



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

<u>CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMISSION ON CERTIFICATED MASTER PUBLISHED	1
ETV TO PRODUCE COLOUR PROGRAMMES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS	5
EXPORT OF MARINE FISH MAY COME UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL	7
PWD'S PHOTOGRAMMETRIC UNIT FILLS MISSING LINK IN AERIAL SURVEY MAPPING	8
EMPLOYERS URGED TO USE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE	10
NEW CLOCK SYSTEM FOR AIRPORT	11
PLAN TO PROVIDE NEW TOWNS WITH SECONDARY SCHOOLS	12
ADVICE ON HEALTH MEASURES TO PREVENT GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES	13
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SOCIAL STUDIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	15

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 1 -

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMISSION ON CERTIFICATED MASTERS PUBLISHED

THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE ITS CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE TEACHING PROFESSION AND TO IMPROVE TEACHERS' PROMOTION PROSPECTS. THESE MOVES GIVE EFFECT TO RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION ON CERTIFICATED MASTERS, WHICH WAS PUBLISHED TODAY.

THE COMMISSION, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR. T.K. ANN, AN UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, WAS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO EXAMINE AND REPORT ON THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF THE CERTIFICATED MASTERS DISPUTE.

THE REPORT CONCLUDED THAT +LACK OF COMMUNICATION+ WAS A MAJOR FACTOR IN THE DISPUTE AND SAID THAT IF ADEQUATE CHANNELS OF CONSULTATION AND NEGOTIATION HAD BEEN AVAILABLE AND FULLY UTILISED, THE SITUATION NEED NOT HAVE BECOME AS +UNPLEASANT AND INTRACTABLE+ AS IT DID.

IT RECOMMENDED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT EXAMINE CRITICALLY ITS RELATIONSHIP AND CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION BOTH WITH ITS OFFICERS AND WITH SUPERVISORS AND PRINCIPALS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS RECOMMENDATION, A DEPARTMENTAL CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL HAS BEEN SET UP IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. THE COUNCIL HAS HELD 12 MEETINGS SINCE IT WAS REACTIVATED IN MARCH 1975.

COMMENTING ON THE NEED TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION WILL BE TAKING STEPS TO CONSULT SCHOOLS' COUNCILS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH A VIEW TO ESTABLISHING A STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL FOR THE AIDED SCHOOLS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH THE SCHOOLS' MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES AND THEIR TEACHERS.

THE AIDED SCHOOLS' STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL WOULD HAVE THE TASK OF PROVIDING A CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SCHOOL MANAGEMENT BODIES, THE STAFF THEY EMPLOY AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

IMPROVED PROMOTION PROSPECTS

THE REPORT RECOMMENDS IMPROVED OPPORTUNITIES FOR CERTIFICATED MASTERS TO BE PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF ASSISTANT MASTER. THE GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN INCREASED NUMBER OF ASSISTANT MASTER POSTS, TO BE OCCUPIED BY HEAD TEACHERS OF SMALL PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND BY MASTERS IN THE LARGER PRIMARY SCHOOLS WHO MANAGE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

/THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT IN VIEW OF THE EXISTING SURPLUS OF TEACHING POSTS IN THE GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SECTOR, WHICH HAS ARISEN FROM THE DECLINING POPULATION OF PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN DURING THE LAST FEW YEARS, IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW MANNING SCALES WOULD NOT REQUIRE THE CREATION OF ANY MORE ASSISTANT MASTER POSTS IN THE GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SECTOR. IN THE AIDED SECTOR, WHERE THE MAJORITY OF NON-GRADUATE TEACHERS ARE EMPLOYED, THERE WILL BE AN INCREASE OF 509 IN THE NUMBER OF ASSISTANT MASTER POSTS IN AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOLS. THIS WILL SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVE THE PROMOTION PROSPECTS OF THESE TEACHERS. IN ADDITION, THE PLANNED EXPANSION OF SECONDARY EDUCATION ON THE LINES OF THE WHITE PAPER WILL ALSO IMPROVE THE PROMOTION OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS IN BOTH THE AIDED AND THE GOVERNMENT SECTORS.

TURNING TO THE PROPOSED CREATION OF A NEW RANK OF SENIOR CERTIFICATED MASTER, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT COULD NOT ACCEPT THIS RECOMMENDATION. THE EXTENDED SALARY SCALE FOR CERTIFICATED MASTERS HAD BEEN REVISED IN 1973 TO PROVIDE A HIGHER MAXIMUM POINT WHICH WOULD BENEFIT ALL THOSE REACHING THE TOP OF THE CERTIFICATED MASTER SCALE, NOT MERELY THE SMALLER NUMBER WHO WOULD HAVE BENEFITTED FROM THE PROPOSAL FOR A SENIOR RANK.

IMPROVED CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

EIGHT OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS DEALING WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO CONDITIONS OF SERVICE ARE SUPPORTED. THEY ARE: -

INTRODUCTION OF UNIFORM PROMOTION

PROCEDURES FOR TEACHERS

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SUPPORTS THIS BUT CANNOT ALTER THE PROCEDURE UNILATERALLY. SINCE ANY CHANGE WILL NEED TO BE WORKED OUT IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJOR SPONSORING BODIES, THIS RECOMMENDATION MUST BE REFERRED TO THE AIDED SCHOOLS' STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL.

STANDARDISATION OF DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

IN AIDED SCHOOLS

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES ARE ALREADY LAID DOWN IN THE CODES OF AID, BUT THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION HAS ALREADY CONTACTED THE AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS COUNCILS WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING THEM. THE DIRECTOR WILL ALSO CONSULT THE AIDED SCHOOLS' STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL ON THIS MATTER.

REDUCTION IN THE SIZE OF PRIMARY CLASSES

THE AVERAGE SIZE OF THE CLASSES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS IS ALREADY ABOUT 40, THE FIGURE RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMISSION.

/STRICTER PROMOTION

STRICTER PROMOTION OF PUPILS

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FAVOURS A FLEXIBLE APPROACH TO THE PRESENT MAXIMUM FIGURE OF 6 PER CENT OF CHILDREN IN A SCHOOL BEING PERMITTED TO REPEAT A YEAR IF NECESSARY.

PROVISION OF CLERICAL SUPPORT

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS THIS RECOMMENDATION IN PRINCIPLE, AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE LIGHT OF OTHER PRIORITIES.

CONDITIONS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS

THE USE OF SUB-STANDARD ACCOMMODATION IN RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS AND ON ROOF-TOPS IS BEING REDUCED AS NEW PURPOSE-BUILT SCHOOLS BECOME AVAILABLE AND AS THE PRIMARY SCHOOL POPULATION FALLS.

PROVISION OF TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

A VIGOROUS PROGRAMME OF SEMINARS AND REFRESHER COURSES FOR TEACHERS IS MOUNTED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. IN-SERVICE COURSES OF TRAINING FOR MORE THAN 500 UNDER-QUALIFIED TEACHERS ARE MOUNTED ANNUALLY AND THE THIRD-YEAR COURSES AT COLLEGES OF EDUCATION ARE DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE CAREER PROSPECTS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

TRANSFER PROCEDURES

THIS RECOMMENDATION CALLS FOR IMPROVED POSTING AND TRANSFER PROCEDURES WITHIN GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOLS TO AVOID CAUSING UNDUE HARDSHIP TO TEACHERS. THE DEPARTMENT IS REVIEWING THIS ASPECT OF ITS PROCEDURES. AN AIDED SCHOOLS' STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL COULD ALSO CONSIDER THIS MATTER IN DEPTH.

THE PROVISION OF LOANS FROM THE TWO SCHOOLS' PROVIDENT FUNDS TO ASSIST TEACHERS TO PURCHASE FLATS IS NOT ACCEPTED, SINCE THE TOTAL RESOURCES OF THE FUNDS WOULD NOT PERMIT ALL CONTRIBUTORS TO RECEIVE WORTHWHILE LOANS.

A FURTHER OBJECTION IS THAT THE GRANTING OF LOANS WOULD REDUCE BOTH THE CAPITAL GAINS AND THE RECURRENT EARNINGS OF THE FUNDS AND REDUCE THE OVERALL RETURN TO CONTRIBUTORS.

THE PROPOSAL AND THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED BETWEEN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND CERTAIN TEACHERS' REPRESENTATIVES. SO FAR, THE LATTER HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DEMONSTRATE A WIDESPREAD SUPPORT FOR USING THE FUNDS IN THIS WAY, NOR TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED.

REGARDING THE RECOMMENDATION FOR A GRADUAL EXTENSION OF THE SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE TO COVER TEACHERS, THE SPOKESMAN THOUGHT THAT THERE WOULD NOT BE A STRONG DEMAND FROM TEACHERS TO JOIN THIS. ALTHOUGH THE SCHOOL MEDICAL BOARD HAS NOT, IN THE PAST, WELCOMED SUCH A PROPOSAL, THIS RECOMMENDATION WOULD AGAIN BE REFERRED TO THE BOARD AND TO THE PROPOSED AIDED SCHOOLS' STAFF CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION.

DIS-ESTABLISHMENT OF GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS

PERHAPS THE MOST FAR REACHING OF THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, WAS THAT GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS SHOULD BE DIS-ESTABLISHED BY REMOVING THEM FROM THE DIRECT CONTROL OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND PLACING THEM UNDER INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES.

THE COMMISSION'S REPORT SAID THAT IN THIS WAY ALL GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS WOULD BE TURNED INTO AIDED AND ASSISTED SCHOOLS WITH FUTURE STAFF FOR THEM BEING RECRUITED OUTSIDE THE GOVERNMENT SYSTEM.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, THE ADVANTAGES OF DECENTRALISING CONTROL WOULD BE: TO RELIEVE THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF THE BURDEN OF RUNNING THESE SCHOOLS= GRADUALLY TO REDUCE THE ANOMALY WHEREBY A MINORITY OF CERTIFICATED MASTERS DIRECTLY EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT ENJOYED TERMS OF SERVICE DIFFERENT FROM THE MAJORITY WHO WORK IN AIDED SCHOOLS= TO INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY IN RUNNING THEIR SCHOOLS AND THE EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN= AND TO BRING THE PRINCIPALS AND THE TEACHERS INTO CONTACT WITH A LARGER NUMBER OF PEOPLE INTERESTED IN EDUCATION.

COMMENTING ON THIS, THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THIS DECENTRALISATION, OR DIS-ESTABLISHMENT AS IT IS COMMONLY KNOWN, IS A MAJOR MATTER WHICH WILL BE REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

IN CONCLUSION, THE SPOKESMAN CONGRATULATED THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE WORK THEY HAD DONE IN COMPILING THE REPORT WHICH WAS A MOST USEFUL DOCUMENT.

THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION INITIALLY COMPRISED MR. T.K. ANN AS CHAIRMAN, THE MOST REVEREND BISHOP FRANCIS HSU AND DR. B.M. KOTEWALL. AFTER THE DEATH OF BISHOP HSU, THE GOVERNOR APPOINTED DR. RAYSON LI-SUNG HUANG AS A MEMBER IN HIS PLACE.

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR ETV IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

FUNDS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION SERVICE (ETV) TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SEPTEMBER 1976, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, ANNOUNCED TODAY. PUPILS IN FORM I WILL SEE ETV FOR CHINESE, ENGLISH, SOCIAL STUDIES AND MATHEMATICS, FOR THE FIRST TIME AND IN COLOUR.

LESSONS WILL BE BEAMED FROM HKTVB, RTV AND CTV BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 6 P.M. DAILY TO A TIMEABLE TO BE ANNOUNCED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR IN SEPTEMBER.

RECEIVING EQUIPMENT WILL INCLUDE VIDEO-CASSETTE RECORDERS (VCRS) AND CLASSROOM TELEVISION RECEIVERS FOR APPROPRIATE CLASSES IN GOVERNMENT, AIDED, AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS WITH +BOUGHT+ PLACES. SUPPLY TO GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOLS WILL ACCORD WITH STANDARD PRACTICE UNDER REGULATIONS AND CODES OF AID, BUT PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR THE FIRST TIME WILL RECEIVE 100 PER CENT ASSISTANCE WITH THE PURCHASE OF VCRS AND TV RECEIVERS. THE DIRECTOR WILL BE CIRCULARISING SCHOOLS IN THIS CONNECTION SHORTLY.

ETV IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND HE WILL DETERMINE THE CONTENT, QUALITY, TRANSMISSION AND EVALUATION OF ETV PROGRAMMING AS BEFORE, BUT IN THE CONTEXT OF A MERGER OF ETV AND RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG (RTHK) PRODUCTION FACILITIES AT BROADCAST DRIVE, THE DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING, MR. JAMES HAWTHORNE, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STUDIO PRODUCTION AND TRANSMISSION OF ETV PROGRAMMES. ETV PRODUCERS, WHO WILL SCRIPT AND DEVISE ETV LESSONS, WILL CONTINUE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. THEY WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH RTHK STUDIO DIRECTORS.

MR. COLVYN HAYE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (ADMINISTRATION), MR. SUN PING-SHU, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (ETV), AND MR. JAMES HAWTHORNE, DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING, WITH MR. DONALD KERR, CONTROLLER OF TELEVISION (RTHK) MET THE PRESS TODAY AT BROADCASTING HOUSE, WHERE THE NEW COLOUR TV CAMERAS TO BE USED IN PRODUCING ETV FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS WERE DISPLAYED.

COMMENTING ON THE HISTORIC DECISION TO EXTEND ETV TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS THIS SEPTEMBER, MR. HAYE WHO PIONEERED ETV IN HONG KONG, REMARKED: +THIS IS A GREAT MOMENT. OUR ETV SERVICE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS ALREADY ENJOYS AN INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION, BUT ETV IN COLOUR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS WILL REINFORCE THAT REPUTATION. AS FAR AS I KNOW, THIS WILL BE THE ONLY SERVICE OF ITS KIND IN SOUTH EAST ASIA.+

/MR. SUN,

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 6 -

MR. SUN, WHO PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN ESTABLISHING ETV IN HONG KONG, WILL HEAD THE NEW SERVICE FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

+WE SHALL BE RELYING HEAVILY ON THE CLOSE COLLABORATION OF RTHK PRODUCTION STAFF,+ MR. SUN SAID.

MR. DONALD KERR, CONTROLLER OF TELEVISION (RTHK), SAID:
+THIS IS AN INTENSE PROGRAMME OF COLOURISING THE ETV CENTRE OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AND BY THE END OF THE YEAR BOTH STUDIOS AT THE CENTRE WILL BE PRODUCING COLOUR PROGRAMMES.

+IN THE MEANTIME, BECAUSE THIS IS A CRASH PROGRAMME, WE WILL BE PRODUCING ALL ETV SECONDARY PROGRAMMES FROM THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS STUDIO IN BROADCASTING HOUSE WHICH WAS EQUIPPED WITH COLOUR CAMERAS EARLY IN MAY THIS YEAR.

+MEANWHILE, FILM AND STUDIO DIRECTORS ARE BEING RECRUITED FOR THE NEW PROGRAMMES WHICH WILL BE MADE FROM AUGUST ONWARDS READY FOR THE SEPTEMBER TERM,+

- - - - 0 - - - -

/7

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 7 -

CONTROL ON EXPORT OF MARINE FISH
* * * *

THE EXPORTATION OF MARINE FISH MAY COME UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL IF AND WHEN THE EXPORTS REACH SUCH AN EXTENT AS TO ADVERSELY AFFECT THE SUPPLY AND PRICE OF FISH IN THE DOMESTIC MARKET.

THESE CONTROL MEASURES ARE OUTLINED IN THE MARINE FISH (MARKETING) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1976 PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY.

THE AMENDMENT REGULATIONS EMPOWERS THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL TO INTRODUCE RESTRICTIONS ON THE EXPORT OF ANY SPECIES OF MARINE FISH, WHEN ITS EXPORTATION AFFECTS THE LOCAL SUPPLY OR PRICE, OR IF IT IS AGAINST THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE RESTRICTIONS SHALL BE IN FORCE UNTIL THE SITUATION RETURNS TO NORMAL.

EXPLAINING THE INTENTION OF THE REGULATIONS, THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, MR. TED NICHOLS, POINTED OUT THAT NO RESTRICTION WOULD BE IMPOSED IN NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

HE SAID ALTHOUGH FISH EXPORTERS COULD BE INCONVENIENCED BY HAVING TO COMPLY WITH THE FORMALITIES WHEN SUCH A RESTRICTION IS SO ORDERED, AN INHERENT ADVANTAGE IN THE NEW SYSTEM WAS THAT IT COULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN A FLEXIBLE MANNER SO THAT SUPPLIES OF MARINE FISH TO THE POPULATION ARE NOT PREJUDICED BY EXPORTS.

HE STRESSED THAT IT WAS NOT THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO INTERFERE WITH THE ROUTINE EXPORT OF MARINE FISH, BUT TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF LOCAL CONSUMERS IN EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

IF SUCH A SITUATION OCCURRED, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD SEEK TO REGULATE THE EXPORT OF FISH ONLY TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION AT A REASONABLE PRICE.

THE REGULATIONS STIPULATE THAT SHOULD SUCH A SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE ARISE MARINE FISH MAY NOT BE EXPORTED FROM HONG KONG EXCEPT UNDER A PERMIT GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, AND THAT, WHERE THE DIRECTOR REFUSES TO GRANT A PERMIT, ANY PERSON AGGRIEVED THEREBY MAY APPEAL TO THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL AGAINST SUCH REFUSAL.

- - - - 0 - - - -

/8 :.....

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

PWD'S NEW PHOTOGRAMMETRIC UNIT OPENED

HONG KONG IS NOW ABLE TO PRODUCE MAPS FASTER, CHEAPER AND WITHOUT OUTSIDE HELP.

THIS HAS BEEN MADE POSSIBLE BY THE SETTING UP OF A HIGHLY SPECIALISED UNIT WITHIN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL LAND SURVEYING AND MAPPING IN HONG KONG.

KNOWN AS THE PHOTOGRAMMETRIC UNIT, IT CONSISTS OF A SPECIALLY TRAINED TEAM OF LOCAL EXPERTS IN PLOTTING TOPOGRAPHICAL DETAILS FROM AERIAL PICTURES WITH THE HELP OF SOPHISTICATED NEW MACHINERY WHICH PRODUCE THREE-DIMENSIONAL IMAGES FROM AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS.

THE UNIT WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE P.W.D.'S LANDS AND SURVEY DEPARTMENT, MR. IVOR STANTON, AT THE SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE.

SAID MR. STANTON : +THE UNIT, IN EFFECT, PROVIDES THE 'MISSING LINK' IN OUR AERIAL SURVEY MAPPING OPERATIONS AS IT MEANS THAT ALL STAGES CAN NOW BE DONE RIGHT HERE IN HONG KONG WITHOUT OUTSIDE HELP.+

SINCE 1963, WHEN PHOTOGRAMMETRY BECAME MORE WIDELY USED, THE P.W.D. HAS HAD TO RELY ON OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS TO DO THE MACHINE PLOTTING STAGE OF PHOTOGRAMMETRY — THE SCIENCE OF TRANSFERRING AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS INTO MAPS.

+EVERYTHING ELSE WAS DONE HERE, INCLUDING THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE R.H.K.A.A.F., BUT THE PHOTOGRAPHS HAD TO BE SENT TO OVERSEAS CONTRACTORS AS WE DID NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND TRAINED STAFF TO DO THE PLOTTING,+ HE SAID.

THE NEW UNIT WAS SET UP AT A COST OF ABOUT \$2.5 MILLION, INCLUDING THE COST OF THE EQUIPMENT AND THE TRAINING OF STAFF.

+QUITE APART FROM COST THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ADVANTAGES IN DOING OUR OWN PLOTTING,+ MR. STANTON SAID. +URGENT JOBS CAN BE TACKLED IMMEDIATELY, PRIORITIES CAN BE EASILY CHANGED, AND MUCH TIME WASTING CAN BE AVOIDED AS THE GROUND CONTROL SURVEYORS WILL BE ABLE TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE UNIT WHEN QUERIES ARISE.+

HE SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO THE NEW PLOTTERS, THE UNIT WOULD SOON BE INSTALLING SPECIAL ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WHICH WOULD ENABLE AUTOMATIC RECORDING OF DATA FOR PROCESSING BY COMPUTERS.

/+THE COMBINATION

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 9 -

+THE COMBINATION OF PHOTOGRAMMETRY WITH COMPUTERS, AUTOMATIC DRAWING TABLES AND OTHER MODERN EQUIPMENT,+ HE SAID, +HAS GREAT POTENTIAL IN HONG KONG AND THE STAFF OF THE UNIT WILL BE KEEPING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.+

THE UNIT IS MANNED BY A TEAM OF EXPERTS UNDER MR. HAMPTON MAR, AN EXPERIENCED LAND SURVEYOR WHO HEADED A SIMILAR UNIT IN FIJI BEFORE JOINING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

HIS TEAM INCLUDES FIVE LOCAL P.W.D. STAFF WHO WERE SENT FOR SPECIAL TRAINING IN PHOTOGRAMMETRY AT THE WORLD-RENOWNED INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR AERIAL SURVEY AND EARTH SCIENCES (I.T.C.) IN THE NETHERLANDS. ALL FIVE COMPLETED THE COURSE IN THE MINIMUM TIME AND GRADUATED WITH DISTINCTION.

THEY FORM THE NUCLEUS OF THE UNIT AND WILL HELP TRAIN OTHER LOCAL STAFF TO OPERATE THE COMPLEX MACHINES.

THE UNIT IS EQUIPPED WITH FOUR PHOTOGRAMMETRIC PLOTTERS -- PURCHASED LAST YEAR FROM SWITZERLAND AND GERMANY -- WHICH ARE INSTALLED IN DUST-FREE ROOMS WHERE TEMPERATURES ARE KEPT CONSTANT TO PROTECT THE DELICATE INSTRUMENTS.

WITH THE MACHINES, THE PLOTTERS ARE ABLE TO VIEW AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF AREAS TO BE MAPPED IN THREE-DIMENSION AND ACCURATELY PLOT DETAILS, SUCH AS HILLSIDES, STREAMS, BUILDINGS AND VALLEYS WITHIN ONE-HUNDREDTH OF A MILLIMETRE.

WHILE THE PLOTTER SCANS THE PHOTOGRAPHS, THE DETAILS ARE AUTOMATICALLY TRACED IN OUTLINE MAP FORM FROM WHICH THE FINAL MAP IS PRODUCED.

INITIALLY, THE UNIT WILL BE ENGAGED MAINLY ON STRAIGHTFORWARD PLOTTING OF MAPS FOR TOWN PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT WORKS, AND UPDATING EXISTING MAPS USING METRIC TERMS. AT THE SAME TIME IT WILL BE DEVELOPING SYSTEMS FOR OTHER PURPOSES SUCH AS THE COMPUTATION OF EARTHWORKS.

- - - - 0 - - - -

/10

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 10 -

EMPLOYERS URGED TO USE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

* * * * *

LADY MACLEHOSE TODAY URGED EMPLOYERS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE FACILITIES OFFERED BY THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE EXHIBITION, SHE SAID THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE EXTENDED A VERY WELCOME HELPING HAND TO THE HANDICAPPED IN ORDER THAT THEY MIGHT BECOME ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

HOWEVER, LADY MACLEHOSE ADDED, THE TASK OF ASSISTING THE HANDICAPPED TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED BY THE PUBLIC AS CHARITY BUT AS AN INVESTMENT IN THE WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNITY.

FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE SPEECH BY LADY MACLEHOSE:

+IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO BE WITH YOU HERE TODAY AT THIS EXHIBITION ORGANISED BY THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OF THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

+WE LIVE IN A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE AND RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD AND ALL OF US MUST HAVE EXPERIENCED, AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, THE UNCERTAINTY AND FRUSTRATION OF SECURING SUITABLE EMPLOYMENT. THESE DIFFICULTIES CAN BE ESPECIALLY DAUNTING FOR THE HANDICAPPED.

+THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE EXTENDS A VERY WELCOME HELPING HAND TO THESE PEOPLE IN ORDER THAT THEY MAY BECOME ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. BUT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS VERY WORTHWHILE TASK OF ASSISTING THE HANDICAPPED TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT, WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY ONE OF HELPING THEM TO HELP THEMSELVES, SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED BY THE PUBLIC AS CHARITY BUT AS AN INVESTMENT IN THE WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNITY. SOCIALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS ARE CAPABLE OF PRODUCTIVE WORK AND OF FULLY EARNING THEIR KEEP- THEY SHOULD BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO.

+DURING THE PAST YEAR I UNDERSTAND THAT 37% OF THOSE WHO SOUGHT ASSISTANCE FROM THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE SUCCEEDED IN FINDING WORK. THIS IS AN ENCOURAGING IMPROVEMENT ON THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S PLACEMENT RATE BUT WITH THE UPTURN IN OUR ECONOMY AND DEMANDS FOR LABOUR, CLEARLY MORE OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE HANDICAPPED TO BE GAINFULLY EMPLOYED. I WOULD URGE EMPLOYERS TO BEAR IN MIND THIS SOURCE OF MANPOWER AND TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE FACILITIES OFFERED BY THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE.

+I NOW HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN DECLARING THIS EXHIBITION OPEN.+

- - - - O - - - -

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 11 -

CLOCK SYSTEM TO BE INSTALLED AT AIRPORT

* * * * *

TENDERS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CLOCK SYSTEM IN THE PASSENGER TERMINAL BUILDING AT KAI TAK AIRPORT.

THE NEW TIMING SYSTEM WILL COMPRISE A MASTER CLOCK, A STANDBY CLOCK, A NUMBER OF SLAVE CLOCKS AND POSSIBLY WITH A WORLD TIME DISPLAY SYSTEM.

IT IS TO BE INSTALLED IN THE EXISTING PASSENGER TERMINAL BUILDING AND THE WAVING BAY AS WELL AS THEIR EXTENSIONS WHICH ARE NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

AT PRESENT, A CAESIUM BEAM ATOMIC CLOCK WITH A QUARTZ TYPE STANDBY CLOCK AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ARE OPERATING IN THE TERMINAL. HOWEVER, THE CONCESSION OF THIS SYSTEM GRANTED IN 1970 EXPIRED AT THE END OF FEBRUARY THIS YEAR.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT SAID, +TENDERERS HAVE TO PROFFER A SCHEDULE PLUS DRAWINGS OF THEIR PROPOSED SYSTEM.+

+THE NEW CONCESSION WILL BE VALID FOR FIVE YEARS, STARTING FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1976. THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER WILL HAVE TO PAY A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF RENT EACH YEAR IN RETURN FOR THE ADVERTISEMENTS DISPLAYED WITH THE CLOCK SYSTEM,+ HE ADDED.

INSTALLATION WORK IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN NOT LATER THAN MID-JUNE.

ILLUSTRATING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CLOCK SYSTEM, THE SPOKESMAN SAID MORE AND MORE PASSENGERS AND PEOPLE WERE USING THE TERMINAL BUILDING.

THE PRESENT DAILY AVERAGE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES IS ABOUT 10,500 IN ADDITION TO 1,200 TRANSIT PASSENGERS, AND THAT THESE FIGURES ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE AT THE RATE OF FIVE TO 10 PER CENT PER ANNUM.

BESIDES, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT SOME 20,000 PEOPLE VISIT THE TERMINAL BUILDING EACH DAY IN THE COURSE OF THEIR WORK OR TO SAY FAREWELL TO THEIR FRIENDS.

+THEREFORE,+ HE SAID, +THE CLOCK SYSTEM WILL SERVE AN INCREASING NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHEN AIR TRAFFIC BECOMES BUSIER AND THE AREA OF THE PASSENGER TERMINAL IS FURTHER EXTENDED.+

TENDERS FOR THE PROJECT INVITED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE WILL CLOSE AT 12 NOON ON MAY 28.

FORMS OF TENDER AND FURTHER PARTICULARS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE SECRETARY, THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, NEW RODNEY BLOC, 99, QUEENSWAY, HONG KONG OR FROM THE AIRPORT GENERAL MANAGER AT THE HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

- - - - 0 - - - -

/12.....

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 12 -

NEW TOWNS TO HAVE STANDARD SECONDARY SCHOOLS

* * * * *

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS ACTIVELY PLANNING TO PROVIDE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE NEW TOWNS UNDER THE SCHOOLS BUILDING PROGRAMME, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (ADMINISTRATION), MR. YEUNG KAI-YIN SAID TODAY.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE SPEECH DAY OF THE HONG KONG SZE YAP COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION CHAN NAM CHONG MEMORIAL SCHOOL IN TSUEN WAN.

MR. YEUNG SAID: +THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING MORE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IS PARTLY TO REDUCE THE PUBLIC SECTOR'S DEPENDENCE ON BOUGHT PLACES IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND PARTLY TO PROVIDE THE RIGHT EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT FOR IMPROVING STANDARDS.

+THE SCHOOLS WILL, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, CONFORM WITH A STANDARD DESIGN. THEY WILL HAVE A FIXED NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS AND SPECIAL ROOMS. THE PLANNING OF THESE SCHOOLS ALSO INCLUDE THE PLANNED USE OF THESE STANDARD FACILITIES TO GUIDE SPONSORING BODIES, SO THAT THEY COULD MEET THE CURRICULUM AIMS OF THE WHITE PAPER.+

IT WAS EXPECTED THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE SCHOOLS WOULD BE BUILT IN THE NEW TOWNS AS PART OF A VARIED PACKAGE OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES WHICH WERE PROVIDED WITH PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES.

+BY BUILDING THE SCHOOLS ITSELF,+ MR. YEUNG SAID,+ THE GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO RELIEVE SPONSORING BODIES OF A HEAVY BURDEN OF PLANNING RESPONSIBILITY.+

BUT HE ADDED THAT THE DETAILS OF SUCH A PROCEDURE HAVE YET TO BE WORKED OUT.

THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR STRESSED THAT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WAS ALIVE TO THE NEED TO BUILD SCHOOLS IN AREAS WHERE THERE ARE OR WILL BE LARGE CONCENTRATIONS OF POPULATION.

- - - - - 0 - - - - -

/13

ADVICE ON HEALTH MEASURES TO PREVENT
GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES

* * * * *

THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY ADVISED THE PUBLIC TO TAKE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST THE POSSIBLE OUTBREAK OF CERTAIN GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES WHICH TEND TO BECOME PREVALENT IN THE WARM SEASON.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE WARM WEATHER THE PUBLIC SHOULD PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO PERSONAL, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE, WHICH IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF THESE DISEASES.

COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WARM WEATHER ARE SUCH DISEASES AS TYPHOID FEVER, DYSENTERY, FOOD POISONING AND VIRAL HEPATITIS.

AS MOST GASTRO-INTESTINAL DISEASES ARE TRANSMITTED THROUGH CONTAMINATED FOOD AND DRINK, OR NEGLECT IN PERSONAL HYGIENE, THE SPOKESMAN URGED THE PUBLIC TO BE +EXTRA CAUTIOUS+ IN EATING, PARTICULARLY WHEN THEY EAT AT PUBLIC PLACES.

HE WARNED THAT IMPROPERLY COOKED FOOD COULD CAUSE INFECTION AND FURTHER ADVISED THAT PROPERLY COOKED FOOD, IF NOT EATEN IMMEDIATELY, SHOULD NOT BE LEFT UNCOVERED AND EXPOSED TO CONTAMINATION.

PROPER STORAGE OF PREPARED FOOD WOULD ALSO REDUCE THE RISK OF FOOD POISONING, PARTICULARLY IN THE HOT WEATHER.

AS FOR OTHER PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES, THE PUBLIC NEED ONLY TO OBSERVE SOME SIMPLE RULES OF PERSONAL HYGIENE, SUCH AS WASHING OF HANDS BEFORE MEALS AND AFTER VISITS TO TOILETS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANLINESS, SUCH AS PROPER DISPOSAL OF REFUSE AND EXCRETA, IS MOST ESSENTIAL IN PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF DISEASES, HE ADDED.

THE SPOKESMAN RECALLED THAT AN OUTBREAK OF VIRAL HEPATITIS OCCURED LAST SPRING/SUMMER WITH MORE THAN 800 CASES IN THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD FROM APRIL TO JUNE.

HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE INCIDENCE HAD SINCE DECLINED AND RETURNED TO THE NORMAL LEVEL, THE PUBLIC SHOULD CONTINUE THEIR VIGILANCE IN PREVENTION.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO WARNED THE PUBLIC TO BE ON THE ALERT IN PREVENTING THE OCCURANCE OF +RED EYE+ DISEASE, WHICH IS QUITE COMMON DURING THE SWIMMING SEASON.

AN OUTBREAK OF THE HIGHLY INFECTIOUS DISEASE OCCURED LAST SUMMER WHEN MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE WERE TREATED IN THE GOVERNMENT'S EYE CLINICS IN SEPTEMBER ALONE.

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 14 -

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMONEST MEANS OF SPREADING THE DISEASE IS THROUGH CONTACT, E.G. IN PUBLIC PLACES SUCH AS SWIMMING POOLS AND AMONG FAMILIES.

+IT IS, THEREFORE, IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASE SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS, AND IF A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY HAS CONTRACTED THE DISEASE THE OTHER MEMBERS SHOULD TAKE CARE NOT TO SHARE THE SAME TOWEL OR HANDKERCHIEF,+ HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THERE HAD BEEN NO LOCAL CASES OF CHOLERA SINCE 1969 THE PUBLIC MUST NOT BE TEMPTED TO RELAX THE PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

VACCINATIONS AGAINST THE COMMON INFECTIOUS DISEASES ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL GOVERNMENT GENERAL OUT-PATIENT CLINICS AND INOCULATION POSTS.

----- 0 -----

/15

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 15 -

SOCIAL STUDIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RELATIONSHIP
* * * * *

THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY SPOKE ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SOCIAL STUDIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES WHEN HE OPENED THE SOCIAL STUDIES PROJECT EXHIBITION AT THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION THIS MORNING.

+AS I SEE IT, SOCIAL STUDIES ARE A DERIVATION FROM THE BASIC SOCIAL SCIENCES WHICH SUPPORT THEM. IF YOU LOOK AT A PRE-INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY IT HAS'NT MUCH NEED OF SOCIAL SCIENCES BECAUSE CHANGE IS VERY SLOW AND AT THE VILLAGE LEVEL OR EVEN AT THE GOVERNMENT LEVEL YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW THAT MUCH ABOUT HOW SOCIETY WORKS BECAUSE IT DOES'NT CHANGE THAT FAST. LAST YEAR'S EXPERIENCE OR EVEN LAST CENTURY'S EXPERIENCE IS PRETTY USEFUL FOR TOMORROW,+ HE SAID.

BUT, MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT IN A MODERN INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY IT WAS VERY MUCH MORE COMPLICATED AND VERY MUCH MORE ON-THE-MOVE, IT WAS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL FOR CITIZENS AND FOR GOVERNMENTS TO KNOW MUCH MORE ABOUT HOW SOCIETY WORKS.

+WHEN THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION FIRST HIT THE WORLD, PEOPLE TRIED TO, SO TO SPEAK, CONTROL SOCIETIES BY DEVELOPING ABSTRACT IDEAS BASED REALLY ON TRADITIONAL PHILOSOPHIES AND IT WAS ONLY LATER WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENCES THAT WE GOT INTO CHECKING AND MEASURING. NOW I THINK WE REALISE THAT YOU'VE GOT TO HAVE IDEAS BUT YOU'VE ALSO GOT TO CHECK UP ON THEM TO SEE WHETHER YOU'VE GOT THE RIGHT IDEA OR NOT.+

HE STATED THAT SOCIAL SCIENCES WERE ADVANCING AND +WE NOW KNOW MUCH MORE FOR INSTANCE ABOUT HOW TO CONTROL UNEMPLOYMENT.+ AND WE WERE LEARNING HOW TO CONTROL INFLATION.

MR. TOPLEY EMPHASISED THAT SOCIAL SCIENCES WERE DIFFICULT TO DO.

+SOCIAL SCIENCE PREDICTIONS,+ HE ADDED, +CAN BE MUCH MORE EASILY FALSIFIED BY THE REACTION BY THE VERY PEOPLE THAT THE SCIENCES ARE TRYING TO DESCRIBE. SO THAT WE CANNOT EXPECT MAGICAL IMPROVEMENTS IN HUMAN SOCIETY THROUGH SOCIAL SCIENCES.+

BUT, HE SAID, IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR HUMAN BEINGS TO UNDERSTAND THE SOCIETY IN WHICH THEY WERE LIVING, AND TO UNDERSTAND THEMSELVES SO AS TO CONTROL THEIR OWN FATE.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT IT WAS FOR TEACHERS TO WORK OUT HOW THESE TOPICS SHOULD BE TREATED IN THE SCHOOLS. THE PRESENT EXHIBITION SHOULD GIVE SOME GOOD INITIAL CLUES.

MR. TOPLEY SAID THE EXHIBITION DEMONSTRATED A MUCH CLOSER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S ADVISORY INSPECTORATE AND THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION IN THE ORGANISATION OF SOCIAL STUDIES IN WHAT WAS BEING TAUGHT TO TEACHERS IN TRAINING AND TO IN-SERVICE TEACHERS.

/ONE OF THE

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 1976

- 16 -

ONE OF THE OBJECTS OF THE EXHIBITION WAS TO PROVIDE A CO-ORDINATED APPROACH.

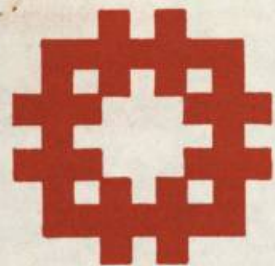
HE SAID THAT THE CURRICULUM MATERIALS THAT THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE AND THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION HAD PREPARED WERE DESIGNED TO GIVE TEACHERS AN IDEA OF HOW THE PROVISIONAL SYLLABUS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES COULD BE TACKLED.

THE DIRECTOR SAID THAT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS ACADEMIC YEAR, SOCIAL STUDIES, AS A SUBJECT IN SECONDARY EDUCATION, WERE BEING TRIED IN 15 SCHOOLS ON A MONITORED BASIS AND ANOTHER 17 ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

+THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE HAS ORGANISED COURSES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS FOR THE TEACHERS, AND THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION HAVE GIVEN TEACHERS-IN-TRAINING SOME BASIC IDEAS ON THE SPIRIT AND PURPOSE OF SOCIAL STUDIES IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

MR. TOPLEY SAID HE WAS GLAD TO HEAR THAT THE TEACHERS IN THE MONITORED SCHOOLS HAD BEEN VERY ENTHUSIASTIC IN ATTENDING THE DEPARTMENT'S IN-SERVICE EDUCATION PROGRAMMES.

----- 0 -----



HONG KONG HOUSING AUTHORITY 香港房屋委員會

PRESS
RELEASE

新聞稿

Friday, May 14, 1976

HOUSING ESTATE ON TSING YI ISLAND TAKING SHAPE

Huge housing blocks are rising on a 70-acre site on Tsing Yi Island where Housing Authority's first public housing estate is gradually taking shape.

Construction of the first phase of the housing project, comprising four 22 to 24 storey twin-tower blocks and one slab block, is at an advanced stage with the first blocks scheduled for completion early next year.

They will provide about 3,000 flats of varying sizes from 240 square feet to 590 square feet for about 23,000 people.

Also being built on the site is a large commercial complex with restaurants, super-markets, department stores and adequate shopping facilities for the islanders.

A further phase of the project, including the building of two more twin-tower blocks, three primary schools and ancillary works is to begin in about four months.

The Housing Authority is inviting approved contractors who have interest in tendering for the building work to write to its Committees' Secretary at the new Housing Authority Headquarters at 101 Princess Margaret Road, Kowloon, before noon on Friday, May 28, 1976.

Situated on the slope just off the western end of the Tsing Yi Bridge overlooking the Rambler Channel, the estate, on completion in the early 1980s, will be the homes of over 50,000 people.

- - - - 0 - - - -

一九七六年五月十四日

星期五

青衣邨續興建

招標承投工程

房屋委員會在青衣島上興建的第一個屋邨，現正逐漸形成，在七十英畝的地盤上，矗立幾座興建中的大廈。

該屋邨的第一期建築工程，包括建築四座廿二層至廿四層的雙塔式大廈及一座單座式大廈與一座商場大廈，工程已進展過半，首批樓宇可於明年初落成。

上述樓宇約有居住單位三千個，每個面積由二百四十方呎至五百九十方呎不等，約可居住二萬三千人。

該期工程的擴展部份，包括興建兩座雙塔式大廈及三間小學，約於四個月內動工。

房屋委員會現通告有意參加投標承投該等工程的認許承建商，於五月廿八日（星期五）之前，致函九龍公主道一〇一號房屋委員會總辦事處，通知會議事務秘書。

青衣邨位於青衣大橋西端對開的山坡，俯臨藍巴勒海峽，於一九八零年左右全部建成時，可容住客五萬餘人。