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MAN KAM TO BORDER CROSSING POINT ARRANGEMENTS

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THE GOVERNMENT TODAY (MONDAY) ANNOUNCED A PACKAGE OF MEASURES AIMED AT REDUCING TRAFFIC CONGESTION ALONG THE MAN KAM TO ROAD. THE SITUATION HAS BECOME ACUTE IN RECENT MONTHS AS A RESULT OF RAPID GROWTH IN THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES USING THE MAN KAM TO BORDER CROSSING POINT.

FIRSTLY, BY AGREEMENT WITH THE SHENZHEN AUTHORITIES, CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION FACILITIES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BORDER CROSSING POINT WILL OPEN HALF AN HOUR EARLIER IN THE MORNING AS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1986. AFTER THAT DATE, THE CROSSING POINT WILL OPEN AT 7 AM INSTEAD OF 7.30 AM.

IN ORDER TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM OF VEHICLES QUEUEING ALONG MAN KAM TO ROAD, IT IS INTENDED TO USE A SITE IN AREA 23 SHEUNG SHUI AS A TEMPORARY VEHICLE HOLDING AREA. THE SITE WILL HAVE A CAPACITY OF OVER 400 VEHICLES AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT IT WILL COME INTO USE AT THE END OF OCTOBER 1986 WHEN TEMPORARY SURFACING WORK IS COMPLETED.

IN ADDITION, A MORE PERMANENT VEHICLE HOLDING AREA WILL BE PROVIDED WHICH WILL BE IN USE UNTIL THE NEW LOK MA CHAU BORDER CROSSING COMES INTO SERVICE IN MID 1988.

THE EFFECT OF THE HOLDING AREAS WILL BE TO ALLOW VEHICLES TO WAIT OFF-ROAD THUS DRASTICALLY REDUCING CONGESTION ON MAN KAM TO ROAD.

IN THE SHORT TERM, WORK IS IN HAND TO DESIGNATE FOUR KEY JUNCTIONS IN THE SHEK WU HUI AREA AS YELLOW BOX JUNCTIONS TO MAINTAIN THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ALONG JOCKEY CLUB ROAD AND TO KEEP THE JUNCTIONS FREE FOR CROSS-TRAFFIC. THIS WORK WILL BE COMPLETED IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

ALSO, SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO ENABLE RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGES ALONG MAN KAM TO ROAD TO USE ROADS WITHIN THE FRONTIER CLOSED AREA TO TRAVEL TO SHEUNG SHUI.

FURTHER, TWO AMENDMENTS TO THE PROCEDURES RELATING TO FRONTIER CLOSED ROAD PERMITS ARE BEING INTRODUCED AS TEMPORARY MEASURES. FIRSTLY, MAN KAM TO PERMITS WILL NOW BE VALID FOR USE AT SHA TAU KOK UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE WITHOUT THE PAYMENT OF A FURTHER CLOSED ROAD PERMIT FEE (THIS DUAL VALIDITY WILL NOT BE APPLICABLE TO SHA TAU KOK PERMIT HOLDERS HOWEVER).

SECONDLY, THE ISSUE OF MAN KAM TO CLOSED ROAD PERMITS TO NEW APPLICANTS WILL BE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AND SUCH APPLICANTS WILL BE OFFERED SHA TAU KOK PERMITS INSTEAD. THIS MEASURE WILL NOT AFFECT EXISTING MAN KAM TO PERMIT HOLDERS WHEN THEIR PERMITS BECOME DUE FOR RENEWAL.

THE MEASURES AFFECTING CLOSED ROAD PERMITS WILL BE COME INTO EFFECT ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1986 AND WILL BE STRICTLY TEMPORARY. THE NEED FOR CONTINUING THEM WILL BE REVIEWED ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

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RIVER POLLUTION ATTACKED ON SEVERAL FRONTS
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THE GOVERNMENT IS TACKLING THE POLLUTION OF SHING MUN RIVER IN SHA TIN ON SEVERAL FRONTS.

REMEDIAL MEASURES INCLUDE DESILTING, DREDGING, DIVERTING POLLUTANTS TO SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS, ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST UNAUTHORISED SEWER CONNECTIONS AND COLLECTION OF FLOATING REFUSE.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES BEING TAKEN INCLUDE THE FORMULATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL WASTE CONTROL PLAN AND THE INITIATION OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION AGAINST WATER POLLUTION.

IN 1985, THE FORMER ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT LET A CONTRACT FOR DREDGING THE RIVER CHANNEL BETWEEN SAND MARTIN BRIDGE AND LION BRIDGE.

DREDGING WAS CARRIED OUT FROM APRIL TO NOVEMBER AND A TOTAL OF 50 000 CUBIC METRES OF MATERIAL WAS REMOVED AT A COST OF \$2.41 MILLION.

TWO MINOR DESILTING PROJECTS WERE ALSO UNDERTAKEN BY THE FORMER HIGHWAYS OFFICE - ONE AT THE PORTION OF FO TAN NULLAH FROM TAI PO ROAD UPSTREAM AND ANOTHER AT THE UPPER BEND OF THE RIVER CHANNEL OUTSIDE THE OLD TAI WAI RAILWAY STATION.

THE NEXT CONTRACT FOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING WILL COVER FO TAN NULLAH, SIU LEK YUEN NULLAH, THE UPPER COURSE OF THE RIVER CHANNEL FROM SAND MARTIN BRIDGE UPSTREAM AND THE AREA OUTSIDE THE JUBILEE SPORTS CENTRE.

THIS CONTRACT IS EXPECTED TO START THIS MONTH AND LAST A YEAR AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$8 MILLION.

THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT HAS MADE AVAILABLE \$121 000 FOR THE TERM CONTRACTOR OF THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, SHA TIN, TO UNDERTAKE REFUSE COLLECTION AT THE SHALLOW END OF THE RIVER CHANNEL ON A REGULAR BASIS DURING THIS FINANCIAL YEAR.

THE FIRST REFUSE COLLECTION EXERCISE WAS COMPLETED AT THE END OF JULY AND THE SECOND IS NOW IN PROGRESS.

AS AN INTERIM MEASURE TO PREVENT ANIMAL WASTE FROM WO LIU HANG VILLAGE FROM POLLUTING THE RIVER, THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT HAS CONSTRUCTED INTERCEPTOR MANHOLES ON TWO SURFACE WATER DRAINS TO DIVERT POLLUTANTS FROM THE VILLAGE TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM. THESE INTERCEPTORS WERE COMPLETED IN JULY.

A LONGER TERM AND MORE COMPREHENSIVE ANSWER TO ANIMAL WASTE POLLUTION IS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANIMAL WASTE CONTROL MEASURES RECENTLY APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

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THESE INCLUDE BANNING LIVESTOCK BREEDING IN URBAN AREAS, INCLUDING NEW TOWNS, AND STRINGENT CONTROL ON ANIMAL WASTE STORAGE AND TREATMENT IN OTHER AREAS ON A PHASED BASIS.

THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE (BOO) HAS BEEN DEALING WITH REPORTED CASES OF ILLEGAL SEWER CONNECTIONS IN FO TAN AND TAI WAI.

IN MAY LAST YEAR ORDERS REQUIRING REMEDIAL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT WERE SERVED ON 20 FACTORIES.

OF THESE 17 HAVE RE-DIVERTED THEIR INDUSTRIAL WASTE TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM, WHILE THE REMAINING THREE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF DOING SO.

APART FROM THESE CASES, INVESTIGATIONS HAVE ALSO BEEN CARRIED OUT ON ELECTROPLATING FACTORIES IN FO TAN REFERRED TO BOO AND ORDERS WERE SERVED ON TWO OF THEM FOR UNAUTHORISED DRAINAGE CONNECTIONS.

ON THE LEGISLATIVE SIDE, THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REGULATIONS WERE GAZETTED IN JUNE. THE EVENTUAL ENFORCEMENT OF THESE SHOULD PROVIDE A MORE LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO CONTROLLING INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION AT SOURCE.

FINALLY, REGULAR INSPECTIONS OF FOOD PREMISES IN SHA TIN ARE BEING CARRIED OUT BY STAFF OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURE THAT SANITARY UPKEEP IS IN ORDER AND THAT THE ENVIRONMENT IS NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTED.

LAST YEAR TWO UNLICENSED FOOD FACTORIES WERE FOUND IN WO LIU HANG VILLAGE WHICH WERE CONTRIBUTING TO THE POLLUTION OF THE AREA.

SUBSEQUENT TO THE ISSUE OF PROHIBITION ORDERS, THE OPERATION OF THESE TWO FACTORIES HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.

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IMPORTANT ROLE FOR CIVIC EDUCATION
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EVERYONE IN HONG KONG OUGHT TO UNDERSTAND THE SYSTEMS AND THE FACTORS AFFECTING THE ECONOMY AND LIFE OF SOCIETY, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, MRS RITA FAN, SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT CIVIC EDUCATION INFORMATION CENTRE, MRS FAN SAID IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IN BUILDING A PROGRESSIVE SOCIETY IF USEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE IDEAS WERE PUT FORWARD AND IMPLEMENTED. SHE SAID CIVIC EDUCATION WAS LEADING IN THIS DIRECTION.

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+IF THE PUBLIC DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE SOCIETY AND LACK THE ABILITY TO THINK INDEPENDENTLY, THEY WILL EASILY BE MISLED BY SOME INSTIGATING OPINIONS WITHOUT REALISING THE ACTUAL FACTS,+ SHE SAID.

MRS FAN ALSO SAID THAT ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF CIVIC EDUCATION WAS TO CULTIVATE THE ABILITY TO ACCEPT CONTRASTING IDEAS AND TO BE ABLE TO ANALYSE AND ABSORB DIFFERENT OPINIONS TO REACH A COMMONLY ACCEPTED CONCLUSION.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG, SAID THE CIVIC INFORMATION CENTRE WOULD FUNCTION LIKE A LIBRARY WITH A STOCK OF INFORMATION ON THE WORK OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL AS CONSULTATIVE PAPERS, REPORTS, DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PAPERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC REFERENCE.

+THE SETTING UP OF THE CENTRE WILL ENHANCE CIVIC AND PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE ON THE WORK OF THE GOVERNMENT, THUS STIMULATING INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS,+ MR LEUNG SAID.

THE CENTRE WILL BE OPEN EVERY TUESDAY TO SUNDAY FROM 2 PM TO 5 PM AND FROM 7 PM TO 10 PM. SCHOOLS, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO VISIT THE CENTRE BY MAKING BLOCK BOOKINGS OR BY MAKING INDIVIDUAL VISITS.

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FIRST STEP IN YAU MA TEI REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME * * * * *

THE FIRST STEP WAS TAKEN TODAY (MONDAY) IN THE YAU MA TEI SIX STREETS DEVELOPMENT SCHEME WHEN NOTICES TO VACATE WERE SERVED ON ABOUT 300 TENANTS.

THE NOTICES WERE DELIVERED IN PERSON BY STAFF OF THE BUILDINGS AND LANDS DEPARTMENT. THE TENANTS ARE REQUIRED TO MOVE OUT FROM NOVEMBER.

ELIGIBLE TENANTS WILL BE OFFERED ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION AND EX-GRATIA COMPENSATION BY THE HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY AND THE GOVERNMENT.

THE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY IN TWO PHASES.

ACCORDING TO THE PLAN, THE VACATED SITE WILL BE CLEARED NEXT APRIL AND THE FIRST PHASE OF REDEVELOPMENT COMPLETED IN EARLY 1989.

THIS PHASE OF REDEVELOPMENT WILL COMPRISE 700 FLATS FOR RENTAL AND 450 FOR SALE, PLUS A SUPERMARKET AND VARIOUS SHOPS WITHIN A SITE AREA OF 6 400 SQUARE METRES.

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CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE TWO IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN MID-1989 AND BE COMPLETED IN 1991.

THIS PHASE WILL INCLUDE ANOTHER 450 FLATS FOR SALE, A NURSERY, A KINDERGARTEN, A DAY CARE CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY, A RESTAURANT AND SHOPS.

IN ADDITION TO ABOUT 8 000 SQUARE METRES OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, A 6 600-SQUARE-METRE GARDEN PODIUM WILL BE BUILT FOR RESIDENTS.

ON COMPLETION OF THIS URBAN RENEWAL SCHEME, THE AREA'S ENVIRONMENT WILL BE MUCH IMPROVED.

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FS VISITS TEXTILE FACTORY
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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS, VISITED THE SOUTH SEA TEXTILE MANUFACTURING COMPANY IN TUEN MUN TODAY (MONDAY) TO FAMILIARISE HIMSELF WITH LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TEXTILES AND GARMENT INDUSTRY, HONG KONG'S BIGGEST EXPORT EARNER.

EXPORTS OF TEXTILES AND GARMENTS HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY DISRUPTED IN THE PAST YEAR BY PROTECTIONIST SENTIMENT IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH IS HONG KONG'S LARGEST EXPORT MARKET.

THE VISIT IS ONE OF SIX THAT MR JACOBS IS MAKING TO FACTORIES THAT ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF A MAJOR SECTOR OF INDUSTRY.

MR JACOBS WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRY, MR STEUART WEBB-JOHNSON.

HE WAS TAKEN ON A TOUR OF THE FACTORY BY THE CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY, MR JACK TANG.

MR JACOBS SAW HOW VARIOUS KINDS OF YARN AND FABRICS ARE MADE FROM RAW COTTON AND MAN-MADE FIBRES. HE ALSO SAW THE ADVANCED MACHINERY THAT IS BEING INSTALLED IN THE FACTORY FOR MANUFACTURING YARNS AND FABRICS.

THE TEXTILES AND CLOTHING INDUSTRIES ARE IMPORTANT TO THE ECONOMY BECAUSE OF THE EXPORT EARNINGS THEY BRING IN AND THE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THEY PROVIDE.

AT SEPTEMBER 1985, THE TWO INDUSTRIES EMPLOYED 358 000 PERSONS IN 13 366 ESTABLISHMENTS, ACCOUNTING FOR 42 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL EMPLOYMENT IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

IN 1985, THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING WAS \$52 735 MILLION, OR 41 PER CENT OF HONG KONG'S TOTAL VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS THAT YEAR.

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MID-AUTUMN CELEBRATIONS FOR SOUTHERN DISTRICT
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SOUTHERN DISTRICT RESIDENTS WILL BE TREATED TO A WEEK OF FUN, GAMES AND ENTERTAINMENT IN A NUMBER OF CARNIVALS AND VARIETY SHOWS HELD IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE DISTRICT TO CELEBRATE THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 14 AND 21.

THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE HAS ALLOCATED \$42 000 FOR LOCAL RESIDENT BODIES TO ORGANISE ACTIVITIES IN WONG CHUK HANG, TIN WAN, SHEK PAI WAN, ABERDEEN, AP LEI CHAU, YUE KWONG CHUEN AND STANLEY.

A SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID ABOUT 30 000 RESIDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES.

+WE HOPE SUCH COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES WILL HELP PROMOTE NEIGHBOURLINESS, ENHANCE COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND BOOST COOPERATION AMONG VARIOUS LOCAL ORGANISATIONS,+ HE SAID.

THE DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF THE ACTIVITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>AREA</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
1) TIN WAN	14.9.86 (SUN)	7.30PM-10.30PM	SOCCER PITCH BETWEEN BLOCKS 6 AND 7, TIN WAN ESTATE
2) WONG CHUK HANG	17.9.86 (WED)	7.30PM-10.30PM	SQUARE OUTSIDE WONG CHUK HANG ESTATE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
3) SHEK PAI WAN	18.9.86 (THUR)	8PM-11PM	SOCCER PITCH OUTSIDE BLOCK 4, SHEK PAI WAN ESTATE
4) AP LEI CHAU	19.9.86 (FRI)	8PM-10.30PM	AP LEI CHAU ESTATE BADMINTON COURT
5) ABERDEEN	19.9.86 (FRI)	7.30PM-11PM	PODIA OF KWUN HOI, KWUN CHIU AND KWUN KING COURTS, ABERDEEN CENTRE
6) STANLEY AND SHEK O	19.9.86 (FRI)	6PM-10PM	STANLEY UC PLAYGROUND
7) YUE KWONG ESTATE	21.9.86 (SUN)	8PM-10.30PM	CARPARK BETWEEN HOI KING LAU AND CHING HOI LAU, YUE KWONG ESTATE

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THE ORGANISERS AND CO-ORGANISERS INCLUDE THE SHEK PAI WAN KAIFONG WELFARE ASSOCIATION, TIN WAN ESTATE KAIFONG WELFARE ASSOCIATION, AP LEI CHAU ESTATE YIN NGAI SOCIETY, OWNERS' INCORPORATIONS OF ABERDEEN CENTRE, STANLEY SPORTS ASSOCIATION, AND VARIOUS MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES OF SHEK PAI WAN ESTATE, AP LEI CHAU ESTATE, WONG CHUK HANG ESTATE, TIN WAN ESTATE, YUE KWONG ESTATE, AND THE STANLEY AND SHEK O AREA COMMITTEE.

PROGRAMMES INCLUDE STAGE PERFORMANCES BY PROFESSIONAL ARTISTES AND LOCAL GROUPS, ACROBATIC ACTS, LION DANCES, GAMES STALLS, QUIZZES, LANTERN DESIGN AND MAKING COMPETITIONS, CANTONESE OPERA AND MAGIC SHOWS.

+SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES WILL ALSO RECEIVE SPONSORSHIP FROM THE URBAN COUNCIL,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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KOWLOON CITY POLICE STATION BEING REFURBISHED
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REFURBISHING WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT AT THE 40-YEAR-OLD KOWLOON CITY POLICE STATION LATER THIS YEAR.

THE TWO-STOREY STATION, AT ARGYLE STREET, WILL UNDERGO PARTITIONING, REWIRING AND PLUMBING WORK AT THE REPORT ROOM, OFFICES, CELL, BARRACK ROOMS, STORE ROOMS AND THE OFFICERS' MESS.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT IS REDECORATION AND REFITTING OF THE JUNIOR POLICE OFFICERS' CANTEEN AND KITCHEN IN THE ANNEXE BLOCK.

THE ANNEXE BLOCK IS A FOUR-STOREY BUILDING BUILT MORE THAN 10 YEARS AGO. IT HOUSES THE STORE ROOMS, OFFICES, CANTEEN AND RECREATION ROOM.

THE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT WHICH IS TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN JULY NEXT YEAR.

THE POLICE STATION WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE THE PUBLIC WHILE REFURBISHING WORK IS GOING ON.

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COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO STUDENTS

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR POST-GRADUATE STUDY OR RESEARCH AT EIGHT COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES ARE BEING OFFERED TO HONG KONG RESIDENTS FOR A PERIOD OF TWO ACADEMIC YEARS STARTING 1987 OR 1988.

THE AWARDS, AVAILABLE UNDER THE COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PLAN, WILL BE GIVEN TO RESIDENTS WHO ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO LIFE IN HONG KONG ON THEIR RETURN FROM STUDY ABROAD.

THE AWARDS ARE OFFERED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, JAMAICA, NIGERIA AND SIERRA LEONE. THEY WILL COVER APPROVED EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL, LIVING AND STUDY DURING THE TENURE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP.

CANDIDATES SHOULD BE HONG KONG CITIZENS AND GRADUATES OF RECONGNISED UNIVERSITIES OR HOLDERS OF EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATIONS. THEY SHOULD BE NOT MORE THAN 35 YEARS OF AGE PREFERABLY LESS THAN 28 AT THE TIME OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP.

CANDIDATES RECOMMENDED FOR THE AWARDS MUST SATISFY CERTAIN LANGUAGE, HEALTH AND IMMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS AND OTHER DETAILS OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OVERSEAS STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT ROOM 530, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, FIFTH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

COMPLETED FORMS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 30.

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YOUNG MUSICIANS BEING RECRUITED FOR ORCHESTRA

THE HONG KONG YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA OF THE MUSIC OFFICE IS RE CRUITING NEW MEMBERS FOR 1986-87.

THE ORCHESTRA WILL BE TRAINED BY ITS PRINCIPAL GUEST CONDUCTOR, MISS YIP WING-SIE OF THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, AND ITS MUSIC DIRECTOR, MR THOMAS WANG WHO IS ALSO THE ASSISTANT MUSIC ADMINISTRATOR (PROFESSIONAL) OF THE MUSIC OFFICE.

A MUSIC OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORCHESTRA WILL AGAIN BE ON A YEARLY BASIS. THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS SEPTEMBER 13.

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+APPLICANTS SHOULD BE UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE AND HAVE ATTAINED GRADE SIX OR ABOVE IN THE ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC EXAMINATION, OR EQUIVALENT, IN AT LEAST ONE ORCHESTRAL INSTRUMENT,+ HE SAID.

AN AUDITION FOR SUITABLE APPLICANTS WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 19.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL MUSIC CENTRES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE. THEY SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE KWUN TONG MUSIC CENTRE, THIRD FLOOR, 100 TING FU STREET BY SEPTEMBER 13. FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON 3-7561328.

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY FOR TAI PO KAU VILLAGERS * * * *

A FRESH WATER PUMPING STATION AND A SERVICE RESERVOIR ARE TO BE BUILT AT TAI PO KAU TO SERVE NEARBY VILLAGERS LIVING IN HIGH LEVEL AREAS.

THE VILLAGES ARE MOSTLY ALONG TAI PO ROAD BETWEEN YUEN CHAU TSAI AND CHEK NAI PING.

THE PUMPING STATION FOR HOUSING TWO PUMPS AND WITH A CAPACITY OF 11 400 CUBIC METRES PER DAY WILL BE BUILT AT HA WONG YI AU.

THE SERVICE RESERVOIR WILL BE BUILT AT SHEUNG WONG YI AU AND HAVE A STORAGE CAPACITY OF 3 300 CUBIC METRES.

A TOTAL OF 8.5 KILOMETRES OF WATER MAINS WILL ALSO BE LAID ALONG TAI PO ROAD AND ACCESS ROADS AT WONG YI AU.

WORK IS TO START IN NOVEMBER AND BE COMPLETED IN 18 MONTHS.

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BOARD TO DISCUSS REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES * * * * *

WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS WILL MEET TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT ON REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY (CONSTITUTIONAL AND ELECTORAL AFFAIRS) OF THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF SECRETARY, MR G.F. WOODHEAD, WILL BE PRESENT TO LISTEN TO MEMBERS' VIEWS.

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THEY WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE CONTROL OF OBSCENE AND INDECENT ARTICLES BILL (DRAFT) 1986.

PRESENT TO GIVE DETAILS OF THE DRAFT BILL WILL BE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION BRANCH, MR LEE KAI-FAT.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA WILL BE THE NGAU CHI WAN VILLAGE LAYOUT PLAN.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED USE OF THE WESTERN PLATFORM OF CHUK YUEN ESTATE FOR A TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA.

OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN THE MEETING WILL BE THE SHUNG LING STREET JOINT-USER BUILDING AND THE CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD'S COMMITTEES.

A PAPER ON THE 1986 WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL WILL ALSO BE PRESENTED FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD MEETING TOMORROW AT 2.30 PM AT THE FUNG MING HALL, WONG TAI SIN TEMPLE.

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SHA TIN DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS FESTIVAL FUNDS
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THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL MEET TOMORROW (TUESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE FIRST SHA TIN FESTIVAL.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATION OF \$200 000 FOR DECORATIVE LIGHTING DURING CHRISTMAS AND THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT, COSTING \$100 000, TO CONVERT A PIECE OF CROWN LAND IN NGAU PEI SHA INTO A SITTING OUT AREA WILL BE TABLED FOR DISCUSSION.

THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SHELTERED ARBOUR, CHESS TABLES, BENCHES AND PLANTERS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHA TIN DB FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING TO START AT 11.45 AM TOMORROW AT THE SIXTH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE, KCR HOUSE.

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FIRE HAZARD INSPECTION

THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL CARRY OUT A FIRE HAZARD INSPECTION OF BLACK SPOTS IN INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS IN THE KWUN TONG AREA TOMORROW (TUESDAY).

THE INSPECTION IS A JOINT OPERATION OF THE FIRE PROTECTION BUREAU AND KOWLOON COMMAND AND WILL BEGIN AT 9.30 AM.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPERATION. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT KWUN TONG FIRE STATION OPPOSITE KWUN TONG MTR STATION BY 9.30 AM.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 69.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 409.189 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 420.828 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 71.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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NO FLUSHING WATER IN YAU TONG

SALT WATER SUPPLY TO ALL PREMISES IN YAU TONG WILL BE TURNED OFF BETWEEN 8 AM AND MIDNIGHT ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 4) FOR MAINS WORK.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES WILL ALSO INCLUDE YAU TONG AND KO CHIU ROAD ESTATES.

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