTATION HAD GENERATED CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY.

THIS HAS BEEN REFLECTED IN A LARGE NUMBER OF REQUESTS FOR THE CONSULTATION DOCUMENT FROM TRANSPORTATION FIRMS AND LORRY DRIVERS.

THE SPOKESMAN URGED THE INTERESTED PARTIES TO SEND IN THEIR VIEWS BEFORE THE DEADLINE.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE PROPOSAL IS TO ENCOURAGE WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING BY APPLYING THE "POLLUTER PAYS" PRINCIPLE.

UNDER THE PROPOSED SCHEME, THE LEVEL OF CHARGES WILL BE SET INITIALLY TO RECOVER 50 PER CENT OF THE LANDFILL DISPOSAL COST. THE CHARGES WILL BE INCREASED BY PHASES TO REACH THE FULL COST RECOVERY LEVEL.

THE INITIAL CHARGES WILL RANGE FROM \$175 FOR A SMALL VEHICLE WITH A FIVE-TONNE LOAD OF WASTE UP TO \$350 FOR A LARGE VEHICLE WITH A HEAVIER LOAD.

REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED SCHEME SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION, THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS BRANCH, 20TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, CENTRAL.

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SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL OVERSEAS FELLOWSHIP/  
SCHOLARSHIP FOR DISABLED STUDENTS 1994/95

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THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL FUND COUNCIL ANNOUNCED TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT A NEW AWARD OF FELLOWSHIP/SCHOLARSHIP TO FINANCE ONE OUTSTANDING DISABLED STUDENT IN HONG KONG FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES STARTING IN THE 1994/95 ACADEMIC YEAR WILL BE OPEN FOR APPLICATION STARTING FROM AUGUST 16.

THE FELLOWSHIP/SCHOLARSHIP IS AIMED AT ENCOURAGING DISABLED STUDENT WHO HAS ATTAINED A REASONABLY HIGH STANDARD OF SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS TO PURSUE FURTHER EDUCATION IN A REPUTABLE INSTITUTION OVERSEAS.

THE FELLOWSHIP IS FOR STUDIES LEADING TO A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE EITHER BY RESEARCH OR BY COURSEWORK; THE SCHOLARSHIP IS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES LEADING TO A FIRST DEGREE.

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE FOR THE AWARD IS EXPECTED TO DEMONSTRATE HIS/HER ABILITY TO MAINTAIN HEALTH OF BODY AND OF MIND, TO ADAPT TO NEW ENVIRONMENT AND TO BE A GOOD EXAMPLE TO OTHER DISABLED PERSONS.

HE/SHE IS REQUIRED TO SERVE IN HONG KONG FOR AT LEAST THREE YEARS UPON GRADUATION.

THE APPLICANTS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FULFILLING ALL APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS OF THE ACADEMIC INSTITUTION OF HIS/HER CHOICE, AND BE OFFERED A PLACE SUBSEQUENTLY.

THE VALUE FOR THE FELLOWSHIP IS ABOUT HK\$175,000 PER YEAR FOR UP TO TWO YEARS; THE VALUE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP IS ABOUT HK\$160,000 PER YEAR UP TO THREE YEARS.

APPLICATION FORMS AND INFORMATION NOTES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES :-

- (A) STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGENCY  
NINTH FLOOR NATIONAL MUTUAL CENTRE  
151, GLOUCESTER ROAD  
WAN CHAI  
HONG KONG

/(B) CAREERS AND .....

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(B) CAREERS AND GUIDANCE SERVICES SECTION  
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
ROOM 206  
MONGKOK GOVERNMENT OFFICES  
30 LUEN WAN STREET  
MONG KOK  
KOWLOON

(C) PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE COUNTERS IN  
ALL DISTRICT OFFICES

FOR ENQUIRIES, PLEASE CALL 802 1638.

CLOSING DATE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE OCTOBER 15.  
SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND A SELECTION INTERVIEW  
IN HONG KONG SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 1993/JANUARY 1994.

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SWD RECEIVES DONATION FROM JOCKEY CLUB

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THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB HAS DONATED \$2 MILLION TO THE  
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN AIR-CONDITIONING  
SYSTEM AT ITS LADY TRENCH TRAINING CENTRE IN WAN CHAI.

THE INSTALLATION OF THE AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM AT THE HALL OF  
THE CENTRE IS NOW BEING CARRIED OUT AND IT IS EXPECTED TO BE  
COMPLETED AT THE END OF THIS MONTH.

A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE WILL BE MOUNTED AT THE HALL TO GIVE  
RECOGNITION TO THE CLUB'S DONATION.

THE CENTRE, WHICH ACCOMMODATES THE TRAINING SECTION OF THE  
DEPARTMENT, PROVIDES VARIOUS TYPES OF IN-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMMES  
FOR ITS OWN STAFF AS WELL AS SOCIAL WELFARE PERSONNEL IN  
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS. IT HAS BEEN OPERATIONAL SINCE 1970.

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RESERVOIR FISHING SEASON TO BEGIN NEXT MONTH  
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ANGLERS WISHING TO INDULGE THEIR PASTIME IN LOCAL RESERVOIRS DURING THE COMING FISHING SEASON MAY APPLY FOR A LICENCE FROM THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT, STARTING TOMORROW (MONDAY).

THE NEXT FISHING SEASON IN RESERVOIRS WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 1.

THOSE WHO WISH TO APPLY CAN CALL AT THE CONSUMER ENQUIRY CENTRE AT THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS ON THE 44TH FLOOR OF IMMIGRATION TOWER, 7 GLOUCESTER ROAD, WAN CHAI.

APPLICATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE AT THE GROUND FLOOR OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S MAINLAND DEPOT AT THE JUNCTION OF SAI YEE STREET AND ARGYLE STREET IN MONG KOK, CONSUMER ENQUIRY CENTRES ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF NGAU TAU KOK GOVERNMENT OFFICES AT 21, ON WAH STREET AND ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF PERFECT MOUNT GARDENS IN PO MAN STREET, SHAU KEI WAN.

APPLICANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE THEIR IDENTITY CARDS AND PAY A LICENCE FEE OF \$20. A LICENCE WOULD NORMALLY BE ISSUED IMMEDIATELY UPON SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION.

APPLICATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE BY POST TO THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS AT IMMIGRATION TOWER, GIVING THE APPLICANT'S NAME, ADDRESS, PHOTOCOPY OF HIS IDENTITY CARD, TOGETHER WITH A CROSSED CHEQUE FOR \$20 PAYABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT.

A LICENCE WILL THEN BE SENT TO THE APPLICANT BY ORDINARY MAIL. A LICENCE WILL NOT BE ISSUED TO PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 13.

ANGLERS HAVE TO OBSERVE CERTAIN RULES WHILE FISHING IN RESERVOIRS. THEY SHOULD NOT USE A NET OR TOOLS OTHER THAN ROD AND LINE.

EXPLOSIVES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES ARE PROHIBITED. THE USE OF A BOAT, DINGHY OR RAFT IS ALSO BANNED.

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