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ASSESSMENT REPORT AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC  
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COPIES OF THE ASSESSMENT OFFICE AND INDEPENDENT MONITORING TEAM REPORTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY), A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS CAN COLLECT COPIES OF THE REPORTS AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, CONNAUGHT PLACE AND ALL DISTRICT OFFICES DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID 100 000 COPIES OF THE REPORTS IN CHINESE AND 100 000 IN ENGLISH HAD BEEN PRINTED.

COPIES OF THE ANNEXES TO THE ASSESSMENT OFFICE REPORT WILL ALSO BE PLACED AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND PUBLIC LIBRARIES FOR PUBLIC REFERENCE.

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GOVERNOR, UMELCO LEAVING FOR UK  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL LEAVE FOR LONDON TOMORROW (FRIDAY) ON FLIGHT CX 201, ETD 10.50 PM.

ALSO TRAVELLING ON THE FLIGHT WILL BE 12 UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THERE WILL BE A PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITY FOR COVERAGE OF TOMORROW'S DEPARTURE. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND CAMERAMEN SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM BY 9.50 PM.

GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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STEPS TOWARDS REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT  
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HONG KONG'S POLITICAL SYSTEM WAS MAKING GREAT STRIDES TOWARDS REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE WOULD HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITIES AND CHANNELS TO PARTICIPATE IN POLICY-MAKING, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE ANNUAL SPEECH DAY OF THE TAI PO WONG SHIU CHI MIDDLE SCHOOL, MR HSU SAID FOR THIS SYSTEM TO ACHIEVE ITS DESIRED EFFECTS, PEOPLE MUST HAVE CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY AND A CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY.

HE HOPED STUDENTS WOULD BROADEN THEIR HORIZON, UNDERSTAND THEIR COMMUNITY AND LEARN ABOUT DISTRICT AFFAIRS.

+FOR IN A FEW YEARS' TIME, YOU WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER AS VOTERS FOR DISTRICT BOARD OR REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS,+ MR HSU SAID.

BUT HE SAID UNDERSTANDING AND LEARNING TO USE THIS RIGHT TOOK TIME.

BEFORE THIS RIGHT COULD BE BROUGHT INTO FULL PLAY, ONE MUST PAY ATTENTION TO COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND HAVE A SENSE OF BELONGING, HE ADDED.

FOR THIS REASON, THE GOVERNMENT WAS PLANNING TO ADD A SUBJECT ON GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS TO THE MATRICULATION CURRICULUM.

+STILL THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS YOUR SPONTANEOUS CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THE FORMULATION OF GOVERNMENT POLICIES CAN MEET THE NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC,+ MR HSU SAID.

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EEC'S MEASURES WELCOMED  
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THE TRADE DEPARTMENT TODAY (THURSDAY) IN RESPONSE TO PRESS ENQUIRIES WELCOMED THE EEC'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF A PACKAGE OF MEASURES TO LIBERALISE THE ILLEGAL IMPORT RESTRAINTS IMPOSED BY FRANCE ON CERTAIN HONG KONG PRODUCTS.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT AT THE CURRENT MEETING OF THE 40TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) IN GENEVA, THE LEADER OF THE EEC DELEGATION, MR PAUL LUYTEN HAD ANNOUNCED ON NOVEMBER 27 FURTHER LIBERALISATION OF THE REMAINING ILLEGAL QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON HONG KONG'S EXPORTS OF UMBRELLAS, RADIO RECEIVERS AND TOYS TO FRANCE.

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THE MEASURES INCLUDE DE FACTO LIBERALISATION OF RESTRICTION ON UMBRELLAS, A 20 PER CENT INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL LEVEL OF THE QUOTA FOR RADIO RECEIVERS, AND AN INCREASE IN QUOTA FOR TOYS IN THREE STAGES LEADING TO WITHDRAWAL OF RESTRICTIONS ON JANUARY 1, 1987.

IN WELCOMING THE MOVE, MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, HONG KONG'S COUNSELLOR IN GENEVA, DESCRIBED THIS AS A POSITIVE AND HELPFUL GESTURE BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

HOWEVER, HE NOTED THAT THERE WOULD STILL BE RESTRAINTS ON RADIO RECEIVERS AND TOYS. HE THEREFORE URGED THE COMMUNITY TO EFFECT THE FINAL ELIMINATION OF THESE RESTRAINTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND NOT TO FACILITATE THEIR FUTURE CONTINUATION.

THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE IN BRUSSELS IS OBTAINING FURTHER DETAILS FROM THE EEC COMMISSION.

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TSB TO CONSIDER HK'S REFERRAL  
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THE TEXTILES SURVEILLANCE BODY (TSB) IN GENEVA WILL DISCUSS ON DECEMBER 12 TO 14 THE REFERRAL BY HONG KONG OF FOUR EXPORT AUTHORISATION (EA) CALLS BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE THREE CASES OF SHIPMENTS OF HONG KONG-MADE SWEATERS HELD UP BY U.S. CUSTOMS.

THE SHIPMENTS WERE REFUSED ENTRY TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE NEW COUNTRY OF ORIGIN RULES ALTHOUGH PROPERLY LICENSED UNDER THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT.

THE FOUR EA CALLS RELATE TO CATEGORY 652 (MAN-MADE FIBRE UNDERWEAR), CATEGORY 637 (MAN-MADE FIBRE PLAYSUITS, ETC), CATEGORY 650 (MAN-MADE FIBRE DRESSING GOWNS), AND CATEGORY 651 (MAN-MADE FIBRE NIGHTWEAR).

THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, MR HAMISH MACLEOD, WILL LEAVE BY AIR FOR GENEVA ON DECEMBER 7 TO PRESENT HONG KONG'S CASE TO THE TSB. HE IS EXPECTED TO RETURN ON DECEMBER 16.

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HOSPITAL PROJECT ON TIME  
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THE KEEN INTEREST SHOWN BY THE COMMUNITY AND THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, HAVE HELPED THE EASTERN DISTRICT HOSPITAL PROJECT TO PROCEED ON TIME, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM SAID TODAY.

SPEAKING AT THE RIBBON-CUTTING AND GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT HOSPITAL HELD TODAY IN LOK MAN ROAD, CHAI WAN, MR WIGGHAM SAID THAT THE LARGE NUMBER OF RIBBON-CUTTERS PARTICIPATING IN THE CEREMONY WAS A REFLECTION OF THE WIDE RANGE OF ORGANISATIONS WHICH HAD CONTRIBUTED TO THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT.

+THE COMMUNITY HAVE TAKEN A CLOSE INTEREST IN THIS VERY SIGNIFICANT PROJECT FOR THE DISTRICT, AND INTEREST GROUPS AND THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD HAVE ALL CONTRIBUTED THEIR HELP IN SECURING THE SITE IN TIME FOR THE SITE FORMATION OF THE HOSPITAL,+ MR WIGGHAM ADDED.

HE ALSO PAID TRIBUTE TO THE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND THEIR FLEXIBILITY IN CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE SEVERE TIME LIMITS.

THE 1 450-BED EASTERN DISTRICT HOSPITAL, THE FIRST FULLY-EQUIPPED GENERAL HOSPITAL IN THE DISTRICT, WILL PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF SPECIALIST TREATMENT FACILITIES, INCLUDING PSYCHIATRY, A ROUND-THE-CLOCK ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICE, A NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOL AND A SPECIALISTS' OUTPATIENT CLINIC.

SITE FORMATION WORK ON THE HOSPITAL HAS BEGUN AND WILL TAKE ABOUT 22 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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'HK DOING GOOD HOUSING JOB'  
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HONG KONG'S PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMME NOT ONLY IS DEVELOPING AT A FAST PACE, BUT ALSO HAS ATTAINED A VERY HIGH STANDARD, A SENIOR CHINESE OFFICIAL SAID TODAY.

+AND THESE CAN BE SEEN FROM THIS LARGE-SCALE EXHIBITION,+ SAID THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF SHENZHEN, MADAM LI CHUAN-FANG, THIS MORNING AFTER VISITING THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S +BETTER HOMES IN ESTATES+ EXHIBITION IN THE CITY HALL.

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+I'M PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE FIELD OF HOUSING MANAGEMENT; AND IN THIS RESPECT HONG KONG IS DOING A GOOD JOB,+ SHE ADDED.

MADAM LI AND HER PARTY HAD COME TO HONG KONG SPECIFICALLY FOR THE EXHIBITION, ON THE INVITATION OF THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, MR DONALD LIAO.

HER VIEWS WERE SHARED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHINA STATE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING CORPORATION IN BEIJING, MR ZHANG ENSHU, WHO ALSO VISITED THE EXHIBITION WITH SEVEN OFFICIALS FROM THE CHINA OVERSEAS BUILDING DEVELOPMENT COMPANY IN HONG KONG.

MR ZHANG SAID: +I WAS HERE IN 1978 AND SINCE THEN HONG KONG'S PUBLIC HOUSING HAS BEEN DEVELOPING VERY FAST. THERE ARE MANY GOOD EXPERIENCES IN TACKLING HOUSING PROBLEMS WHICH ARE WORTHWHILE FOR US TO PICK UP.+

EARLIER, MADAM LI, AND SIX SHENZHEN OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR TOWN PLANNING AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER GROUP OF VISITORS, WERE BRIEFED ON THE EXHIBITION BY THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, MR DONALD LIAO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HOUSING (CONSTRUCTION), MR PANG YUK-LING, AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR (ESTATE MANAGEMENT), MR FUNG TUNG.

FOLLOWING THE TOUR, THEY HAD FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT LUNCH.

THE EXHIBITION, WHICH FOCUSES ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF HONG KONG'S PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMME, IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BETWEEN 10 AM AND 6 PM DAILY UNTIL NEXT MONDAY.

IT WILL BE RE-STAGED IN THE NEW WORLD CENTRE FROM DECEMBER 8 TO 16, OPENING FOR THE SAME HOURS.

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FUTURE HOS PROJECTS ON SHOW  
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DETAILS OF A NUMBER OF FUTURE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME AND PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME PROJECTS WILL BE DISPLAYED FROM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT A LARGE-SCALE EXHIBITION ENTITLED +IDEAL LIVING SHOW '84+, AT THE NEW WORLD PLAZA IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

IT WILL BE OPENED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S HOME OWNERSHIP COMMITTEE, MR CHARLES C.C. SIN.

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THE HOS DISPLAYS WILL INCLUDE INFORMATION ON TWO NEW PSPS PROJECTS IN CHAI WAN AND TUEN MUN AND ANOTHER HOS PROJECT IN SHEUNG SHUI, WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE NEXT YEAR.

ALSO ON DISPLAY WILL BE DETAILS OF THE RECENTLY REVISED HOS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AS WELL AS SOME EXISTING HOS-PSPS DEVELOPMENTS.

IN ADDITION TO PLANS, PHOTOGRAPHS AND MODELS, THE EXHIBITION WILL HAVE AN ENQUIRIES COUNTER MANNED BY HOUSING STAFF THROUGHOUT THE EXHIBITION PERIOD.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DAILY BETWEEN 11 AM AND 7 PM FROM NOVEMBER 30 TO DECEMBER 3.

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ESTATE SITE FORMATION ENDS  
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THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING, MR DAVID FORD, TODAY JOINED CONTRACTORS TO CELEBRATE THE COMPLETION OF SITE FORMATION AND BUILDING FOUNDATION WORKS AT LEI TUNG ESTATE ON AP LEI CHAU.

TOGETHER WITH OFFICIALS FROM THE LEIGHTON (ASIA) LTD. AND BINNIE AND PARTNERS, MR FORD ATTENDED A BRIEF RITUAL CEREMONY TO MARK THE OCCASION.

THE WORKS AT \$220 MILLION ARE FOR THE FORMATION OF 24 PLATFORMS AT LEI TUNG ESTATE WHERE 15 MODERN DOMESTIC BLOCKS WILL RISE BY 1988 WHEN THE ESTATE IS FULLY BUILT.

FOUR OF THE BLOCKS ARE BEING BUILT UNDER THE FIRST PHASE OF THE ESTATE, AND CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR MORE BLOCKS WILL BEGIN SHORTLY UNDER THE SECOND PHASE.

LEI TUNG ESTATE IS BEING DEVELOPED IN THREE PHASES AND WILL PROVIDE PUBLIC HOUSING FOR 37 000 PEOPLE.

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YOUTHS VITAL FUTURE ROLE STRESSED  
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HONG KONG'S YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BE THE ONES TO DECIDE THE LINES ALONG WHICH THE TERRITORY'S SOCIETY WILL DEVELOP, AND THE FORM HONG KONG'S CULTURAL IDENTITY WILL TAKE, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR BARRIE WIGGHAM SAID TODAY.

+IT IS IN THEIR HANDS THAT THE SUCCESS OF OUR EVOLVING SYSTEMS WILL RESIDE,+ HE SAID AT THE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC GRADUATION DAY.

MR WIGGHAM SAID THAT ALTHOUGH PEOPLE HAD RECENTLY BEEN ANXIOUS ABOUT THE FUTURE, THE SINO-BRITISH DRAFT AGREEMENT HAD GONE A LONG WAY TOWARDS +CLEARING AWAY THE CLOUDS OF UNCERTAINTY+.

HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC WOULD BE ABSORBED INTO THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC OF THE NEW ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS.

+THE CONSERVATORY, IN ITS NEW GUISE IN THE ACADEMY, HAS A FUTURE, THE STUDENTS HAVE A FUTURE, AND THE GRADUATES HAVE A FUTURE,+ HE SAID.

+INDEED, I BELIEVE FIRMLY THAT OUR MUSIC GRADUATES, ALONGSIDE THEIR COLLEAGUES IN OTHER PROFESSIONAL FIELDS OF LAW, MEDICINE, ACCOUNTING AND SO ON, ARE A VITAL PART OF HONG KONG, BOTH NOW AND IN THE YEARS TO COME,+ MR WIGGHAM SAID.

AFTER THE ADDRESS, MR WIGGHAM REPEATED HIS SPEECH IN PUTONGHUA FOR THE BENEFIT OF SOME STUDENTS FROM CHINA WHO ARE STUDYING IN THE CONSERVATORY.

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YOUTHS URGED TO TAKE PART IN DECISION-MAKING  
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YOUNG PEOPLE IN HONG KONG WERE TODAY (THURSDAY) URGED TO FACE CHALLENGES WITH COURAGE AND TAKE ACTIVE PART IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS THAT CONCERNS THEIR FUTURE.

ADDRESSING A PRESS LUNCHEON AT THE PACIFIC CLUB, MRS SELINA CHOW, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE ON THE 1985 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR, SAID, +THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR (I.Y.Y.) HAS A SPECIAL MEANING FOR HONG KONG WHICH IS NOW UNDERGOING A CRUCIAL PERIOD IN HER HISTORY.+

THE YOUNG GENERATION SHOULD NOT BE APATHETIC TOWARDS ADMINISTRATION REFORMS BEING INTRODUCED, AND THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, FOR INSTANCE, DEPENDED VERY MUCH ON THEIR SUPPORT, SHE SAID.

/+THEY SHOULD .....

+THEY SHOULD SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS AND PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS,+ SHE ADDED.

MRS CHOW ALSO APPEALED TO THE MASS MEDIA FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN PUBLICISING THE SPIRIT OF I.Y.Y., WHOSE THEME IS 'PARTICIPATION, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE'.

THEY COULD SHOW THEIR SUPPORT BY PUBLICISING THE I.Y.Y. LOGO, INTRODUCING YOUTH COLUMNS IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND ORGANISING SPECIAL PROGRAMMES FOR YOUTH ON TELEVISION AND RADIO IN WHICH YOUNGSTERS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE COULD PARTICIPATE, SHE SAID.

TODAY'S PRESS LUNCHEON WAS SPONSORED BY A TRAVEL AGENCY TO DEMONSTRATE HOW COMMERCIAL ORGANISATIONS COULD CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE 1985 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR.

PREPARATION WORK FOR THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES IS PROCEEDING SMOOTHLY WITH THE SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP OF VARIOUS ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING A \$750 000 DONATION FROM THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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#### CHILDREN GIVE THEIR VIEWS \* \* \* \*

CHILDREN FROM MORE THAN 20 PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN KWUN TONG WILL BE EXPRESSING THEIR THOUGHTS ABOUT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION THROUGH EXHIBITIONS AND CREATIVE PERFORMANCES ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1) MORNING.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE KWUN TONG SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE SAID THIS JOINT SCHOOL ACTIVITY HAD BEEN ORGANISED TO ENCOURAGE INTEREST AMONG CHILDREN IN THEIR DISTRICT BOARD AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AS A WHOLE.

+FROM EARLY NOVEMBER, THE STUDENTS HAVE BEEN COLLECTING INFORMATION, AND WORKING HARD AT PLANS ON HOW TO PRESENT THEIR EXHIBITIONS,+ HE SAID.

+IT IS ALSO AMAZING TO SEE HOW THEY CAN PUT ACROSS SUCH A SERIOUS MESSAGE AS DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION WITH SOME LIGHT-HEARTED PERFORMANCES THROUGH DRAMA, SINGING, AND DANCING,+ HE SAID.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE THREE OUTSTANDING EXHIBITIONS AND PERFORMANCES.

THE EXHIBITION AND PERFORMANCES WILL START AT 9 AM IN THE COVERED PLAYGROUND AND ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE SKH LEUNG KWAI YEE SECONDARY SCHOOL IN HIU MING STREET, SAU MAU PING.

THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. ADMISSION IS FREE.

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LOCAL GOODS GET BIGGER MARKET SHARE  
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OVER 30 PER CENT OF PRIVATE CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE ON FOOD AND CONSUMER GOODS IN HONG KONG IS ON LOCAL PRODUCTS, THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR JOHN YAXLEY TOLD THE RETAIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, TODAY.

+THIS HEAVY EXPENDITURE ON CONSUMER GOODS IS OBVIOUSLY OF GREAT BENEFIT TO LOCAL MANUFACTURERS,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE ASSOCIATION'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

MR YAXLEY SUGGESTED THAT RETAILERS COULD ASSIST INDUSTRY EVEN MORE BY CO-OPERATING WITH MANUFACTURERS TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON CONSUMER TASTES AND DEMAND TO HELP THEM TO CAPTURE AN EVEN GREATER SHARE OF THE MARKET.

+THE RELATIVE MARKET SHARE OF LOCALLY PRODUCED GOODS HAS BEEN CREEPING UP FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, BUT IF WE CAN COMPETE SO SUCCESSFULLY OVERSEAS, SURELY THERE MUST BE EVEN GREATER SCOPE ON OUR OWN DOORSTEP,+ HE SAID.

ESTIMATED SALES FOR THE ENTIRE RETAIL TRADE IN 1983 AMOUNTED TO \$57 377 MILLION, REPRESENTING AN 11.5 PER CENT INCREASE OVER 1982.

IN JUNE 1984, THERE WERE 46 785 RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS IN HONG KONG EMPLOYING 165 288 PERSONS.

+THIS IS A VERY SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR ECONOMIC LIFE. OUR SUCCESS IN THE TOURIST INDUSTRY ESPECIALLY, WHERE SHOPPING IS ONE OF THE MAIN ATTRACTIONS, IS CLEAR EVIDENCE OF OUR ABILITIES IN THE RETAIL SECTOR.

+WITH THE GROWTH OF OUR SERVICE INDUSTRIES AND THE ENTREPOT TRADE WITH CHINA, I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT RETAILERS WILL BENEFIT FROM CONTINUING INCREASES IN THE NUMBER OF VISITORS COMING TO HONG KONG OR PASSING THROUGH TO AND FROM CHINA,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

THE GOVERNMENT FOR ITS PART IS VERY CONSCIOUS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RETAIL INDUSTRY AND HAS SPECIFICALLY RECOGNISED THIS IN THE TRAINING AREA.

+AS DEMAND FOR TRAINED PERSONNEL IN THE SECTOR HAS INCREASED, THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL HAS SET UP A WHOLESALE-RETAIL AND IMPORT-EXPORT TRAINING BOARD TO DETERMINE TRAINING NEEDS.

+SUBSIDISED COURSES ON CUSTOMER SERVICES, PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES AND FUNDAMENTALS OF SALESMANSHIP IN RETAILING HAVE BEEN ORGANISED FOR THE INDUSTRY, AND OTHER COURSES WILL BE DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO THE INDUSTRY'S NEEDS,+ MR YAXLEY SAID.

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LUNCH PROBLEM IN KWUN TONG INDUSTRIAL AREA TO BE EASED  
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THE ACUTE SHORTAGE OF EATING FACILITIES FOR FACTORY WORKERS, ESPECIALLY AT LUNCH TIME, IN KWUN TONG INDUSTRIAL AREA IS EXPECTED TO BE EASED WITH THE OPENING OF A NEW COOKED FOOD CENTRE AT KWUN TONG FERRY CONCOURSE EARLY NEXT MONTH.

THE TWO-STOREY BUILDING, CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING 29 STALLS, WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING COOKED FOOD BAZAAR NEAR THE ROUNDABOUT AT WAI YIP STREET.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE URBAN COUNCIL SAID TODAY THAT THE DECISION TO BUILD A NEW CENTRE WAS MADE FOLLOWING A SURVEY ON THE SEVERE SHORTAGE OF EATING ESTABLISHMENTS AND THE INCREASING NUMBER OF ILLEGAL FOOD-FOR-MAN STREET TRADERS IN THE AREA.

+WITH THE COMPLETION OF THIS \$2.64 MILLION PROJECT, WORKERS IN THE AREA WILL HAVE MORE HYGIENIC AND BETTER EATING FACILITIES,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

THE OLD BAZAAR WHICH WAS BUILT IN 1975 AND HAS ONLY NINE STALLS, WILL BE DEMOLISHED TO MAKE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC TOILET AND A REFUSE COLLECTION POINT. TENDERS FOR THIS PROJECT WILL BE INVITED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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ANTI-NARCOTICS FIGHT GETS GOOD RESULTS  
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THE NUMBER OF YOUNG PERSONS WHO WERE NEWLY REPORTED FOR INVOLVEMENT IN DRUGS HAD DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY, THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) SAID AT ITS 54TH MEETING TODAY (THURSDAY).

DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1984, 649 PERSONS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE WERE THUS REPORTED TO THE CENTRAL REGISTRY OF DRUG ABUSE FOR INVOLVEMENT IN DRUGS, DOWN BY 24 PER CENT FROM THE 858 YOUNG PERSONS REPORTED IN LAST YEAR'S CORRESPONDING PERIOD.

IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS, 1 096 KGS OF ILLICIT HEROIN WERE SEIZED, COMPARED WITH 725 KGS CAUGHT IN THE WHOLE OF 1983, WHICH WAS ITSELF A RECORD YEAR.

AS A RESULT, THE RETAIL PRICE OF NO. 3 HEROIN INCREASED FROM \$76 A GRAM AT THE END OF 1983 TO \$137 BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR.

THIS PRICE RISE LED TO MORE PEOPLE BEING ADMITTED FOR VARIOUS TREATMENT PROGRAMMES.

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AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 14 598 PERSONS WERE RECEIVING TREATMENT OR AFTERCARE, UP 16 PER CENT OVER THE YEAR-EARLIER FIGURE OF 12 611.

ACAN ATTRIBUTED THESE TRENDS TO THE COMBINED EFFECTS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY.

BUT IT ADDED THAT THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE WOULD CONTINUE UNABATED.

COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORKERS HAD BEEN ENLISTED FOR HELP AND TALKS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS WERE BEING GIVEN BY NARCOTICS DIVISION TEAMS.

THE ACAN YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP WAS OPERATING FROM ITS NEW PREMISES IN VICTORIA BARRACKS AND SUPPORTING NUMEROUS ANTI-NARCOTICS ACTIVITIES.

FROM MID-FEBRUARY TO MID-NOVEMBER 1984, OVER 48 000 STUDENTS ATTENDED 122 TALKS GIVEN IN 96 SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE MORE DENSELY POPULATED URBAN AREAS.

ALSO, ACAN HAD JOINED HANDS WITH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO LAUNCH THE +STUDENTS AGAINST DRUGS MOVEMENT+ AS ITS MAJOR PREVENTIVE EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY EVENT FOR 1984-85.

TODAY'S ACAN MEETING WAS THE LAST UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF DR SIR ALBERT RODRIGUES WHO WILL RETIRE FROM ACAN AT THE END OF THE YEAR. HE WILL BE SUCCEEDED BY PROFESSOR G.H. CHOA, DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE, CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG.

SIR ALBERT HAS LED HONG KONG'S FIGHT AGAINST NARCOTICS SINCE ACAN WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED IN 1965.

THE COMMITTEE WAS RECONSTITUTED IN 1974 TO BECOME THE SOLE ADVISORY BODY OF THE GOVERNMENT ON ALL POLICY MATTERS RELATING TO THE ERADICATION OF DRUG TRAFFICKING AND ABUSE IN HONG KONG.

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TATTOOS COULD BE A STIGMA FOR LIFE  
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TATTOOS ARE NOT ONLY PRICKED MARKS ON ONE'S SKIN BUT MAY ALSO BE A STIGMA FOR LIFE.

A SURVEY OF SOME 400 RESIDENTS IN THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOMES LAST YEAR SHOWED THAT ABOUT 40 PER CENT OF THEM WERE TATTOOED.

THE DESIGNS CAN BE NAMES OF THEIR FRIENDS, EMBLEMS OF GANGS, PATTERNS OF ANIMALS AND PLANTS AND RELIGIOUS SYMBOLS.

/+MANY YOUNG .....

+MANY YOUNG PEOPLE TATTOOED THEMSELVES OUT OF CURIOSITY WHEN THEY WERE 13 OR 14 YEARS OLD,+ SAID MRS JUNE SHERRY, SUPERINTENDENT OF MA TAU WAI GIRLS' HOME, WHO HAD TAKEN PART IN THE SURVEY.

+PEER GROUP INFLUENCE PLAYS AN IMPORTANT PART. NOT A FEW YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THEMSELVES TATTOOED ON THE PERSUASION OF THEIR FRIENDS OR IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES WITH THE COMPANY THEY KEEP,+ SHE SAID.

OTHERS DID SO JUST TO SHOW THEY WERE NO LESS COURAGEOUS.

+OFTEN THE DECISION TO HAVE TATTOOS IS MADE ON IMPULSE, WITHOUT CONSENT OF THE PARENTS,+ SHE SAID.

IN FACT, ONLY TWO OF THE 50 GIRLS INTERVIEWED IN MA TAU WAI GIRLS' HOME HAD CONSULTED THEIR PARENTS BEFORE THEY MADE SUCH A DECISION.

MRS SHERRY POINTED OUT THAT THE FEELING OF SMARTNESS AFTER BEING TATTOOED WOULD GRADUALLY GIVE WAY TO ONE OF REGRET WHEN THE UNDESIRABLE EFFECTS BEGAN TO SURFACE.

+FOR INSTANCE, THOSE WITH TATTOOS MAY HAVE DIFFICULTY IN FINDING JOBS AS THEIR PRICKED MARKS ARE OFTEN ASSOCIATED WITH CRIMINAL BACKGROUNDS,+ SHE SAID.

TATTOOED GIRLS MAY FEEL EMBARRASSED IN EXPLAINING TO THEIR HUSBAND OR CHILDREN WHY THEY HAVE SUCH MARKS WHICH MAY MEAN AN ILL-SPENT AND MISCHIEVOUS YOUTH. THEY ARE THEREFORE MORE INCLINED TO HAVE THEIR TATTOOS REMOVED.

SO FAR THIS YEAR 12 INMATES IN MA TAU WAI GIRLS' HOME HAVE APPLIED FOR REFERRALS TO GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS FOR THE REMOVAL OF THEIR TATTOOS AND SIX OF THEM HAVE COMPLETED THE OPERATION.

SOME RESORT TO WEARING LONG-SLEEVE CLOTHES TO HIDE THE +UNWANTED+ MARKS.

+JUVENILE DELIQUENTS SOMETIMES FIND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO LEAVE THEIR GANG BECAUSE THEIR TATTOOS ARE A GROUP IDENTITY SHARED BY ALL THE MEMBERS. THIS PHYSICAL REMINDER THUS POSES A PROBLEM IN THE REHABILITATION OF SUCH PERSONS,+ MRS SHERRY SAID.

TATTOOS DONE UNHYGIENICALLY CAN CAUSE SUCH DISEASES AS SKIN INFECTIONS AND SERUM HEPATITIS.

WITH THE PASSAGE OF THE TATTOOING OF YOUNG PERSONS BILL 1984 EARLIER THIS YEAR, IT IS NOW AN OFFENCE TO TATTOO A PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF 18.

+THIS PIECE OF LEGISLATION IS INDEED A TIMELY ONE TO PREVENT YOUNG PEOPLE FROM DOING SOMETHING IRREVOCABLE,+ SHE SAID.

MORE TRAINING PLACES FOR THE DISABLED

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VOCATIONAL TRAINING FACILITIES FOR THE DISABLED WOULD BE GREATLY INCREASED WITH THE COMPLETION OF FOUR BUILDING AND EXPANSION PROJECTS IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, THE COMMISSIONER FOR REHABILITATION, MR MARTIN LEWIS, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT A CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY FOR DISABLED TRAINEES, MR LEWIS SAID THAT PLANS WERE IN HAND TO EXPAND THE CAPACITY OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR THE DISABLED FROM TODAY'S 600 PLACES TO 1 270 PLACES BY 1989 IN BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND SUBVENTED SECTORS.

THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT (TEITD) WILL BE BUILDING A NEW VOCATIONAL TRAINING SKILLS CENTRE AT TUEN MUN AS WELL AS REPROVISIONING THE ABERDEEN SKILLS CENTRE FOR THE DISABLED. EACH CENTRE WILL BE DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE 300 TRAINEES.

+ANOTHER PROJECT WILL BE THE SETTING UP OF A VOCATIONAL TRAINING SECTION WITH FACILITIES TO TRAIN 72 DISABLED PERSONS WITHIN A REHABILITATION CENTRE IN WESTERN KOWLOON, WHICH IS A JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN TEITD AND THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

+IN THE SUBVENTED AREA, THE EXPANSION OF THE PINEHILL VILLAGE ADVANCED TRAINING CENTRE WILL PROVIDE 160 TRAINING PLACES AS WELL, + HE ADDED.

THE TEITD AT PRESENT OPERATES TWO SKILLS CENTRE FOR THE DISABLED AT KWUN TONG AND ABERDEEN WITH A COMBINED CAPACITY OF ABOUT 380 PLACES. THERE ARE ALSO FOUR SUBVENTED VOLUNTARY AGENCIES OFFERING A TOTAL OF 230 TRAINING PLACES.

AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY, 26 FULL-TIME AND SIX PART-TIME TRAINEES FROM THE KWUN TONG AND ABERDEEN CENTRES WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCE AFTER COMPLETION OF THEIR TRAINING.

MR LEWIS SAID THERE WAS ALSO IMPROVEMENT IN EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS AND IN THE INTEGRATION OF THE DISABLED INTO THE COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WORKFORCE.

MANY DISABLED WORKERS, CRAFTSMEN AND TECHNICIANS WERE PERFORMING DUTIES IN INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL SECTORS AT THE SAME LEVELS AND STANDARDS AS THOSE FOR THE ABLE-BODIED PERSONNEL, HE ADDED.

HOWEVER, MR LEWIS CALLED UPON EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE STILL MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR WELL-TRAINED DISABLED GRADUATES WHO FORM PART OF THE VALUABLE MANPOWER RESOURCE FOR THE ECONOMY.

THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF TEIT, MR HORACE KNIGHT, SAID ONE OF THE MAIN AIMS OF THE DEPARTMENT WAS THE INTEGRATION OF THE DISABLED INTO THE WORKFORCE.

HE SAID TO ACHIEVE THIS OBJECTIVE, THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDED A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF TRAINING FOR THE DISABLED FROM SEMI-SKILLED TO TECHNICIAN LEVELS IN ITS SKILLS CENTRES AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

POPULATION PROJECTION REVISED  
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THE 1981-BASED POPULATION PROJECTION FOR HONG KONG HAS BEEN REVISED.

THE NEW PROJECTION, RE-BASED TO MID 1983, HAS BEEN PREPARED WITH A REVISED IMMIGRATION ASSUMPTION.

NO CHANGES WERE MADE TO THE FERTILITY AND MORTALITY ASSUMPTIONS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

THE RESULTS ARE SUMMARISED IN A BOOKLET ENTITLED +HONG KONG POPULATION : A 20-YEAR PROJECTION (REVISED EDITION - NOVEMBER 1984)+ ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, HONG KONG.

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SHEK WU HUI SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS OPENED  
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SHEK WU HUI SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS, ANOTHER OF THE MANY FACILITIES VITAL TO THE GROWTH OF FANLING NEW TOWN, WAS OPENED TODAY BY UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG.

BUILT AT A COST OF ABOUT \$160 MILLION, THE NEW WORKS IS CAPABLE OF PROVIDING FULL TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC SEWAGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE GENERATED BY THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW TOWN AND ITS ADJACENT AREAS.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, MR CHEUNG SAID THE NEW WORKS WOULD ENABLE OLD SEWERS TO BE CONNECTED TO A PROPERLY DESIGNED SEWAGE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT SYSTEM.

+LOOKING AROUND ONE BEGINS TO NOTICE THE EMERGENCE OF FACILITIES OF ALL KINDS, CATERING NOT ONLY TO LOCAL NEEDS BUT ALSO TO THE LARGER AND MORE COMPREHENSIVE DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS.+

MR CHEUNG SAID THAT OVER THE YEARS HE HAD WATCHED WITH INTEREST THE GROWTH OF THE NORTH DISTRICT AND FANLING NEW TOWN ITSELF AND FELT THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HAD NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN OR NEGLECTED.

THE EXCELLENT TRANSPORT LINKS, LIKE THE ELECTRIFIED RAILWAY SYSTEM AND THE DUAL THREE-LANE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD, WOULD RESULT IN GREATLY IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY BETWEEN THE ONCE-RURAL HINTERLAND AND THE URBAN CENTRES OF KOWLOON AND HONG KONG ON THE ONE HAND AND CHINA ON THE OTHER.

+IN RECENT YEARS A GREATER EMPHASIS HAS BEEN PLACED ON ENHANCING THE ENVIRONMENT. THE PROFUSION OF GREENERY IN THE FORM OF AMENITY PLANTING WITHIN BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS, BESIDE RIVER BANKS OR FLANKING HIGHWAYS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO A MORE PLEASING LIVING ENVIRONMENT FOR US ALL.

+CONSIDERABLE ENGINEERING AND LANDSCAPING WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE TRAINING OF MA WAT RIVER WILL NOT ONLY REDUCE THE RISK OF FLOODING IN FANLING SOUTH BUT WILL ALSO PRODUCE RESULTS PLEASING TO THE EYE,+ HE SAID.

THE DIRECTOR OF NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT, MR BRYAN O'RORKE, SAID THAT THE NEW SEWAGE WORKS REPRESENTED MANY YEARS OF HARD WORK BY THE DESIGNERS AND CONTRACTORS AND HAD BEEN PLANNED TO COPE WITH THE NEW TOWN'S INCREASING POPULATION.

+BY THE MID-1990'S THAT POPULATION IS EXPECTED TO HAVE RISEN FROM ITS PRESENT 100 000 TO NEARLY 220 000 PEOPLE. PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR FUTURE EXPANSION IF FOUND NECESSARY.+

HE SAID THAT THE PACE OF DEVELOPMENT IN FANLING WAS INCREASING. AMONG PROJECTS EXPECTED TO START NEXT YEAR WERE THE TOWN PARK, FORMATION OF A SITE FOR HOME-OWNERSHIP PUBLIC HOUSING COMPLEX TO BE BUILT BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE TOWN'S MAIN SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES. OTHER PROJECTS WERE ROADS AND DRAINS FOR THE FUTURE SHEK WU HUI COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL CENTRE, AND THE SECOND STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT AT WO HOP SHEK FOR THE FOURTH PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE IN FANLING.

+THE VALUE OF NEW PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN FANLING EXPECTED TO START NEXT YEAR AMOUNTS TO SOME \$160 MILLION TO BE ADDED TO THOSE ALREADY IN HAND,+ MR O'RORKE SAID.

WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TOWNS IN PREVIOUSLY RURAL AREAS, IT HAD ALWAYS BEEN GOVERNMENT'S POLICY TO ENSURE THAT ANY ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT WAS KEPT TO A PRACTICAL MINIMUM AND MAJOR SEWAGE WORKS HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED AT SHA TIN, YUEN LONG AND TAI PO.

IN THE CASE OF FANLING, A PILOT WORKS HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN THE EARLY 1970'S TO TREAT SEWAGE FROM EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AND TO EVALUATE DIFFERENT METHODS OF TREATMENT.

+THE DATA GAINED FROM THE OPERATION OF THIS PILOT WORKS HAS BEEN USED IN THE CHOICE OF PROCESS AND THE DESIGN OF THE FULL-SCALE WORKS.

+IN ADDITION, OPERATION OF THE PILOT WORKS HAS PROVIDED AN INVALUABLE OPPORTUNITY TO TRAIN THE STAFF WHO WILL RUN THE NEW WORKS,+ HE ADDED.

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TALK ON SPECIAL TEACHING APPROACH

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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S KINDERGARTEN SECTION HAS INVITED MRS S.P. PERRY, AN EDUCATION SPECIALIST, TO SPEAK ON THE PHILOSOPHY, METHOD AND TECHNIQUES OF THE +MONTESSORI TEACHING APPROACH+.

THE TALK, TOGETHER WITH A SLIDE SHOW, WILL BE HELD AT THE NORTHCOTE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ANNEXE, BONHAM ROAD, HONG KONG, ON DECEMBER 21 FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM.

MRS PERRY IS THE EDUCATION DIRECTOR OF THE MECA SETON MONTESSORI TRAINING CENTRE OF THE AMERICAN MONTESSORI SOCIETY, CHICAGO, WHICH HAS THREE LABORATORY SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 6 YEARS OF AGE.

THE TITLE OF THE TALK IS +FOLLOW THE CHILD-MONTESSORI CHILDREN'S HOUSES.+

NOMINATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE SENIOR INSPECTOR (KINDERGARTEN), EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ROOM 507, LEE GARDENS, 5/F, HYSAN AVENUE, HONG KONG. THEY SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE INSPECTOR BY HEADS OF KINDERGARTENS BY DECEMBER 11.

AS SPACE IS LIMITED, ONLY 200 NOMINEES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT 5-8392489.

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CARTOON CHARACTERS TO HELP WITH CLEAN-UP DRIVE

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TWO CARTOON CHARACTERS -- A WALKING BANANA AND A WALKING MUSHROOM -- WILL HELP WITH WAN CHAI DISTRICT'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO BE LAUNCHED ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1).

THE CAMPAIGN AMBASSADORS, +BROTHER BANANA+ AND +SISTER BUTTON+, WILL BE DISTRIBUTING PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICITY MATERIALS TO RESIDENTS AND PASSERS-BY AT SOUTHOEN PLAYGROUND.

DURING THE FIRST NINE DAYS OF THE CAMPAIGN, THE TWO CARTOON FIGURES WILL VISIT MARKETS, COOKED FOOD STALLS, SCHOOLS, RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, SQUATTER AREAS AND OTHER MAJOR LOCATIONS IN THE DISTRICT TO GIVE AWAY SOUVENIRS AND PAMPHLETS.

OTHER ACTIVITIES BEING ORGANISED FOR THE YEAR-LONG CAMPAIGN INCLUDE A MODEL COOKED FOOD STALL COMPETITION, AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PHOTOGRAPHIC CONTEST, A BUS PARADE, A GAMES DAY, CLEAN-UP OPERATIONS IN SQUATTER AREAS AND THE PUBLIC CARGO HANDLING AREA, AND VISITS TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND SHOPS.

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THE CAMPAIGN IS JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD AND THE SPOTLIGHT ENTERPRISES LIMITED, AND IS ORGANISED BY THE BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

AN OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY AT 10.30 AM AT SOUTHERN PLAYGROUND.

OFFICIATING AT THE FUNCTION WILL BE AN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR RAYMOND YOUNG; THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE, MRS PEGGY LAM; URBAN SERVICES OFFICER (WAN CHAI), MR ANTHONY SIU; AND MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN-CUM-PRESS CONFERENCE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1) AT 10.30 AM AT SOUTHERN PLAYGROUND, WAN CHAI.

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SHAU KEI WAN, WAN CHAI TRAFFIC CHANGE  
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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN SHAU KEI WAN AND WAN CHAI FROM SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1) TO FACILITATE ROAD WORK.

IN SHAU KEI WAN, THE FOLLOWING MEASURES WILL BE IN FORCE FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY AND WILL LAST FOR ABOUT FOUR MONTHS:

- \* PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER NAM ON LANE; THE SECTION OF NAM HONG STREET BETWEEN SHAU KEI WAN ROAD AND NAM ON STREET; AND THE SECTION OF NAM ON STREET BETWEEN NAM HONG STREET AND NAM ON LANE. HOWEVER, THEY WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM STOPPING FOR PASSENGERS BETWEEN 7 AM AND MIDNIGHT DAILY WITHIN THESE ROAD SECTIONS.
- \* ALL PLB'S WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE SECTION OF NAM ON STREET WEST OF NAM HONG STREET, AND THE NEW EXTENSION OF MONG LUNG STREET NORTH OF NAM ON STREET.

/\* LEFT TURNS .....

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- \* LEFT TURNS FROM SHAU KEI WAN ROAD WESTBOUND INTO CHAI WAN ROAD EASTBOUND WILL BE BANNED. TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED VIA NAM HONG STREET, NAM ON STREET, NAM ON LANE AND SHAU KEI WAN ROAD EASTBOUND.
- \* NAM ON STREET BETWEEN NAM HONG STREET AND NAM ON LANE WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY EASTBOUND.

IN WAN CHAI, RIGHT TURNS FROM MONMOUTH PATH NORTHBOUND INTO QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, EASTBOUND, WILL BE BANNED FROM 2 PM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1) UNTIL 7 PM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

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TRAFFIC DIVERSION  
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THE SECTION OF TAI PO ROAD BETWEEN HONG LOK YUEN AND TAI WO WILL BE CLOSED FROM 2 PM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 30) TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

TRAFFIC WILL BE DIVERTED TO A NEW ROAD RUNNING PARALLEL TO THE CLOSED ROAD.

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PROHIBITED ZONE  
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FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 1), ALL MOTOR VEHICLES, EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES AND THOSE WITH PERMITS ISSUED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT, WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE SLIP ROAD LEADING FROM TAI PO ROAD TO THE SHA TIN CENTRAL BUS TERMINUS.

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CAS TO COMPETE FOR TROPHY  
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THE CIVIL AID SERVICES WILL HOLD AN INTER-UNIT FIRST AID AND CASUALTY HANDLING COMPETITION FOR THE C.Y. KWAN CUP ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 2) AT THE CAS CADET TRAINING CENTRE IN MA TAU WAI ROAD, TO KWA WAN, STARTING AT 9 AM.

+THE COMPETITION IS TO PROMOTE THE INTEREST AND PROFICIENCY OF CAS MEMBERS IN FIRST AID AND CASUALTY HANDLING,+ A CAS SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

SEVENTEEN TEAMS WILL COMPETE IN THE EVENT.

THE SENIOR ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MR CHAN CHUN-YING, WILL PRESENT THE TROPHY AT 12.15 PM.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CAS INTER-UNIT FIRST AID AND CASUALTY HANDLING COMPETITION ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 2), BETWEEN 9 AM AND 12.30 PM, AT THE CAS CADET TRAINING CENTRE, 464 MA TAU WAI ROAD, TO KWA WAN.

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