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GOVERNOR STRESSES NEED FOR SKILLED WORKERS  
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HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO FIND THE RIGHT JOB WILL ENABLE THEM TO MAKE THEIR FULL CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF CAREERS '84 IN THE CITY HALL CONCERT HALL, SIR EDWARD POINTED OUT THAT IF HONG KONG IS TO CONTINUE TO SUCCEED IN THE COMPETITIVE WORLD, IT MUST MAINTAIN A HIGHLY MOTIVATED AND SKILLED WORK FORCE AND MANAGEMENT.

THE EXHIBITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

+THIS MEANS HELPING OUR YOUNG TO FIND THE RIGHT JOB, ONE THAT WILL MATCH THEIR APTITUDE AND THEIR INTERESTS AND MAKE THE BEST USE OF THEIR TALENTS. THIS IN TURN WILL ENABLE THEM TO MAKE THEIR FULL CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY,+ HE ADDED.

CAREER ADVICE, SIR EDWARD SAID, WAS THE MORE NECESSARY BECAUSE THE CONTENT OF SO MANY JOBS WAS CHANGING.

NEW TECHNOLOGY AND NEW METHODS CALLED FOR NEW SKILLS AND PRACTICES, EVEN IN THE WELL-ESTABLISHED TRADES AND PROFESSIONS. THESE IN TURN CREATED NEW DIMENSIONS TO THE JOB TO BE DONE AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT, HE ADDED.

SIR EDWARD FURTHER POINTED OUT THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE HAD LONG BEEN ENGAGED IN THIS IMPORTANT TASK BY RUNNING THREE CAREERS INFORMATION CENTRES AND BY PROVIDING DIRECT GUIDANCE TO SECONDARY STUDENTS THROUGH TALKS, SEMINARS AND DISSEMINATION OF MATERIALS.

SPEAKING OF THE EXHIBITION, THE TWELFTH OF ITS KIND, SIR EDWARD SAID IT PROVIDED STUDENTS WITH A WIDE RANGE OF INFORMATION ON EMPLOYMENT AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK FACE TO FACE WITH PEOPLE WITH DIRECT EXPERIENCE IN THEIR FIELDS.

+THIS EXHIBITION IS THE RESULT OF A COMBINED EFFORT ON THE PART OF GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE, THE SERVICE INDUSTRIES AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS. I AM GRATEFUL TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE CONTRIBUTING THEIR TIME AND EFFORT TO MAKING THE EXHIBITION A SUCCESS,+ HE SAID.

FOLLOWING THE SPEECH, SIR EDWARD DECLARED THE EXHIBITION OPEN BY PERFORMING A RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY IN THE CITY HALL EXHIBITION HALL.

EARLIER, THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR RON BRIDGE, POINTED OUT THAT THE EXHIBITION HAD BEEN STEADILY GAINING IN POPULARITY WITH STUDENTS, CAREERS TEACHERS AND YOUNG PEOPLE. HE ATTRIBUTED ITS SUCCESS TO THE EFFORTS BY EXHIBITORS IN MAKING THEIR DISPLAYS ATTRACTIVE AND INFORMATIVE.

+THIS YEAR WE HAVE 23 EXHIBITORS IN THE MAIN EXHIBITION, AND FOUR GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS ARE TAKING PART IN THE OUTDOOR CAREERS SHOWS IN EDINBURGH PLACE.

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+WITHOUT THIS ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT IT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE TO ORGANISE AN EXHIBITION ON THIS SCALE,+ HE ADDED.

IN HIS VOTE OF THANKS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN, SAID CHOOSING A CAREER WAS NOT A SIMPLE TASK, AND THE COUNCIL RECOGNISED THE IMPORTANCE OF PROVIDING YOUNG PEOPLE WITH CAREERS INFORMATION.

FOR ITS PART, THE COUNCIL WAS ALWAYS PREPARED TO GIVE SUPPORT IN PROVIDING FACILITIES AND RESOURCES FOR CAREERS-ORIENTED ACTIVITIES, AND LOOKED FORWARD TO CONTINUED CO-OPERATION WITH THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IN THIS FIELD.

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### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE STABILISES \* \* \* \*

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION STABILISED DURING THE THIRD QUARTER, ACCORDING TO LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR JULY - SEPTEMBER 1983 WAS 3.8 PER CENT, COMPARED WITH 3.7 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING AUGUST 1983 AND 3.9 PER CENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JULY 1983. NEVERTHELESS, WHEN COMPARED WITH THE RATE OF 4.4 PER CENT FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDING JUNE 1983, THERE WAS STILL AN IMPROVEMENT.

THE RATE FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR WAS 3.6 PER CENT.

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 1983 WAS PROVISIONALLY ESTIMATED TO BE 97 000, AS COMPARED WITH 110 900 FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDING JUNE 1983, AND 90 900 FOR THE SAME QUARTER LAST YEAR.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE QUARTER JULY - SEPTEMBER 1983 WAS ESTIMATED TO BE 1.6 PER CENT- THE RATE FOR APRIL - JUNE 1983 WAS 1.9 PER CENT. THE PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS WAS 39 000 FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER, AS COMPARED WITH 49 100 FOR THE PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDING JUNE 1983. CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION, PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE SEEKING MORE WORK OR WERE NOT SEEKING MORE WORK BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED MORE WORK WAS NOT AVAILABLE.

IN COMMENTING UPON THESE FIGURES, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS SAID THAT BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (E.G. PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FOR THE VARIATION IN FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME. THE UNADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 1983 WAS 4.1 PER CENT.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT. THIS SURVEY COVERS A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 15 000 HOUSEHOLDS OR 55 000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION IN HONG KONG.

PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE REPORT ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR. THE NEXT REPORT COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 1983 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AROUND DECEMBER 20, 1983. ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY SECTION OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, TEL. NO. 5-452586.

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LANDS AND WORKS' DEVELOPMENT STUDY READY SOON  
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THE RESULTS OF INTENSIVE, LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT STUDIES CARRIED OUT OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS ARE EXPECTED WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS, THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR NICKY CHAN, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

MR CHAN TOLD MEMBERS OF HONG KONG WEST ROTARY CLUB THAT THE STUDIES WOULD LEAD TO FUNDAMENTAL DECISIONS AS TO THE SIZE AND BROAD THRUST OF GOVERNMENT'S FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME.

HE SAID AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE STUDIES HAD BEEN TO DEFINE THE PROBLEM.

IN SIMPLE TERMS, THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION, WHAT WAS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED IN THE 1990'S, COULD BE PROVIDED BY LOOKING AT FORECASTS OR PROJECTIONS OF POPULATION GROWTH.

HOWEVER, IT WAS OBVIOUSLY MUCH MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT BECAUSE WHAT HAD TO BE LOOKED FOR BASICALLY WAS A RELIABLE INDICATION OF HOW MUCH LAND WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MEET THE NEEDS ARISING FROM POPULATION GROWTH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

AND ANY SUCH ASSESSMENT OF THE FUTURE DEMAND FOR LAND WOULD DEPEND ON: FORECASTS OF THE QUANTITY AND TYPE OF HOUSING REQUIRED, THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY WHICH COULD BE EXPECTED TO PRODUCE JOBS FOR WORKERS, AND THE SCALE OF PROVISION FOR SCHOOLING AND TRAINING, RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS ALSO NEEDED TO BE ASSESSED BECAUSE DISTANCES BETWEEN HOMES AND JOBS AND BETWEEN FACTORIES AND PORT FACILITIES PRODUCED TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT DEMANDS, AND IT WAS IMPERATIVE THAT LAND AND TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BE LOOKED AT TOGETHER FOR EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT.

+ IN ALL THIS, WE HAVE ALSO TO BEAR IN MIND THE RELATIVE ROLES OF THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN THE FIELD OF DEVELOPMENT, +  
MR CHAN SAID.

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HE SAID THAT SINCE 1951 THE POPULATION HAD INCREASED BY ABOUT ONE MILLION A DECADE. THIS WAS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE AND TO RESULT IN A POPULATION OF ABOUT SEVEN MILLION IN HONG KONG BY THE END OF THE CENTURY.

OF THIS TOTAL, ABOUT 6.2 MILLION WOULD PROBABLY BE ACCOMMODATED WITHIN AREAS EITHER ALREADY DEVELOPED OR ALREADY PLANNED FOR DEVELOPMENT.

FURTHER NEW DEVELOPMENT CAPACITY WOULD THEREFORE HAVE TO BE FOUND TO ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 800 000 PEOPLE DURING THE 1990'S.

AS FAR AS JOBS WERE CONCERNED, MR CHAN SAID, THE WORK FORCE WOULD PROBABLY INCREASE FROM ABOUT 2.4 MILLION IN 1981 TO 3.4 MILLION IN THE YEAR 2001. WHILE THERE MAY BE SOME SHIFT TOWARDS MORE EMPLOYMENT IN THE COMMERCIAL SECTOR, DEPENDENCE ON THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY SEEMED LIKELY TO CONTINUE.

MR CHAN SAID THE POTENTIAL SUPPLY, AS WELL AS POTENTIAL DEMAND FOR LAND, HAD ALSO TO BE CONSIDERED.

HE SAID FIVE DETAILED SUB-REGIONAL STUDIES HAD BEEN UNDERTAKEN, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF HIGHLY QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS, AND WERE NEARLY COMPLETED.

+IN SUCH A SMALL AND ALREADY HIGHLY DEVELOPED PLACE AS HONG KONG, THERE MIGHT APPEAR AT FIRST GLANCE TO BE LITTLE ROOM FOR FURTHER MAJOR DEVELOPMENT,+ MR CHAN SAID.

AFTER ALL, WEREN'T HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND NEW KOWLOON ALREADY REALLY FULL AND ALL THE OTHER EASILY DEVELOPABLE AREAS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ALREADY BEING TURNED INTO NEW TOWNS?

+BUT A QUICK ROUND-UP OF THE PRINCIPAL FINDINGS OF THE FIVE SUB-REGIONAL STUDIES (NORTH-WEST NEW TERRITORIES, THE NORTH-EAST NEW TERRITORIES, THE MAIN URBAN AREAS AND HARBOUR, NORTH LANTAU AND JUNK BAY-SAI KUNG) SHOWED THIS WAS NOT SO,+ HE SAID.

MR CHAN SAID OF THE NORTH-WEST NEW TERRITORIES THE GENERAL CONCLUSION WAS THAT ABOUT 700 000 PEOPLE COULD BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE TIN SHUI WAI-DEEP BAY AREA WEST OF YUEN LONG. THERE WAS ALREADY A COMMITMENT TO AN INITIAL DEVELOPMENT FOR UP TO 135 000 PEOPLE IN THE AREA AND SOME GROWTH WAS ALSO EXPECTED TO OCCUR BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND TUEN MUN. TO MEET THE TRANSPORT NEEDS THAT MIGHT BE GENERATED, A NEW HIGHWAY BETWEEN YUEN LONG AND TUEN MUN AND NEW ROAD AND RAIL LINKS FROM AU TAU TO TSUEN WAN WOULD PROBABLY BE REQUIRED.

IN THE NORTH-EAST NEW TERRITORIES, UP TO 605 000 MORE PEOPLE COULD BE ACCOMMODATED IN EXTENSIONS TO TAI PO AND FANLING-SHEK WU HUI, AND IN FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AT MA ON SHAN AND THREE FATHOMS COVE. BECAUSE OF ITS NATURALLY BEAUTIFUL TOPOGRAPHY AND THE ENCLOSED AREA OF WATER AT TOLO, GREAT CARE HAD TO BE EXERCISED TO PREVENT THE SUB-REGION BEING ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY FURTHER URBANISATION AND UNCONTROLLED AGRICULTURE.

ADEQUATE TREATMENT OF SEWAGE AND OTHER EFFLUENTS WOULD BE REQUIRED IF FURTHER MAJOR DEVELOPMENT WERE TO TAKE PLACE. NEW TRANSPORT LINKS BETWEEN SHA TIN AND KOWLOON - WHICH WAS A BOTTLENECK IN THE TERRITORY'S TRANSPORT SYSTEM - WOULD ALSO BE NEEDED.

MR CHAN SAID THE MAIN URBAN AREAS AND HARBOUR HAD BEEN THE MOST DIFFICULT TO STUDY. BUT THE CONCLUSIONS WERE THAT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE POTENTIAL FOR REDEVELOPMENT THAT REMAINED AND THE SCOPE FOR FORMING NEW LAND BY RECLAMATION AND TERRACING, ABOUT 4.55 MILLION PEOPLE COULD BE ADEQUATELY HOUSED IN THE AREA, COMPARED TO A CURRENT FIGURE OF ROUGHLY 3.6 MILLION, WHICH INCLUDED THE INADEQUATELY HOUSED. THIS ESTIMATE TOOK ACCOUNT OF LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM COULD BE IMPROVED AND EXPANDED.

ASSUMING KAI TAK AIRPORT REMAINED IN OPERATION, THE PRINCIPAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE ON LARGE SCALE RECLAMATIONS OFF WEST KOWLOON, HUNG HOM BAY, CENTRAL AND KENNEDY TOWN. BUT IF THE AIRPORT WERE RELOCATED, AND THE LAND THERE COULD BE RE-USED, A SMALLER WEST KOWLOON RECLAMATION WOULD SUFFICE. IN BOTH CASES, EXTENSION OF THE KWAI CHUNG CONTAINER PORT WOULD BE NEEDED AND IT MIGHT BE CONNECTED BY RAIL VIA A TUNNEL TO SHA TIN TO LINK UP WITH THE KCR.

A WEST HARBOUR ROAD CROSSING AND EXTENSIONS TO THE MTR WOULD ALSO BE NEEDED.

IN THE LATE 1970'S, MR CHAN CONTINUED, IT WAS RECOGNISED, FROM AN AIRPORT OPERATIONAL POINT OF VIEW, THAT CHEK LAP KOK ON NORTH LANTAU OFFERED A SUITABLE LOCATION FOR A NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WITH ASSOCIATED URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR ABOUT 200 000 PEOPLE AT TUNG CHUNG. THERE WOULD ALSO BE FURTHER CAPACITY FOR ABOUT 500 000 PEOPLE. HOWEVER, NO COMMITMENT TO A NEW AIRPORT EXISTED AT PRESENT, ALTHOUGH THE OPTION REMAINED OPEN FOR THE FUTURE.

THE DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL OF NORTH LANTAU WITHOUT AN AIRPORT HAD ALSO BEEN EXAMINED AND THE STUDIES INDICATED THAT REASONABLE SCOPE EXISTED, LARGELY ON RECLAMATION BETWEEN PENG CHAU AND HEI LING CHAU. DEVELOPMENT THERE FOR UP TO 700 000 PEOPLE MIGHT ALSO BE LINKED EASTWARDS BY SUBMERGED ROAD AND RAIL CONNECTIONS ACROSS THE LAMMA CHANNEL TO KENNEDY TOWN AND WESTWARDS THROUGH TO MUI WO AND POSSIBLY CHEK LAP KOK. THE EASTERN TRANSPORT LINKS MIGHT BE BUILT IN CONJUNCTION WITH A BREAKWATER BETWEEN KAU YI CHAU AND PENG CHAU WHICH COULD PROVIDE SHELTERED WATER TO THE NORTH INTO WHICH PORT FACILITIES MIGHT BE EXPANDED.

MR CHAN SAID, PLANS WERE WELL ADVANCED FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN AT JUNK BAY WHICH COULD ULTIMATELY ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 330 000 PEOPLE.

EXTENSIVE FORMATION WORKS WERE ALREADY PROCEEDING FOR INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA TO ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 175 000 PEOPLE, LINKED BY A NEW ROAD TUNNEL TO KWUN TONG. TO GO FURTHER WOULD REQUIRE AN EXTENSION OF THE MTR AT CONSIDERABLE COST.

+AS YOU CAN SEE,+ HE SAID, +FAR FROM BEING SHORT OF IDEAS AS TO HOW TO DEAL WITH THE POTENTIAL DEMANDS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE 1990'S WHICH WILL BE GENERATED BY A POPULATION QUANTUM OF ABOUT 800 000 PEOPLE, WE HAVE A CHOICE TO MAKE BETWEEN A QUITE CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF OPTIONS, WHICH PRODUCE A TOTAL THEORETICAL CAPACITY OF ABOUT THREE MILLION PEOPLE.

+OUR PROBLEM LIES, THEREFORE, IN MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE.

+IT IS INTO THIS DECISIVE PHASE OF OUR STUDY PROCESS THAT WE ARE NOW MOVING.+

IN STUDIES OF THE SUB-REGIONS DETAILED STATISTICS ON THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF EACH OPTION HAD BEEN PRODUCED, AS WELL AS BROAD INDICATIONS OF WHERE AND HOW MUCH GROWTH COULD BE ACCOMMODATED AND WHAT ACCOMPANYING TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE WOULD BE REQUIRED.

THESE NOW HAD TO BE ANALYSED AND COMPARED FOR GUIDANCE TOWARDS KEY DECISIONS.

GIVEN THE VAST QUANTITY OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION WHICH HAD TO BE PROCESSED, COMPUTER PROGRAMMES TO HELP OPTIMISE THE RESULTS WERE BEING USED.

+BUT, I HASTEN TO ADD, IT IS NOT A SIMPLE FINANCIAL COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS BY COMPUTER THAT IS INVOLVED,+ MR CHAN SAID. IT WAS AN ANALYSIS WHICH, WHILE TAKING THE FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS CAREFULLY INTO ACCOUNT, MUST HAVE REGARD TO MANY OTHER FACTORS, COLLECTIVELY ENCOMPASSED PERHAPS BY THE PHRASE +QUALITY OF LIFE+, AND RELYING HEAVILY ON THE APPLICATION OF COMMON SENSE AS WELL AS MATHEMATICAL TESTS.

+IN OTHER WORDS, WE WERE APPLYING UP TO DATE PLANNING STANDARDS AND VIEWING THE PROSPECT OF HAVING THE RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THEM OPTIMISTICALLY,+ HE SAID.

A DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WHICH COULD BE ADJUSTED TO MATCH THE AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES, WAS NEEDED.

MR CHAN SAID: +WHETHER THE STRATEGY WHICH WILL BEST SUIT US WILL BE ONE OF CONTINUING DECENTRALISATION, FOLLOWING THE MOST RECENT PATTERN OF NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES= OR, REVERSING THAT TREND, INVOLVES A DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION WITHIN A RELATIVELY CLOSE RADIUS OF THE MAIN URBAN AREAS AND THE HARBOUR= OR STEER A MIDDLE COURSE BETWEEN THE TWO EXTREMES, I CANNOT YET PREDICT.

+THE NEXT FEW MONTHS' WORK WOULD BE CRUCIAL IN SETTling THIS GENERAL QUESTION OF DIRECTION,+ HE SAID.

BROAD INDICATIONS WERE, HOWEVER, THAT A STRATEGY WAS NEEDED WHICH ASSUMED THE RETENTION OF THE AIRPORT AT KAI TAK FOR THE GREATER PART OF THE 1990'S DECADE BUT KEPT OPEN THE OPTION OF ITS RELOCATION THEREAFTER.

IN ADDITION, THERE WERE LIKELY TO BE POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPONENTS WHICH EMERGED AS BEING NECESSARY FOR THE FUTURE OF THE TERRITORY WHATEVER THE STRATEGY FINALLY SELECTED.

IDENTIFICATION OF ANY SUCH COMMON ELEMENTS WOULD ENABLE AN EARLY START TO BE MADE ON THE PLANNING AND DETAILED FEASIBILITY STUDIES WHICH WOULD LEAD TO A PROMPT CONTINUATION OF HONG KONG'S DEVELOPMENT INTO AND BEYOND THE 1990'S.

MR CHAN CONCLUDED: +THE NEXT SIX MONTHS OR SO ARE GOING TO BE EXCITING ONES IN THE FIELD OF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING FOR HONG KONG AND DURING THIS PERIOD THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE MAKING KNOWN THE PRINCIPAL FINDINGS OF ITS STUDIES IN THIS FIELD.

+I HAVE LITTLE DOUBT THAT THERE WILL BE CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN WHATEVER EMERGES AND THAT FINAL DECISIONS ON OUR DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WILL BE INFLUENCED BY A WIDE RANGE OF VIEWS.+

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### TSUEN WAN DEVELOPMENTS CONTINUING

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ALTHOUGH TSUEN WAN HAS TRANSFORMED FROM A RURAL VILLAGE INTO A MODERN TOWNSHIP, VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ARE STILL FORGING AHEAD TO ENSURE THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE FACILITIES, THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, MR ADOLF HSU, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

+LARGE SCALE RECLAMATION WORK IS NOW GOING ON AT THE SEA FRONT OF TSUEN WAN AND THE NORTHERN PART OF TSING YI TO PROVIDE MORE LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT TO COPE WITH THE PROJECTED POPULATION GROWTH TO ONE MILLION BY THE EARLY 1990S,+ HE SAID.

+OTHER PROJECTS INCLUDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH-WESTERN PART OF TSUEN WAN TOWN, THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TSING YI NORTH BRIDGE, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF SHAM TSENG INTO A TOWNSHIP WITH 60 000 PEOPLE.+

ON TRANSPORT, MR HSU ADDED THAT CONSIDERATION WOULD ALSO BE GIVEN TO EXPANDING THE TSUEN WAN TRUNK ROAD NETWORK IN ORDER TO COPE WITH FUTURE NEEDS AND TO LINK UP WITH OTHER NEW TERRITORIES DISTRICTS.

MR HSU WAS SPEAKING AT A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF OFFICE-BEARERS OF THE 6TH TERM OF THE TSUEN WAN TRADE ASSOCIATION. HE ALSO PRAISED THE ASSOCIATION'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DISTRICT.

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### REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS VISIT PRISONS

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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR MICHAEL THOMAS, AND SIX OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW ON LONG TERM PRISON SENTENCES TODAY VISITED THREE INSTITUTIONS OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO LOOK OVER THE FACILITIES AND CORRECTIONAL PROGRAMMES PROVIDED FOR PRISONERS.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, MR THOMAS GARNER, THE PARTY FIRST VISITED THE PIK UK CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION.

THERE THEY SAW SOME YOUNG MEN ATTENDING EDUCATIONAL CLASSES, AND OTHERS BEING GIVEN VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN VARIOUS TRADES, INCLUDING TELEVISION AND RADIO REPAIR, CARPENTRY AND BOOK-BINDING.

THE INSTITUTION HAS A DUAL FUNCTION AS A PRISON AND A TRAINING CENTRE FOR THE MORE INTRACTABLE YOUNG MALE OFFENDERS. IT ALSO CATERS FOR YOUNG PRISONERS ON REMAND AWAITING TRIAL, OR THOSE REMANDED BY THE COURTS FOR REPORTS ON SUITABILITY FOR TRAINING AND DETENTION CENTRES.

THE PARTY THEN PROCEEDED TO THE ADJACENT PIK UK PRISON FOR ADULT MALES.

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MEMBERS OF THE PARTY SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN THE MULTI-STOREY LAUNDRY MANNED BY PRISONERS. EQUIPPED WITH MODERN PLANT AND MACHINERY, THE LAUNDRY IS CAPABLE OF HANDLING 454 000 KILOGRAMMES OF SOILED LINEN FROM GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS AND CLINICS A MONTH.

THE VISITORS WERE ALSO BRIEFED ON OTHER FACILITIES PROVIDED IN THE PRISON AND SAW PRISONERS AT WORK IN VARIOUS WORKSHOPS.

THE PARTY CONCLUDED THEIR VISIT AT THE LAI CHI KOK RECEPTION CENTRE, AND SAW VARIOUS FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE RECEPTION OFFICE, CONTROL ROOM WITH CLOSED CIRCUIT TV SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM, HOSPITAL, LABORATORY, DENTAL CLINIC, DINING HALL, CELLS AND DORMITORIES.

THE CENTRE IS ONE OF THE FEW HIGH RISE PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE WORLD, AND RECEIVES ALL MALE OFFENDERS OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE ON REMAND AND AFTER SENTENCING.

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GOVERNOR URGES CHILDREN TO FOLLOW ROAD SAFETY RULES  
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THE GOVERNOR TODAY TOLD CHILDREN IN HONG KONG THAT LIFE CAN BE FUN, REWARDING AND SAFE, IF THEY FOLLOW THE ROAD SAFETY RULES.

HE WAS ADDRESSING MORE THAN 1 500 PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN AT THE ROAD SAFETY RALLY HELD IN THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM TODAY.

THE RALLY WAS ORGANISED BY THE ROAD SAFETY COUNCIL OF HONG KONG AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND SUPPORTED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL, AS A PART OF THIS YEAR'S PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN DIRECTED TOWARDS YOUNG PEOPLE.

HIS ADVICE TO THEM WAS: +WHENEVER YOU CROSS A ROAD, GET ON OR OFF THE SCHOOL BUS, DASH IN AND OUT OF THE PLAYGROUND, OR WHEN YOU RIDE YOUR BIKE, IN FACT WHEREVER THERE IS TRAFFIC, YOU MUST BE CAREFUL AND REMEMBER THE LESSONS OF ROAD SAFETY+.

THE GOVERNOR EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE VULNERABILITY OF YOUNG CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS TO TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

+ABOUT ONE FIFTH OF ALL PEDESTRIAN CASUALTIES LAST YEAR WERE YOUNG PEOPLE,+ HE SAID, ADDING THAT IT WAS THOSE BETWEEN THE AGE OF SIX AND 11 THAT WERE MOST AT RISK.

HE POINTED OUT THAT OVER HALF OF ALL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS INVOLVING INJURY TO CHILDREN OCCURRED WHEN THEY WERE CROSSING THE ROAD.

+AND THE TIME OF THE DAY WHEN CHILDREN ARE MOST AT RISK IS THE LUNCH-TIME CHANGEVER PERIOD WHEN THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE ON THEIR WAY TO AND FROM SCHOOL,+ HE SAID.

/SIR EDWARD .....

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SIR EDWARD POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD DONE WHAT IT COULD TO ENSURE THAT PEDESTRIANS CAN CROSS A ROAD IN SAFETY, INCLUDING THE SETTING UP OF 213 ZEBRA CROSSINGS, 652 SIGNAL CROSSINGS, 104 PEDESTRIAN SUBWAYS, 165 PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY.

+THERE ARE PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 80 MORE SUBWAYS OR FOOTBRIDGES, OVER AND ABOVE THOSE ALREADY PLANNED AS PART OF THE NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT,+ HE SAID.

WITH THE HELP OF THE ROAD SAFETY ASSOCIATION, ABOUT 500 SCHOOLS HAVE THEIR OWN CROSSING PATROLS.

BUT PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS, BRIDGES, AND SCHOOL PATROLS ARE ONLY PART OF THE ANSWER, THE GOVERNOR STRESSED.

THE GOVERNMENT HAD ALSO CONSTANTLY SOUGHT TO IMPRESS ON DRIVERS OF BUSES, CARS AND TRUCKS THE NEED TO PLAY THEIR PART BECAUSE THEY HAD A GREAT RESPONSIBILITY TOO.

APART FROM BEING URGED TO BE ALERT AND CAREFUL WHEN CROSSING THE ROAD, CHILDREN WERE ASKED TO HEED THE ADVICE OF +CAPTAIN SAFETY+, A CHARACTER SPECIALLY CREATED TO SPEARHEAD THE CAMPAIGN TARGETTED AT PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

+HE IS BY NO MEANS SUPERHUMAN BUT IS CERTAINLY THE EXPERT ON ROAD SAFETY,+ HE SAID.

ALSO ATTENDING THE RALLY WERE LADY YOUDE AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR ROY HENRY; THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR ALAN SCOTT; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ROAD SAFETY COUNCIL AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR R. ANNING; AND THE DEPUTY COMMANDER, BRITISH FORCES, BRIGADIER A. CROWFOOT.

ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROGRAMME WAS WHEN 453 LIGHT STICKS WERE ILLUMINATED BY SCHOOL CHILDREN TO DENOTE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE KILLED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS LAST YEAR.

TO COMPLEMENT THE EFFECT OF THE RALLY, A ROAD SAFETY DISPLAY WAS STAGED IN THE EXHIBITION LOBBY OF THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AND IN THE ADJACENT MORRISON HILL TEMPORARY PLEASURE GROUND.

AMONG THE ATTRACTIONS INSIDE THE STADIUM WAS A NEWLY-DESIGNED COMPUTER GAME ON ROAD SAFETY THEMES. THE OUTDOOR DISPLAY FEATURED A SEAT BELT CATAPULT WHICH DEMONSTRATED THE CONSEQUENCE OF WEARING AND NOT WEARING A SEAT BELT.

THE DISPLAY WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TOMORROW (SATURDAY) FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM.

THE ONE HOUR RALLY WAS RECORDED FOR BROADCAST ON TVB JADE ON NOVEMBER 26 AT 4.30 PM.

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LABORATORY ACCREDITATION SCHEME FOR HONG KONG  
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HONG KONG IS TO SET UP A LABORATORY ACCREDITATION DEVELOPMENT SCHEME TO IMPROVE QUALITY CERTIFICATION SERVICES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE EXPORT SECTOR OF THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

+ONCE ESTABLISHED THE SCHEME WILL PROVIDE FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING OF THE COMPETENCY OF LABORATORIES IN UNDERTAKING VARIOUS TYPES OF TESTING WORK IN AN ENDEAVOUR TO FACILITATE THE INTERNATIONAL ACCEPTANCE OF TEST CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THESE LABORATORIES,+ THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR J.F. YAXLEY SAID TODAY.

MR YAXLEY ANNOUNCED THIS FOLLOWING THE SIGNING OF A CONSULTANCY CONTRACT BY HIM ON BEHALF OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND BY MR J.A. GILMOUR, REGISTRAR OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TESTING AUTHORITIES, AUSTRALIA (NATA), ON BEHALF OF THE CONSULTANTS.

NATA WILL PROVIDE CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHEME.

+THE IMPLEMENTATION WORK, SPREAD OVER A PERIOD OF 18 MONTHS, WILL BE A JOINT EFFORT BY STAFF OF NATA AND THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

NATA WILL DRAFT THE TECHNICAL AND POLICY CRITERIA, CODES OF PRACTICE AND WILL BE ADVISING GENERALLY AMONG OTHER THINGS, WHILE GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL WILL MAKE ALL PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEME.

A DISCUSSION OF THE SCHEME TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY AT THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON LABORATORY ACCREDITATION.

THE COMMITTEE WILL OFFER ITS ADVICE DURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEME.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY  
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A REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT THE CENOTAPH IN STATUE SQUARE ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13) IN HONOUR OF THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES IN ACTIVE SERVICE.

THIS CEREMONY, LIKE THE ONE HELD LAST YEAR, WILL COMBINE THREE SEPARATE OBSERVANCES.

THERE WILL BE NO CEREMONY AT THE CHINESE MEMORIAL IN THE ZOOLOGICAL AND BOTANICAL GARDENS AND NO OFFICIAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

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WREATHS WILL BE LAID BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE; THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR DENYS ROBERTS; THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, MAJOR GENERAL DEREK BOORMAN; REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS; COMMONWEALTH COMMISSIONERS; THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR ROY HENRY; THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR HILTON CHEONG-LEEN; SERVICE COMMANDERS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION, SERVICE UNITS, DISTRICT BOARDS, TRADITIONAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS AND EX-SERVICEMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS.

THE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 10.45 AM AND WILL END ABOUT 11.30 AM, WHEN ALL WHO WISH TO LAY WREATHS AT THE CENOTAPH MAY DO SO.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A PRESS STAND WILL BE SET UP ON CHATER ROAD OUTSIDE THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING (NEAR THE MTR CHATER STATION ENTRANCE). REPRESENTATIVES ASSIGNED TO COVER THE CEREMONY MUST BE IN POSITION BEFORE 10.30 AM. PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS AND T.V. CAMERAMEN ARE REMINDED THAT TELE OR ZOOM LENSES MAY BE REQUIRED. GIS OFFICERS WILL BE PRESENT TO ASSIST.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN CENTRAL ON REMEMBRANCE DAY, SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13), TO ALLOW FOR THE CEREMONY AT THE CENOTAPH IN STATUE SQUARE.

UNDER THE ARRANGEMENTS, JACKSON ROAD BETWEEN DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL AND CHATER ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 9 AM TO NOON. THE SAME ROAD BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND CHATER ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FROM 10 AM TO NOON.

CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL WESTBOUND BETWEEN HARCOURT ROAD AND ICE HOUSE STREET, MURRAY ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND CHATER ROAD, ALONG WITH THE HARCOURT ROAD FLYOVER AND THE SECTION OF CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL WESTBOUND BETWEEN HARCOURT ROAD AND ICE HOUSE STREET, WILL BE CLOSED FROM 10.30 AM TO NOON.

CHATER ROAD BETWEEN PEDDER STREET AND JACKSON ROAD, ICE HOUSE STREET BETWEEN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, ALONG WITH THE SECTION OF ICE HOUSE STREET BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND CHATER ROAD, WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT.

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IN ADDITION, CLUB STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND FROM 10 AM TO NOON.

EASTBOUND TRAFFIC FROM PEDDER STREET WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL FROM 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT, WHILE WESTBOUND TRAFFIC ON HARCOURT ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED SOUTH INTO COTTON TREE DRIVE FROM 10.30 AM TO NOON.

ALSO FROM 10.30 AM TO NOON, EASTBOUND TRAFFIC FROM ADMIRALTY MTR STATION WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE THE BUS-ONLY LANE WEST OF THE TAXI STANDS FOR ACCESS TO QUEENSWAY EASTBOUND.

THE FOLLOWING DIVERSIONS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT WILL BE EFFECTED FROM 9 AM TO NOON:

- \* BUSES ON CMB ROUTES 1, 24, 70 AND 80 WESTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HARCOURT ROAD, COTTON TREE DRIVE, QUEENSWAY, DES VOEUX CENTRAL AND QUEEN VICTORIA STREET;
- \* BUSES ON CMB ROUTE 23B BOUND FOR CAUSEWAY BAY WILL TAKE GARDEN ROAD AND QUEENSWAY;
- \* BUSES ON CMB ROUTE 81M WESTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HARCOURT ROAD, COTTON TREE DRIVE, QUEENSWAY, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, PEDDER STREET, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND DOUGLAS STREET;
- \* BUSES ON ROUTE 90M WESTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED VIA QUEENSWAY, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, PEDDER STREET, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND DOUGLAS STREET;
- \* BUSES ON CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL ROUTE 103 BOUND FOR POKFIELD ROAD WILL OPERATE VIA QUEENSWAY AND COTTON TREE DRIVE;
- \* BUSES ON CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL ROUTE 200 BOUND FOR CENTRAL WILL BE DIVERTED VIA QUEENSWAY, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, PEDDER STREET, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND TERMINATE AT CENTRAL BUS STATION. ON THE RETURN JOURNEY, THEY WILL PROCEED VIA CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL EASTBOUND, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL WESTBOUND, POTTINGER STREET, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL AND QUEENSWAY;
- \* MAXICABS ON ROUTE 32 BOUND FOR CENTRAL WILL BE DIVERTED VIA MURRAY ROAD TO THE MAXICAB TERMINUS AT LAMBETH WALK.

ALL PARKING SPACES IN JACKSON ROAD BETWEEN CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND CHATER ROAD WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 0.01 AM TO NOON.

YOUTH URGED TO PLAY COMMUNITY ROLE  
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ACTUAL INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TO UNDERSTAND THE TREND OF THE COMMUNITY WILL ENABLE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BETTER ADAPT THEMSELVES TO THE CHANGES OF SOCIETY, THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR ALBERT LAM, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE SIXTH GATHERING FOR SCOUT OFFICIALS, HE NOTED THAT UNDER THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION SCHEME, THE TERM +COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT+ WAS NO LONGER ABSTRACT OR BEYOND REACH.

+THE YOUTHS MAY PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY BUILDING AND CONTRIBUTE THEIR CREATIVITY, DRIVE AND NEW IDEAS AT GRASS-ROOTS LEVEL,+ HE SAID.

+THEY CAN ALSO PLAY THEIR ROLE IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS DISTRICT-BASED PROJECTS, ANTI-NARCOTICS CAMPAIGN AND OTHERS.

+BESIDES OFFERING DIRECT CONTRIBUTION, THEY CAN ALSO GET A MORE THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS THE TERRITORY AS A WHOLE, AND TO FOSTER A SENSE OF BELONGING AND SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION.+

MR LAM SAID YOUNG PEOPLE, STUDENTS AND WORKERS ALIKE, SHOULD TRY TO BUILD UP SOCIAL SENSITIVITY AND HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND DEEPER CONCERN FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.

THE OPINIONS OF THE YOUTHS AND THEIR PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS WERE ALSO IMPORTANT, MR LAM SAID.

THE YOUTHS CAN HELP CREATE A STILL BETTER, MORE ADAPTABLE SOCIETY THROUGH THEIR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES, HE SAID.

+IN THIS REGARD, SCOUTING IS A MAJOR AVENUE WHEREBY YOUTHS GET INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES.+

MR LAM ALSO CALLED ON YOUNG PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE +COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT+ SCHEME TO CONTACT THE DISTRICT OFFICES FOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

GOVERNOR TO OPEN TUEN MUN FESTIVAL

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONIES OF THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT FESTIVAL AND THE YAN OI TONG COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CEREMONIES WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 4.45 PM AT THE YAN OI TONG COMPLEX FACING LUK YUEN STREET AT ITS JUNCTION WITH TUEN MUN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD.

GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT WILL LEAVE FOR TUEN MUN AT 3.15 PM SHARP FROM THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE ADVISED TO BRING ALONG TELELENS.

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MORE TEACHERS BEING TRAINED

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THE GOVERNMENT'S VARIOUS PLANS TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE THE EDUCATION SYSTEM CAN ONLY BE SUCCESSFULLY PUT INTO OPERATION WITH THE PRESENCE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF DEDICATED AND PROFESSIONALLY TRAINED TEACHERS, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR COLVYN HAYE, SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

IN THIS RESPECT, MR HAYE SAID, THE GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN A NUMBER OF POSITIVE STEPS TO TRAIN MORE QUALIFIED TEACHERS.

+THESE STEPS INCLUDE THE LARGE INCREASE IN ENROLMENTS IN THE THREE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION AND THE TECHNICAL TEACHERS' COLLEGE OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, A COMPLETE REVIEW OF THE COLLEGES' CURRICULUM IN TEACHER EDUCATION AND AN EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD OF TRAINING FOR TEACHER TRAINEES, + HE SAID.

MR HAYE WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE SHA TIN ANNEXE OF SIR ROBERT BLACK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT YUEN CHAU KOK.

HE SAID THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION NOW OFFERED A LARGE VARIETY OF FULL AND PART-TIME COURSES.

+THE PERIOD OF FULL-TIME TRAINING HAD BEEN EXTENDED FROM THE ORIGINAL ONE-YEAR FULL-TIME INITIAL TRAINING COURSES FOR FORM 5 GRADUATES TO THE PRESENT THREE-YEAR COURSES FOR FORM 5 GRADUATES AND TWO-YEAR FULL-TIME COURSES FOR MATRICULANTS, + HE NOTED.

MR HAYE ADDED THAT IN SEPTEMBER, 1981, A DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION WAS ESTABLISHED IN THE SIR ROBERT BLACK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION. THIS IS THE ONLY COLLEGE WHICH OFFERS A TWO-YEAR PART-TIME IN-SERVICE COURSE OF TRAINING FOR TEACHERS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

+THIS DEPARTMENT NOW OFFERS A TOTAL OF SEVEN ELECTIVES, RANGING FROM THE EDUCATION OF SLOW LEARNING CHILDREN TO THE MANAGEMENT OF CHILDREN WITH SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PROBLEMS,+ HE SAID.

DURING TODAY'S CEREMONY, MR HAYE ALSO OPENED AN EXHIBITION DEPICTING THE TYPE OF TRAINING STUDENT TEACHERS NOW RECEIVED IN THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION.

+IT IS HOPED THAT THIS EXHIBITION WILL PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH BETTER INSIGHT INTO THE WORK AND CURRICULUM OF THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION AND BRING ABOUT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN TEACHERS, SCHOOL HEADS, PARENTS AND THE PUBLIC,+ MR HAYE NOTED.

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POSTER DESIGNS FOR DISPLAY  
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ABOUT 80 ENTRIES OF A REHABILITATION POSTER DESIGN CONTEST, HELD RECENTLY IN MONG KOK, WILL BE PUT ON DISPLAY ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13).

THE EXHIBITION, TO BE HELD FROM 9 AM TO 9 PM AT THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY ARGYLE STATION CONCOURSE, WILL INCLUDE 12 WINNING ENTRIES OF THE CONTEST.

ALTOGETHER 200 ENTRIES WERE RECEIVED FOR THE CONTEST ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD TO HELP EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED.

A DISTRICT BOARD SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY : +THE GOOD RESPONSE TO THE DESIGN CONTEST REFLECTS THE PUBLIC'S AWARENESS OF THE HANDICAPPED'S NEED FOR INTEGRATION INTO THE COMMUNITY.+

THE CONTEST WAS DIVIDED INTO FOUR SECTIONS FOR PRIMARY, SECONDARY, POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS, ADULTS, AND A JOINT ENTRY BY THE ABLE-BODIED AND THE DISABLED.

THE 12 WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION IN REHABILITATION NEXT WEEK TO COMPETE WITH THOSE FROM THE OTHER 17 DISTRICTS.

ON SUNDAY, A PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL ALSO BE HELD. THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STANLEY WONG, WILL PRESENT PRIZES TO THE WINNERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS :-

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRIZE-PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE MONG KOK REHABILITATION POSTER DESIGN CONTEST AT 10.15 AM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13) AT THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY ARGYLE STATION CONCOURSE.

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CARE AND CONCERN FOR ELDERLY  
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FREE MEDICAL EXAMINATION WILL BE OFFERED TO WONG TAI SIN RESIDENTS AGED 60 AND ABOVE AS PART OF THE TUNG TAU ELDERLY FESTIVAL.

ADVANCE APPOINTMENTS CAN NOW BE MADE WITH THE DISTRICT OFFICE OR SUB-OFFICES FOR EXAMINATIONS UNDER THE SCHEME WHICH WILL OPERATE DAILY BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4.30 PM AT THE LOK SIN TONG WONG CHUNG MING SECONDARY SCHOOL FROM NOVEMBER 19 TO 20 AND AT THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY CENTRE FROM DECEMBER 10 TO 11.

THE MEDICAL CHECK-UPS WILL INCLUDE BODY WEIGHT, BLOOD PRESSURE AND PULSE MEASUREMENT AS WELL AS BLOOD AND URINE TESTS.

THE ELDERLY PEOPLE WILL ALSO BE GIVEN SUBSEQUENT COUNSELLING BY DOCTORS ON DUTY OR REFERRED TO NEARBY MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS FOR TREATMENT IF AN ILLNESS IS DIAGNOSED.

IN ADDITION, AN EXHIBITION AND A SLIDE SHOW WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED AT THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE TO PROVIDE BASIC KNOWLEDGE ON HEALTH AND HYGIENE FOR OLD PEOPLE.

THE TWO-WEEK ELDERLY FESTIVAL IS SPONSORED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD AND JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE TUNG TAU AREA COMMITTEE AND THE LOK SIN TONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE FESTIVAL PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE A CANTONESE OPERA, A PICNIC, A VEGETARIAN FEAST, A CROSS WORD PUZZLE, A COLOURING AND A PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITIONS.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR PHILIP CHOK, SAID THE EVENT WAS AIMED AT AROUSING PUBLIC CONCERN FOR THE CARE AND WELFARE OF OLD PEOPLE.

+WE HOPE THE ACTIVITIES WILL ALSO SERVE AS A PLATFORM FOR CLOSER COMMUNICATION AND HELP FOSTER NEIGHBOURLINESS AMONG ELDERLY RESIDENTS HERE,+ HE ADDED.

TO MARK THE OCCASION, AN OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 7.30 PM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE SCHOOL HALL OF LOK SIN TONG WONG CHUNG MING SECONDARY SCHOOL.

MORE THAN 1 000 OLD PEOPLE WILL ATTEND THE CEREMONY WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A CANTONESE OPERA.

DETAILS OF THE FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE AND SUB-OFFICES AND ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT 3-832368 OR 3-222261.

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PROMOTING CHILD COURTESY THROUGH PAINTING  
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YOUNG ARTISTS WILL BE ABLE TO SHOW THEIR PAINTING SKILL IN A COURTESY CHARACTER COLOURING COMPETITION STARTING AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13) AT THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROMENADE.

CHILDREN UNDER 12 ARE WELCOME TO JOIN THE CONTEST, WHICH IS ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD TO PROMOTE ITS CURRENT MONTH-LONG COURTESY CAMPAIGN.

ONE THOUSAND ENTRY FORMS PRINTED WITH THE CARTOON CHARACTER +COURTESY BO BO+ WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO PARTICIPANTS ON THE SPOT. OIL PASTEL COLOUR WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED.

WINNERS OF THE COMPETITION WILL BE AWARDED PRIZES ON THE SAME DAY.

THE COURTESY BO BO WILL ALSO BE PRESENT FOR PHOTOGRAPHS TOGETHER WITH THE YOUNG PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE COURTESY CHARACTER CHILDREN COLOURING COMPETITION TO BE HELD AT 2 PM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13) AT THE EAST TSIM SHA TSUI PROMENADE NEXT TO THE NEW WORLD CENTRE.

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CORRECTIONAL RECRUIT OFFICERS TO PARADE  
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THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD A PASSING-OUT PARADE OF RECRUIT OFFICERS AT THE PARADE GROUND OF THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE IN STANLEY TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

MR MICHAEL SANDBERG, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, WILL TAKE THE SALUTE AND PRESENT SILVER WHISTLES TO THE TWO BEST RECRUITS.

HE WILL ALSO ADDRESS THE PARADE OF 116 ASSISTANT OFFICERS AND 27 OFFICERS WHO HAVE RECENTLY COMPLETED SIX-MONTH BASIC TRAINING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PASSING-OUT PARADE AT THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE AT 47 TUNG TAU WAN ROAD, STANLEY AT 9.45 AM TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

PRESS TRANSPORT WILL LEAVE THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS AT GUARDIAN HOUSE, 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI AT 9 AM SHARP.

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ELEVATED WALKWAY PLANNED FOR MONG KOK  
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THE GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING TO BUILD AN ELEVATED WALKWAY, PROVIDING PEDESTRIAN ACCESS BETWEEN BUTE STREET AND THE FUTURE TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE AT MONG KOK KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY STATION.

THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROJECT WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A GRADE-SEPARATED CROSSING AT THE JUNCTION OF SAI YEE STREET AND BUTE STREET.

THREE ELEVATORS WILL BE INSTALLED AND THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND DRAINS.

A NOTICE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORKS IS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

A PLAN CAN BE SEEN AT CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING MAIN ENTRANCE, HONG KONG; DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE (KOWLOON WEST), 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON; AND AT MONGKOK DISTRICT OFFICE, TUNG PING BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, 157 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD, KOWLOON.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS BEFORE JANUARY 10, 1984.

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FIRE APPLIANCES ON SHOW SUNDAY  
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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO LOOK CLOSELY AT VARIOUS TYPES OF FIRE APPLIANCES AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT WHEN THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT STAGES A STATIC DISPLAY AT EDINBURGH PLACE, CENTRAL, ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13).

THEY WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO SEE THE GIANT FIRE BOAT 6 WHICH WILL BE MOORED AT QUEEN'S PIER, AND BE ABLE TO GO ON GUIDED TOURS TO THE SPECIALLY DESIGNED VESSEL.

THE EXHIBITION WILL ALSO FEATURE FOR THE FIRST TIME THE MOBILE CASUALTY TREATMENT CENTRE WHICH IS EQUIPPED WITH FACILITIES TO HANDLE MAJOR ACCIDENTS AT THE SCENE.

THE EXHIBITION IS AIMED AT INTRODUCING THE IMPORTANT ROLE PLAYED BY THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN PROTECTING LIVES AND PROPERTY.

ON SHOW ALSO WILL BE THE WEST-GERMAN MADE 50-METRE TURNTABLE LADDER, ONE OF THE MOST MODERN FIRE APPLIANCES IN THE WORLD.

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OTHER APPLIANCES ON DISPLAY WILL INCLUDE AN AMBULANCE, A PUMP ESCAPE SNORKEL, AN EMERGENCY TENDER AND A MOBILE COMMAND UNIT (MCU), WHICH WILL BE MANNED BY SENIOR FIREWOMEN.

APART FROM THE STATIC DISPLAY, THE EXHIBITION WILL FEATURE A WIDE RANGE OF COLOUR AND BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING THE HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND ALSO THE WORK OF THE OFFICERS AND MEN IN VARIOUS UNITS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5 PM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

BEST DANCE GROUPS BEING CHOSEN  
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THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT DANCING COMPETITION WILL BE HELD THIS WEEKEND TO SELECT A NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING DANCE GROUPS FOR A PERFORMANCE IN THE KO SHAN THEATRE NEXT MONTH.

TWELVE TEAMS IN THE ORIENTAL DANCE DIVISION AND CHILDREN FROM THREE KINDERGARTENS IN THE SONG AND DANCE DIVISION WILL COMPETE TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

THE WESTERN DANCE SESSION WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENTS TO BE HELD AT 2.30 PM ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT THE PUI CHING MIDDLE SCHOOL ON WATERLOO ROAD.

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TEMPORARY KAI TAK ROAD TRAFFIC PLAN  
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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED TO FACILITATE THE REPAIR WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH THE BURSTING OF WATER MAINS AT THE JUNCTION OF KAI TAK ROAD AND CARPENTER ROAD.

- \* KAI TAK ROAD BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH CARPENTER ROAD AND LOK SIN ROAD IS CLOSED TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.
- \* RIGHT TURNS FROM TUNG TSING ROAD INTO LOK SIN ROAD SOUTHBOUND ARE NOT PERMITTED.
- \* NGA TSIN WAI ROAD BETWEEN TAK KU LING ROAD AND SA PO ROAD HAS BEEN RE-ROUTED TWO-WAY.

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\* SA PO ROAD HAS ALSO BEEN RE-ROUTED TWO-WAY.

\* KAI TAK ROAD BETWEEN CARPENTER ROAD AND NGA TSIN WAI ROAD HAS BEEN RE-ROUTED TWO-WAY.

MOTORISTS ON LOK SIN ROAD HEADING FOR KAI TAK ROAD AND SA PO ROAD ARE BEING DIVERTED TO USE TUNG LUNG ROAD, TUNG TAU TSUEN ROAD, JUNCTION ROAD AND NGA TSIN WAI ROAD.

KMB ROUTE NO. 2D OPERATING BETWEEN TUNG TAU ESTATE AND CHAK ON ESTATE HAS BEEN DIVERTED TO OPERATE VIA TUNG TAU TSUEN ROAD, JUNCTION ROAD, DUMBARTON ROAD, GRAMPIAN ROAD AND NGA TSIN WAI ROAD.

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MAXICAB OPERATION HOURS EXTENDED

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FROM SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13), OPERATION HOURS ON MAXICAB ROUTE 24 BETWEEN MOUNT BUTLER AND ADMIRALTY MTR STATION WILL BE EXTENDED ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE NEW OPERATING HOURS WILL BE 6.30 AM TO 10.30 PM FROM MOUNT BUTLER AND 7 AM TO 11 PM FROM ADMIRALTY MTR STATION.

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TRAFFIC DIVERSION FOR ROAD WORK

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC MEASURES WILL BE IN FORCE AT BONHAM ROAD FROM TOMORROW (SATURDAY) TO ALLOW ROAD RESURFACING WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT.

FROM MIDNIGHT TOMORROW TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE FLYOVER LINKING POKFULAM ROAD WITH BONHAM ROAD WILL BE CLOSED. TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HIGH STREET AND WESTERN STREET DURING THE CLOSURE.

FROM 7 PM TO MIDNIGHT TOMORROW, AND 6 AM ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13) TO 8 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14), A SECTION OF BONHAM ROAD OUTSIDE HOUSE NO. 69 WILL BE RESTRICTED TO ONE LANE FOR TWO-WAY TRAFFIC.

MEANWHILE, IN CENTRAL, EDINBURGH PLACE EAST BETWEEN THE EASTERN END OF URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND QUEEN'S PIER WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 8.30 AM TO 6 PM ON NOVEMBER 12, 13, 19 AND 20 TO ALLOW FOR ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CAREERS '84 EXHIBITION.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1983

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CAS HOLDING INTER-UNIT CONTEST

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THE CIVIL AID SERVICES WILL HOLD AN INTER-UNIT FIRST AID AND CASUALTY HANDLING COMPETITION FOR ITS MEMBERS ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 13).

A TOTAL OF 17 CAS TEAMS WILL TAKE PART IN THE COMPETITION, WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 9.15 AM AT THE CAS HEADQUARTERS AT 100 CAROLINE HILL ROAD.

THE PURPOSE IS TO RAISE CAS PROFICIENCY IN FIRST AID AND CASUALTY HANDLING IN THE FIELD.

AFTER THE COMPETITION, THE CAS CADET COMMANDANT, MR HOWARD YOUNG, WILL PRESENT THE 'C.Y. KWAN CUP' TO THE WINNING TEAM AND PENNANTS TO OTHER TEAMS.

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SAI KUNG WATER MAINS WORK

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN SAI KUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 14) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ALONG CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD BETWEEN SHAW'S STUDIO AND HIRAM'S HIGHWAY, INCLUDING TAI PO TSAI TSUEN AND TAI PO TSAI; AND HIRAM'S HIGHWAY BETWEEN CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND SAI SHA WAN, INCLUDING NAM WAI, PAK WAI, HO CHUNG, PAK SHA WAN, TUI MIN HOI, PO LO CHE, SHA KOK MEI AND SAI KUNG MARKET.

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