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## HOSPITAL WITH CENTRAL ROLE IN DENTISTRY

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HONG KONG'S FIRST LOCALLY TRAINED DENTISTS WILL QUALIFY FOR PRACTICE IN JANUARY, 1985.

SIXTY-EIGHT DENTAL UNDERGRADUATES HAVE BEEN UNDERGOING TRAINING FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS AT THE PRINCE PHILIP DENTAL HOSPITAL, THE TEACHING HOSPITAL FOR HONG KONG UNIVERSITY'S FACULTY OF DENTISTRY.

THE \$200-MILLION HOSPITAL, WHICH TOOK LESS THAN FIVE YEARS TO COMPLETE, IS ONE OF THE BEST DESIGNED IN THE WORLD.

+THE HOSPITAL WILL PRODUCE ABOUT 60 QUALIFIED DENTISTS A YEAR AND A NUMBER OF ANCILLARY WORKERS, THUS INJECTING NEW BLOOD INTO THE LOCAL DENTAL PROFESSION,+ SAID PROFESSOR EDWARD RENSON, HEAD OF THE UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATIVE DENTISTRY.

PROFESSOR RENSON CAME TO HONG KONG IN 1978 AFTER A DISTINGUISHED DENTAL CAREER IN BRITAIN AND HAS SINCE PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN SETTING UP AND RUNNING THE HOSPITAL.

+ITS FACILITIES FOR DENTAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ARE SECOND TO NONE AND THE DESIGN IS UNIQUE.

+THERE ARE OVER 200 CLINICAL CHAIRS WITH ASSOCIATED BACKUP FACILITIES, SOME 50 INDIVIDUAL SURGERIES, NINE SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION SURGERIES AND TWO OPERATING THEATRES,+ HE SAID.

THE SPECIALLY DESIGNED CLINICAL CHAIRS ENSURE THAT THE CLINICIAN CAN WORK LEFT-HANDED OR RIGHT-HANDED WITH THE PATIENT SITTING UP OR LYING DOWN.

BESIDES FACILITATING CLOSE SUPERVISION BY TEACHING STAFF, THIS FLEXIBILITY ALLOWS MAXIMUM PRIVACY FOR THE PATIENTS BEING TREATED.

TO MINIMISE FLOOR-TO-FLOOR TRAFFIC, CLINICAL DEPARTMENTS WITH THE LARGEST PATIENT ATTENDANCE ARE HOUSED ON THE LOWER FLOORS AND ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER OFFICES ON THE UPPER ONES.

THERE ARE ALSO A DENTAL LIBRARY AND RESEARCH LABORATORIES, WITHOUT WHICH A TEACHING HOSPITAL IS INCOMPLETE.

+TEACHING IS BY SMALL GROUP. IN MOST CASES A CLINICAL TEACHER TAKES CARE OF EIGHT STUDENTS.

+TO MEET TEACHING NEEDS TREATMENT IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON A 'WALK-IN' BASIS. CLINICAL ATTENTION IS PROVIDED BY, OR UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF, DENTALLY QUALIFIED STAFF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG,+ PROFESSOR RENSON SAID.

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AT PRESENT THE HOSPITAL IS TREATING ABOUT 250 PATIENTS A WEEK FOR A FULL RANGE OF DENTAL DISEASES, TO GIVE ITS STUDENTS THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING.

THE HOSPITAL, THEREFORE, PROVIDES INEXPENSIVE TREATMENT TO THOSE WITH LOW INCOME WHO ARE DEEMED TO BE SUITABLE FOR TEACHING. THE HOSPITAL DOES NOT HAVE A SERVICE COMMITMENT.

THE HOSPITAL HAS INTRODUCED ORGANISED TRAINING FOR ANCILLARY WORKERS LIKE DENTAL HEALTH INSTRUCTORS, DENTAL SURGERY ASSISTANTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS.

+PRINCE PHILIP IS ONE OF THE FEW TEACHING HOSPITALS IN THE WORLD WHERE DENTAL UNDERGRADUATES AND SUPPORT STAFF ARE TRAINED UNDER THE SAME ROOF.

+THIS WILL BUILD UP THE TEAM SPIRIT INDISPENSABLE TO THE PROVIDING OF EFFICIENT SERVICES,+ HE SAID.

THE HOSPITAL ALSO RESEARCHES INTO DENTAL DISEASES IN HONG KONG.

+EXTENSIVE STUDIES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT TO IDENTIFY MUCH DISEASES AND THEIR RELATION TO A CHINESE COMMUNITY BY THE STAFF OF ALL THE DENTAL DEPARTMENTS.

+THIS WILL PROVIDE VALUABLE INFORMATION TO SUPPLEMENT THE STUDENTS' TEXTBOOK KNOWLEDGE AND TO ASSESS DENTAL MANPOWER NEEDS FOR HONG KONG IN THE FUTURE,+ SAID PROFESSOR RENSON, WHO ALSO CHAIRS THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY OF DENTISTRY.

IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1983-84, GOVERNMENT SUBVENTION FOR THE OPERATION OF THE HOSPITAL TOTALLED ABOUT \$23 MILLION.

+WITH SUCH EXCELLENT FACILITIES, WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO MANY WELL-TRAINED DENTISTS TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY IN THE YEARS TO COME,+ HE SAID.

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DB TO LOOK INTO PROPOSED MEDICAL SCHEME  
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WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL DISCUSS A PROPOSAL TO IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY MEDICAL SERVICE SCHEME IN THE DISTRICT AT THEIR MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

JOINTLY INITIATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE WONG TAI SIN COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTION ASSOCIATION, THE SCHEME AIMS TO ENLIST REGISTERED DOCTORS IN THE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE LOW-COST PRIVATE MEDICAL SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY AND NEEDY RESIDENTS.

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TO BE TABLED FOR MEMBERS' COMMENTS ARE A REPORT ON THE ELECTRONIC ROAD PRICING SYSTEM AND THE RECENTLY PUBLISHED WHITE PAPER ON FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG.

MEMBERS WILL THEN REVIEW THE STUDY ROOM EXTENSION SCHEME FINANCED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD WITH A VIEW TO CONTINUING ITS OPERATION UNTIL MARCH NEXT YEAR.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE BRIEFED ON RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT TO REVISE THE LAW ON THE DEED OF MUTUAL COVENANT SO THAT THE MANAGEMENT OF NEW MULTI-STOREY BUILDINGS CAN BE IMPROVED.

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U.S. MAKES EA CALL  
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THE UNITED STATES MADE AN EXPORT AUTHORISATION (EA) CALL ON PART OF CATEGORY 359 (COTTON INFANTS' SETS) AT 3.40 PM TODAY (MONDAY), THE TRADE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED.

THIS IS THE 16TH EA CALL BY THE UNITED STATES SO FAR THIS YEAR.

PENDING CONSULTATIONS WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, THE DEPARTMENT HAS SUSPENDED THE ISSUE OF FURTHER EXPORT AUTHORISATION FOR THIS CATEGORY.

HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT WILL, AS USUAL, CONTINUE TO APPROVE AND ISSUE EXPORT LICENCES FOR THIS CATEGORY AGAINST VALID EXPORT AUTHORISATIONS APPROVED BEFORE THE SUSPENSION.

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99 FLATS SOLD ON FIRST DAY  
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A TOTAL OF 99 FLATS WERE SOLD TODAY AT THE HOME OWNERSHIP CENTRE IN HO MAN TIN AT THE START OF SALES FOR THE 4 272 FLATS IN THE FIRST 16 BLOCKS AT RICHLAND GARDENS IN KOWLOON BAY.

+THEY WERE SELECTED BY APPLICANTS FROM THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S MARK 1/11 ESTATE TENANTS WHO ARE GIVEN PRIORITY IN THE SELECTION OF FLATS UNDER PHASE VIB OF THE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE AUTHORITY.

OTHER SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WOULD BE INVITED TO SELECT THEIR FLATS AFTER THE 365 MARK 1/11 ESTATE TENANT APPLICANTS HAD MADE THEIR CHOICE.

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+THOSE ON THE RESERVE LIST MAY ALSO HAVE A CHANCE TO ACQUIRE A FLAT AS THE REMAINING 1 632 FLATS ON THE LAST SIX BLOCKS AT THE ESTATE MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SELECTION IF THERE IS SUCH A DEMAND.

+FLAT PURCHASERS WILL ONLY HAVE TO PAY A NOMINATION FEE OF TEN PER CENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE WHEN SELECTING THEIR FLATS AT THE HOME OWNERSHIP CENTRE.

+THE BALANCE WILL BE PAID UP WHEN THE FLATS ARE READY FOR OCCUPATION,+ HE ADDED.

RICHLAND GARDENS IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN MID-1985.

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CHINA DELEGATES SEE HOUSING DISPLAY  
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THREE DELEGATES FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY OF CHINA TODAY LEARNED OF THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG'S PUBLIC HOUSING DURING A VISIT TO A HOUSING FESTIVAL EXHIBITION AT THE CITY HALL.

LED BY PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY, MR DAI NIANCI, THEY ARE STUDYING URBAN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT IN HONG KONG.

THE DELEGATES SHOWED KEEN INTEREST IN THE VARIOUS DISPLAYS WHICH FOCUSED ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF HONG KONG'S PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMME.

THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED BY THE SECRETARY FOR HOUSING, MR DONALD LIAO.

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70-KILOMETRE LANTAU TRAIL READY  
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THE LANTAU TRAIL, A 70-KILOMETRE CIRCULAR ROUTE THROUGH THE FINE SCENERY OF THE LANTAU COUNTRY PARKS, WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE DR JOHN RIDDELL-SWAN, DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, AND MR TSANG LIN, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF HEUNG YEE KUK.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE OPENING CEREMONY WHICH WILL BE HELD AT NAM SHAN AT 10.20 AM. IT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A WALK ALONG PART OF THE NEW TRAIL.

A GOVERNMENT LAUNCH FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WILL LEAVE BLAKE PIER IN CENTRAL FOR MUI WO AT 9 AM SHARP. IT WILL LEAVE MUI WO ABOUT 12 NOON.

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TENDERS INVITED TO PROVIDE BOAT HIRING SERVICES  
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THE URBAN COUNCIL IS INVITING TENDERS TO PROVIDE BOAT HIRING SERVICES AT THE WONG NAI CHUNG RESERVOIR PARK WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION EARLY NEXT YEAR.

THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE TERRITORY, THE BOATING PARK IS CONVERTED FROM THE NOW DEFUNCT WONG NAI CHUNG RESERVOIR.

APART FROM THE PARK PROPER WHICH MEASURES SOME 6.2 HECTARES, THERE WILL ALSO BE TWO SITTING-OUT AREAS WITH A FITNESS STATION, A LOOK-OUT AREA HOUSING A REFRESHMENT KIOSK, OFFICES AND SHEDS FOR STORING CANOES AND LIFE-SAVING BOATS.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE AWARDED A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT AND REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM OF 25 BOATS FOR HIRE.

TENDER FORMS AND FURTHER PARTICULARS ARE OBTAINABLE AT THE CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE, 203 ABERDEEN MAIN ROAD, 4TH FLOOR, HONG KONG.

COMPLETED TENDER FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE AND PLACED BY HAND IN THE TENDER BOX AT THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT RECEPTION COUNTER, 12TH FLOOR, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), ICE HOUSE STREET, BEFORE 9 A.M. ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1984. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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CAS HOLDING BIENNIAL INSPECTION  
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THE CIVIL AID SERVICES MOUNTAIN RESCUE UNIT IS CARRYING OUT A SERIES OF EXERCISES IN HILLY AND COUNTRYSIDE AREAS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

THE EXERCISES, FROM NOVEMBER 28 TO DECEMBER 8, ARE BEING HELD IN CONNECTION WITH THE BIENNIAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY SQUADRON LEADER GORDON BLACKBURN, INSPECTOR OF LAND RESCUE FROM THE BRITISH MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

THE AIM OF THE INSPECTION IS TO MAKE A PROFESSIONAL APPRAISAL OF THE ABILITY AND PERFORMANCE OF THE MOUNTAIN RESCUE UNIT, AND TO SUGGEST FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

AMONG THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EXERCISES WILL BE A 1-1/2-HOUR MOCK CLIFF RESCUE AT BEACON HILL, KOWLOON TONG TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

OTHER EXERCISES WILL INCLUDE A CROSS-COUNTRY EXPEDITION AND CASUALTY EVACUATION IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS.

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MAINS WORK TO RAISE WATER SUPPLY  
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IMPROVEMENT WORK ON THE TRUNK FEED SYSTEM TO SERVICE RESERVOIRS IN THE EAST KOWLOON DISTRICT WILL START NEXT WEEK FOLLOWING THE AWARD OF A \$9.34 MILLION CONTRACT BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT.

THE CONTRACT INVOLVES THE LAYING OF ABOUT 4 600 METRES OF MILD-STEEL FRESH WATER MAINS WITH DIAMETERS RANGING FROM 700 MM TO 1 200 MM IN NGAU TAU KOK, KWUN TONG AND LAM TIN AREAS.

WHEN WORK IS COMPLETED IN ABOUT A YEAR, THE WATER MAINS WILL BE PART OF THE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME TO COPE WITH GREATER DEMANDS FOR FRESH WATER GENERATED BY NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DISTRICT.

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WATER FIGURE  
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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 76.9 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 450.629 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 551.587 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 94.1 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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SALT WATER CUT IN KWAI CHUNG  
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SALT WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 9 AM TO 9 PM ON THURSDAY (DECEMBER 6) FOR MAINS WORK.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT PREMISES ON THE EAST SIDE OF CASTLE PEAK ROAD BETWEEN FU UK ROAD AND LEI PUI STREET, INCLUDING LEI MUK SHUE ESTATE, SHEK YAM ESTATE AND SHEK LEI ESTATE.

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TRAFFIC BAN TO BE LIFTED  
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THE BAN ON THE RIGHT-TURN MOVEMENT FROM AUSTIN ROAD EASTBOUND INTO NATHAN ROAD SOUTHBOUND WILL BE LIFTED FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (DECEMBER 5).

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