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## NOTE TO EDITORS:

CHIEF SECRETARY'S SPEECH AT CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DINING-IN NIGHT  
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THE TEXT OF A SPEECH BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, DELIVERED THIS EVENING AT THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DINING-IN NIGHT AT THE SENIOR OFFICERS' MESS, RUMSEY STREET, HAS BEEN BOXED FOR COLLECTION.

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FARE REVISION FOR MAXICAB SERVICES  
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THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, FOLLOWING THE ADVICE GIVEN BY THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, HAS APPROVED A FARE INCREASE FOR 24 MAXICAB ROUTES ON HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE INCREASE - RANGING FROM 25 PER CENT TO A MAXIMUM OF 50 PER CENT - WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON SUNDAY (AUGUST 22).

A TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE INCREASE WAS DUE TO A RISE IN OPERATIONAL COSTS, AND THAT THE DECISION WAS REACHED AFTER A DETAILED SURVEY OF CHANGES IN FUEL COSTS, DRIVER'S WAGES, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES OVER THE YEARS.

THE REVISED FARES WILL AFFECT THE FOLLOWING MAXICAB ROUTES:

<u>NO</u>	<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>EXISTING FARE</u>	<u>NEW FARE</u>
		\$	\$
1	HMS 'TAMAR' - THE PEAK	2.00	3.00
2	HMS 'TAMAR' - OLD PEAK ROAD	1.00	1.50
3	HMS 'TAMAR' - PO SHAN ROAD	1.00	1.50
4	SHEK PAI WAN - CAUSEWAY BAY		
	DAY SERVICE:	2.00	2.50
	ALL NIGHT SERVICE:	3.00	3.50
5	ABERDEEN - CAUSEWAY BAY	2.00	2.50
6	OCEAN PARK/SHOUSON HILL - STAR FERRY	2.00	3.00
7	MOUNT NICHOLSON - STAR FERRY	2.00	3.00
8	STAR FERRY - BAGUIO VILLAS	2.00	3.00
9	STAR FERRY - BOWEN ROAD	1.00	1.50

12	KWUN LUNG LAU - SAI YING PUN	0.70	1.00
13	KA WAI MAN ROAD - SAI YING PUN	0.70	1.00
16	CHAI WAN (EAST) - STANLEY VILLAGE/ CHUNG HOM KOK	2.50	3.50
17	CHAI WAN (CENTRAL) - PAK SHA WAN THA	0.50	0.70
18	CHAI WAN (CENTRAL) - CAPE COLLINSON	1.00	1.50
19	SAI WAN HO - O PUI LUNG		
	OUTWARD:	0.50	0.70
	INWARD:	0.30	0.50
21	TAI HANG DRIVE - HAPPY VIEW TERRACE	1.00	1.50
22	POK FU LAM GARDENS - STAR FERRY	2.00	2.50
23	KENNEDY TOWN - POK FU LAM	1.00	1.50
26	ABERDEEN - DEEP WATER BAY	1.50	2.00
27	AP LEI CHAU - ABERDEEN	0.60	0.90
28	UPPER BAGUIO VILLAS - CAUSEWAY BAY	2.50	3.50
29	AP LEI CHAU ESTATE - WONG CHUK HANG	0.70	1.00
30	CAUSEWAY BAY - WATFORD ROAD	1.50	2.50
35	ABERDEEN - WAN CHAI	2.00	2.50

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NEW MAXICAB ROUTES IN HONG KONG  
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TWO NEW HONG KONG MAXICAB ROUTES, NO. 14 AND 31, WILL START OPERATION FROM SUNDAY (AUGUST 22).

ROUTE NO. 14 WILL RUN FROM TAI HANG DRIVE TO HAPPY VIEW TERRACE IN CAUSEWAY BAY VIA TAI HANG ROAD, FUK KWAN AVENUE, TAI HANG ROAD, TUNG LO WAN ROAD, LEIGHTON ROAD, PENNINGTON STREET, KESWICK STREET, LEIGHTON ROAD, CAROLINE HILL ROAD, LINK ROAD AND BROADWOOD ROAD.

RETURN TRIPS FROM HAPPY VIEW TERRACE WILL BE VIA BROADWOOD ROAD, LINK ROAD, CAROLINE HILL ROAD, LEIGHTON ROAD, PENNINGTON STREET, KESWICK STREET, LEIGHTON ROAD, PENNINGTON STREET, YEE WO STREET, TUNG LO WAN ROAD, TAI HANG ROAD AND TAI HANG DRIVE.

THE ROUTE WILL OPERATE FROM 6.45 AM TO 7 PM ON WEEKDAYS ONLY. FARES RANGE FROM \$1 TO \$1.50.

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ROUTE NO. 31 WILL RUN FROM TIN WAN TO JAFFE ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY VIA KA WO STREET, HING WO STREET, SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, TIN WAN STREET, TIN WAN HILL ROAD, SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, WAH FU ROAD, WAH LAM PATH, WAH LOK PATH, SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, POK FU LAM ROAD, BONHAM ROAD, CAINE ROAD, UPPER ALBERT ROAD, GARDEN ROAD, QUEENSWAY, RODNEY STREET, DRAKE STREET, TAMAR STREET, QUEENSWAY, HENNESSY ROAD, FENWICK STREET, LOCKHART ROAD AND PERCIVAL STREET.

RETURN TRIPS WILL BE VIA JAFFE ROAD, CANNON STREET, GLOUCESTER ROAD, PERCIVAL STREET, LOCKHART ROAD, FENWICK STREET, GLOUCESTER ROAD, HARCOURT ROAD, TAMAR STREET, DRAKE STREET, RODNEY STREET, HARCOURT ROAD, COTTON TREE DRIVE, UPPER ALBERT ROAD, CAINE ROAD, BONHAM ROAD, POK FU LAM ROAD, SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, WAH FU ROAD, WAH LAM PATH, WAH FU ROAD, SHEK PAI WAN ROAD, TIN WAN STREET AND KA WO STREET.

THE ROUTE WILL OPERATE FROM 6.30 AM TO 12.07 AM DAILY AT FARES OF \$1.50 AND \$2.50.

AT THE SAME TIME, FOR ROUTE 21 (TAI HANG DRIVE-CAUSEWAY BAY), ADDITIONAL SHORT JOURNEYS WILL BE PROVIDED BETWEEN LAI TAK TSUEN AND KESWICK STREET VIA LAI TAK TSUEN ROAD WHENEVER NECESSARY, WITH A FLAT FARE OF 70 CENTS.

MEANWHILE, MAXICABS ON ROUTE 11 ON THEIR JOURNEY FROM TIN WAN TO CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE DIVERTED VIA HIGH STREET, EASTERN STREET AND HOSPITAL ROAD, BYPASSING BONHAM ROAD.

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#### INCREASE IN HK POPULATION

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THE ESTIMATED POPULATION OF HONG KONG AT THE END OF JUNE 1982 WAS 5 232 900, ACCORDING TO FIGURES RELEASED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE ESTIMATE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF 25 900 PEOPLE OR 0.5 PER CENT OVER END-OF-1981 FIGURE.

NET MIGRATION -- THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES -- FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1982 CONTRIBUTED A VERY SMALL NET LOSS OF 833 PEOPLE TO THE POPULATION GROWTH. THIS WAS MAINLY DUE TO A NET OUTFLOW OF 5 172 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES, THAT OUTNUMBERED NET INWARD IMMIGRATION.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1982 WAS 39 605, AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS WAS 12 877.

NATURAL INCREASE -- THE BALANCE OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS -- AMOUNTED TO 26 728, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR THE TOTAL POPULATION GROWTH DURING THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD.

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RENOWNED GROUPS FOR SHA TIN ARTS FORTNIGHT  
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THE ANNUAL SHA TIN ARTS FORTNIGHT, WHICH WILL START IN DECEMBER, IS EXPECTED TO DRAW MORE THAN 30 000 PEOPLE.

THIS WAS SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHA TIN ARTS ASSOCIATION, MR BENJAMIN NG.

THE FORTNIGHT WOULD OPEN WITH A DANCE DRAMA BY THE HONG KONG DANCE COMPANY IN THE SIR RUN RUN SHAW HALL OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY ON DECEMBER 18, MR NG SAID.

THIS IS THE SECOND SUCH PROGRAMME FOR SHA TIN, THE FIRST HAVING BEEN HELD LAST YEAR.

THE FORTNIGHT WILL INCLUDE 28 EVENTS, ABOUT HALF OF THEM TO BE STAGED AT THE SIR RUN RUN SHAW HALL, THE CARITAS SOCIAL CENTRE, AND VARIOUS COMMUNITY HALLS AND SCHOOLS IN SHA TIN.

THE REST OF THE EVENTS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE JOCKEY CLUB PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, OPEN SPACES IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES, PLAYGROUNDS IN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREAS, AND OTHER OUTDOOR VENUES.

THE FORTNIGHT WILL FEATURE PERFORMANCES BY SUCH RENOWNED GROUPS AS THE HONG KONG ACADEMY BALLET COMPANY, THE HONG KONG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, THE HONG KONG CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND THE HONG KONG REPERTORY THEATRE.

OTHER MAJOR ATTRACTIONS WILL BE CANTONESE OPERA SHOWS BY THE LAI KWAN OPERA GROUP, STARRING MISS LEE PO-YING AND MR LAW KA-YING, THE LUNG CHEUNG OPERA TROUPE AND THE SHA TIN ARTS ASSOCIATION.

MR NG SAID A TOTAL OF \$750 000 WOULD BE SPENT ON THE ARTS FORTNIGHT, WITH \$300 000 FROM THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD, \$220 000 FROM THE CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND THE BALANCE TO BE MET BY THE MUSIC OFFICE, TICKET PROCEEDS AND PRIVATE DONATIONS.

A BONSAI SHOW AND AN EXHIBITION OF CHINESE PAINTINGS AND CALLIGRAPHY WILL ALSO BE MOUNTED IN COMMUNITY HALLS.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SHOW AND EXHIBITION AND MOST OF THE OUTDOOR EVENTS WILL BE FREE.

TICKETS AND DETAILED PROGRAMMES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

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## HK'S EDUCATION SYSTEM - A CASE IN POINT

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HOW THE SON OF A HUMBLE MESSENGER IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE CAME TO WIN A COVETED SCHOLARSHIP TO OXFORD UNIVERSITY WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR COLVYN HAYE'S TALK TO THE CHINESE BRITISH-RETURNED STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION TODAY (FRIDAY) AT THE FURAMA HOTEL.

AU LEUNG-BUN WON THE SCHOLARSHIP RECENTLY AND WILL LEAVE FOR OXFORD SOON.

DESCRIBING THIS AS A HONG KONG EDUCATION SUCCESS STORY, MR HAYE SAID THAT THE BOY'S FATHER, MR AU KWOK-TUNG, IS AN OFFICE ASSISTANT IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, AND MRS AU IS A HOUSEWIFE.

THE PARENTS RECEIVED ONLY PRIMARY EDUCATION AND WERE DETERMINED TO GIVE ALL THEIR THREE CHILDREN THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES THEY HAD MISSED.

THEY DID THIS BY HARD WORK, DEDICATION AND SELF-SACRIFICE, WHICH MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THEIR THREE CHILDREN TO PROCEED THROUGH THE LOCAL EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM TO POST-SECONDARY LEVEL.

THE ELDEST SON LEUNG-FAI, IS TAKING A DIPLOMA COURSE IN MELBOURNE AFTER SECURING A HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING FROM THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC.

YUK-YEE, THE SECOND CHILD AND ONLY DAUGHTER, IS NOW A COMPUTER PROGRAMMER IN A LEADING FINANCE COMPANY AFTER GETTING A DIPLOMA IN COMPUTER STUDIES FROM THE POLYTECHNIC TWO YEARS AGO.

LIKE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF OTHER CHILDREN IN HONG KONG, THE THREE CHILDREN WENT TO GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS, AND THEREAFTER TO AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THEY WORKED HARD, PASSED THEIR EXAMINATIONS AND FOUND TIME FOR A NUMBER OF HEALTHY EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. AND YET, ACCORDING TO THEIR FATHER, NONE OF THEM HAD EVER COMPLAINED ABOUT SCHOOL PRESSURE.

+MR AU TELLS ME THAT HIS CHILDREN STUDY LATE ONLY DURING EXAMINATION PERIODS, AND ALWAYS MANAGE TO CONTINUE WITH EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES,+ MR HAYE SAID.

LEUNG-BUN, AND HIS BROTHER AND SISTER, MAY BE ACADEMICALLY BRIGHT, BUT THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE QUALITIES NECESSARY FOR SUCCESS.

+AND THEY ARE THE PRODUCTS OF AN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM WHICH SOME CRITICS HAVE DESCRIBED AS UNDESIRABLE,+ MR HAYE SAID.

THE STORY OF AU LEUNG-BUN AND HIS FAMILY COULD BE ECHOED BY THE EXPERIENCE OF MANY MEMBERS OF THE CHINESE BRITISH-RETURNED STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION, MR HAYE CONCLUDED.

HIS AUDIENCE WAS PROOF OF THE FUNDAMENTAL SOUNDNESS OF THE HONG KONG SYSTEM AND A GUARANTEE OF ITS PROMISE FOR THE FUTURE, HE SAID.

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### MORE RECLAMATION AT JUNK BAY

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A TOTAL OF ABOUT 71.2 HECTARES OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED IN JUNK BAY WOULD BE RECLAIMED TO PROVIDE SITES FOR A SEWAGE WORKS AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AT PAK SHEK KOK AND FOR A SEAWALL WITH MARINE LOADING FACILITIES AT SAN SHEK WAN, THE LANDS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE EXTENT OF THE AREAS INVOLVED IS DESCRIBED IN A NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THIS WEEK'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE, AND ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL SHOULD BE SENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE NOTICE IN CHINESE AND ENGLISH WITH ITS RELATED PLAN CAN BE SEEN ON NOTICE BOARDS NEAR THE TWO SITES, AS WELL AS AT THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1ST FLOOR, 692 PRINCE EDWARD ROAD.

THE PLAN CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE LANDS DEPARTMENT SURVEY DIVISION ON THE 5TH FLOOR OF MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, WHERE COPIES CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE SALES OFFICE.

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### CHAI WAN PIER LEASE

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THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO GRANT A LEASE OF AN AREA OF ABOUT 2 310 SQUARE METRES OF FORESHORE AND SEA BED IN CHAI WAN TO CONSTRUCT A PIER FOR THE HANDLING OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

NOTIFICATION OF THIS PROPOSAL WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY), AND THIS NOTICE TOGETHER WITH A PLAN OF THE AREA HAS BEEN POSTED UP NEAR THE SITE.

ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSAL MUST BE SENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

THE PLAN CAN ALSO BE SEEN AT THE LANDS DEPARTMENT, SURVEY DIVISION, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, OR AT THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (EASTERN) CHAI WAN SUB-OFFICE, HING WAH ESTATE, BLOCK 2, CHAI WAN.

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