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GRANTING OF RESTRICTED BANKING LICENCE

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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, SIR PIERS JACOBS, HAS RECENTLY GRANTED A RESTRICTED BANKING LICENCE TO THE BANK OF CALIFORNIA -- THE FIRST OF SUCH LICENCE GRANTED TO A NEW APPLICANT SINCE THE CREATION OF THE RESTRICTED LICENCE BANK CATEGORY EARLIER THIS YEAR, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (MONDAY).

"THE COMMISSIONER OF BANKING'S OFFICE IS REVIEWING APPLICANTS FOR A RESTRICTED BANKING LICENCE FROM A NUMBER OF OTHER OVERSEAS BANKS," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

"THIS DEMONSTRATED THE CONTINUING ATTRACTIVENESS OF HONG KONG AS ONE OF THE MAJOR FINANCIAL CENTRES IN THE WORLD," HE ADDED.

THE GRANTING OF THE LICENCE BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS TO 38.

OF THE 38 RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS, 37 ARE EXISTING LICENSED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANIES WHICH HAVE AUTOMATICALLY BECOME RESTRICTED LICENCE BANKS WHEN THE RELEVANT LEGISLATION CAME INTO EFFECT ON FEBRUARY 1 THIS YEAR.

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NEW EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER APPOINTED

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MR STEVE BARCLAY HAS BEEN APPOINTED EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER WITH EFFECT FROM TODAY (MONDAY), THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCED.

MR BARCLAY JOINED THE GOVERNMENT IN 1979 AND WAS APPOINTED AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN 1982.

HE HAS SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED IN A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND BRANCHES, NAMELY THE NORTH DISTRICT OFFICE WHERE HE WAS THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, THE ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH, THE FINANCE BRANCH AND THE TRADE AND INDUSTRY BRANCH.

HE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN 1989.

MR BARCLAY'S LAST POSTING WAS SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER DEALING WITH POLICY MATTERS IN THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS TREE PLANTING PROGRAMME

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THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER, AT A MEETING TOMORROW (TUESDAY), THE ALLOCATION OF \$540,000 IN DISTRICT BOARD FUNDS FOR A TREE PLANTING PROGRAMME.

UNDER THE PROGRAMME, AT LEAST 100 TREES ARE TO BE PLANTED IN THE DISTRICT THIS YEAR. THE PROGRAMME WILL ALSO RECEIVE SUBSIDIES FROM PRIVATE COMPANIES IN THE DISTRICT.

MEANWHILE, MEMBERS WILL STUDY THE COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1990-1991, AS WELL AS ITS MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE.

ALSO ON THE AGENDA ARE THE WAN CHAI STREET MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME, AND A REPORT BY THE DISTRICT WORKING GROUP ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY AND CLEAN HONG KONG CAMPAIGN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE WAN CHAI DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 4 PM TOMORROW (TUESDAY) IN THE DB CONFERENCE ROOM, 21ST FLOOR, SOUTHOEN CENTRE, 130 HENNESSY ROAD, HONG KONG.

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WATER STORAGE FIGURE

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STORAGE IN HONG KONG'S RESERVOIRS AT 9 AM TODAY (MONDAY) STOOD AT 40.8 PER CENT OF CAPACITY OR 239.380 MILLION CUBIC METRES.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR THE RESERVOIRS CONTAINED 201.378 MILLION CUBIC METRES OF WATER, REPRESENTING 34.4 PER CENT OF CAPACITY.

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WATER CUTS IN SHAM SHUI PO AND TSUEN WAN

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 25) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT CERTAIN PREMISES BOUNDED BY CASTLE PEAK ROAD, PRATAS STREET, FUK WING STREET, TONKIN STREET, UN CHAU STREET AND HING WAH STREET, INCLUDING 152-358 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, 290-420 UN CHAU STREET, 226-244 FUK WING STREET, 149-167 PRATAS STREET, 24-38 TONKIN STREET, 1B-1H WING LUNG STREET AND 9-21 FAT TSEUNG STREET.

ALSO TO FACILITATE LEAKAGE TESTS, FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO CERTAIN PREMISES IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 25) TO 7 AM THE NEXT DAY.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL PREMISES BOUNDED BY TAI HO ROAD, SHA TSUI ROAD, LUEN YAN STREET AND YEUNG UK ROAD, INCLUDING SAI LAU STREET, SAN TSUEN STREET, HO PUI STREET, WO TIK STREET, TAI UK STREET, CHUEN LUNG STREET, YI PEI SQUARE, CHUNG ON STREET, SAM PEI SQUARE AND HAM TIN STREET.

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TEMPORARY LANE CLOSURE IN KOWLOON TONG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT A SECTION OF THE INNERMOST TRAFFIC LANE ON THE NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF WATERLOO ROAD NORTH OF CORNWALL STREET ON KOWLOON TONG WILL BE TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM DAILY FROM TODAY (MONDAY) TO SATURDAY (APRIL 28).

THE CLOSURE IS TO FACILITATE ROAD WORKS.

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