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FURTHER UK DONATION TO UNHCR WELCOMED

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A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN TODAY (MONDAY) WELCOMED AN ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY THE UK GOVERNMENT THAT IT WAS GOING TO CONTRIBUTE A FURTHER ONE MILLION POUNDS STERLING (HK\$13.2 MILLION) TOWARDS THE UNHCR'S PROGRAMME FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN HONG KONG.

"THIS IS AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE," HE SAID. "WE HOPE THAT OTHER DONOR COUNTRIES WILL FOLLOW THIS EXAMPLE."

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT UNDER THE STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING RECENTLY CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AND THE UNHCR, THE UNHCR HAD CONFIRMED THAT IT WOULD CONTINUE TO MEET THE COSTS OF THE CARE, MAINTENANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES REQUIRED BY ALL ASYLUM SEEKERS, REFUGEES, AND PERSONS FOUND NOT TO BE REFUGEES.

"THESE INCLUDE THE COSTS OF FOOD, WATER, FUEL, TRANSPORT, RELIEF ITEMS, EDUCATION AND TRAINING, RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND LEGAL ADVICE.

"THE UNHCR HAS ALSO UNDERTAKEN TO PROVIDE EDUCATION, MEDICAL SERVICES, VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES FOR REFUGEES," HE SAID.

IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT MADE BY THE UK GOVERNMENT EARLIER TODAY, IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THE IMMEDIATE CONTRIBUTION OF A FURTHER ONE MILLION POUNDS STERLING WAS MADE IN ORDER TO HELP MEET THE INCREASING COSTS OF THE UNHCR'S RAPIDLY EXPANDING PROGRAMME FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN HONG KONG.

THE DECISION FOLLOWS A RECENT VISIT TO CENTRES FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN HONG KONG BY MR CHRIS PATTEN, MINISTER FOR OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, AND BRINGS THE UK GOVERNMENT'S TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNHCR SO FAR THIS YEAR TO JUST OVER 21 MILLION POUNDS STERLING.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT ADDED THAT THIS FURTHER ONE MILLION POUNDS STERLING REPRESENTED AN INITIAL CONTRIBUTION BY THE UK GOVERNMENT, AND THAT CONSIDERATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO WHAT FURTHER HELP MIGHT BE PROVIDED FOR THIS IMPORTANT UNHCR PROGRAMME FOR VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE IN HONG KONG.

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COUNTERFEIT COMPUTER SOFTWARE: SHOP OWNER SENTENCED TO PRISON

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A COMPUTER SHOP OWNER WAS TODAY (MONDAY) SENTENCED TO 10 MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT FOR POSSESSING FOR SALE INFRINGING COMPUTER MANUALS AND DISKETTES WORTH ABOUT \$360,000.

THE DEFENDANT, HWA YUI-WAI, SOLE PROPRIETOR OF VICTOR BOOK COMPANY IN THE GOLDEN SHOPPING ARCADE, SHAM SHUI PO, WAS CHARGED WITH 19 COUNTS OF POSSESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS INFRINGING COPIES OF A WORK, NAMELY COMPUTER MANUALS, IN WHICH COPYRIGHT SUBSISTED UNDER THE COPYRIGHT ORDINANCE.

HE WAS ALSO CHARGED WITH 12 COUNTS OF POSSESSING FOR SALE COMPUTER MANUALS AND DISKETTES TO WHICH A FORGED TRADE MARK WAS APPLIED, AND ANOTHER SIX COUNTS INVOLVING FALSE TRADE DESCRIPTIONS UNDER THE TRADE DESCRIPTIONS ORDINANCE.

ACTING ON COMPLAINTS BY FOREIGN PUBLISHERS AND COMPUTER PRODUCERS, OFFICERS FROM THE CUSTOMS TRADING STANDARDS INVESTIGATION BUREAU RAIDED THE DEFENDANT'S SHOP IN AUGUST LAST YEAR, AND AGAIN SEARCHED THE SHOP AND A STORAGE PLACE IN NOVEMBER.

IN THE OPERATIONS, OFFICERS SEIZED A TOTAL OF 6,056 COMPUTER MANUALS AND 214 COMPUTER DISKETTES VALUED AT \$360,660, WHICH CUSTOMS BELIEVED THE DEFENDANT HAD PURCHASED FROM TAIWAN AND SINGAPORE FOR SALE IN HIS SHOP.

COMMENTING ON THE CASE CONCLUDED TODAY IN THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT COURT, THE DEPUTY HEAD OF THE TRADING STANDARDS INVESTIGATION BUREAU, MR JOHN LAM, SAID TRADERS SHOULD NOT GET THEMSELVES INVOLVED IN COUNTERFEITING ACTIVITIES, OR ELSE THEY MIGHT FACE HEAVY PENALTIES.

HE SAID THE DEPARTMENT WOULD KEEP UP SURVEILLANCE ON COMPUTER PIRACY AND ALL SORTS OF COUNTERFEITING ACTIVITIES WITH A VIEW TO ERADICATING THEM.

"THE PENALTY FOR POSSESSION OF EACH INFRINGING COPY IS A FINE OF \$1,000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR 12 MONTHS UNDER THE COPYRIGHT ORDINANCE, WHILE COUNTERFEITERS ARE ALSO LIABLE TO A FINE OF \$500,000 AND IMPRISONMENT FOR FIVE YEARS UNDER THE TRADE DESCRIPTIONS ORDINANCE," HE ADDED.

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GOVERNOR VISITS SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

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SOCIAL WORKERS PLAY A KEY ROLE IN CREATING A MORE CARING SOCIETY, THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, SAID TODAY (MONDAY) AFTER PAYING A VISIT TO THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

THE GOVERNOR BEGAN HIS VISIT AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT IN THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE.

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, EXPLAINED TO SIR DAVID THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN VARIOUS SERVICE AREAS, INCLUDING THE INTRODUCTION OF THE VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION SCHEME FOR PRIVATE ELDERLY HOMES, THE REVIEW OF PRE-SCHOOL SERVICES, AND THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IMPROVED SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS.

SHE ALSO BRIEFED HIM ON THE CURRENT MANPOWER SITUATION AND THE MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO IMPROVE RECRUITMENT TO COPE WITH THE EXPANSION OF SERVICES IN BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND SUBVENTED SECTORS.

THE GOVERNOR WAS TOLD THAT THERE WAS A SHORTFALL OF SOCIAL WORKERS AND THAT ON THE ADVICE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SUITABLE NON-SOCIAL-WORK-TRAINED GRADUATES WOULD CONTINUE TO BE RECRUITED AS AN INTERIM MEASURE TO MEET THIS SHORTFALL.

IN ADDITION, MORE IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSES IN SPECIALISED SERVICES WERE BEING HELD TO RAISE STANDARDS.

MRS WONG THEN ACCOMPANIED THE GOVERNOR ON A TOUR OF THE HONG KONG REGIONAL SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICE, WHERE SIR DAVID SAW THE WORK OF THE FAMILY SERVICES CENTRE, THE SOCIAL SECURITY FIELD UNIT, THE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY OFFICE AND THE ADOPTION UNIT.

THE GOVERNOR COMMENDED THE STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT, ESPECIALLY THE FRONT-LINE WORKERS, FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND HARD WORK IN THE FACE OF THE TIGHT MANPOWER SITUATION.

"THE COMMUNITY OWES A DEBT OF GRATITUDE," HE SAID, "TO ALL THOSE WHO DEVOTE THEIR WORKING LIVES TO HELPING THOSE IN NEED."

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LADY WILSON OPENS TRAINING CENTRE FOR HANDICAPPED ADULTS

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BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS HAVE WORKED HARD TO ACHIEVE THE CONSTANT IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED, LADY WILSON SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

OPENING THE SHAN KING ADULT TRAINING CENTRE IN TUEN MUN OF THE SOCIETY OF HOMES FOR THE HANDICAPPED, LADY WILSON DESCRIBED THE CENTRE AS YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE CO-OPERATION THAT EXISTED, AND THE OUTSTANDING WORK OF THE INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN IT.

SHE SAID THE PROJECT WENT SOME WAY TOWARDS ALLEVIATING THE PRESSING PROBLEM OF SHORTAGE OF DAY PLACEMENT FOR SEVERELY AND MODERATELY MENTALLY HANDICAPPED ADULTS IN TUEN MUN NEW TOWN.

LADY WILSON NOTED THAT THE SOCIETY'S AIM WAS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THOSE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL HANDICAP, SO THAT THEY COULD ENJOY LIFE IN THE SAME WAY AS EVERY ONE ELSE.

"IT IS RECOGNISED THAT SOUND AND MEANINGFUL PROGRAMMES OF REHABILITATION AT TERTIARY LEVEL CAN IMPROVE THE ABILITY OF THOSE WHO ARE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED TO LIVE IN A NORMAL ENVIRONMENT.

"IT IS ESSENTIAL TO HAVE THE REQUISITE NUMBER OF TRAINED STAFF, AS INTENSIVE TRAINING IS REQUIRED TO DEVELOP THEIR FULL POTENTIAL AND ALLOW EACH PERSON TO BECOME AS INDEPENDENT AS POSSIBLE," LADY WILSON SAID.

LADY WILSON PAID TRIBUTE TO THE WORK OF THE SOCIETY IN PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF MENTALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY.

AFTER SHE UNVEILED A PLAQUE, THE ROMAN CATHOLIC EPISCOPAL VICAR FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, FATHER ANTHONY TSANG, BLESSED THE CENTRE, WHICH IS THE SOCIETY'S TENTH SERVICE UNIT.

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SECOND CHOLERA CASE CONFIRMED

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A WOMAN WAS CONFIRMED TO BE SUFFERING FROM CHOLERA BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY (MONDAY).

THIS IS THE SECOND CHOLERA CASE REPORTED SO FAR THIS YEAR. THE FIRST PATIENT - A 75-YEAR-OLD MAN - WAS CONFIRMED AS AN IMPORTED CASE ON SEPTEMBER 27.

THE SECOND PATIENT IS A 30-YEAR-OLD PREGNANT WOMAN WHO LIVES IN KOWLOON CITY. SHE DEVELOPED SYMPTOMS OF DIARRHOEA ON SEPTEMBER 27. ON THE SAME DAY, SHE ATTENDED THE ANTE-NATAL CLINIC AT KWONG WAH HOSPITAL WHERE SHE TOLD THE ATTENDING DOCTOR THAT SHE HAD DIARRHOEA.

A STOOL TEST WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE HOSPITAL AND THE RESULT WHICH WAS AVAILABLE LAST SATURDAY INDICATED THAT SHE WAS SUFFERING FROM CHOLERA.

THE WOMAN WAS IMMEDIATELY REFERRED TO PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL FOR OBSERVATION AND FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

RESULTS OF FURTHER TESTS CONFIRMED THAT THE PATIENT WAS SUFFERING FROM EL TOR CHOLERA. THE WOMAN WAS IN A SATISFACTORY CONDITION TODAY.

THE DEPARTMENT CLASSIFIED THE CASE AS LOCAL BECAUSE THE WOMAN HAD NOT TRAVELLED OUTSIDE HONG KONG RECENTLY.

HEALTH STAFF FROM THE DEPARTMENT HAD VISITED THE PATIENT'S HOME IN KOWLOON CITY WHERE SHE LIVES WITH HER HUSBAND. IN ADDITION, THEY CHECKED THE HOME OF THE PATIENT'S MOTHER, WHOM SHE HAD FREQUENTLY VISITED. A TOTAL OF SEVEN HOME CONTACTS WERE EXAMINED AND GIVEN MEDICATION. THE TWO PREMISES WERE ALSO DISINFECTED.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT REMINDED THE PUBLIC TO OBSERVE PERSONAL AND FOOD HYGIENE TO AVOID CONTRACTING THE DISEASE.

"CHOLERA IS ENDEMIC IN THIS REGION. THE DETECTION OF THE PRESENT CASE IS DUE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FOR THE DISEASE.

"AS CHOLERA CAN OCCUR THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, IT IS ALWAYS ADVISABLE TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST THE DISEASE AT ALL TIMES," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR QE FOUNDATION PROJECT GRANTS  
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THE COUNCIL OF THE QUEEN ELIZABETH FOUNDATION FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED TODAY (MONDAY) INVITED APPLICATIONS FROM BONA-FIDE NON-PROFIT-MAKING ORGANISATIONS FOR A LIMITED NUMBER OF PROJECT GRANTS.

THE GRANTS ARE AIMED AT FINANCING PROJECTS OR ACTIVITIES FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF WELFARE, EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED IN HONG KONG AND THE PROMOTION OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS.

COPIES OF A GUIDE TO APPLICATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE COUNCIL'S SECRETARY AT THE REHABILITATION DIVISION OF THE EDUCATION AND MANPOWER BRANCH, ON THE 14TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

APPLICATIONS MUST REACH THE COUNCIL SECRETARIAT OF THE FOUNDATION NOT LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE  
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 44.7 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 262.051 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 424.183 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 72.4 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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FARMERS' VIEWS ON EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES SOUGHT  
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LIVESTOCK FARMER REPRESENTATIVES WILL CONSOLIDATE THEIR VIEWS ON THE GOVERNMENT'S NEXT REVIEW OF THE EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES FOR FARMERS WHO ARE AFFECTED BY THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL SCHEME.

THE REVIEW WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ABOUT THREE MONTHS' TIME.

AT THE LATEST MEETING OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP OF THE LIVESTOCK WASTE DISPOSAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE, FARMER REPRESENTATIVES AGREED THAT THEY WOULD SET OUT THEIR VIEWS IN A PAPER FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT AD HOC WORKING GROUP MEETING.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP, MR LEO KWAN, SAID FARMERS' VIEWS WOULD BE CONSOLIDATED AND REFLECTED TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR CONSIDERATION.

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SHA TIN COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RATE  
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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO THE NEEDY, PARTICULARLY THE SENIOR CITIZENS AT ITS MEETING ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 5) AFTERNOON.

BOARD MEMBERS, MR CHING CHEUNG-YING AND MR LI PO-MING WILL ASK THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT WHY THE LEVEL OF INCREASE OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IS NOT COMMENSURATE WITH THAT OF MEAL CHARGES IN SUBSIDISED INSTITUTIONS FOR THE ELDERLY.

THEY ALSO WANT TO KNOW THE PROPORTION OF EXPENSES ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, HOUSING, OLD AGE AND DISABILITY ALLOWANCES IN THE TOTAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE IN THE 1987-88 FINANCIAL YEAR.

MEANWHILE, ANOTHER BOARD MEMBER, MR JOHN YOUNG WILL ASK ABOUT GOVERNMENT CONTINGENCY PLANS IN CASE OF A SERIOUS ACCIDENTAL RELEASE OF RADIOACTIVITY FROM THE DAYA BAY NUCLEAR PLANT NOW BEING BUILT.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO CONSIDER SEVEN APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS AND REPORTS FROM THE WORKING GROUPS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD'S HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 5) AT THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM ON SIXTH FLOOR, KCR HOUSE, SHA TIN STATION.

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"MEET-THE-PUBLIC SCHEME" HELPS COMMUNICATION  
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THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S "MEET-THE-PUBLIC SCHEME" HAS BECOME A CHANNEL THROUGH WHICH LOCAL RESIDENTS CAN AIR THEIR COMPLAINTS, MAKE SUGGESTIONS OR SEEK ASSISTANCE THROUGH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT SAID TODAY (MONDAY) DURING THE LAST QUARTER ENDING IN SEPTEMBER, DUTY BOARD MEMBERS OF THE SCHEME HANDLED MORE THAN 80 APPLICATIONS FOR INTERVIEWS AND MET 250 RESIDENTS.

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THE SCHEME NOW OPERATES WEEKLY FROM MONDAY TO THURSDAY, FROM 8 PM TO 10 PM.

IT TAKES THE FORM OF EITHER INTERVIEW SESSIONS AT FOUR CENTRES AT THE TOWN CENTRE, NGAU TAU KOK, LAM TIN AND SAU MAU PING, OR VISITS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES. THE CENTRES OPEN ON A ROTATION BASIS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE INTERVIEW/VISIT SESSIONS SERVED AS A CHANNEL FOR TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION THROUGH WHICH DISTRICT PROBLEMS WERE REFLECTED TO DUTY BOARD MEMBERS, WHO AT THE SAME TIME TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO THE PUBLIC.

"MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO MEET KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS CAN MAKE APPOINTMENTS EITHER BY PHONE ON 3-416315 OR 3-421443, OR IN PERSON AT ANY PUBLIC ENQUIRY COUNTER OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE OR SUB-OFFICES.

"THE AVERAGE WAITING TIME BETWEEN THE DAY OF APPOINTMENT AND THE DAY OF INTERVIEW IS ABOUT ONE WEEK. FOR URGENT CASES, THE WAITING PERIOD MAY BE SHORTENED," HE ADDED.

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#### SHA TIN TO HOLD LARGE-SCALE ANTI-NARCOTICS FESTIVAL

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ALTHOUGH THE FAST-GROWING NEW TOWN OF SHA TIN DOES NOT HAVE A SERIOUS DRUG PROBLEM, IT WILL LAUNCH AN ANTI-NARCOTICS FESTIVAL THIS MONTH.

THE FESTIVAL WILL BE AMONG THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND EVER ORGANISED AT DISTRICT LEVEL.

DETAILS OF THE FESTIVAL WERE GIVEN AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (MONDAY) BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS COMMITTEE (STDAC), MR LEE KWONG.

MR LEE SAID THE FESTIVAL, RUNNING FROM OCTOBER 8 TO 21, WAS IN LINE WITH THE AIM OF THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE DANGER THAT SOFT DRUGS CAN POSE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, WHO ACCOUNT FOR ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF THE TOTAL POPULATION IN SHA TIN.

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TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE AMONG RESIDENTS, THE \$240,000 CAMPAIGN WILL INVOLVE SEVERAL GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS, INCLUDING THE STDAC, ACAN, SHA TIN ARTS AND SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS, ALL AREA COMMITTEES, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, SCHOOLS, OTHER LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, AND ALSO RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG.

THE OPENING EVENT, A 'SPORTS SPECTACULAR' AT SHA TIN SPORTS GROUND ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, WILL FEATURE A DEMONSTRATION BY POLICE DOGS, DEMONSTRATIONS OF AMERICAN FOOTBALL AND RUGBY, AND COMPETITIONS BETWEEN THE RTHK AND SHA TIN SOCCER TEAMS AS WELL AS COMPETITIVE EVENTS BETWEEN THE DISTRICT'S AREA COMMITTEES.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, THERE WILL BE MORE THAN 20 EVENTS RANGING FROM EXHIBITIONS AND SPORTS COMPETITIONS TO CARNIVALS AND DESIGN CONTESTS.

THEY WILL BE STAGED IN DIFFERENT AREAS SO THAT THE 'GOOD HEALTH' THEME WILL REACH ALL RESIDENTS.

TO GIVE THE DISTRICT EVENT A TERRITORY-WIDE EFFECT, RTHK WILL BROADCAST LIVE THE CLOSING VARIETY SHOW ON OCTOBER 21 EVENING.

THIS WILL FEATURE POP STARS AND DISC JOCKEYS, DANCING, DRAMA, CANTONESE OPERA AND CHOIR SINGING.

THE EVENT WILL BE HELD AT THE AMPHITHEATRE OF THE SHA TIN CENTRAL PARK, BEGINNING AT 7 PM.

THE SHA TIN DISTRICT ANTI-NARCOTICS FESTIVAL IS FUNDED BY \$120,000 FROM THE ACAN, AND \$40,000 EACH FROM THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND PRIVATE SPONSORS.

IN ADDITION TO FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT, THE ACAN HAS ALSO PROVIDED MORE THAN 10,000 ITEMS OF PUBLICITY MATERIALS.

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MUSIC OFFICE HOLDS EXHIBITION IN TSUEN WAN

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MORE THAN 300 STUDENTS WERE TREATED TO AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC BY MUSICIANS FROM THE MUSIC OFFICE AT THE TSUEN WAN TOWN HALL TODAY (MONDAY).

THE PERFORMANCE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH AN EXHIBITION OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL IN THE TOWN HALL'S EXHIBITION GALLERY.

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THE AIM OF THE EXHIBITION, WHICH BEGAN ON SATURDAY AND WILL END TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IS TO FOSTER AN INTEREST IN MUSIC AMONG THE PUBLIC.

THE MUSIC OFFICE EXPERTS DEMONSTRATED PLAYING TECHNIQUES AND EXPLAINED THE SPECIAL FEATURES OF EACH KIND OF INSTRUMENT SUCH AS VIOLIN, ERHU AND SHENG.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MUSIC OFFICE SAID THE EXHIBITION HAS RECEIVED A FAVOURABLE RESPONSE FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY STUDENTS.

HE POINTED OUT THAT SIMILAR EXHIBITIONS WILL BE HELD IN OTHER DISTRICTS AS PART OF EFFORTS BY THE MUSIC OFFICE TO PROMOTE WIDER PUBLIC INTEREST IN MUSIC.

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#### NO STOPPING RESTRICTION IN WING LOK STREET

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THE NORTHERN KERBSIDE LANE OF WING LOK STREET, IN SHEUNG WAN, BETWEEN HOUSE NO'S 156 AND 180, WILL BE MADE AN URBAN CLEARWAY ROUND-THE-CLOCK FROM 10 AM ON THURSDAY (OCTOBER 6) FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS TO FACILITATE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORKS, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED.

NO VEHICLES EXCEPT FRANCHISED BUSES WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS THERE.

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#### SUSPENSION OF FRESH WATER SUPPLY

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TAI PO AND WONG TAI SIN WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR WATER WORKS LATER THIS WEEK.

IN TAI PO, THE SUPPLY TO PREMISES ALONG THE SECTION OF TAI PO ROAD BETWEEN MEI WOON SAN TSUEN AND ST CHRISTOPHER'S HOME WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 9 AM TO 5 PM ON WEDNESDAY (OCTOBER 5).

IN WONG TAI SIN, THE SUPPLY TO MORSE PARK AND BLOCK NO. 28 - 32 LOWER WONG TAI SIN ESTATE, WILL BE CUT OFF FROM 11 PM ON THURSDAY TO 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING.

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