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PARTIAL OPENING OF QUEENSWAY FLYOVER

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TRAFFIC CONDITIONS AT THE LOWER END OF GARDEN ROAD SHOWED A MARKED IMPROVEMENT TODAY FOLLOWING THE PARTIAL OPENING OF THE QUEENSWAY FLYOVER.

VEHICLES COMING DOWN GARDEN ROAD ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO PASS THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS CONTROLLED JUNCTION BEFORE TURNING RIGHT INTO QUEENSWAY.

MR. DAVID STEAD, THE P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT, ACCOMPANIED BY ENGINEERS OF THE HIGHWAYS OFFICE, INSPECTED THE NEW FLYOVER SHORTLY BEFORE IT WAS OPENED TO TRAFFIC THIS AFTERNOON.

HE SAID THAT WORK ON THE FLYOVER ITSELF WAS VIRTUALLY COMPLETED EXCEPT FOR ONE OF THE TWO LANES ON THE APPROACH RAMP. THE REMAINING WORK WOULD BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER.

+IN THE MEANTIME, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO OPEN THE TWO-LANE FLYOVER PARTIALLY IN ORDER TO EASE THE TRAFFIC AT THE JUNCTION OF GARDEN ROAD AND QUEENSWAY AND ALSO TO ENABLE CONSTRUCTION WORK TO PROCEED WITH THE SECOND APPROACH RAMP ON GARDEN ROAD,+ SAID MR. STEAD.

+BY SEPTEMBER, THE TRAFFIC IN THE AREA SHOULD BE FURTHER IMPROVED WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE APPROACH RAMP.+

THE 230-METRE-LONG FLYOVER COMPLEMENTS THE P.W.D.'S TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT SCHEME TO EASE TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE MID-LEVELS.

THE PLAN INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SERIES OF ELEVATED ROADS ALONG ROBINSON ROAD. TWO OF THESE FLYOVERS -- ONE AT THE TOP OF GARDEN ROAD AND THE OTHER IN CASTLE ROAD -- HAVE BEEN OPENED TO TRAFFIC.

WORK ON TWO MORE ELEVATED ROADS, ONE AT OLD PEAK ROAD AND THE OTHER AT GLENEALY IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN THE MIDDLE OF NEXT YEAR.

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TAXPAYERS URGED TO REPORT INCOME BY JULY 18

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SALARIES TAXPAYERS WHO FAIL TO SUBMIT THEIR RETURNS TO THE INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT BEFORE JULY 18 MAY FACE PROSECUTION, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT WARNED TODAY.

HE SAID A REMINDER HAD ALREADY BEEN SENT OUT TO INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER AFTER THE INITIAL DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THE RETURN FORMS WAS DUE ON MAY 31.

HE SAID THAT ABOUT 42,000 OR 15 PER CENT OF THE 274,725 SALARIES TAX RETURN FORMS SENT OUT ON MAY 1, HAD NOT YET BEEN RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

+I HOPE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED THEIR RETURNS WILL DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.+

+ANYONE WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE EXTENDED DEADLINE WILL BE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$2,000 AND TREBLE THE AMOUNT OF TAX WHICH HAS BEEN UNDERCHARGED,+ HE ADDED.

LAST YEAR A TOTAL OF 709 PEOPLE WERE PROSECUTED FOR NOT SUBMITTING THEIR RETURN FORMS.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT EVERYONE TO WHOM A SALARIES TAX RETURN FORM HAD BEEN ISSUED WAS OBLIGED TO COMPLETE IT AND RETURN IT TO THE DEPARTMENT.

+HOWEVER IF ANYONE HAS NOT RECEIVED A RETURN FORM, THE LAW STILL REQUIRES HIM TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE BY NOTIFYING THE DEPARTMENT IF HE IS IN FACT CHARGEABLE TO TAX WHICH OCCURS WITH AN ANNUAL INCOME OF \$12,500 AS A SINGLE PERSON OR \$25,000 FOR A MARRIED ONE,+ HE SAID.

+ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF INLAND REVENUE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BOX 132, HONG KONG, OR CALL 5-95731 EXTENSION 222.+

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PRIVATE SLAUGHTER-HOUSE TO BE BUILT AT KWAI CHUNG

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THE GOVERNMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR A PRIVATE ABATTOIR SITE IN KWAI CHUNG — THE FIRST SUCH SITE TO BE SOLD BY OPEN TENDER IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE SENIOR ESTATE SURVEYOR OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE, MR. NIGEL BURLEY, SAID TODAY THE SITE WAS BEING PROVIDED SO THAT THE PROPOSED ABATTOIR COULD COPE WITH THE GROWING NEEDS OF TSUEN WAN AND OTHER AREAS OF THE NEW TERRITORIES.

+THERE ARE A NUMBER OF SMALL PRIVATE SLAUGHTER-HOUSES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, BUT THE NEW ESTABLISHMENT, ONCE IT IS IN OPERATION, WILL BE A VERY WELCOME FACILITY,+ HE SAID.

+THE SLAUGHTER-HOUSE WILL BE DESIGNED FOR AN INITIAL CAPACITY OF 2,000 PIGS PER DAY WITH A CAPABILITY OF EXPANSION TO 3,000 PIGS PER DAY.+

THE 10,000 SQUARE-METRE SITE IS ON RECLAIMED LAND AT THE NORTHERN END OF THE RAMBLER CHANNEL TYPHOON SHELTER.

+RECLAMATION IS STILL IN PROGRESS BUT WE WILL BE ABLE TO HAND OVER THE SITE TO THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT YEAR,+ MR. BURLEY SAID.

THE TENDER IS OPEN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 15 THIS YEAR, GIVING PROSPECTIVE TENDERERS AMPLE TIME TO EXAMINE THE POSSIBILITIES OF THE SITE, HE ADDED.

MR. BURLEY SAID THAT THE CONDITIONS OF SALE CARRIED STRICT HYGIENE AND POLLUTION SAFEGUARDS WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE OBSERVED WHEN THE SLAUGHTER-HOUSE COMES INTO OPERATION.

ONE SUCH CONDITION IS THAT THE OPERATOR MUST, AT HIS OWN EXPENSE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN SUITABLE TREATMENT WORKS TO TREAT EFFLUENT TO A REQUIRED SET OF GIVEN STANDARDS BEFORE DISCHARGE.

THE CONDITIONS ALSO SPECIFY A BUILDING COVENANT OF \$3 MILLION TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN 30 CALENDAR MONTHS FROM MARCH 1 NEXT YEAR.

TENDER FORMS, TENDER NOTICE AND CONDITIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM AND SALE PLANS INSPECTED AT THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION, HOUSING AUTHORITY BUILDING, 101 PRINCESS MARGARET ROAD, KOWLOON, AND AT THE SEVEN DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

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SRI LANKA GROUP HOLDS TALKS WITH P.W.D. OFFICIALS
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A THREE-MAN DELEGATION FROM SRI LANKA GOVERNMENT HELD TALKS TODAY WITH SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ON URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PROBLEMS.

DURING THE THREE-HOUR MEETING, THE VISITORS WERE ALSO BRIEFED ON THE BACKGROUND OF DRAFTING LEGISLATION AND NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME.

REPRESENTING THE P.W.D. AT THE DISCUSSIONS WERE MR. C. S. CHAU, PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER= MR. J. M. WIGGLESWORTH, GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER= MR. EDDIE SHORT, PROJECT MANAGER (TSUEN WAN)= MR. T. MILLS, CHIEF ESTATE SURVEYOR= MR. K. S. PUN, CHIEF TOWN PLANNER AND MR. P. C. CHAN, TOWN PLANNER (ADMINISTRATION).

THE VISITORS, LED BY MR. N. GUNARATNE, DIRECTOR OF THE COLOMBO MASTER PLAN PROJECT, ARRIVED LAST FRIDAY IN THE COURSE OF A TOUR OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES TO STUDY THE WORKINGS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN THESE COUNTRIES.

THE VISITS ARE FINANCED AND ARRANGED BY THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME.

THE GROUP WILL LEAVE FOR BANGKOK ON THURSDAY AFTER A WEEK-LONG STAY.

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PHASE II REMODELLING OF MONG KOK RAILWAY STATION

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WORK ON PHASE TWO OF THE REMODELLING OF MONG KOK RAILWAY STATION WILL BEGIN SHORTLY.

TENDERS FOR THE WORK ARE BEING INVITED BY THE RAILWAY DIVISION OF P.W.D.

MR. LEUNG MIN-SUN, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE RAILWAY DIVISION, SAID THE WORK WOULD INVOLVE SITE FORMATION TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 14-STOREY BUILDING FOR USE AS STAFF QUARTERS.

IN ADDITION, THE PRESENT LANE CONNECTING MONG KOK STATION AND SAI YEE STREET WOULD BE WIDENED TO FORM A 10-METRE WIDE ROAD WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE NEW STAFF QUARTERS AND EVENTUALLY TO THE NEW RAILWAY STATION.

MR. LEUNG SAID THAT A FOUL AND STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM WOULD ALSO BE LAID TO SERVE THE NEW STAFF QUARTERS.

WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN AUGUST AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 12 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

THE WORK WAS DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY THE RAILWAY DIVISION OF THE P.W.D. ON BEHALF OF THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT FOR 30 NEWLY
PROMOTED PRISON OFFICERS

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LETTERS OF APPOINTMENT WILL BE PRESENTED TO 30 NEWLY PROMOTED PRISON OFFICERS OF THE PRISONS DEPARTMENT AT 2.30 P.M. TOMORROW (TUESDAY) AT THE DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE, 47 TUNG TAU WAN ROAD, STANLEY.

THIS IS THE LARGEST SINGLE GROUP OF PROMOTIONS FROM THE RANKS IN THE HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

THE PRESENTATIONS WILL BE MADE BY THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS, MR. CHAN WAH-SHEK, WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PRESS INTERVIEW AFTERWARDS.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATIONS. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL LEAVE FROM GUARDIAN HOUSE AT 32, 01 KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI AT 2 P.M.

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MUSIC MASTER CLASSES FOR HONG KONG YOUTHS

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MR. CHIU SIN-TUNG, A WELL-KNOWN HONG KONG BORN VIOLINIST WHO HAS RECENTLY RETURNED HERE FROM THE UNITED STATES, WILL GIVE TWO MASTER CLASSES ON THURSDAY (JULY 6) AND FRIDAY.

THE TWO CLASSES, ARRANGED BY THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, WILL BE HELD AT THE OFFICE IN THE HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE, 9TH FLOOR, 2 HARBOUR ROAD, WAN CHAI, FROM 4.30 P.M. TO 6.30 P.M. ON THE TWO DAYS.

ABOUT 50 TRAINEES OF THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE WILL ATTEND.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE SAID MR. CHIU HAD SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUSIC IN HONG KONG, ESPECIALLY IN THE FIELD OF TRAINING FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE. HE ALSO HOPED THAT HIS EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE COULD BE SHARED WITH LOCAL YOUNG VIOLINISTS THROUGH THE TWO CLASSES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE TWO MASTER CLASSES TO BE GIVEN BY WELL-KNOWN HONG KONG BORN VIOLINIST MR. CHIU SIN-TUNG ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 4.30 P.M. TO 6.30 P.M. AT THE MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE, ARTS CENTRE, 9TH FLOOR, WAN CHAI.

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PRINTING INSTRUCTOR ON OVERSEAS STUDY TOUR

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MR. TSANG TAK-HANG, A WORKSHOP INSTRUCTOR IN THE PRINTING DEPARTMENT OF THE KWUN TONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, HAS JUST LEFT HONG KONG ON A SIX-WEEK STUDY TOUR IN EUROPE.

MR. TSANG, WHO SPECIALISES IN GRAPHIC REPRODUCTION AND DESIGN, WILL STUDY THE LATEST TECHNIQUES IN MAJOR PRINTING AND GRAPHIC REPRODUCTION ORGANISATIONS IN WEST GERMANY, BELGIUM AND HOLLAND.

MR. TSANG'S TRIP WAS AWARDED UNDER THE DAI NIPPON PRINTING STUDY TOUR SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME RECENTLY APPROVED BY THE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE AND THE PRINTING INDUSTRIAL TRAINING BOARD OF THE HONG KONG TRAINING COUNCIL.

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WATER CUT IN WONG TAI SIN
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THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO A NUMBER OF AREAS IN WONG TAI SIN WILL BE TURNED OFF FOR FIVE HOURS FROM 1 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY (JULY 5) AND ON THURSDAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA TO BE AFFECTED ON WEDNESDAY IS BOUNDED BY JUNCTION ROAD, TUNG TAU TSUEN ROAD, TUNG LUNG ROAD AND TUNG WOR ROAD INCLUDING TUNG TSING ROAD, MEI TUNG ESTATE AND BLOCK 5 OF TUNG TAU ESTATE.

ON THURSDAY BLOCKS 5 AND 14-20 OF TUNG TAU ESTATE WILL BE AFFECTED.

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