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CS BRIEFS MR ZHOU NAN ON INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, DESCRIBED AS "VERY ENCOURAGING" HIS MEETING WITH THE CHINESE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR ZHOU NAN, THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON.

SIR DAVID BRIEFED MR ZHOU ON THE CONTAINER PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, AND ON TRANSPORT.

"AND WE HAD A VERY USEFUL DISCUSSION AFTERWARDS," HE SAID.

"THERE WAS VERY GOOD AGREEMENT FROM ALL OF US ABOUT THE NEED TO DEVELOP HONG KONG'S INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE FUTURE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG," THE CHIEF SECRETARY SAID.

THE BRIEFING FOR THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER WAS HELD AT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

ALSO ATTENDING THE MEETING WERE THE SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES, MRS ANSON CHAN; THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR MICHAEL LEUNG; THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR ROBIN SAUNDERS; THE GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER, DR EDWARD PRYOR; AND THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR DICK CLIFT.

LATER, ACCOMPANIED BY THE POLITICAL ADVISER, MR ZHOU HAD A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF HONG KONG DURING A HELICOPTER TOUR OVER THE TERRITORY.

EARLIER, THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER MET INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMEN AND FINANCIERS AT A LUNCH IN CENTRAL HOSTED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS.

THIS EVENING, THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL ATTEND A DINNER RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

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MR ZHOU NAN SEES DEVELOPMENTS IN NT

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THE CHINESE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR ZHOU NAN, SPENT THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING VISITING THE NEW TERRITORIES TO LEARN ABOUT COMMUNITY AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS IN SHA TIN, AND THE PROGRESS AND TECHNICAL ADVANCES MADE IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR WITH A VISIT TO THE TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO, THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER FIRST WENT TO THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE WHERE HE WAS BRIEFED ON THE DEVELOPMENTS OF THE DISTRICT.

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MR ZHOU LEARNED THAT SHA TIN NEW TOWN IS A POPULAR PLACE FOR VISITORS AND RESIDENTS, THE LATTER NUMBERING NEARLY HALF A MILLION, BECAUSE OF THE NUMEROUS FACILITIES AND SHOPPING CENTRES.

ALTHOUGH ABOUT 65 PER CENT OF THE POPULATION LIVE IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, NUMEROUS HIGH-RISE PRIVATE HOUSING BLOCKS, HOME OWNERSHIP FLATS AND VILLAGE-TYPE HOUSES PROVIDE THE NECESSARY ELEMENT OF A BALANCED COMMUNITY.

MR ZHOU THEN WALKED THROUGH THE NEW TOWN PLAZA AND SAW DEVELOPMENTS AROUND THE TOWN AREA FROM THE SHA TIN TOWN HALL PODIUM.

FROM THERE, THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER WENT TO HENG ON ESTATE IN MA ON SHAN WHERE HE WAS MET BY THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING, MR PANG YUK-LING.

DURING A TOUR OF THE ESTATE, MR ZHOU LEARNED THAT AN ESTIMATED \$1.8 BILLION WOULD BE SPENT IN PROVIDING LAND, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR A POPULATION OF 200,000 UPON FULL DEVELOPMENT OF MA ON SHAN.

HE ALSO LEARNED THAT THE POPULATION IN THE AREA HAD ALREADY GROWN RAPIDLY SINCE HENG ON ESTATE WAS OPENED IN EARLY 1987.

THE ESTATE COULD ACCOMMODATE 28,000 PEOPLE, WITH 15 PER CENT LIVING IN HOME OWNERSHIP FLATS, AND THE RECENTLY COMPLETED YIU ON ESTATE ALREADY HAS A PRESENT INTAKE OF 6,500 PEOPLE.

THE VICE FOREIGN MINISTER THEN WENT TO TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE TO VISIT THE HONG KONG COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN/COMPUTER AIDED MANUFACTURE SERVICES LIMITED (HK CAD/CAM) WHICH IS SPECIALLY DESIGNED AND BUILT FOR HIGH PRECISION MACHINING PRODUCTION.

HE WAS ACCOMPANIED ON THE VISIT BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR MICHAEL CARTLAND, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATES CORPORATION, MR STEPHEN CHEONG.

MR ZHOU TOURED THE HIGH-TECH PLANT AND WAS BRIEFED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HK CAD/CAM, MR JOHN C.P. KHOO, ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF CAD/CAM TECHNOLOGY IN THE DESIGN AND PRODUCTION OF MOULDS AND DIES.

MR ZHOU WAS LATER TAKEN ON A CAR RIDE THROUGH THE TAI PO INDUSTRIAL ESTATE.

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GOVERNOR VISITS SHA TIN SCHOOLS

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON VISITED TWO TYPICAL SCHOOLS IN SHA TIN, ONE A PRIMARY AND THE OTHER A SECONDARY SCHOOL.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI, SIR DAVID FIRST VISITED PUI YING COLLEGE IN WO CHE ESTATE.

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HE TOURED THE SCHOOL PREMISES AND OBSERVED CLASSES IN SESSION IN THE COMPUTER ROOM, THE HOME ECONOMICS ROOM AND THE LANGUAGE ROOM.

HE NOTED THAT THE COLLEGE, LIKE OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN HONG KONG, PLACED GREAT EMPHASIS NOT ONLY ON CLASSROOM TEACHING BUT ALSO ON DEVELOPING STUDENTS' CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES THROUGH A WIDE RANGE OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

THE GOVERNOR THEN VISITED THE BAPTIST LUI MING CHOI PRIMARY SCHOOL IN CITY ONE.

THERE, HE SAW AN EXHIBITION OF PUPILS' WORK AND OBSERVED PUPILS LEARNING MATHEMATICS THROUGH THE CHILD-CENTRED ACTIVITY APPROACH AIMED TO DEVELOP PUPILS' CREATIVITY AND INITIATIVE TOWARDS LEARNING.

HE ALSO CONVERSED IN PUTONGHUA WITH CHILDREN ATTENDING A CLASS IN THAT LANGUAGE.

THE GOVERNOR THEN LISTENED TO A PERFORMANCE BY THE STRING ORCHESTRA OF THE SCHOOL AND WAS MUCH IMPRESSED BY THE TALENT SHOWN BY THE YOUNG PUPILS.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS VISIT, SIR DAVID SAID HE WAS VERY PLEASED TO SEE HOW WELL RECENTLY ESTABLISHED NEW TOWN SCHOOLS WERE DEVELOPING.

HE INDICATED THAT PLANS TO PROVIDE MORE SCHOOLS IN THE NEW TOWNS WERE PROGRESSING WELL.

IN SHA TIN ALONE, SEVEN NEW PRIMARY AND 16 NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS WOULD BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 1991.

SIR DAVID ALSO SAID THAT A NEW DESIGN FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE BETTER FACILITIES, WAS TO BE ADOPTED FOR NEW SCHOOLS FROM THE EARLY 1990'S.

THIS WAS IN KEEPING WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

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MONETARY STATISTICS FOR JANUARY PUBLISHED

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BOTH HONG KONG DOLLAR AND FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS INCREASED IN JANUARY 1989 COMPARED WITH DECEMBER 1988, ACCORDING TO STATISTICS PUBLISHED TODAY (THURSDAY) BY THE MONETARY AFFAIRS BRANCH.

REFLECTING THE INCREASE IN CASH DEMAND BEFORE THE CHINESE NEW YEAR, THE NARROWEST DEFINITION OF MONEY SUPPLY, HK\$M1, RECORDED A STRONG INCREASE DURING JANUARY 1989.

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THE BROADER DEFINITIONS, HK\$M2 AND HK\$M3, ALSO SHOWED CONSIDERABLE GROWTH DURING THE MONTH.

TOTAL LOANS AND ADVANCES EXTENDED BY AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS INCREASED IN JANUARY 1989 COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

WHILE LOANS TO FINANCE VISIBLE TRADE AND OTHER LOANS FOR USE IN HONG KONG SHOWED CONSIDERABLE INCREASES, LOANS FOR USE OUTSIDE HONG KONG ROSE SLIGHTLY.

TABLE 1 SETS OUT SUMMARY FIGURES FOR JANUARY 1989 AND COMPARISONS WITH EARLIER MONTHS.

DEPOSITS

HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS GREW BY 2.3 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1989, FOLLOWING AN INCREASE OF 4.4 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND A ZERO GROWTH IN DECEMBER 1988.

OF THESE DEPOSITS, DEMAND AND TIME DEPOSITS ROSE BY 8.4 PER CENT AND 3.3 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY, WHILE SAVINGS DEPOSITS DROPPED BY 1.6 PER CENT. DURING THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1989, TOTAL HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS GREW BY 11.4 PER CENT.

FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS WITH AUTHORISED INSTITUTIONS GREW BY 2.8 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1989, FOLLOWING INCREASES OF 5.7 PER CENT AND 0.5 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

OF THESE DEPOSITS, U.S. DOLLAR DEPOSITS ROSE BY 0.1 PER CENT WHILE NON-U.S. DOLLAR DEPOSITS GREW BY 6 PER CENT. OVER THE YEAR, TOTAL FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS ROSE BY 34.3 PER CENT.

FOREIGN CURRENCY SWAP DEPOSITS INCREASED BY 4.2 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1989, AFTER A DECLINE OF 0.4 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND AN INCREASE OF 7.2 PER CENT IN DECEMBER 1988.

ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE THESE DEPOSITS, HONG KONG DOLLAR DEPOSITS GREW BY 2.5 PER CENT IN JANUARY AND BY 19.8 PER CENT COMPARED WITH A YEAR EARLIER.

ON THE OTHER HAND, FOREIGN CURRENCY DEPOSITS, ADJUSTED TO EXCLUDE SWAP DEPOSITS, INCREASED BY 2.7 PER CENT IN JANUARY AND BY 27.7 PER CENT OVER THE YEAR.

DEPOSITS OF ALL CURRENCIES WITH BANKS GREW BY 3.1 PER CENT IN JANUARY WHILE THOSE WITH DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES FELL BY 3.3 PER CENT. DURING THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1989, THE FORMER ROSE BY 24.6 PER CENT WHILE THE LATTER GREW BY 16 PER CENT.

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HK\$M1, HK\$M2 AND HK\$M3 GREW BY 10.2 PER CENT, 3.6 PER CENT AND 3.1 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JANUARY 1989. THESE COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATES OF 0.7 PER CENT, 0.2 PER CENT AND 0.4 PER CENT IN DECEMBER 1988.

DURING THE 12 MONTHS ENDING JANUARY 1989, HK\$M1, HK\$M2 AND HK\$M3 GREW BY 14.7 PER CENT, 12.9 PER CENT AND 13.5 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY.

ADJUSTED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF SWAP DEPOSITS, HK\$M2 GREW BY 3.6 PER CENT WHILE HK\$M3 ROSE BY 3.2 PER CENT IN JANUARY. COMPARED WITH A YEAR EARLIER, THEIR CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATES WERE 21 PER CENT AND 20.9 PER CENT.

TOTAL M1, M2 AND M3 GREW BY 9.2 PER CENT, 3.4 PER CENT AND 2.9 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY IN JANUARY. THEIR CORRESPONDING GROWTH RATES IN DECEMBER 1988 WERE 0.4 PER CENT, 0.5 PER CENT AND 0.5 PER CENT.

OVER THE YEAR, TOTAL M1 GREW BY 13.6 PER CENT, TOTAL M2 BY 25.1 PER CENT AND TOTAL M3 BY 24.3 PER CENT.

LOANS AND ADVANCES

TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS AND ADVANCES EXTENDED BY BANKS AND DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES GREW BY 1.9 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1989, COMPARED WITH INCREASES OF 3 PER CENT AND 1.2 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1988 RESPECTIVELY.

OF THE TOTAL OUTSTANDING LOANS, THOSE DENOMINATED IN HONG KONG DOLLARS GREW BY 3.8 PER CENT, WHILE THOSE DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCIES GREW BY 0.5 PER CENT.

LOANS TO FINANCE VISIBLE TRADE OF HONG KONG GREW BY 2.1 PER CENT IN JANUARY 1989, COMPARED WITH INCREASES OF 1.1 PER CENT AND 2.9 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 1988 RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY 31.7 PER CENT.

OTHER LOANS FOR USE IN HONG KONG GREW BY 3.5 PER CENT IN JANUARY FOLLOWING A GROWTH RATE OF 3.3 PER CENT AND 2.3 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY 32.2 PER CENT.

LOANS FOR USE OUTSIDE HONG KONG INCREASED BY 0.9 PER CENT IN JANUARY, AFTER INCREASES OF 3.3 PER CENT AND 1.6 PER CENT IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER RESPECTIVELY. OVER THE YEAR, THESE LOANS GREW BY 23.9 PER CENT.

NUMBER OF REPORTING INSTITUTIONS

THE NUMBER OF REPORTING LICENSED BANKS, LICENSED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES AND REGISTERED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES REMAINED UNCHANGED AT 158, 35 AND 216 RESPECTIVELY.

TABLE 1 : MONETARY STATISTICS - JANUARY 1989

	Jan 1989	Earlier months (% change to January 1989)			(HK\$mn)
		Dec 1988	Oct 1988	Jan 1988	
Money Supply					
M1 - HK\$	87,362	79,257 (10.2 %)	77,725 (12.4 %)	76,189 (14.7 %)	
Foreign currency	9,608	9,577 (0.3 %)	9,169 (4.8 %)	9,190 (4.5 %)	
Total	96,970	88,834 (9.2 %)	86,894 (11.6 %)	85,379 (13.6 %)	
M2 - HK\$	367,752	355,065 (3.6 %)	339,175 (8.4 %)	325,630 (12.9 %)	
Foreign currency	484,985	469,583 (3.3 %)	443,509 (9.4 %)	356,252 (36.1 %)	
Total	852,737	824,648 (3.4 %)	782,684 (9.0 %)	681,881 (25.1 %)	
M3 - HK\$	401,177	389,052 (3.1 %)	372,052 (7.8 %)	353,608 (13.5 %)	
Foreign currency	518,007	504,291 (2.7 %)	474,442 (9.2 %)	385,716 (34.3 %)	
Total	919,184	893,342 (2.9 %)	846,494 (8.6 %)	739,324 (24.3 %)	
Notes and coins in circulation	39,975	34,087 (17.3 %)	31,895 (25.3 %)	30,748 (30.0 %)	
of which held by public	33,838	29,877 (13.3 %)	27,931 (21.1 %)	25,422 (33.1 %)	
Total Deposits					
Total Demand deposits	63,132	58,958 (7.1 %)	58,963 (7.1 %)	59,958 (5.3 %)	
Total Savings deposits	171,225	175,529 (-2.5 %)	167,572 (2.2 %)	195,781 (-12.5 %)	
Total Time deposits with banks	568,984	544,502 (4.5 %)	513,495 (10.8 %)	389,041 (46.3 %)	
Total Time deposits with dtcs	64,313	66,531 (-3.3 %)	61,712 (4.2 %)	55,454 (16.0 %)	
HK\$ deposits	354,856	346,744 (2.3 %)	332,139 (6.8 %)	318,402 (11.4 %)	
US\$ deposits	266,761	266,561 (0.1 %)	250,901 (6.3 %)	209,208 (27.5 %)	
Other foreign currency deposits	246,037	232,216 (6.0 %)	218,701 (12.5 %)	172,624 (42.5 %)	
All deposits	867,654	845,520 (2.6 %)	801,741 (8.2 %)	700,234 (23.9 %)	
Foreign currency swap deposits	45,527	43,689 (4.2 %)	40,920 (11.3 %)	15,834 (187.5 %)	
Total Loans and advances					
To finance H.K.'s visible trade	58,239	57,022 (2.1 %)	54,849 (6.2 %)	44,224 (31.7 %)	
To finance merchandising trade not touching H.K.	8,988	12,344 (-27.2 %)	6,424 (39.9 %)	6,979 (28.8 %)	
Other loans for use in H.K.	472,311	456,487 (3.5 %)	431,754 (9.4 %)	357,264 (32.2 %)	
Other loans for use outside H.K.	384,775	381,524 (0.9 %)	363,648 (5.8 %)	310,651 (23.9 %)	
Other loans where the place of use is not known	56,012	54,800 (2.2 %)	66,820 (-16.2 %)	62,120 (-9.8 %)	
Loans in HK\$	419,770	404,572 (3.8 %)	381,183 (10.1 %)	313,247 (34.0 %)	
Loans in foreign currencies	560,556	557,606 (0.5 %)	542,313 (3.4 %)	467,989 (19.8 %)	
Total loans and advances	980,326	962,177 (1.9 %)	923,496 (6.2 %)	781,237 (25.5 %)	

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SURVEY ON EXPORTS TO CHINA FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING, 3RD QUARTER

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TO INCREASE ITS UNDERSTANDING OF THE NATURE AND IMPORTANCE OF OUTWARD PROCESSING IN CHINA BY HONG KONG FIRMS, IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1988 THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT INITIATED A SAMPLE SURVEY TO ENABLE IT TO SPLIT HONG KONG'S EXPORTS - BOTH DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS - INTO THOSE WHICH WERE FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING AND THOSE WHICH WERE NOT.

THE RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1988 HAVE NOW BEEN PUBLISHED.

THE RESULTS SHOW THAT IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1988 SOME 73 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO CHINA WERE FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING. FOR RE-EXPORTS TO CHINA THE FIGURE WAS 37 PER CENT. THUS, FOR OVERALL EXPORTS TO CHINA, SOME 48 PER CENT WERE FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING.

IN VALUE TERMS, THESE PROPORTIONS IMPLY THAT SOME \$7,850 MILLION OF THE \$10,687 MILLION OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS TO CHINA WERE FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING. FOR RE-EXPORTS THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES WERE \$9,622 MILLION OUT OF \$26,007 MILLION, AND FOR TOTAL EXPORTS \$17,472 MILLION OUT OF \$36,694 MILLION.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY, EXPORTS TO CHINA FOR OUTWARD PROCESSING REFER TO THE EXPORTING OF RAW MATERIALS OR SEMI-MANUFACTURES FROM HONG KONG TO CHINA FOR PROCESSING, WITH THE RESULTING PROCESSED GOODS BEING SUBSEQUENTLY RE-IMPORTED INTO HONG KONG.

A SAMPLE OF TRADE DECLARATIONS IN RESPECT OF EXPORTS (DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS) TO CHINA WERE SELECTED FOR ENUMERATION TO OBTAIN THE REQUIRED INFORMATION FROM ESTABLISHMENTS.

"THE FINDINGS OF THE NEW SURVEY PERMIT A MORE INFORMED ANALYSIS OF THE DATA ON TRADE BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA," A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

"THE TRADE FIGURES THEMSELVES ARE UNCHANGED. THEY STILL MEASURE THE VALUE OF GOODS BEING TRADED BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CHINA.

"WHAT HAS BEEN IMPROVED IS OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HAPPENS TO THESE GOODS AFTER THEY HAVE ENTERED CHINA.

"THIS IS OF CONSIDERABLE VALUE IN ANALYSING THE DETERMINANTS OF OUR TRADE WITH CHINA."

THE SURVEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AND THE RESULTS PUBLISHED.

DETAILS OF THE SURVEY RESULTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1988 ARE INCLUDED IN PART I OF THE DECEMBER 1988 ISSUE OF THE "HONG KONG EXTERNAL TRADE", WHICH IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT CENTRE, AT \$17.50 PER COPY.

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PRESENTATION ON FLOATING REFUSE TO PRIVATE COMPANIES

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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT, AT THE INVITATION OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, WILL GIVE A PRESENTATION ON FLOATING REFUSE AT THE HONGKONG BANK HEADQUARTERS TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE COMMITTEE WAS RECENTLY FORMED BY SOME MAJOR PRIVATE COMPANIES IN HONG KONG.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MARINE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE PRESENTATION WOULD COVER THE CAUSE AND EFFECTS OF THE FLOATING REFUSE PROBLEM AND THE MEASURES BEING TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT TO TACKLE IT.

"IT IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE USEFUL INFORMATION TO THE COMMITTEE SO THAT THEY CAN CONSIDER WHERE PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION COULD AID THE FIGHT AGAINST POLLUTION ARISING FROM MARINE LITTERING," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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MORE CARE AND ATTENTION PLACES FOR ELDERLY

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THE NUMBER OF CARE AND ATTENTION PLACES FOR THE ELDERLY IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE BY ABOUT 4,200 IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, AND THIS SHOULD EASE THE ACUTE DEMAND FOR SUCH PLACES.

THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR T.H. CHAU, SAID THIS TODAY (THURSDAY) WHEN OPENING THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL MRS KWOK YUK-CHEUNG CARE AND ATTENTION HOME IN KWAI CHUNG.

"WE ALL KNOW THAT AT PRESENT THERE IS STILL A GREAT DEMAND FOR CARE AND ATTENTION PLACES IN HONG KONG," MR CHAU SAID.

"IN ORDER TO MEET THIS DEMAND, THE GOVERNMENT IS ACTIVELY EXPANDING THE PROVISION OF THIS KIND OF SERVICE.

"APART FROM LOOKING FOR SITES FOR CONSTRUCTING MORE HOMES, CARE AND ATTENTION SECTIONS ARE INCLUDED IN THE HOMES FOR THE AGED IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES."

MR CHAU NOTED THAT THE MRS KWOK YUK-CHEUNG CARE AND ATTENTION HOME HAD 246 PLACES, WHICH MADE IT THE LARGEST AMONG CARE AND ATTENTION HOMES.

HE PAID TRIBUTE TO THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO WELFARE SERVICES.

"THE CAPITAL COST FOR THE MRS KWOK YUK-CHEUNG CARE AND ATTENTION HOME AMOUNTED TO SOME \$14 MILLION OF WHICH \$2,450,000 WAS BORNE BY MADAM WU AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YAN CHAI HOSPITAL, AND THE REMAINING SOME \$12 MILLION WAS MET BY THE LOTTERIES FUND," HE SAID.

MADAM WU IS THE PERMANENT ADVISER TO THE YAN CHAI HOSPITAL AND ALSO A FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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MORE RESOURCES TO PROMOTE LABOUR RELATIONS
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT WILL ORGANISE MORE ACTIVITIES WITH EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATIONS AND TRADE UNIONS, BOTH AT THE TERRITORY-WIDE LEVEL AND THE DISTRICT LEVEL, TO PROMOTE LABOUR RELATIONS.

THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR TONY HAMMOND, SAID THIS TODAY (THURSDAY) AT A LABOUR RELATIONS SPRING RECEPTION ORGANISED JOINTLY BY THE DEPARTMENT'S LABOUR RELATIONS DIVISION AND THE LABOUR RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

MR HAMMOND SAID THAT MORE STAFF WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR THE LABOUR RELATIONS DIVISION THIS YEAR TO ENABLE IT TO STEP UP ITS PROMOTIONAL AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL.

"THIS WILL RESULT IN THE PROVISION OF MORE DISTRICT SEMINARS AND TRAINING COURSES, WHICH ARE CURRENTLY IN GREAT DEMAND," HE NOTED.

MR HAMMOND ALSO CALLED ON ALL SECTORS CONCERNED TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS IN MAINTAINING THE PRESENT HARMONIOUS STATE OF LABOUR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, WHICH WAS ESSENTIAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND SOCIAL STABILITY.

REVIEWING THE MAJOR EVENTS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE LABOUR RELATIONS FIELD OVER THE PAST YEAR, MR HAMMOND SAID THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENT WAS THE LAUNCHING OF THE TRIPARTITE EVENT "LABOUR RELATIONS '88", WITH CONTRIBUTIONS IN VARIOUS WAYS FROM EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATIONS, TRADE UNION FEDERATIONS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS.

"A SIMILAR EVENT IS BEING PLANNED FOR 1990," HE NOTED.

IN THE FIELD OF LABOUR LEGISLATION, HE SAID THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ENACTMENTS LAST YEAR WERE THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LONG SERVICE PAYMENT SCHEME AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH COUNCIL.

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"THERE WILL ALSO BE EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE EXISTING LEGISLATION THIS YEAR, INCLUDING THE REMOVAL OF THE PRESENT DISTINCTION BETWEEN MANUAL AND NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES AND THE PROTECTION TO PART-TIME EMPLOYEES WHO WORK FOR 18 HOURS A WEEK OR MORE.

"OTHER ITEMS CONCERN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION ASSISTANCE SCHEME, EXTENSION OF THE SCOPE OF THE PROTECTION OF WAGES ON INSOLVENCY ORDINANCE, AND AMENDMENTS TO THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS ORDINANCE," MR HAMMOND SAID.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE SPRING RECEPTION WAS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS '88 ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR CHAN SUI-KAU.

DESCRIBING "LABOUR RELATIONS '88" AS A NEW APPROACH TO LABOUR RELATIONS PROMOTION, MR CHAN SAID: "IT SUCCEEDED IN OPENING UP MORE CHANNELS FOR LABOUR-MANAGEMENT COMMUNICATION AND MARKED THE BEGINNING OF A NEW TREND OF DEVELOPMENT TOWARDS ACHIEVING MORE HARMONIOUS LABOUR RELATIONS."

THE SPRING RECEPTION WAS ATTENDED BY ABOUT 1,000 GUESTS. THEY INCLUDED MEMBERS OF THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD, DISTRICT BOARDS AND THE PROTECTION OF WAGES ON INSOLVENCY FUND BOARD, CHAIRMEN OF VARIOUS EMPLOYERS' AND EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATIONS, UNION REPRESENTATIVES, HEADS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS PERSONNEL MANAGERS AND EMPLOYERS IN MAJOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

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EXCO IN FAVOUR OF LIBERALISING USE OF TVRO DISHES

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THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS DECIDED IN FAVOUR OF LIBERALISING CURRENT RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF SATELLITE TELEVISION RECEIVE ONLY (TVRO) DISHES, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

"CURRENTLY, ONLY CABLE AND WIRELESS (HONG KONG) LTD. (CWHK) IS LICENSED TO RECEIVE SATELLITE TELEVISION SIGNALS," HE SAID.

"GIVEN THAT MODERN TECHNOLOGY MAKES IT FEASIBLE FOR INDIVIDUALS AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS TO OPERATE THEIR OWN TVRO DISHES, THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS DECIDED THAT IT IS NO LONGER APPROPRIATE FOR CWHK TO HAVE AN EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OVER THIS ACTIVITY.

"MOREOVER, THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HAS CONCLUDED THAT TVRO DISHES USED TO RECEIVE SATELLITE TELEVISION SIGNALS INTENDED FOR GENERAL RECEPTION AND SYSTEMS FOR DISTRIBUTING THE SIGNALS WITHIN A SINGLE PROPERTY SHOULD BE EXEMPTED FROM THE GENERAL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION ORDINANCE."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS IN LINE WITH THIS CONCLUSION WOULD NOW BE DRAWN UP FOR APPROVAL BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL PRIOR TO INTRODUCTION INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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"BROADCAST SATELLITE TELEVISION SIGNALS CURRENTLY RECEIVABLE IN HONG KONG ARE GENERALLY NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO GIVE GOOD RECEPTION WITHOUT A TVRO DISH OF BETWEEN THREE AND FIVE METRES IN DIAMETER," HE SAID.

"SMALL DOMESTIC TVRO DISH AERIALS CURRENTLY USED OVERSEAS FOR RECEIVING DIRECT BROADCASTS BY SATELLITE WILL NOT BE USEABLE IN HONG KONG IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE."

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL POLICY DECISION ON EXEMPTING TVRO DISH USE FROM LICENSING WAS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NECESSARY LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS.

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FORUM FOR SHA TIN RC CANDIDATES

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SHA TIN RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A PUBLIC FORUM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 4) FOR CANDIDATES CONTESTING SHA TIN CONSTITUENCY SEATS IN THE REGIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS ON MARCH 9.

THE CANDIDATES WILL OUTLINE THEIR PLATFORMS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

THE FORUM WILL BE HELD AT THE ENTRANCE ARENA, LEVEL 1 OF THE NEW TOWN PLAZA.

IT WILL BE DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS, WITH THE FIRST, FOR THE SHA TIN EAST CONSTITUENCY, TO BE HELD FROM 10.30 AM TO 11.25 AM.

THERE ARE THREE CANDIDATES FOR THIS CONSTITUENCY - MR STANLEY SUM YIU-CHO, MR TONY KAN CHING-NIN AND MR CLAUDIUS TONY SOLEMON LOCK.

THE SECOND SECTION, FOR THE SHA TIN WEST CONSTITUENCY, WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 11.25 AM TO NOON.

THERE ARE TWO CANDIDATES - MR LAU KONG-WAH AND THE REV FUNG CHI-WOOD.

THE FORUM HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE WITH THE AIM OF ENABLING RESIDENTS TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE VIEWS AND PLATFORMS OF THE CANDIDATES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE ELECTIONS FORUM IN SHA TIN WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM ON SATURDAY (MARCH 4) AT THE ENTRANCE ARENA, LEVEL 1, NEW TOWN PLAZA.

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RC ELECTIONS FORUM FOR TUEN MUN CANDIDATES

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FOUR CANDIDATES FOR SEATS IN THE TUEN MUN CONSTITUENCIES OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL PRESENT THEIR ELECTION PLATFORMS TO RESIDENTS IN THE NEW TOWN'S YAN OI SQUARE ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5).

THEY ARE MADAM CHOI CHEUNG YUET-LAN AND MESSRS POON CHIN-HUNG, STEPHEN NG AND WONG KIN-HONG WHO ARE CONTESTING THE TWO SEATS IN THE TUEN MUN EAST AND TUEN MUN WEST CONSTITUENCIES.

THE CANDIDATES WILL ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

THE FORUM WILL BEGIN AT 11 AM AND ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

THE TUEN MUN ELECTIONS FORUM WILL BE HELD IN YAN OI SQUARE, TUEN MUN, ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5), STARTING AT 11 AM. YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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URBCO ELECTIONS FORUM IN MONG KOK

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A FORUM FOR THE TWO CANDIDATES CONTESTING THE MONG KOK CONSTITUENCY SEAT IN THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY) NIGHT.

THE CANDIDATES ARE MR CHAN KWOK-MING AND MR WONG YUEN-WEI.

ORGANISED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE, THE FORUM AIMS AT PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CANDIDATES TO EXPLAIN THEIR PLATFORMS TO ELECTORS, WHO WOULD IN RETURN GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE FORUM, WHICH WILL START AT 8 PM AT KEI WING PRIMARY SCHOOL AT 23 LAI CHI KOK ROAD, KOWLOON.

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CIVIC EDUCATION DAY IN KWUN TONG ON SATURDAY

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A CIVIC EDUCATION CARNIVAL BEARING THE THEME OF "ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION" WILL BE HELD IN KWUN TONG ON SATURDAY (MARCH 4).

THE CARNIVAL IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE WORKING GROUP ON CIVIC EDUCATION UNDER THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE AND THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE "CIVIC EDUCATION FORTNIGHT" ORGANISED BY THE CYC.

HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS FROM ABOUT 20 LOCAL PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT, WHICH IS AIMED AT AROUSING THEIR CIVIC AWARENESS, AND DEVELOPING THEIR SKILLS IN PRESENTING FACTS AND CONCEPTS.

THE PROGRAMME ITEMS, PUT TOGETHER BY STUDENTS AND ALL ON THE THEME OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, WILL INCLUDE GAME STALLS, PROJECT DISPLAYS, DRAMAS, DANCING AND SINGING PERFORMANCES.

THE CARNIVAL WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN 10 AM AND 5 PM AT THE NEW LIFE SCHOOL INCORPORATION LUI KWOK PAT FONG COLLEGE IN TSUI PING ROAD.

PARTICIPANTS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT FROM THE VIDEO AND SLIDE PRESENTATIONS AT THE VENUE.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 10 AM WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, MISS MONA LO, AND SENIOR INSPECTOR OF THE CYC, MR LAU CHAK-BUN.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A PRIZE-PRESENTATION FOR OUTSTANDING PROJECT DISPLAYS AND GAME STALL DESIGN AT 3.30 PM. OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI, AND DISTRICT OFFICER, MR CHRIS WAN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWUN TONG CIVIC EDUCATION CARNIVAL TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY (MARCH 4) FROM 10 AM TO 5 PM AT THE NEW LIFE SCHOOL INCORPORATION LUI KWOK PAT FONG COLLEGE AT 102 TSUI PING ROAD.

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ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL IN TUEN MUN
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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5) IN A COLOURFUL FINALE TO ITS NINE-MONTH CAMPAIGN.

THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM IN THE TUEN MUN SPORTS GROUND AT TUEN MUN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD. THERE WILL BE A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AND A NUMBER OF GAME STALLS.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR JOHN WAN; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAU WONG-FAT; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR HUI CHIU-YIN; AND SENIOR POLICE TRAFFIC OFFICER/NEW TERRITORIES, MR T.A. BARNES.

THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN WITH A BRASS BAND PERFORMANCE, FOLLOWED BY THE PRESENTATION OF PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS TO WINNERS OF THE SLOGAN AND STICKER DESIGN COMPETITIONS HELD EARLIER AND TO MODEL DRIVERS AND PEDESTRIANS.

THE HIGHLIGHTS WILL INCLUDE A MOTORCYCLE SPECTACULAR STAGED BY THE HONG KONG SCHOOL OF MOTORING AND A CHILDREN FANCY DRESS PARADE.

FUNDED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE TUEN MUN ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN WAS JOINTLY PRESENTED BY THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICE, ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION LIGHT RAIL DIVISION, AND VARIOUS DISTRICT ORGANISATIONS.

IN ORDER TO ENHANCE RESIDENTS' AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF FOLLOWING ROAD REGULATIONS, EVENTS INCLUDED AN LRT VILLAGE STATIONS OPEN DAY, SELECTION OF MODEL DRIVERS AND PEDESTRIANS, SLOGAN AND STICKER COMPETITIONS AND SEMINARS HAVE BEEN HELD. PUBLICITY HANDBILLS, STICKERS AND POSTERS HAVE ALSO BEEN DISTRIBUTED.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN CARNIVAL AND PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5). IT WILL BEGIN AT 10.30 AM IN THE TUEN MUN SPORTS GROUND AT TUEN MUN HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD.

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WISHING TO TAKE GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT TO THE VENUE ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT 9.30 AM AT THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER IN TSIM SHA TSUI.

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DB ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS WORK PLAN

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THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS ITS 1989-90 WORK PLAN AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE COMMITTEE IS EXPECTED TO SPEND \$1 MILLION ON VARIOUS MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND MAINTENANCE WORKS IN THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR.

A PROGRESS REPORT WILL BE MADE ON THE CONDITION OF JORDAN VALLEY LANDFILL.

IN ADDITION, MEMBERS WILL REVIEW THE PROGRESS OF LOCAL WORKS PROJECTS AND MINOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS BEING MONITORED BY THE COMMITTEE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, THIRD FLOOR, KWUN TONG DISTRICT BRANCH OFFICES BUILDING, TUNG YAN STREET. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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DB COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CHILD CARE SERVICE

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THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW CHILD CARE SERVICE IN THE DISTRICT AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON THE SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN ROOM 1416, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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EMPLOYMENT EXHIBITION OPENS TOMORROW IN BUTTERFLY ESTATE

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A MOBILE EXHIBITION ON THE LATEST EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE OPEN TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT BUTTERFLY ESTATE, TUEN MUN, WITH FACILITIES FOR JOB SEEKERS TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH APPLICATION FORMALITIES.

IT IS THE SECOND IN A SERIES OF FOUR SUCH EXHIBITIONS BEING HELD BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IN THE COMMERCIAL COMPLEXES OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES BETWEEN FEBRUARY AND APRIL.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE ESTATE'S COMMERCIAL CENTRE AT TIP SUM HOUSE, FROM 2 PM TO 7 PM TOMORROW AND BETWEEN 10 AM AND 7 PM ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS UNTIL NEXT MONDAY (MARCH 6).

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FESTIVE LIGHTING PHOTOGRAPHS ON DISPLAY

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WINNING ENTRIES FOR THE SHA TIN FESTIVE LIGHTING PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION WILL BE ON DISPLAY AT THE ENTRANCE ARENA OF NEW TOWN PLAZA IN SHA TIN TOMORROW (MARCH 3) AND ON SATURDAY.

A PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AT 2.30 PM ON SATURDAY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE 1988-89 SHA TIN DISTRICT FESTIVE LIGHTING CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE SAID THE COMPETITION WAS ORGANISED TO COINCIDE WITH THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED LIGHTING ARRANGEMENTS IN THE DISTRICT TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR.

THE COMMITTEE HAD ALSO ORGANISED TWO OTHER COMPETITIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LIGHTING PROGRAMME. THEY WERE THE FESTIVE LIGHTING SLOGAN COMPETITION AND THE DRAWING AND COLOURING COMPETITION.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE JUDGING PANEL FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION COMPRISED FIVE RENOWNED PHOTOGRAPHERS AND THE WINNING PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SELECTED FROM AMONG MORE THAN A HUNDRED ENTRIES.

OFFICIATING AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE SHA TIN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER (DEVELOPMENT), MISS MARGARET FONG; CHAIRMAN OF THE 1988-89 SHA TIN DISTRICT FESTIVE LIGHTING CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE, MR LAU HON-KIT; AND SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR WONG PO-MING.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN FESTIVE LIGHTING PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY (MARCH 4) AT THE ENTRANCE ARENA ON LEVEL 1, NEW TOWN PLAZA, SHA TIN. THE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM.

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SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO NETHERLANDS ANTILLES EXTENDED

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THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO THE NETHERLANDS ANTILLES WILL BE EXTENDED TO SABA AND ST. EUSTATIUS FROM MONDAY (MARCH 6), THE POST OFFICE ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY WHICH IS AT PRESENT AVAILABLE TO THREE CITIES WILL THEN COVER BONAIRE, CURACAO, ST. MAARTEN, SABA AND ST. EUSTATIUS.

THE SPEEDPOST SERVICE IS A FAST AND RELIABLE MEANS FOR FORWARDING DOCUMENTS, SAMPLES AND MERCHANDISE OVERSEAS. A FREE PICK-UP SERVICE IS ALSO AVAILABLE.

CUSTOMERS REQUIRING MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE MAY CONTACT THE POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE ON 5-8683868.

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TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN CENTRAL

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT FROM 1 PM TO 5 PM ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5), THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN CENTRAL FOR THE GOLDEN MILE RACE:

- * CHATER ROAD BETWEEN JACKSON ROAD AND MURRAY ROAD WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO ONE-WAY WESTBOUND;
- * CLUB STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND; AND
- * BUSES ON CROSS-HARBOUR ROUTE 103 ON JOURNEYS TO POKFIELD ROAD WILL OMIT CLUB STREET AND CHATER ROAD.

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR KOWLOON CHARITY WALK

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN WONG TAI SIN ON SUNDAY (MARCH 5) FOR THE "KOWLOON WALK FOR MILLIONS".

NGAU CHI WAN STREET BETWEEN JAT'S INCLINE AND FUNG SHING STREET WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 7.30 AM AND NOON.

IN ADDITION, THE FOLLOWING ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE CLOSED FROM 7.30 AM TO 3.30 PM:

- * SHATIN PASS ROAD BETWEEN TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD AND FEI NGO SHAN ROAD;
- * JAT'S INCLINE BETWEEN FEI NGO SHAN ROAD AND CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD; AND
- * FEI NGO SHAN ROAD BETWEEN AN UNNAMED PASS AND JAT'S INCLINE.

FROM 7 AM TO NOON, THE TERMINUS OF GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 16 WILL BE RELOCATED TO FUNG SHING STREET BETWEEN NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD.

THIS GMB SERVICE WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO TRAVEL VIA FUNG SHING STREET, CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD, LUNG CHEUNG ROAD, CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD, NEW CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD AND FUNG SHING STREET.

MEANWHILE, FROM 7 AM TO 3.30 PM, THE TERMINUS OF GMB ROUTES 18 AND 19 WILL BE RELOCATED TO A SITE ABOUT 50 METRES EAST OF THE EXISTING TERMINUS IN TSZ WAN SHAN ROAD.

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PARTIAL CLOSURE OF TUEN MUN ROAD

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED THAT TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS, THE WESTBOUND TRAFFIC LANES ON TUEN MUN ROAD AT SHAM TSENG VIADUCT WILL BE CLOSED IN ROTATION BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM DAILY ON MARCH 5 AND 12.

DURING THE WORKS PERIOD, ONLY ONE WESTBOUND TRAFFIC LANE WILL REMAIN OPEN.

MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED TO USE THE ALTERNATIVE ROUTEING VIA CASTLE PEAK ROAD.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC AIDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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