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CHOICE WAN CHAI RECLAMATION SITE FOR SALE

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A MAJOR DEVELOPMENT SITE ON THE WAN CHAI RECLAMATION WILL BE PUT UP FOR AUCTION IN THE CITY HALL ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 30) BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE.

THE SITE -- OF SOME 4,340 SQ. METRES -- IS THE FIRST OF SEVERAL PRESTIGE SITES IN THE AREA TO BE SOLD FOR PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT.

THE SITE TO BE OFFERED AT TUESDAY'S AUCTION IS LOCATED BETWEEN GLOUCESTER ROAD AND HARBOUR ROAD, AND IS INTENDED FOR USE AS EITHER A COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL AREA, OR FOR COMBINED COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL USE, INCORPORATING A HOTEL.

THE P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY, MR. IVOR STANTON, SAID TODAY THE SITE WAS IDEALLY LOCATED FOR DEVELOPMENT. IT WAS NEAR THE MAIN BUSINESS CENTRES OF HONG KONG ISLAND, AND AT THE HUB OF THE MAIN ROAD AND FERRY NETWORK LINKING THE ISLAND AND KOWLOON.

MR. STANTON SAID A SECOND SITE OF ABOUT 4,900 SQ. METRES ADJACENT TO THE LOT TO BE OFFERED AT TUESDAY AFTERNOON'S CITY HALL AUCTION WAS EXPECTED TO COME UP FOR SALE IN THE FIRST HALF OF NEXT YEAR.

HE SAID: +UNDER THE SALE CONDITION FOR THE TWO SITES, PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES AT FIRST FLOOR LEVEL WILL LINK THE PODIUMS OF THE BUILDINGS TO BE ERRECTED ON THE SITES TO THE EXISTING FOOTBRIDGE OVER GLOUCESTER ROAD, EVENTUALLY JOINING UP WITH THE WAN CHAI FERRY PIER.

+WE HAVE ALSO MADE PROVISION FOR SHOPS AT THIS PODIUM LEVEL RATHER THAN AT GROUND LEVEL, SO AS TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION,+ HE ADDED.

MR. STANTON SAID THAT OVER THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS HIS DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO AUCTION FOUR CHOICE SITES ON THE RECLAMATION BETWEEN TSIM SHA TSUI AND THE CROSS HARBOUR TUNNEL APPROACHES AT HUNG HOM.

+THESE SITES WILL BE SOLD IN LOTS RANGING FROM 2,285 SQ. METRES TO JUST OVER 4,000 SQ. METRES. THE FIRST OF THEM SHOULD COME UP FOR AUCTION ON DECEMBER 28,+ HE SAID.

THE SALE CONDITIONS FOR THE FOUR SITES WOULD ALLOW THEM TO BE DEVELOPED EITHER FOR COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH.

MR. STANTON SAID ANOTHER LARGE SITE OF SOME 41,400 SQ. METRES OFF LUNG CHUNG ROAD WOULD BE OFFERED FOR SALE ON MARCH 11 NEXT YEAR.

+THIS LOT WILL BE FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES,+ HE SAID, +BUT THE PURCHASER WILL BE ABLE TO INCLUDE SUCH FACILITIES AS A SUPERMARKET, A MULTI-STOREY CARPARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.+

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+AN AREA OF 2,787 SQ. METRES WILL BE SET ASIDE AS OPEN SPACE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OCCUPANTS OF FLATS TO BE ERRECTED ON THE SITE,+ HE SAID.

MR. STANTON ADDED THAT THE CROWN LAND AND SURVEY OFFICE WOULD ALSO BE OFFERING A NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL SITES AT CHUNG HOM KOK AND TAI TAM ROAD ON HONG KONG ISLAND FOR SALE OVER THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS.

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### COURSES FOR WOMEN AT TECHNICAL INSTITUTES

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TECHNICAL INSTITUTES IN HONG KONG MUST PLAN MORE COURSES WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO MEET THE NEEDS FOR WOMEN IN TECHNICAL DISCIPLINES, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. ANDREW KINGWELL SAID TODAY.

ADDRESSING THE GATHERING AT THE HO TUNG TECHNICAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, MR. KINGWELL SAID : +THIS IS A CHALLENGE AND A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE NEW TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND THOSE WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

+LAST YEAR, NEW INSTITUTES AT KWAI CHUNG AND KWUN TONG WERE ADDED TO THE ORIGINAL ONE AT MORRISON HILL. NEXT YEAR THE CHEUNG SHA WAN TECHNICAL INSTITUTE WILL OPEN AND THE FIRST PROGRAMME OF EXPANSION OF TECHNICAL INSTITUTES IN HONG KONG WILL BE COMPLETED WITH THE OPENING OF THE INSTITUTE AT KOWLOON TONG IN 1979.+

MR. KINGWELL, WHO IS THE ADVISER ON TECHNICAL EDUCATION, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT BY THEN YOUNG WOMEN GRADUATES FROM TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND OTHER SCHOOLS WOULD TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES WHICH WOULD THEN BE AVAILABLE IN THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES.

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR POINTED OUT THAT HONG KONG ALREADY HAD TECHNICAL EDUCATION AT SCHOOL LEVEL FOR BOTH SEXES AND ALL COURSES IN THE TECHNICAL INSTITUTES AND IN THE POLYTECHNIC WERE OPEN TO WOMEN.

HE SPOKE ABOUT THE RELEVANCE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND IN PARTICULAR THE GROWING IMPORTANCE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION FOR GIRLS IN SOCIETY TODAY.

MR. KINGWELL ANTICIPATED THAT THE CURRICULUM IN GIRLS TECHNICAL SCHOOLS WOULD BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE SUBJECTS WHICH AT PRESENT WERE ONLY TAUGHT TO BOYS IN HONG KONG.

TURNING TO THE HO TUNG TECHNICAL SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS, MR. KINGWELL SAID THE SCHOOL WAS WELL KNOWN FOR THE STANDARD OBTAINED IN MANY TECHNICAL SUBJECTS PARTICULARLY IN POTTERY.

DURING THE CEREMONY MRS. KINGWELL PRESENTED PRIZES AND CERTIFICATES.

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## SLIGHT DROP IN EXPORTS LAST MONTH

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THE VALUE OF HONG KONG'S DOMESTIC EXPORTS FOR OCTOBER WAS \$2,924 MILLION, REPRESENTING A DECREASE OF \$138 MILLION OR 4.5 PER CENT, BY VALUE, COMPARED WITH SEPTEMBER.

ACCORDING TO PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, THE VALUE OF IMPORTS, HOWEVER, WENT UP BY \$188 MILLION OR 5 PER CENT TO \$3,947 MILLION WHILE RE-EXPORTS ALSO ROSE BY \$8 MILLION OR ONE PER CENT TO \$809 MILLION.

FIGURES FOR THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD AUGUST TO OCTOBER 1976 SHOWED INCREASES, BY VALUE, OF 38.8 PER CENT FOR DOMESTIC EXPORTS, 21.5 PER CENT FOR IMPORTS AND 22.6 PER CENT FOR RE-EXPORTS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR.

FIGURES FOR THE 12-MONTH PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 1975 TO OCTOBER 1976 COMPARED WITH THOSE OF THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD SHOWED INCREASES, BY VALUE, OF 43.2 PER CENT FOR DOMESTIC EXPORTS, 31.2 PER CENT FOR IMPORTS AND 26.5 PER CENT FOR RE-EXPORTS.

THE FOLLOWING TRADE TABLE GIVES THE COMPARATIVE FIGURES :

| LATEST 3 MONTHS  | AUG.-OCT.<br>1976 | AUG.-OCT.<br>1975 | INCREASE OR<br>DECREASE |       |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|                  | \$ MN.            | \$ MN.            | \$ MN.                  | %     |
| DOMESTIC EXPORTS | 8,950             | 6,446             | +2,504                  | +38.8 |
| IMPORTS          | 11,215            | 9,232             | +1,982                  | +21.5 |
| RE-EXPORTS       | 2,293             | 1,870             | + 423                   | +22.6 |

| LATEST MONTH                             | OCTOBER<br>1976  | SEPTEMBER<br>1976 | INCREASE OR<br>DECREASE |       |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | \$ MN.           | \$ MN.            | \$ MN.                  | %     |
| DOMESTIC EXPORTS<br>(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS) | 2,924<br>(78.3%) | 3,061<br>(79.3%)  | - 138                   | - 4.5 |
| IMPORTS                                  | 3,947            | 3,759             | + 188                   | + 5.0 |
| RE-EXPORTS<br>(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)       | 809<br>(21.7%)   | 801<br>(20.7%)    | + 8                     | + 1.0 |

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| <u>CALENDAR YEAR TO-DATE</u>             | JAN.-OCT.<br>1976            | JAN.-OCT.<br>1975            | INCREASE OR<br>DECREASE |       |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | \$ MN.                       | \$ MN.                       | \$ MN.                  | %     |
| DOMESTIC EXPORTS<br>(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS) | 26,746<br>(78.6%)            | 18,312<br>(76.3%)            | +8,435                  | +46.1 |
| IMPORTS                                  | 35,525                       | 26,934                       | +8,591                  | +31.9 |
| RE-EXPORTS<br>(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)       | 7,300<br>(21.4%)             | 5,691<br>(23.7%)             | +1,609                  | +28.3 |
| <br>                                     |                              |                              |                         |       |
| <u>LAST 12 MONTHS</u>                    | NOV. 1975<br>TO<br>OCT. 1976 | NOV. 1974<br>TO<br>OCT. 1975 | INCREASE OR<br>DECREASE |       |
|  | \$ MN.                       | \$ MN.                       | \$ MN.                  | %     |
| DOMESTIC EXPORTS                         | 31,294                       | 21,854                       | +9,440                  | +43.2 |
| IMPORTS                                  | 42,063                       | 32,050                       | +10,012                 | +31.2 |
| RE-EXPORTS                               | 8,582                        | 6,784                        | +1,797                  | +26.5 |

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VISITORS TO CAREERS EXHIBITION EXCEED 50,000 MARK  
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THE NUMBER OF VISITORS TO THE CAREERS '77 EXHIBITION ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AT THE KOWLOON RAIL TERMINUS HAS PASSED THE 50,000 MARK.

WITH ONLY FOUR MORE DAYS TO GO BEFORE THE EXHIBITION CLOSES ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 28) THE OVERALL TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITORS IS EXPECTED TO EXCEED LAST YEAR'S RECORD OF NEARLY 100,000 DESPITE THE FACT THAT THIS YEAR'S EXHIBITION LASTS FOR 10 DAYS -- TWO DAYS LESS THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT : +AN AVERAGE OF ABOUT 10,000 YOUNG PEOPLE A DAY ARE POURING IN TO SEE THE EXHIBITION. THIS YEAR'S SHOW IS THE LARGEST SO FAR SINCE WE STARTED THIS ANNUAL EVENT IN 1972 AND IT SEEMS THAT OUR SHOW IS GETTING BIGGER AND BETTER EVERY YEAR, THANKS TO THE SUPPORT OF THE PARTICIPANTS.+

THE EXHIBITION WILL REMAIN OPEN DAILY FROM 9.30 A.M. TO 6.30 P.M. UNTIL SUNDAY WHEN IT WILL CLOSE AT 4.30 P.M.

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EXTENSION OF VEHICLE INSPECTION CENTRE COMPLETED

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AN INFORMAL RECEPTION WILL BE HELD IN THE COMPOUND OF THE TO KWA WAN MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION CENTRE TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE CENTRE'S EXTENSION.

THE NEW EXTENSION WAS COMPLETED AND HANDED OVER TO THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

THE CENTRE, WHICH IS MANNED BY A STAFF OF 15, CARRIES OUT INSPECTIONS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OMNIBUSES, PRIVATE LIGHT BUSES, KOWLOON BASED TAXIS AND PUBLIC HIRE CARS, NEW TERRITORIES TAXIS, SECOND-HAND IMPORTED VEHICLES AND ALL NEW GOODS VEHICLES.

IT IS CAPABLE OF CARRYING OUT 36,000 INSPECTIONS A YEAR.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:  
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MEMBERS OF THE NEWS MEDIA ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE RECEPTION AND TO VIEW THE CENTRE'S FACILITIES TOMORROW AT 4 P.M. IN THE COMPOUND OF THE VEHICLE INSPECTION CENTRE IN LONG YUET STREET, KOWLOON CITY. MR. T.A. HAHN OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL BE PRESENT TO ASSIST THE PRESS.

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REGIONAL SEMINAR ON VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION  
OF THE BLIND AND DEAF

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THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WILL HOST A REGIONAL SEMINAR ON VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF THE BLIND AND THE DEAF NEXT WEEK.

THE SEMINAR, ORGANISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO) AND THE DANISH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (DANIDA), WILL BE HELD AT THE LEE GARDENS HOTEL FROM DECEMBER 1 TO 17.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM 13 ASIAN COUNTRIES AND HONG KONG WILL TAKE PART IN THE SEMINAR. THEY INCLUDE 25 DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL WELFARE, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS ACTIVELY CONNECTED WITH NATIONAL VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SCHEMES OR SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAMMES IN THE FIELD OF VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, PLACEMENT OR SHELTERED EMPLOYMENT FOR THE DISABLED WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE BLIND AND THE DEAF.

THE SEMINAR IS TO OFFER DELEGATES THE OPPORTUNITY OF STUDYING IN DETAIL THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE TWO LARGEST DISABILITY GROUPS IN ASIA, NAMELY, THE BLIND AND THE DEAF, AS WELL AS THE SPECIALISED REHABILITATION MEASURES THEY REQUIRE.

MR. F.K. LI, SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL SERVICES, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY ON WEDNESDAY. THE PROGRAMME OF THE 17-DAY SEMINAR WILL BE PRACTICALLY ORIENTATED AND ALLOW FOR GROUPS OF PARTICIPANTS TO STUDY WITH LOCAL AND OVERSEAS SPECIALISTS. THERE WILL ALSO BE LECTURES, FILMS, GROUP AND PLENARY DISCUSSIONS AND VISITS OF OBSERVATION.

THE 13 PARTICIPATING ASIAN COUNTRIES ARE : AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, BRUNEI, BURMA, FIJI, INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SINGAPORE, SOLOMON ISLANDS AND SRI LANKA.

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COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COURSES AT TECHNICAL INSTITUTES  
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THE MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, THE KWAI CHUNG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE AND THE KWUN TONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE PLAN TO RUN A TOTAL OF 49 COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PART-TIME EVENING SHORT COURSES FROM NEXT MONTH TO MARCH NEXT YEAR.

THE COURSES RANGE FROM FABRIC UTILISATION AND CUTTING ROOM TECHNIQUES TO COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND COMPUTER SYSTEM ANALYSIS AND PROGRAMMING.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THESE COURSES CAN BE OBTAINED, IN PERSON, FROM THE APPROPRIATE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE OFFERING THE COURSES FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M. AND 7 P.M. TO 8 P.M. ON WEEKDAYS AND FROM 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON ON SATURDAYS.

DETAILS OF THE COURSES AND OTHER INFORMATION ARE CONTAINED IN AN ADVERTISEMENT WHICH WILL APPEAR IN A LEADING ENGLISH AND CHINESE NEWSPAPERS TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE APPROPRIATE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 11.

INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL ORGANISATIONS INTENDING TO SPONSOR THEIR EMPLOYEES FOR SUCH COURSES MAY OBTAIN APPLICATION FORMS BY TELEPHONING THE APPROPRIATE INSTITUTE.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE: MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE (5-745321 EXT. 30), KWAI CHUNG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE (12-246221 EXT. 30) AND KWUN TONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE (3-414331 EXT. 30).

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE COMMENCING DATES OF THE COURSES.

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PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT GIFT

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TWO STAFF MEMBERS OF THE P.W.D.'S BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE ARE RETIRING SHORTLY AFTER A TOTAL OF 72 YEARS IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

THEY ARE MR. LAM SHIU-PANG, CLERICAL OFFICER, AND MR. KAM YIU, OFFICE ATTENDANT.

TO MARK THE OCCASION, THE PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING SURVEYOR, MR. E.T. KENNARD, WILL PRESENT EACH OF THEM WITH A RETIREMENT GIFT TOMORROW (FRIDAY) ON BEHALF OF THEIR COLLEAGUES.

MR. KAM FIRST JOINED THE P.W.D. AS A MESSENGER IN 1939 AND HAS SERVED THE P.W.D. EVER SINCE.

MR. LAM JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE AS A CLERK CLASS III IN 1941. HE WAS PROMOTED TO CLERK CLASS II IN 1953 AND TO CLERICAL OFFICER I IN 1963. HE HAS WORKED IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S BUILDING ORDINANCE OFFICE SINCE 1958.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:  
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YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY. IT WILL BE HELD AT 4 P.M. TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE OFFICE, 9TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KWAI CHUNG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT LEARNER DRIVERS WOULD BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE SECTION OF KWAI FUK ROAD WEST OF SHING FUK STREET, KWAI CHUNG, FROM 10 A.M. ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 27).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THIS MEASURE WAS INTENDED TO ALLEVIATE THE EXISTING TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT KWAI FUK ROAD AND GIN DRINKER'S BAY ROAD.

ALSO FROM 10 A.M. ON THAT DAY, VEHICLES TRAVELLING IN KWONG FUK ROAD (KOWLOON-BOUND) WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TURNING RIGHT INTO PO HEUNG STREET, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL FUN FAIR  
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THE MARINE DEPARTMENT IS TO HOLD A FUN FAIR FOR ABOUT 600 MEMBERS OF ITS STAFF, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS THIS SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 28).

THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE MERCHANT NAVY SPORTS GROUND IN CHATHAM ROAD FROM 1.30 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

IN ADDITION TO 12 GAME STALLS, A MERRY-GO-ROUND AND A NUMBER OF STALLS SELLING SOFT DRINKS AND SNACKS, THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL ARCHERY STALL WHICH OFFERS ALL PARTICIPANTS A CHANCE TO TRY THEIR HAND AT ARCHERY. A CHINESE MARTIAL ART PERFORMANCE WILL TAKE PLACE AT 3 P.M.

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE FAIR WILL BE A RAFFLE DRAW BY MRS. A. FLETCHER, WIFE OF THE DIRECTOR OF MARINE.

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND MEMBERS OF YOUR STAFF TO COVER THE FAIR.

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REGISTRATION TEAM TO OPERATE AT HANG HAU  
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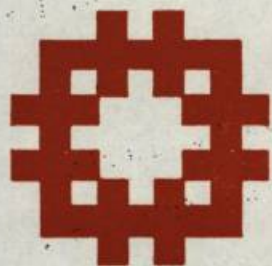
A TEAM FROM THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT WILL CONDUCT REGISTRATIONS AT HANG HAU RURAL COMMITTEE FOR RESIDENTS AND PERSONS LIVING NEARBY ON DECEMBER 3.

THE VISIT IS TO ENABLE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN OR WARDS OF 11 YEARS OF AGE FOR JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS AND HOLDERS OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS TO REGISTER FOR ADULT IDENTITY CARDS ON REACHING 18 YEARS OF AGE.

REGISTRATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN 9.30 A.M. AND 4.30 P.M.

ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THIS AREA ARE REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN FOR IDENTITY CARDS. THEY SHOULD REPORT CHANGES OF EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES, MARITAL STATUS, OR ANY OTHER PARTICULARS WHICH HAVE CHANGED SINCE REGISTERING FOR THEIR IDENTITY CARDS.

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WAY AHEAD CLEAR FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY TO BUILD FIRST

6,000 FLATS FOR SALE

The Housing Authority has been assured of the necessary sites and funds to allow it to proceed with the planning and construction of the first 6,000 flats for sale within the public housing sector.

Following on months of study of various aspects of home ownership for lower-middle income groups by the Working Party on Home Ownership, chaired by the Financial Secretary, Government has decided to proceed without further delay to the planning and construction stage. The first flats will not be completed until 1979/80, and meantime the Working Party will continue its study of how best to provide the necessary mortgage funds on reasonable terms, including easier mortgage interest rates.

An annual production of 5,000 flats-for-sale is planned, to produce a total of 30,000 flats. This additional public housing output (over and above the main rented programme for lower-income groups) will compensate for the slow-down in output arising from unavoidable economies during the recent recession, and will help to raise total public housing production more quickly to a level where it will make an appreciable impact on housing shortages.

The first sites are situated at Chai Wan, Aberdeen, Lai-chikok Headland, Homantin and Sha Tin. The Housing Department will now proceed with detailed planning of each site and prepare proposals for the Building Committee's consideration.

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Many details of the scheme have still to be settled, including the exact definition of eligible households.

It is expected that once the flats are sold the Housing Authority will be responsible for their management and maintenance, and that the owners will be required to pay a monthly management fee. Good management will maintain and increase the value of these flats.

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Thursday, November 25, 1976

HOMES FOR 137,000 PEOPLE IN CLEARWATER BAY ROAD AREA  
SECRETARY FOR HOUSING IMPRESSED BY CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Two large public housing estates and a smaller one which will provide homes for a total of 137,000 people are being built in the Clearwater Bay Road area in North Kowloon.

They are Shun Lee Tsuen Estate (66,000 people), Ngau Chi Wan Estate (60,000 people), and Fu Shan Estate (11,000 people).

Construction works on these estates, designed by architects of Housing and Public Works Departments are forging ahead on all fronts.

Mr. I.M. Lightbody, Secretary for Housing, and Mr. Cheung Sing-hoi, Housing Architect of the Housing Department, visited the three estate sites this (Thursday) afternoon to see how the work is getting on, and both were impressed with current progress on all three.

Shun Lee Tsuen Estate, the largest of the three, is being built on a 70-acre site near Anderson Road and the first phase of the project comprising three housing blocks, a commercial complex, a carpark and two estate schools, is taking shape.

Building work is progressing well on two housing blocks, the commercial complex and one estate school and work on the sub-structure of one other housing block, an estate school and the carpark is getting on smoothly.

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Foundation work on the second phase of the housing scheme is also being carried out and excavation for caisson work is almost completed.

Three more twin-tower housing blocks, another carpark and a primary school will be built on this site.

At Ngau Chi Wan Estate, foundation work, including caissons and piling, is being carried out on the 40-acre site formed on both sides of Clearwater Bay Road.

Building of the super-structures on this estate will begin early next year and the two sections of the estate will be linked by elevated walkways over Clearwater Bay Road.

Fu Shan Estate is being developed on a smaller site close to Choi Hung Estate. Sub-structure work is now at an advanced stage.

The estate comprises three housing blocks and a commercial centre, together with a carpark, a primary school and other ancillary facilities.

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