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PRINCESS ALEXANDRA TO VISIT TAI O  
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HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL TOUR TAI O - THE OLDEST FISHING VILLAGE ON LANTAU ISLAND - DURING HER NINE-DAY VISIT NEXT MONTH.

THE PRINCESS WILL ARRIVE AT TAI O BY HELICOPTER, ACCOMPANIED BY HER HUSBAND, THE HON ANGUS OGILVY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, AND THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR DAVID AKERS-JONES.

SHE WILL BE MET BY THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICER, MR NICKY LO, AND RURAL COMMITTEE LEADERS OF LANTAU ISLAND.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL WALK TO THE RIVER CHANNEL WHICH RUNS THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE TOWN AND WHICH IS USED BY FISHING JUNKS AND TRAWLERS ON THEIR WAY TO AND FROM THE TYPHOON SHELTER.

SHE WILL CROSS THE CHANNEL BY HONG KONG'S ONLY ROPE-FERRY, A NON-PROFIT SERVICE OPERATED BY THE TAI O RURAL COMMITTEE FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL VISIT THE 300-YEAR-OLD KWAN TAI TEMPLE, A POPULAR PLACE OF WORSHIP FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY DURING THE ANNUAL KWAN TAI FESTIVAL WHICH FALLS ON THE 13TH DAY OF THE FIFTH MOON IN THE LUNAR CALENDAR.

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL THEN HAVE TEA WITH LOCAL LEADERS IN THE TAI O RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE, SITUATED NEXT TO THE TEMPLE, DURING WHICH THE TAI O RURAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MR YUE YUN-NEI, WILL GIVE A SHORT WELCOMING ADDRESS.

TAI O IS THE MOST WESTERLY COMMUNITY OF HONG KONG, AND A NUMBER OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS ARE CURRENTLY UNDERWAY TO IMPROVE THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT OF ITS 11 000 INHABITANTS.

THESE INCLUDE A \$21 MILLION PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE, THE FIRST PHASE OF WHICH WILL PROVIDE HOMES FOR 1 300 PEOPLE IN 27 THREE-STOREY BLOCKS. THE LOW-RISE DESIGN OF THE BLOCKS IS INTENDED TO MAINTAIN TAI O'S VILLAGE CHARACTERISTICS.

THE ESTATE, BEING BUILT ON A 4.2-HECTARE SITE, WILL INCLUDE SHOPPING FACILITIES, A MARKET AND HAWKER BAZAAR, AS WELL AS LANDSCAPED AREAS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

IT HAS BEEN NAMED LUNG TIN, MEANING +THE FIELD OF DRAGONS+.

FROM TAI O, PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL PROCEED BY CAR TO MUI WO, TRAVELLING ALONG SOUTH LANTAU ROAD.

THIS ROAD HAS BEEN STEADILY IMPROVED AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$35 MILLION TO PROVIDE A TWO-LANE HIGHWAY BETWEEN ONE END OF LANTAU ISLAND AND THE OTHER.

A REGULAR BUS SERVICE NOW RUNS FROM THE FERRY PIER AT MUI WO TO THE MONASTERY AT NGONG PING AND TAI O.

THE PRINCESS'S ROUTE WILL TAKE HER THROUGH PARTS OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH LANTAU COUNTRY PARKS WHICH WERE BOTH GAZETTED IN 1978. THEY TOTAL 30.27 SQUARE MILES IN AREA.

IT WILL ALSO TAKE HER PAST LANTAU'S ONLY RESERVOIR, SHEK PIK, COMPLETED IN THE EARLY 1960S, WHICH HAS A CAPACITY OF 5 515 MILLION GALLONS.

THE PRINCESS WILL ALSO PASS THROUGH CHEUNG SHA WITH ITS FINE, CURVED BEACH, WHERE FACILITIES FOR BATHERS AND CAMPERS ARE BEING IMPROVED.

LANTAU IS FAST BECOMING A RESORT AREA WITH SEVERAL MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR HOLIDAY HOME PROJECTS.

THESE INCLUDE, AT YI LONG WAN, THE SEA RANCH, A \$70 MILLION HOTEL PROJECT, COMPRISING 20 FOUR-STOREY BLOCKS WITH A TOTAL OF 184 FLATS. THE PROJECT OFFERS RECREATION ON THE DOORSTEP INCLUDING TENNIS AND BADMINTON, SWIMMING AND WATER SKI-ING.

AT DISCOVERY BAY A LARGE RESORT PROJECT IS BEING BUILT, WHILE AT TAI LONG WAN GOVERNMENT IS NEGOTIATING CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER RESORT. ALSO PROPOSED IS A HOLIDAY HOMES PROJECT AT SILVERMINE BAY.

FROM MUI WO, PRINCESS ALEXANDRA WILL TRAVEL BY LAUNCH TO CHEUNG CHAU.

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SLIGHT UPWARD MOVEMENTS IN CONSUMER INDICES  
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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A) AND CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (B) FOR DECEMBER 1979 WERE BOTH 147. COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, CPI (A) ADVANCED BY TWO POINTS AND CPI (B), BY ONE POINT.

THE CENTRED 12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE FOR JUNE 1979, THAT IS THE SIMPLE AVERAGE OF THE TWO MOVING ANNUAL AVERAGES ENDING NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1979 RESPECTIVELY, WAS 138.3 FOR CPI (A) AND 138.5 FOR CPI (B), BEING 1.1 PER CENT AND 1.2 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY HIGHER THAN THAT FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

WHEN COMPARED WITH THE CENTRED 12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE FOR JUNE A YEAR AGO, THE INCREASES WERE RESPECTIVELY 11.3 PER CENT AND 11.2 PER CENT.

THE CPI (A) IS BASED ON WEIGHTS DERIVED FROM THE EXPENDITURE OF HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING BETWEEN \$400-\$1 499 A MONTH AND THE CPI (B), BETWEEN \$1 500-\$2 999 A MONTH IN THE HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY, 1973/74.

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THE SECTION INDICES FOR DECEMBER 1979, COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH AND THE CORRESPONDING MONTH IN 1978, ARE GIVEN BELOW:-

SECTION	CPI (A)			CPI (B)		
	DEC 79	NOV 79	DEC 78	DEC 79	NOV 79	DEC 78
FOODSTUFFS	140	139	121	142	141	123
HOUSING	148	146	137	148	146	136
FUEL AND LIGHT	208	198	135	200	193	134
ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO	168	168	147	163	162	142
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	117	117	107	116	115	106
DURABLE GOODS	131	130	119	127	127	117
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS	163	162	137	158	157	135
TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES	165	163	128	171	169	130
SERVICES	157	156	140	160	159	141
ALL ITEMS	147	145	127	147	146	128

THE INDEX FOR FOODSTUFFS ADVANCED BY ONE POINT IN BOTH CPI (A) AND CPI (B). RISES WERE RECORDED IN THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH VEGETABLES, PORK, LIVE POULTRY AND RICE.

THE COST OF MEALS BOUGHT AWAY FROM HOME ALSO WENT UP AS SOME RESTAURANTS AND EATING-PLACES RAISED THEIR PRICES. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF FRESH-WATER FISH AND FRESH FRUITS DECLINED.

MOVEMENTS IN THE RETAIL PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

THE INDEX FOR HOUSING ROSE BY TWO POINTS IN BOTH CPI (A) AND CPI (B) AS HIGHER RENT WAS REGISTERED IN PRIVATE DWELLINGS.

HIGHER PRICE FOR KEROSENE PUSHED THE INDEX FOR FUEL AND LIGHT UP BY 10 POINTS IN CPI (A) AND BY SEVEN POINTS IN CPI (B).

THE ONE-POINT RISE IN THE INDEX FOR ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO IN CPI (B) WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HIGHER PRICES FOR FOREIGN-STYLE ALCOHOLIC DRINKS.

THE INDEX FOR CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR INCREASED BY ONE POINT IN CPI (B) BECAUSE OF HIGHER TAILORING CHARGES.

THE INDEX FOR DURABLE GOODS WENT UP BY ONE POINT IN CPI (A) DUE TO HIGHER PRICES FOR STEEL FURNITURE, HARDWARE, OPTICAL AND SPORTS GOODS.

FOLLOWING HIGHER PRICES FOR MEDICINES, SOFT FURNISHINGS, FRESH FLOWERS, SOAP AND DETERGENTS, THE INDEX FOR MISCELLANEOUS GOODS ADVANCED BY ONE POINT EACH IN CPI (A) AND CPI (B).

THE INDEX FOR TRANSPORT AND VEHICLES ROSE BY TWO POINTS IN BOTH CPI (A) AND CPI (B) AS A RESULT OF HIGHER FARES FOR PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES AND HIGHER PRICES FOR PETROL AND OIL.

THE ONE-POINT RISE IN THE INDEX FOR SERVICES IN BOTH CPI (A) AND CPI (B) WAS MAINLY BROUGHT ABOUT BY HIGHER CHARGES FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT, DOMESTIC HELP AND HAIRDRESSING.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN OTHER COMMODITY SECTIONS WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

MORE INTERESTED IN APPRENTICESHIP SCHEMES  
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THERE WAS A 30 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF APPRENTICESHIP CONTRACTS REGISTERED WITH THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT LAST YEAR.

A TOTAL OF 5 161 CONTRACTS WERE REGISTERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN 1979 COMPARED WITH 3 954 IN 1978.

+THIS IS VERY ENCOURAGING INDEED. THE FIGURES DEMONSTRATE THAT EMPLOYERS AND YOUNG PEOPLE ARE SUPPORTING AND ATTACHING GREAT IMPORTANCE TO APPRENTICESHIP SCHEMES,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY).

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD REGISTERED A TOTAL OF 12 791 APPRENTICESHIP CONTRACTS SINCE THE APPRENTICESHIP ORDINANCE CAME INTO FORCE IN JULY 1976.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 8 858 APPRENTICES RECEIVING TRAINING IN DIFFERENT TRADES IN 2 461 FACTORIES, HE ADDED.

THE ORDINANCE, THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED, WAS AIMED AT PROMOTING PROPER APPRENTICE TRAINING IN DESIGNATED TRADES AND TO REGULATE THE EMPLOYMENT OF APPRENTICES IN THESE TRADES.

BY ENSURING THAT YOUNG PEOPLE WERE PROPERLY TRAINED THE ORDINANCE ENSURED THAT INDUSTRY WOULD HAVE THE SUPPLY OF WELL-TRAINED SKILLED MANPOWER NEEDED FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT.

A DESIGNATED TRADE IS ONE SPECIFIED BY THE GOVERNOR AND COVERED BY THE ORDINANCE.

AT PRESENT THERE ARE 36 DESIGNATED TRADES, INCLUDING VEHICLE REPAIR, PLASTERING, FURNITURE-MAKING, PRINTING, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, MOULD AND DIE MAKING AND REPAIR, TEXTILE AND CLOTHING MACHINE REPAIR, AND TELEVISION SERVICING.

UNDER THE ORDINANCE, AN EMPLOYER MAY EMPLOY A YOUNG PERSON IN A DESIGNATED TRADE ONLY IF THE YOUNGSTER IS EMPLOYED AS AN APPRENTICE UNDER A VALID CONTRACT OF APPRENTICESHIP, UNLESS THE YOUNGSTER HAS ALREADY COMPLETED AN APPRENTICESHIP IN THAT TRADE OR THE EMPLOYER HAS OBTAINED AN EXEMPTION FROM THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR.

THE CONTRACT MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE APPRENTICE OBTAINS PROPER TRAINING AND THAT THE EMPLOYER IS PROTECTED FROM LOSING HIS APPRENTICE TO ANOTHER EMPLOYER.

THE CONTRACT ALSO SPECIFIES WORKING HOURS, REST DAYS, TRAINING PERIOD, WAGE AND OTHER FRINGE BENEFITS.

EVERY REGISTERED APPRENTICE SHOULD RECEIVE PROPER TRAINING WHICH INCLUDES ATTENDING A TECHNICAL COURSE AT A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE ON A PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE BASIS AT THE EMPLOYER'S EXPENSE, IN ADDITION TO PRACTICAL ON-THE-JOB-TRAINING.

ON COMPLETION OF THE APPRENTICESHIP, THE APPRENTICE IS AWARDED A CERTIFICATE COUNTER-SIGNED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT IN ENFORCING THE ORDINANCE, INSPECTORS OF APPRENTICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT VISIT REGISTERED APPRENTICES TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE RECEIVING ADEQUATE TRAINING AND TO ASSIST THE EMPLOYERS IN DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING TRAINING PROGRAMMES.

THEY ALSO CARRY OUT INSPECTIONS TO FIND OUT WHETHER YOUNG PERSONS ARE BEING EMPLOYED IN DESIGNATED TRADES WITHOUT VALID CONTRACTS OF APPRENTICESHIP.

IF ANY SUCH CASE COMES TO LIGHT THE INSPECTORS WILL ADVISE THE EMPLOYER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH HIS APPRENTICES.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT EMPLOYERS IN NON-DESIGNATED TRADES MIGHT ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THEIR APPRENTICES WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

ANY EMPLOYER REQUIRING ASSISTANCE MAY CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT'S APPRENTICESHIP DIVISION ON TELEPHONE 5-280545.

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#### GIRL BREAKS NEW GROUND IN TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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HO FUNG-YEE, A FORMER FORM THREE STUDENT, HAS BROKEN NEW GROUND IN THE HISTORY OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN HONG KONG.

FOR SHE IS THE FIRST GIRL TO APPLY AND TO BE ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSION TO THE FULL-TIME CIVIL ENGINEERING CRAFT COURSE OFFERED BY GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL INSTITUTES -- A COURSE PREVIOUSLY REGARDED AS A PRESERVE FOR BOYS.

IN THIS ONE YEAR COURSE, APART FROM ATTENDING LECTURES IN THE CLASSROOM, MOST OF HER TIME WILL BE SPENT IN THE WORKSHOPS OF HAKING WONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, WHERE SHE WILL, UNOBTRUSIVELY WITH DOZENS OF OTHER BOYS, TRY HER HAND AT BRICKLAYING, PLUMBING AND CARPENTRY.

ON ENROLLING HER, MR HSU KA-PANG, HEAD OF THE INSTITUTE'S CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT, SAID THAT SHE WAS SELECTED NOT SO MUCH BECAUSE SHE WAS VERY NOTICEABLE -- SHE WAS THE ONLY GIRL AMONG SEVERAL HUNDRED APPLICANTS -- BUT BECAUSE SHE ALREADY KNEW MUCH ABOUT THE SUBJECT FROM HER FAMILY AND BECAUSE OF HER GENUINE INTEREST IN THE COURSE.

+HER PERFORMANCE SINCE IT STARTED HAS PROVED THAT SHE IS EQUALLY CAPABLE AND GENERALLY MORE ATTENTIVE AND INQUISITIVE THAN THE BOYS,+ MR HSU SAID.

FUNG-YEE IS LIKE ANY OTHER GIRL OF SIXTEEN. HER DECISION TO TAKE UP HER CHOSEN CAREER, NORMALLY ASSUMED TO BE AN ALL-MALE AREA, WAS HOWEVER QUITE PREDICTABLE.

BOTH HER FATHER AND GRANDFATHER HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF INTERIOR DECORATION AND FURNISHING AND HER INTEREST IN CARPENTRY AND IN BRICKWORK WAS INHERITED IN HER CHILDHOOD DAYS WHEN SHE SAT AND WATCHED HER FATHER AT WORK.

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DETERMINED TO SUCCEED IN THE FAMILY TRADE, FUNG-YEE DECIDED TO START WITH THE GROUND WORK AND APPLIED FOR THE CRAFT COURSE AT THE HAKING WONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. AFTER COMPLETING THE COMPREHENSIVE BASIC COURSE SHE INTENDS TO SPECIALISE IN INTERIOR DESIGN AND DECORATION AND TO DISPLAY HER TALENT INHERITED FROM THREE GENERATIONS OF CRAFTSMANSHIP.

TOGETHER WITH HO FUNG-YEE, THREE OTHER GIRLS STUDY IN THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT AT THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE. THEIR TWO-YEAR FULL-TIME TECHNICIAN COURSE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING IS COMPARATIVELY MORE CONCERNED WITH THE THEORETICAL ASPECTS OF THE SUBJECT.

MR HSU NOTED THAT YOUNG PEOPLE NOWADAYS ARE MORE CAREER CONSCIOUS AND LESS BOUND BY TRADITIONAL CONCEPTS WHEN THEY SELECT THEIR STUDY COURSES.

+WITH THE RAPID GROWTH OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG, THE DEMAND FOR TECHNOLOGISTS, TECHNICIANS AND CRAFTSMEN WILL BE GREATER THAN IT HAS BEEN AT ANY TIME.

+THERE ARE ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE OF BOTH SEXES TO PURSUE AN EXCITING AND REWARDING CAREER IN THIS FIELD.

+THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENTS OF THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES ARE ESTABLISHED PRIMARILY TO MEET THIS CHALLENGE IN THE LONG TERM BY PROVIDING THE NECESSARY COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION ON A MORE SYSTEMATIC AND SCIENTIFIC BASIS,+ MR HSU SAID.

AT PRESENT, THE DEPARTMENT AT HAKING WONG INSTITUTE RUNS A WIDE RANGE OF COURSES FOR BOTH FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STUDENTS VARYING IN DURATION FROM ONE TO THREE YEARS.

THE COURSES COVER ALMOST EVERY SEGMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND CIVIL ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES IN HONG KONG AND ARE AT CRAFTSMAN TO TECHNICIAN LEVELS.

ON SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OF A COURSE, STUDENTS ARE AWARDED EITHER DIPLOMAS OR CERTIFICATES.

WITH THESE QUALIFICATIONS, SOME GRADUATES MOVE ON TO FURTHER STUDIES- THE MAJORITY OF GRADUATES FROM FULL-TIME COURSES ARE QUICKLY ABSORBED EVERY YEAR BY THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.

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ANTI-RABIES MESSAGE TO BE BROUGHT TO FISHERMEN  
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A TWO-WEEK CAMPAIGN TO INOCULATE ALL DOGS ON FISHING VESSELS AGAINST RABIES WILL START ON THURSDAY (JANUARY 31).

THE CAMPAIGN, CONDUCTED BY THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, IS GEARED TOWARDS THE LUNAR NEW YEAR PERIOD WHEN MOST OF THE FLEET RETURNS TO HOME PORTS FOR THE FESTIVITIES.

THE DEPARTMENT'S SENIOR VETERINARY OFFICER, MR THOMAS K.S. YIP, SAID TODAY THE CAMPAIGN MESSAGE WOULD BE MAINLY DIRECTED TO CHEUNG CHAU, SHAU KEI WAN, ABERDEEN, TAI PO AND TUEN MUN WHERE SOME 4 500 VESSELS ARE EXPECTED TO BERTH. MANY OF THESE VESSELS WOULD HAVE DOGS ONBOARD.

+THE KEEPING OF DOGS IS COMMON ON LOCAL FISHING VESSELS AND THESE DOGS ARE SUBJECT TO THE SAME LEGAL CONTROLS AS DOGS ON LAND. THAT IS, THEY MUST BE INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES AND LICENSED AT THE AGE OF FIVE MONTHS AND AGAIN AT INTERVALS OF THREE YEARS THEREAFTER,+ SAID MR YIP.

LAST YEAR THE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHED A SUCCESSFUL ANTI-RABIES CAMPAIGN AIMED AT VILLAGERS IN THE NORTHERN NEW TERRITORIES WHEN SOME 1 000 DOGS WERE INOCULATED AND LICENSED IN A TEN-DAY PERIOD.

MR YIP SAID RABIES IS A FATAL DISEASE COMMUNICABLE FROM ANIMAL TO MAN.

+OF ALL ANIMALS, THE DOMESTIC DOG, BY VIRTUE OF ITS INTIMACY WITHIN THE HOUSEHOLD, PRESENTS THE GREATEST DANGER TO MAN.

+IT IS THEREFORE MOST IMPORTANT THAT ALL DOMESTIC DOGS, WHETHER ON LAND OR AT SEA, ARE PROTECTED AGAINST THIS DISEASE AND THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO DO THIS IS TO HAVE THE DOG INOCULATED AGAINST RABIES,+ HE SAID.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF FISHERMEN WHO KEEP DOGS ON THEIR VESSELS, THE DEPARTMENT IS ARRANGING FOR DOG INOCULATION AND LICENSING TEAMS TO VISIT EACH OF THE MAIN PORTS DURING THE TWO WEEK PERIOD.

THE TEAMS WILL BE AT THE CHEUNG CHAU PRAYA ON JANUARY 31 AND FEBRUARY 1= AT THE SHAU KEI WAN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET ON FEBRUARY 4 AND 5= THE ABERDEEN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET ON FEBRUARY 6, 7 AND 8= THE TAI PO FISHERIES OFFICE (TAI PO KAU PIER) AND YUE KOK TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA ON FEBRUARY 11 AND 12= AND THE CASTLE PEAK WHOLESALE FISH MARKET ON FEBRUARY 13 AND 14. THE HOURS OF OPERATION EACH DAY WILL BE FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM.

MR YIP SAID THE CAMPAIGN WAS NOT CONFINED TO THE FISHERFOLK= DOG-OWNERS ON LAND COULD ALSO USE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEIR DOGS INOCULATED AND LICENSED BY THE VISITING TEAMS.

THE INOCULATION IS FREE, BUT THE CHARGE FOR EACH DOG LICENCE IS \$15 AND THE VALIDITY OF BOTH INOCULATION AND LICENCE IS THREE YEARS.

+FAILURE TO HAVE YOUR DOG LICENSED AND INOCULATED IS AN OFFENCE AND THE MAXIMUM PENALTY IS \$1 000 AND SIX MONTHS IMPRISONMENT,+ SAID MR YIP.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

BRITISH TRADE SECRETARY TO VISIT LOCAL FACTORY  
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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE, MR JOHN NOTT, ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND CUSTOMS, MR WILLIAM DORWARD WILL VISIT THE RADOFIN ELECTRONICS (FAR EAST) LTD FACTORY AT PORTLAND HOUSE, 41 MA TAU WAI ROAD, 11TH FLOOR, KOWLOON AT 10 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 29). YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO COVER THE VISIT.

AS SPACE AT THE FACTORY IS LIMITED, IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WILL ADVISE THE TICD PRESS OFFICE (TEL: 3-670451= 3-670256) BEFORE 3 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY) IF YOU INTEND TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE.

A BRIEFING WILL BE HELD AT 9.30 AM ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 29) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM AT RADOFIN ELECTRONICS LTD.

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NEW YEAR FAIR STALLS AVAILABLE  
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LUNAR NEW YEAR FAIR STALLS ARE STILL AVAILABLE IN TAI PO AND SHEK WU HUI.

AT PREVIOUS AUCTIONS, ALL STALLS IN TSUEN WAN AND YUEN LONG WERE TAKEN.

A NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT THE UNALLOCATED STALLS IN TAI PO AND SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUNDS WOULD AGAIN BE OFFERED FOR AUCTION TO THE PUBLIC.

THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 30 (WEDNESDAY) IN THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE AT PO HEUNG STREET, TAI PO FROM 9.30 AM TO 12 NOON.

THE UNALLOCATED STALLS INCLUDE 55 WET GOODS STALLS, 21 DRY GOODS STALLS AND ONE BOTTLED DRINKS STALL AT TAI PO PLAYGROUND AND SIX DRY GOODS STALLS AT SHEK WU HUI PLAYGROUND. THE UP-SET PRICE FOR EACH STALL IS \$30.

BIDDERS SHOULD BRING ALONG THEIR HONG KONG IDENTITY CARD AND TWO PASSPORT-SIZE PHOTOGRAPHS.

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WILL BE ISSUED A TEMPORARY HAWKER LICENCE AT \$25 EACH AND THE AMOUNT BID SHOULD BE PAID IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE AUCTION.

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WATER PIPELINES FOR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

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PART OF THE WORK ON SUPPLYING WATER TO YUEN LONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AT WANG CHAU AND THE INDUSTRIAL AREA TO THE NORTH-EAST OF YUEN LONG NEW TOWN WILL BEGIN SOON. THE WORK WILL ALSO REINFORCE THE CURRENT SUPPLY TO THE TOWN.

THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE LAYING OF A SYSTEM OF PIPELINES IN AND NEXT TO THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE FOR THIS PROJECT.

IT COMPRISES THE LAYING OF ABOUT 14 700 METRES OF ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPES AND MILD STEEL PIPES, RANGING FROM 150 MM TO 900 MM IN DIAMETER.

IT WILL START IN APRIL AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 19 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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SWD MOVES TO WORLD TRADE CENTRE

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS HAS MOVED FROM LEE GARDENS IN HYSAN AVENUE TO THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE AT 280 GLOUCESTER ROAD IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

IT IS NOW ACCOMMODATED ON THE 19TH AND 20TH FLOORS OF THE BUILDING WHICH IS NEXT TO EXCELSIOR HOTEL.

THE DEPARTMENTAL HEADQUARTERS COMPRISES SEVERAL BRANCHES: ADMINISTRATION, OPERATIONS, DEVELOPMENT, SUBVENTION AND SOCIAL SECURITY.

THE ENQUIRY COUNTER IS ON THE 19TH FLOOR, AND THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES REMAINS AT 5-761088. TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR MOST OFFICES ALSO REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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NIGHT CLOSURE OF SECTION OF MA TAU WAI RD

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THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF MA TAU WAI ROAD BETWEEN CHI KIANG STREET AND SAN LAU STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN 12.30 AM AND 5.30 AM EACH NIGHT FROM TUESDAY (JANUARY 29).

THE TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE EAST KOWLOON WAY, WILL LAST ABOUT EIGHT WEEKS.

DURING THE PERIODS OF CLOSURE, SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CHI KIANG STREET, TO KWA WAN ROAD, GILLIES AVENUE AND SAN LAU STREET TO REJOIN CHATHAM ROAD.

TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE SET UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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