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LADY YOUDE PRESENTS AWARDS TO 632 STUDENTS

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LADY YOUDE TODAY (SATURDAY) PRESENTED AWARDS TO 632 STUDENTS WHO WERE GRANTED SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL FUND.

"IN ENCOURAGING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND LEADERSHIP AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE, THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL FUND IS COMMITTED TO OFFERING THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY A PART IN GUIDING HONG KONG TOWARDS A STABLE AND PROSPEROUS FUTURE," LADY YOUDE SAID.

LADY YOUDE HAD RETURNED FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM TO OFFICIATE AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY IN CITY HALL.

THE TOTAL WORTH OF THE SIR EDWARD YOUDE MEMORIAL AWARDS IN THE 1988-89 ACADEMIC YEAR WAS \$2.8 MILLION.

THIS INCLUDED THE AWARDS OF 519 PRIZES FOR SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, 59 SCHOLARSHIPS AND 36 FELLOWSHIPS FOR TERTIARY STUDENTS, EIGHT AWARDS FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES, SIX AWARDS FOR DISABLED STUDENTS AND FOUR MEDALS FOR STUDENTS WHO EXCELLED IN PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

THE FUND'S COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, MR STEPHEN CHEONG, POINTED OUT THAT THE AWARD SCHEME FOR DISABLED STUDENTS CAME INTO EFFECT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1988-89.

"THE SCHEME WAS DESIGNED FOR HANDICAPPED STUDENTS PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION. SIX STUDENTS WERE CHOSEN TO SHARE A GRANT OF ABOUT \$85,000 FOR PURCHASE OF TECHNICAL AIDS AND SERVICES," MR CHEONG SAID.

"IT PROVIDES A FRESH IMPETUS TO ENCOURAGE THE DISABLED'S ACADEMIC PURSUITS, AND HELPS ALLEVIATE, IN REAL TERMS, THE EXTRA LEARNING DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY DISABILITIES.

"WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THIS SCHEME IN OUR PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR."

SIR QUO-WEI LEE, CHAIRMAN OF THE FUND'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WHO ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE CEREMONY, SAID THE FUND'S PORTFOLIO HAD A MARKET VALUE OF CLOSE TO \$89 MILLION. THIS WAS 6.4 PER CENT MORE THAN THE \$83.5 MILLION RECEIVED IN DONATIONS SINCE SIR EDWARD PASSED AWAY IN DECEMBER 1986.

"I AM HAPPY TO SAY THAT THE FINANCIAL SITUATION IS MUCH BETTER THAN A YEAR AGO WHEN I HAD TO REPORT A DROP IN BOOK VALUE OF 3.4 PER CENT AS A RESULT OF THE STOCK MARKET CRASH IN OCTOBER 1987," SIR QUO-WEI SAID.

THE FUND'S INCOME IS TO BE USED, ACCORDING TO LADY YOUDE'S WISHES, ON THE PROVISION OF MORE OPPORTUNITIES IN EDUCATION AND RESEARCH.

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AFTER TWO YEAR'S OPERATION SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT IN DECEMBER 1986, THE FUND NOW ENCOMPASSES A TOTAL OF FIVE AWARD SCHEMES.

THE NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS MADE HAS INCREASED FROM THE INITIAL 545 TO 632.

RECIPIENTS NOW COVER STUDENTS AT ALL LEVELS FROM THE TWO UNIVERSITIES, THE TWO POLYTECHNICS, THE BAPTIST COLLEGE AND STUDENTS FROM ALL SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN HONG KONG.

THE FUND WELCOMES FURTHER DONATIONS TO ALL BRANCHES OF THE HONGKONG BANK, HANG SENG BANK AND HANG LUNG BANK, OR TO THE TRUST FUNDS AND CEMETERY SECTION OF THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

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POLICE ACT FOR COMMUNITY: AG

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THE POLICE ACT FOR THE COMMUNITY IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW AND IT IS ON THE LAW AND ON ITS ENFORCEMENT THAT THE LIBERTIES OF THE COMMUNITY RESTS, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR JEREMY MATHEWS, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT A PASSING OUT PARADE AT THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL IN WONG CHUK HANG, MR MATHEWS POINTED OUT THAT POLICE OFFICERS COULD NOT SUCCESSFULLY CARRY OUT THE TASK OF MAINTAINING LAW AND ORDER WITHOUT THE SUPPORT AND CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG.

"THE COMMUNITY WILL EXPECT YOU TO MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARDS OF LAW AND ORDER; TO SOLVE CRIMES QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY; AND NOT TO INCONVENIENCE THEM AS THEY GO ABOUT THEIR DAILY BUSINESS," SAID MR MATHEWS.

HE TOLD THE GRADUATES THAT ALTHOUGH POLICE OFFICERS WERE ARMED WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND POWERS, THEY HAD BEEN RECRUITED FROM THE PUBLIC AND REMAINED MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL BODY OF CITIZENS.

"THE POLICE RELY ON THE PUBLIC AND THE PUBLIC RELY ON THEM. WITHOUT MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AND GOODWILL, IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER," MR MATHEWS SAID.

HE ALSO TOLD THE OFFICERS THAT THEY SHOULD ATTEMPT TO INSTIL PUBLIC RESPECT AND CONFIDENCE IN THE POLICE FORCE WHEN DISCHARGING THEIR DUTIES, BEARING IN MIND THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS:

- * POLICE OFFICERS SHOULD NEVER REGARD THEMSELVES AS DISTINCT AND HOSTILE TO THE PUBLIC, BUT RATHER AS IMPORTANT AND VIGILANT PROTECTORS;

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- * POLICE PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN ESTABLISHING THE MORALITY OF THE COMMUNITY;
- * THOUGH POLICE OFFICERS MUST BE PREPARED TO ACT FIRMLY AND DECISIVELY, THEY MUST ALWAYS BE COURTEOUS AND NEVER OFFICIOUS, AND TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THEIR ACTIONS UNDERSTAND WHAT IS BEING DONE AND THE NEED FOR THE ACTION BEING TAKEN;
- * POLICE OFFICERS SHOULD ALWAYS TREAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO REQUIRE HELP OR IN TROUBLE WITH KINDNESS AND PATIENCE.

ON PARADE TODAY WERE 32 INSPECTORS AND 307 CONSTABLES AS WELL AS A CONTINGENT OF 296 RECRUITS NOW UNDER TRAINING IN THE SCHOOL.

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BOARDS PAY \$5 MILLION IN INJURIES COMPENSATION

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THE CRIMINAL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT INJURIES COMPENSATION (CLEIC) BOARDS PAID OUT ABOUT \$5 MILLION IN COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OR THEIR DEPENDANTS IN 1987-88, COMPARED WITH ABOUT \$6 MILLION IN THE PRECEDING YEAR, ACCORDING TO THE BOARDS' LATEST ANNUAL REPORT.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARDS, MR ROBERT TANG, EXPLAINED THAT THE DECLINE IN THE AMOUNT OF PAYMENT WAS MAINLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A LARGER PROPORTION OF SMALL CLAIMS IN WHICH THE VICTIMS SUSTAINED MINOR INJURIES REQUIRING A SHORTER TERM OF HOSPITALISATION OR SICK LEAVE.

THESE PAYMENTS WERE AWARDED IN 824 CRIMINAL INJURIES CASES AND ONE REIVEW LAW ENFORCEMENT INJURIES CASE.

THEY BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GRANTS AWARDED SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE CLEIC SCHEME IN 1973 TO \$37.8 MILLION.

MR TANG NOTED THAT A TOTAL OF 1,206 APPLICATIONS FOR COMPENSATION WERE RECEIVED IN THE YEAR, REPRESENTING 15.5 PER CENT OF THE 7,792 REPORTED CASES OF CRIMINAL INJURIES DURING THE PERIOD.

VICTIMS OF ASSAULT AND WOUNDING AS WELL AS ROBBERY, THEFT AND BURGLARY MADE UP THE MAJORITY, OR ABOUT 93 PER CENT, OF THE APPLICANTS.

THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE OF ALMOST 25 PER CENT IN APPLICATIONS ARISING FROM CASES OF ASSAULT AND WOUNDING. THESE TOTALLED 869, COMPARED WITH 700 IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, ALTHOUGH CASES OF ROBBERY, THEFT AND BURGLARY DECLINED BY ABOUT 21 PER CENT, TOTALLING 256 AS AGAINST 324.

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APPLICATIONS RELATED TO CASES OF HOMICIDE, MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER REMAINED UNCHANGED AT 34 CASES. APPLICATIONS RELATING TO ARSON DROPPED FROM 25 TO FIVE CASES.

OF THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED, 767 WERE REFERRED BY THE POLICE AND A TOTAL OF 428 WERE SUBMITTED BY THE VICTIMS THEMSELVES OR THEIR FAMILIES.

DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW, THE HIGHEST SINGLE PAYMENT OF \$53,370 WAS AWARDED TO FIVE DEPENDANTS OF A TAXI DRIVER WHO WAS KILLED IN A HOMICIDE CASE. THE LOWEST AWARD WAS \$190.

THE ASSESSMENT OF THE APPLICANT'S ENTITLEMENT TO VARIOUS TYPES OF GRANTS UNDER THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE OF THE SCHEME DEPENDED ON A NUMBER OF FACTORS, INCLUDING THE VICTIM'S MEDICAL CONDITION, EMPLOYMENT RECORDS, AND DEGREE OF DISABILITY.

IN SOME CASES, IT WOULD TAKE A CONSIDERABLE TIME BEFORE THE ENTITLEMENT COULD BE FULLY COMPUTED. IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE APPLICANTS, IT WAS THE USUAL PRACTICE TO APPROVE INTERIM AWARDS AS SOON AS THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE APPLICANTS FOR CERTAIN TYPES OF GRANTS COULD BE ESTABLISHED.

AS A MEANS OF IMPROVING THE WORKING OF THE CLEIC SCHEME, THE BOARDS HAD PROPOSED TO EXTEND THE MAXIMUM PAYMENT PERIOD OF INJURY GRANT AND INTERIM ADJUSTMENT GRANT TO VICTIMS OF SERIOUS INJURIES FROM THREE MONTHS TO SIX MONTHS.

ANOTHER PROPOSAL WAS TO GIVE THE BOARDS DISCRETIONARY POWER TO INCREASE THE AWARDS TO RAPE VICTIMS, AND TO VICTIMS WHO HAD DEMONSTRATED EXEMPLARY EFFORTS IN ASSISTING THE POLICE IN THE IDENTIFICATION AND ARREST OF CRIMINALS, IN SPITE OF PERSONAL EMBARRASSMENT, INCONVENIENCE OR FEAR.

THE PROPOSALS WERE ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT APPOINTED
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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR PANG HAU-CHUNG AS THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT.

MR PANG JOINED GOVERNMENT SERVICE IN 1962 AS AN APPRENTICE ENGINEER. HE WAS PROMOTED TO ASSISTANT ENGINEER IN 1964, ENGINEER IN 1967, SENIOR ENGINEER IN 1973 AND CHIEF ENGINEER IN 1980.

MR PANG HAS BEEN AN ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT SINCE 1982. HIS NEW APPOINTMENT WILL TAKE EFFECT ON JUNE 12.

THE CURRENT DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR RICHARD SCURFIELD, WILL BE LEAVING THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT TO JOIN AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION AFTER MORE THAN SIX YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE GOVERNMENT.

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GOVERNOR TO VISIT WAN CHAI

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, WILL VISIT WAN CHAI ON MONDAY (MAY 15) TO SEE THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

SIR DAVID WILL FIRST LOOK AT THE CAR REPAIR WORKSHOPS IN TAI HANG AND THE USE OF SPACE UNDER THE TAI HANG ROAD FLYOVER.

HE WILL THEN BE BRIEFED ON THE PLAN TO RESITE HAWKERS FROM WAN CHAI ROAD, BEFORE VISITING THE WAN CHAI POST OFFICE. HE WILL ALSO BE UPDATED ON THE WU CHUNG HOUSE AND TOWER HOTEL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AT QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

HIS LAST STOP WILL BE THE GREAT EAGLE CENTRE WHERE HE WILL MEET WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND LOCAL PERSONALITIES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE GOVERNOR'S VISIT TO WAN CHAI ON MONDAY (MAY 15). MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE JUNCTION OF KING STREET AND BROWN STREET (OPPOSITE CHINESE RECREATION CLUB) IN TAI HANG AT 2 PM.

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'GUIDE TO TAXI SERVICE' PUBLISHED

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS PUBLISHED "A GUIDE TO TAXI SERVICE" OUTLINING THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF TAXI DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS IN A BID TO HELP REDUCE MISUNDERSTANDINGS THAT MAY ARISE FROM TAXI SERVICES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID THAT AN AMPLE SUPPLY OF THE BILINGUAL TAXI GUIDE WAS READY FOR FREE DISTRIBUTION TO THE PUBLIC.

THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL SEND COPIES OF THE GUIDE TO TAXI DRIVERS THROUGH TAXI ASSOCIATIONS. COPIES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING OFFICES, VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRES AND DRIVING TEST CENTRES.

THE GUIDE EXPLAINS IN GENERAL TERMS THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS GOVERNING TAXI SERVICES AS TO THE TYPES OF TAXIS, CARRYING CAPACITY, OPERATING AREAS, WAYS TO HIRE A TAXI, AND TAXI FARES.

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THE GUIDE ALSO PROVIDES A SUMMARY OF THE IMPORTANT POINTS REGARDING OBLIGATIONS AND CONDUCT OF TAXI DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS AS FOLLOWS:

TAXI DRIVERS:

- (I) SHOULD NOT REFUSE TO ACCEPT A HIRE. AS FAR AS POSSIBLE CARRY THE PASSENGER TO THE REQUIRED DESTINATION BY THE MOST DIRECT ROUTE UNLESS THE OPERATION IS CONSIDERED UNSAFE DUE TO FACTORS SUCH AS UNSAFE ROAD CONDITIONS OR EXTREME WEATHER (RAINSTROM, FLOODING, THICK FOG) AT THE DESTINATION. THE DRIVERS SHOULD EXPLAIN THE SITUATION TO THE PASSENGER;
- (II) SHOULD NOT REFUSE TO CARRY PASSENGERS WHEN THE NUMBER OF PERSONS HAS NOT EXCEEDED THE PERMITTED SEATING CAPACITY OF THE TAXI;
- (III) SHOULD NOT PERMIT ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE HIRER TO ENTER THE TAXI WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE HIRER;
- (IV) SHOULD NOT CAUSE THE VEHICLES TO REMAIN STATIONARY ON A ROAD LONGER THAN IS NECESSARY TO PICK UP OR SET DOWN PASSENGERS;
- (V) SHOULD NOT LOITER OR STOP ELSEWHERE THAN AT A TAXI STAND OR AT PLACES WHERE TAXIS ARE PERMITTED TO STOP, EXCEPT IN THE EVENT OF AN ACCIDENT OR BECAUSE OF UNAVOIDABLE CIRCUMSTANCES OR AS DIRECTED BY UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICERS;
- (VI) SHOULD NOT CONGREGATE OR ASSEMBLE WITH OTHER DRIVERS TO THE ANNOYANCE OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC;
- (VII) SHOULD NOT SMOKE WHEN A PASSENGER IS IN THE VEHICLE;
- (VIII) SHOULD ALWAYS BE CLEAN AND TIDY;
- (IX) SHOULD ALWAYS INFORM PASSENGERS OF THE PROPER FARE;
- (X) SHOULD ALWAYS PAY DUE ATTENTION TO PASSENGERS' SAFETY AND ENSURE THAT ALL EXITS OF THE VEHICLE ARE FREE FROM OBSTRUCTION AND ARE NOT LOCKED; AND
- (XI) SHOULD ALWAYS CARRY AT LEAST \$100 CHANGE IN NOTES AND COINS, WHEN THE TAXI IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE.

TAXI PASSENGERS:

- (I) SHOULD NOT USE OBSCENE OR OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE;
- (II) SHOULD NOT OBSTRUCT OR DISTURB THE DRIVER;

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- (III) SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE WORKING OF THE TAXI, DAMAGE OR SOIL ANY EQUIPMENT OR PARTS OF THE TAXI;
- (IV) SHOULD NOT ENTER OR ALIGHT FROM THE TAXI WHEN IT IS STILL MOVING OR IN NO-STOPPING ZONES;
- (V) SHOULD NOT INSIST ON BOARDING A TAXI IF THE NUMBER OF PERSONS EXCEEDS THE SEATING CAPACITY SHOWN ON THE SEATING PLATE AFFIXED TO THE FRONT AND THE BACK OF A TAXI;
- (VI) SHOULD NOT THROW ANYTHING OUT OF THE TAXI;
- (VII) SHOULD NOT HANG ANYTHING OUT OF THE TAXI OVER THE ROAD;
- (VIII) SHOULD NOT LEAN OUT OF THE TAXI;
- (IX) SHOULD NOT CARRY DANGEROUS AND OFFENSIVE ARTICLES AND UNLESS AUTHORISED SHOULD NOT CARRY FIREARMS.

CONVICTION OF OFFENCES UNDER THE ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS RENDERS THE OFFENDER LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$3,000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS.

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SWD HELPS SOLVE FAMILY PROBLEMS

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AFTER DINNER, VERONICA CHAN, A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT CASEWORKER, WAS WATCHING TV WITH HER FAMILY. IN THE MIDDLE OF A TV PROGRAMME, THE PHONE RANG.

IT WAS A CALL FROM HER SUPERVISOR WHO NEEDED HER ASSISTANCE AFTER RECEIVING A CALL FROM THE DEPARTMENT HOTLINE. THERE WAS A REPORT FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC ON A SUSPECTED CASE OF CHILD ABUSE.

THE INFORMANT WAS A RESIDENT IN A PRIVATE ESTATE ON HONG KONG ISLAND. SHE HAD BECOME INCREASINGLY WORRIED AS SHE OFTEN OVERHEARD A MAN CURSING AND A BOY CRYING.

WHEN VERONICA ARRIVED AT THE ADDRESS, SHE FOUND THE PLACE QUIET. SHE HESITATED FOR A MOMENT, THEN PRESSED THE DOOR BELL.

A WOMAN IN HER EARLY THIRTIES ANSWERED THE DOOR. VERONICA INTRODUCED HERSELF, GIVING HER REASONS FOR VISITING THE FAMILY AT THAT TIME OF THE DAY, AND PRODUCED HER GOVERNMENT IDENTITY CARD. THE WOMAN HESITATED, AND SOUGHT ADVICE FROM A MAN BEFORE VERONICA WAS ALLOWED TO ENTER THE FLAT.

THERE, VERONICA SAW A SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY SOBBING. HIS FATHER, A CANE IN HAND, WAS SUPERVISING THE BOY IN DOING HIS HOMEWORK.

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SHE WAS TOLD THAT THE BOY WAS NAUGHTY AND LACKING IN SELF-CONTROL, WITH THE RESULT THAT HE SELDOM MANAGED TO COMPLETE HIS SCHOOL WORK BEFORE HE SLEPT. WHEN THE FATHER DISCOVERED THIS ON HIS RETURN FROM WORK, THE BOY WOULD BE PUNISHED.

AFTER A PRELIMINARY UNDERSTANDING, VERONICA FORMED THE IMPRESSION THAT THIS WAS MORE A CHILD DISCIPLINE CASE. BEING SATISFIED THAT THE BOY WAS NOT EXPOSED TO IMMEDIATE RISK, SHE DECIDED TO RETURN AGAIN FOR FURTHER EXPLORATION. A MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF THE BOY MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO CONFIRM HER BELIEF.

COMMENTING ON THE ABOVE CASE, THE DEPARTMENT'S REGIONAL OFFICER (HONG KONG), MR KWOK NAI-SIK, SAID THAT IT WAS ONE OF SOME 4,000 NEW CASES HANDLED BY THE FIVE FAMILY SERVICES CENTRES IN THE DEPARTMENT'S HONG KONG REGION LAST YEAR.

HE SAID THE MAJORITY OF CASES DEALT WITH BY THE FIVE FAMILY SERVICES CENTRES DURING THE YEAR WERE DIRECT APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICES. THE REST WERE EITHER REFERRED THROUGH VARIOUS SOURCES AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA REPORTS.

WHILE SOME CASES COULD BE DEALT WITH SPEEDILY BY THE INTAKE CASEWORKER, SOME, SUCH AS THE ONE HANDLED BY VERONICA, WOULD REQUIRE A HIGH LEVEL OF INTERVENTION SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE.

"A CASEWORKER HAS TO OVERCOME THE INITIAL SUSPICIONS AND RESISTANCE OF THE CLIENTS WHO HAVE NOT CALLED FOR THE SERVICES," MR KWOK POINTED OUT.

"SHE HAS TO EXERCISE PATIENCE AND PERSEVERANCE IN WINNING THE TRUST OF THE CLIENTS WITHIN A SHORT TIME SPAN.

"SHE HAS TO BE RESOURCEFUL IN ENLISTING SUPPORT AND SERVICES AFTER OFFICE HOURS. AND, OF COURSE, SHE HAS TO BE PROFESSIONALLY COMPETENT AND INDEPENDENT IN HANDLING CRISES ON HER OWN."

MR KWOK EXPLAINED THAT THE FAMILY SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT AIMED AT PRESERVING AND STRENGTHENING THE FAMILY UNIT. THIS INVOLVED HELPING INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO PREVENT SERIOUS PROBLEMS AND CRISES FROM ARISING.

"IF PROBLEMS HAVE ALREADY DEVELOPED TO THE EXTENT WHERE THE INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY CANNOT COPE WITHIN ITS OWN RESOURCES, PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS SHOULD BE APPROACHED FOR COUNSELLING OR OTHER PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE.

"REMEMBER, EARLY INTERVENTION IS ALWAYS THE STRATEGY," HE ADDED.

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PHOTO EXHIBITION ON XINJIANG OPENS

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO VISIT A PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION ON CHINA'S NORTHWESTERN REGION OF XINJIANG AT THE EXHIBITION HALL OF THE SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE FROM TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE PICTURES, MAINLY ON NATURAL LANDSCAPE AND HISTORICAL PLACES, WERE TAKEN BY PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS FROM HONG KONG AND THEIR XINJIANG COUNTERPARTS.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN 11 AM AND 7 PM DAILY UNTIL MAY 21.

IT IS ORGANISED BY THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION, THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF HONG KONG.

AFTER OFFICIATING AT THE EXHIBITION'S OPENING CEREMONY TODAY (SATURDAY) THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER, SAID THE STANDARD OF THE EXHIBITS WAS VERY HIGH.

"LOCAL RESIDENTS SHOULD NOT MISS THE OPPORTUNITY OF VISITING THE PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION, IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER THEY HAVE BEEN TO XINJIANG OR NOT," MR FISHER ADDED.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS INCLUDED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, MR AMBROSE LAU; AN URBAN COUNCILLOR, MR CHOW WAI-KEUNG; PRESIDENT OF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF HONG KONG, MR TAM NING; AND THE HONORARY PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION, MESSRS IP YEUK-LAM AND WONG CHUNG-YING, RESPECTIVELY.

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DB TO DISCUSS TSING YI RISK REASSESSMENT REPORT

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THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY (MAY 15) TO DISCUSS THE TSING YI ISLAND RISK REASSESSMENT REPORT ISSUED BY THE LANDS AND WORKS BRANCH LAST MONTH.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE LANDS AND WORKS BRANCH, FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT AND KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICE WILL ATTEND THE MEETING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD SPECIAL MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON MONDAY (MAY 15) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, 10TH FLOOR, KWAI HING GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, KWAI CHUNG.

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VOLUNTEERS TO HOLD ANNUAL PARADE

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THE ROYAL HONG KONG REGIMENT (THE VOLUNTEERS) WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL PASSING-OUT PARADE AT THE REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS IN HAPPY VALLEY TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES HONG KONG, MAJOR GENERAL G.D. JOHNSON, WILL INSPECT THE PARADE OF 117 MEN AND 22 WOMEN OF RECRUIT CADRE NO. 45 WHO HAVE COMPLETED A SIX-MONTH MILITARY TRAINING PROGRAMME AND WILL BECOME MEMBERS OF THE REGIMENT.

MAJOR GENERAL JOHNSON WILL PRESENT AWARDS TO THE BEST RECRUIT, THE BEST SHOT AND THE BEST TROOP DURING THE CEREMONY.

HE WILL ALSO PRESENT THE EFFICIENCY MEDALS AND THE EFFICIENCY DECORATION TO 21 SERVING VOLUNTEERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PARADE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 10 AM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS AT 1 SPORTS ROAD, HAPPY VALLEY.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE 15 MINUTES EARLIER.

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PUBLIC DUMP IN HUNG HOM OPENS

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THE CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE PUBLIC DUMP AT HUNG HOM BAY RECLAMATION PHASE II, OFF HUNG HOM WAN STREET, WILL BE OPENED FROM WEDNESDAY (MAY 17).

THE FACILITY WILL BE OPENED TO HOLDERS OF VALID DUMPING LICENCES IN HONG KONG AND KOWLOON FROM 8.30 AM TO 6 PM DAILY, EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

THE ACCESS TO THE DUMP IS THROUGH THE JUNCTION OF HUNG HOM WAN STREET EXTENSION AND THE NORTH-SOUTH DUAL CARRIAGEWAY, HUNG HOM.

VEHICLES ENTERING THE DUMP ARE REQUIRED TO DISPLAY VALID WINDSHIELD STICKERS ISSUED TOGETHER WITH THE DUMPING LICENCES.

DUMPING LICENCES MAY BE OBTAINED FREE OF CHARGE BY APPLYING TO THE CHIEF ENGINEER, PORT WORKS DIVISION, CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR, EMPIRE CENTRE, 68 MODY ROAD, TSIM SHA TSUI EAST, KOWLOON.

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FRESH WATER SUSPENSION IN FIVE AREAS

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 8 PM ON TUESDAY (MAY 16) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE CONNECTION OF WATER MAINS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY WING KIN ROAD, WING KEI ROAD, WING LAP STREET, WING HAU STREET AND KWAI HEI STREET.

FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TAI KOK TSUI AND SHEUNG WAN WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (MAY 17) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE AREA AFFECTED IN TAI KOK TSUI IS BOUNDED BY ANCHOR STREET, LIME STREET, FUK TSUN STREET, ELM STREET, BEECH STREET, OAK STREET, TIT SHU STREET, IVY STREET, PALM STREET, TAI KOK TSUI ROAD AND PINE STREET.

THE AREA AFFECTED IN SHEUNG WAN IS BOUNDED BY POK FU LAM ROAD, FIRST STREET, SECOND STREET, THIRD STREET, HIGH STREET, WESTERN STREET, CENTRE STREET, EASTERN STREET, HING HON ROAD, SAI WA LANE, WESTERN GARDEN, YU PO LANE, NG FUK LANE, FUK SAU LANE, SHEUNG FUNG LANE, TAK SING LANE, DAVID LANE, UN FUK LANE, UI ON LANE, KWOK HING LANE, YU LOK LANE, CHEUNG ON LANE, LEUNG I FONG, UN SHING LANE AND WEST END TERRACE.

ALSO TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SAI KUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY (MAY 18) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE AREA AFFECTED IS BOUNDED BY HIRAM'S HIGHWAY, PO TUNG ROAD AND TAI MONG TSAI ROAD, INCLUDING TAN CHEUNG AND SHA KOK MEI.

ON THE SAME DAY, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES ON LANTAU ISLAND WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM TO FACILITATE WATER WORKS.

ALL PREMISES ALONG SOUTH LANTAU ROAD, FROM PUI O KAU VILLAGE TO SHUI HAU VILLAGE, WILL BE AFFECTED.

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LANE CLOSURES ON TOLO HIGHWAY IN SHA TIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD T6 IN SHA TIN, THE NORTHBOUND AND SOUTHBOUND FAST LANES OF TOLO HIGHWAY FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE TO A POINT ABOUT 470 METRES SOUTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE CLOSED FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 15) FOR 12 MONTHS.

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TEMPORARY URBAN CLEARWAYS IN NORTH POINT, SAI YING PUN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 15), THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF TSAT TSZ MUI ROAD IN NORTH POINT BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH HEALTHY STREET EAST AND A POINT ABOUT 55 METRES TO THE EAST WILL BE DESIGNATED A 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY URBAN CLEARWAY.

THIS MEASURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS TO FACILITATE GAS MAIN LAYING WORKS.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SOUTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF KO SHING STREET IN SAI YING PUN FROM A POINT ABOUT 12 METRES WEST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH LI SHING STREET TO A POINT ABOUT 12 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE DESIGNATED AN URBAN CLEARWAY ROUND-THE-CLOCK FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS FOR DRAINAGE WORKS.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS.

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ROAD CLOSURE IN WONG TAI SIN
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CABLE LAYING WORKS BY THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO. LTD AT KING HONG STREET IN SAN PO KONG, THE SECTION OF KING HONG STREET BETWEEN ITS JUNCTION WITH THE ACCESS ROAD LEADING TO BLOCKS 5 AND 6 OF SAN PO KONG FACTORY ESTATE AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST WILL BE CLOSED FROM 9 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 15).

DURING THE CLOSURE, WHICH WILL LAST FOR TWO WEEKS, MOTORISTS IN KING FUK STREET HEADING FOR THE FLYOVER LEADING TO CONCORDE ROAD ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA KING FUK STREET, KING TAI STREET AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN KOWLOON CITY
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT ON COMPLETION OF THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE ARGYLE STREET/LOMOND ROAD JUNCTION IN KOWLOON CITY, THE RIGHT TURN FROM PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST EASTBOUND ONTO LOMOND ROAD WILL BE RE-OPENED FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 15).

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH FLYOVER CONSTRUCTION
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE NORTHERN WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF THE SECTION OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST IN KOWLOON CITY BETWEEN KING TAI STREET AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST WILL BE CLOSED FROM 12.01 AM TO 5 AM DAILY BETWEEN MONDAY (MAY 15) AND FRIDAY (MAY 19).

THE ARRANGEMENT IS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FLYOVERS AT PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST OUTSIDE THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES FROM KWUN TONG AND SAN PO KONG HEADING FOR MONG KOK WILL BE DIVERTED TO TRAVEL VIA THE SOUTHERN WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF PRINCE EDWARD ROAD EAST, THE KOWLOON CITY ROUNDABOUT AND PRINCE EDWARD ROAD WEST.

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TRAFFIC DIVERSION IN SAI KUNG
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 15), THE RIGHT TURNING, IN SAI KUNG, FROM PO TUNG ROAD NORTHBOUND INTO MAN NIN STREET WILL BE BANNED FOR THREE WEEKS TO FACILITATE RECONSTRUCTION WORKS ON MAN NIN STREET.

VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON PO TUNG ROAD HEADING FOR MAN NIN STREET WILL BE DIVERTED TO TRAVEL VIA PO TUNG ROAD, FUK MAN ROAD, CHAN MAN STREET, FUK MAN ROAD, PO TUNG ROAD AND MAN NIN STREET.

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SHA TIN BUS LANES TO EXTEND OPERATING HOURS
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THE OPERATING PERIOD OF BUS LANES DESIGNATED ALONG CHE KUNG MIU ROAD, HUNG MUI KUK ROAD AND LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD IN SHA TIN WILL BE EXTENDED TO COVER THE EVENING PEAK HOURS, FROM MONDAY (MAY 15), THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (SATURDAY).

THE BUS LANES ARE CURRENTLY IN FORCE BETWEEN 7.30 AM AND 9.30 AM. FROM MONDAY THEY WILL ALSO BE EFFECTIVE BETWEEN 4 PM AND 7 PM.

THE BUS LANES ARE IN OPERATION DAILY EXCEPT ON SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THE EXTENSION OF THE OPERATING PERIOD OF THE BUS LANES WAS TO FACILITATE THE MOVEMENT OF BUSES FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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