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ACTIVE HK PARTICIPATION IN SHANGHAI MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

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HONG KONG WILL ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN SHANGHAI NEXT WEEK IN A SERIES OF MEETINGS OF THE PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION COUNCIL (PECC) WHICH AIMS TO DEVELOP CLOSER CO-OPERATION ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC POLICY ISSUES IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL'S HONG KONG COMMITTEE, MR WILLIAM FUNG, WILL ATTEND THE PECC STANDING MEETING ON TUESDAY (JUNE 28).

ALSO ATTENDING THE MEETING WILL BE THE COMMITTEE'S SECRETARY-GENERAL, MR JOHN TSANG, WHO IS ALSO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TRADE AND THE TRADE DEPARTMENT'S TRADE OFFICER, MISS WINNIE TO.

AS THE POLICY-MAKING BODY OF PECC, THE STANDING COMMITTEE GUIDES THE EVOLUTION OF THE PECC PROCESS AND DETERMINES ITS POLICY ISSUES.

MR TSANG AND MISS TO WILL ALSO ATTEND ON MONDAY (JUNE 27) A MEETING OF THE CO-ORDINATING GROUP WHICH SUPERVISES PECC WORK PROGRAMME AND REVIEWS THE PROJECT PROPOSALS OF PECC TASK FORCES.

ANOTHER HONG KONG COMMITTEE MEMBER, MR WILLY LIN, WILL JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP MEETING OF THE PECC'S TRANSPORTATION, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TOURISM TASK FORCE TOMORROW (SUNDAY), WHICH REVIEWS THE PROJECT PROPOSALS TO BE DEVELOPED UNDER THE TASK FORCE IN THE COMING YEAR.

ALSO REPRESENTING HONG KONG WILL BE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR FINANCIAL SERVICES, MR TAM WING-PONG, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (MONETARY MANAGEMENT) OF THE HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY, MR NORMAN CHAN. BOTH WILL ATTEND THE PLANNING MEETING OF THE NEW PECC PROJECT ON FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT ON JUNE 29 AND 30.

THE PLANNING MEETING WILL DECIDE ON THE GOALS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE PROJECT, SELECT PRIORITIES AND SCHEDULE PROJECT ACTIVITIES.

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WORKING GROUP FINALISING REPORT

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THE WORKING GROUP ON REGULATION OF ESTATE AGENTS YESTERDAY (FRIDAY) CONTINUED THEIR DISCUSSION ON A PACKAGE OF LONG-TERM AND SHORT-TERM MEASURES THEY HAD PROPOSED AND DELIBERATED IN PAST MEETINGS TO REGULATE THE TRADE.

THE GROUP, CHAIRED BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS (HOUSING POLICY), MR LEO KWAN, IS EXPECTED TO SUBMIT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT NEXT MONTH.

THE WORKING GROUP IS IN FAVOUR OF SETTING UP A SELF-FINANCING LICENSING AUTHORITY WITH LEGISLATION BACKING AS A LONG-TERM MEASURE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM ILLEGAL PRACTICE.

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AS SHORT-TERM SOLUTIONS, MEMBERS ARE IN SUPPORT OF STANDARDISING THE PROVISIONAL SALES AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND THE FORM FOR INSPECTING A FLAT PUT UP FOR SALE VIA AN ESTATE AGENT.

THE WORKING GROUP IS ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THE IDEA THAT THE TRADE ASSOCIATION SHOULD DRAW UP A CODE OF PRACTICE AND PRACTISING GUIDELINES FOR THE TRADE.

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COSMOPOLITAN SIGNAL SQUADRON FORMS UP

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THREE GURKHA SIGNAL SQUADRONS WILL AMALGAMATE AT AN EARLY MORNING PARADE ON TUESDAY (JUNE 28) AT THE HEADQUARTERS BRITISH FORCES TO FORM THE HONG KONG GURKHA SIGNAL SQUADRON.

THE NEW SQUADRON WILL BE A TRULY COSMOPOLITAN ORGANISATION COMPRISING GURKHAS, CHINESE AND BRITISH SOLDIERS, INCLUDING WOMEN SIGNALLERS, AND A NUMBER OF CHINESE CIVILIANS. UNIQUELY, THE BRITISH AND CHINESE SOLDIERS WILL PARADE IN GURKHA DRILL AT THE CEREMONY TO BE TAKEN BY THE COMMANDER BRITISH FORCES, MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JOHN FOLEY.

THE 134-STRONG SQUADRON WILL COMPRISE FOUR BRITISH OFFICERS, THREE QUEEN'S GURKHA OFFICERS, 71 GURKHA SOLDIERS, 24 BRITISH SOLDIERS AND 13 CHINESE SOLDIERS FROM THE HONG KONG MILITARY SERVICE CORPS, TOGETHER WITH 19 CHINESE CIVILIAN STAFF.

THE AMALGAMATION OF 246, 247 AND 248 GURKHA SIGNAL SQUADRONS IS A FURTHER STEP IN THE REORGANISATION OF THE GARRISON AS IT RUNS DOWN TOWARDS 1997.

THE NEW SQUADRON, ELEMENTS OF WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY BASED AT GUN CLUB HILL BARRACKS IN KOWLOON, WILL BE LOCATED AT THE PRINCE OF WALES BARRACKS IN CENTRAL.

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ATTENTION NEWS EDITORS:

YOUR ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE AMALGAMATION PARADE AT THE PRINCE OF WALES BARRACKS ON TUESDAY (JUNE 28).

THE PARADE COMMENCES AT 7 AM AND REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS SHOULD ARRIVE AT THE MAIN GATE, PRINCE OF WALES BARRACKS NO LATER THAN 6.40 AM. JSPRS REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE ON HAND TO ESCORT THEM TO THE PARADE.

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DOS AND DON'TS IN PRINCIPAL FAIRWAY,  
TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME

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A LEAFLET PROVIDING THE UPDATED ARRANGEMENT OF PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS AND TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES IS NOW AVAILABLE FREE FROM THE MARINE DEPARTMENT PORT FORMALITIES OFFICE AND ALL DISTRICT MARINE OFFICES.

SETTING UP PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS AND TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES IS ONE OF THE WAYS TO IMPROVE NAVIGATION SAFETY IN AREAS WHERE THE MARINE TRAFFIC VOLUME IS HIGH OR THE MARINE TRAFFIC MOVEMENT IS RESTRICTED.

ISSUED BY THE MARINE DEPARTMENT, THE LEAFLET SHOWS THE PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS AND TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES IN HONG KONG DIAGRAMATICALLY.

MASTERS OF ALL VESSELS USING THE PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS AND TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES, SOME OF THEM HAVE BEEN REALIGNED OR EXTENDED RECENTLY, WILL FIND THE CONCISE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE LEAFLET USEFUL.

ALSO, THE LEAFLETS HIGHLIGHTS USEFUL INFORMATION FOR MASTERS OF FISHING VESSELS, VESSELS OF LESS THAN 20 METRES LONG AND SAILING VESSELS BY TELLING THEM THE DOS AND DON'TS WHEN USING THE PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS AND TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES.

WHEN USING THE PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS, THE MASTERS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- \* ALWAYS OBSERVE THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA (COLREGS) AND REMEMBER NO SPECIAL RIGHT OF WAY FOR A VESSEL PROCEEDING ALONG A PRINCIPAL FAIRWAY.
- \* KEEP TO THE STARBOARD SIDE OF THE FAIRWAY.
- \* SOUND THE APPROPRIATE SIGNALS AS REQUIRED BY COLREGS REGARDING OVERTAKING SITUATIONS.
- \* CROSS A FAIRWAY AT RIGHT ANGLES.

THE LEAFLET TELLS THE DON'TS IN THE PRINCIPAL FAIRWAYS:

- \* ANCHOR WITHIN THE FAIRWAY LIMITS.
- \* ENGAGE IN FISHING WITHIN THE FAIRWAY LIMITS.
- \* IMPEDE THE PASSAGE OF A LARGE VESSEL.

WITHIN A TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME, A MASTER SHOULD:

- \* ALWAYS OBSERVE COLREGS.

- \* PROCEED IN THE APPROPRIATE LANE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE TRAFFIC FLOW FOR THAT LANE.
- \* KEEP CLEAR OF A TRAFFIC SEPARATION LINE OR A SEPARATION ZONE.
- \* JOIN OR LEAVE A TRAFFIC LANE AT ITS END WHERE POSSIBLE.
- \* WHEN JOINING OR LEAVING A TRAFFIC LANE FROM EITHER SIDE, DO SO AT AS SMALL AN ANGLE AS POSSIBLE TO THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE TRAFFIC FLOW.
- \* CROSS THE TRAFFIC LANES AT RIGHT ANGLES.
- \* NAVIGATE WITH PARTICULAR CAUTION IN AREAS WHERE THE TRAFFIC LANES TERMINATE OR WHERE THERE IS A PRECAUTIONARY AREA.

WITHIN A TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME, A MASTER SHOULD NOT:

- \* ANCHOR IN THE TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEME OR NEAR ITS TERMINATIONS.
- \* ENTER A SEPARATION ZONE OR CROSS A SEPARATION LINE EXCEPT IN CASES OF EMERGENCY TO AVOID IMMEDIATE DANGER.
- \* IMPEDE THE PASSAGE OF A LARGE VESSEL FOLLOWING A TRAFFIC LANE.

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#### FIRST FAMILY CARE DEMONSTRATION CENTRE OPENS

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THE TERRITORY'S FIRST-EVER "MOCK HOME" FOR TRAINING - THE ZONTA CLUB OF HONG KONG FAMILY CARE DEMONSTRATION AND RESOURCE CENTRE - WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CENTRE, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR IAN STRACHAN, SAID THE EVENT TODAY MARKED HIS DEPARTMENT'S DETERMINATION TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE SERVICE TO STRENGTHEN SUPPORT TO FAMILIES IN HONG KONG.

"FAMILIES THAT NEED PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE FOR RE-BUILDING, RE-ADJUSTMENT, STRENGTHENING AND OVERCOMING LIFE CRISIS AND CHALLENGES CAN BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO LEARN HOME MANAGEMENT, PARENTING CONCEPTS AND SKILLS, AND OTHER CARING SKILLS FOR THE SICK, THE AGED AND THE DISABLED THROUGH DEMONSTRATION IN A REAL HOME ENVIRONMENT.

"PROGRAMMES WILL BE DESIGNED TO SUIT INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY TO GRASP CONCEPTS OR TO BENEFIT FROM VERBAL COUNSELLING OR VISITING HOME HELPERS OF FAMILY AIDES," MR STRACHAN SAID.

HE THANKED THE ZONTA CLUB OF HONG KONG FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION TO EQUIP AND FURNISH THE CENTRE, ENABLING THE OPENING AND OPERATION OF THE CENTRE TO BE ADVANCED.

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LOCATED AT FLAT 14A, BLOCK F, 3 LOK MAN ROAD, CHAI WAN, THE CENTRE IS A FAMILY PRESERVATION AND SUPPORT PROGRAMME WITH THE AIM TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICE TO CASEWORKERS.

TO COINCIDE WITH THE OPENING OF THE CENTRE, SOME 50 SERVICE UNITS OF THE DEPARTMENT ARE OPEN TO VISITORS TODAY.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO VISIT ANY OF THESE OFFICES IN ORDER TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR SERVICES.

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CAR MARK AUCTION FETCHES \$3M FOR CHARITY

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AN AUCTION OF 100 VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS TODAY (SATURDAY) FETCHED \$3.344 MILLION FOR THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND FOR CHARITY AFTER DEDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

HELD AT THE RECITAL HALL OF THE CITY HALL, THE AUCTION SAW THE REGISTRATION MARK AW38 FETCH THE HIGHEST PRICE OF \$250,000.

ANOTHER REGISTRATION MARK ES3 WAS SOLD AT THE SECOND HIGHEST PRICE OF \$235,000 WHILE THE LOWEST PRICE WAS \$1,000 EACH FOR FY1966, FY9987, FY1503, FZ7897, FY784, FY3390 AND FY1029.

FOLLOWING ARE THE RESULTS OF THE MORNING-SESSION AUCTION:

\$	\$	\$	\$
FY921 3,000	FY269 5,000	XN2581 15,000	FX450 8,000
CT210 3,000	FY2329 2,000	FY522 2,000	BZ365 7,000
*BY656 15,000	*BX83 180,000	*FC3 230,000	*4681 40,000
ET3680 2,000	FY774 2,000	AL1211 14,000	FX8826 3,000
FT332 12,000	FX8688 20,000	FY228 110,000	FY1603 WITHDRAWN
FX6900 2,000	AY116 19,000	FY824 5,000	FY3222 8,000
FW3398 10,000	CT307 3,000	FY933 16,000	FY729 5,000
*GA111 60,000	*FW9 180,000	*AW38 250,000	*AL9595 40,000
AW367 6,000	FY788 33,000	CT891 11,000	FY1890 3,000
FY728 13,000	FY2123 2,000	FY6608 16,000	FZ2328 13,000
FY1966 1,000	CT221 22,000	*EN8899 25,000	FY2718 8,000
FX8382 11,000	FY9128 5,000	FY1029 1,000	*GA4444 33,000
FY1748 WITHDRAWN	FY9987 1,000		

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## FOLLOWING ARE THE RESULTS OF THE AFTERNOON-SESSION AUCTION:

	\$		\$		\$		\$
FY129	28,000	FY120	17,000	FZ208	19,000	CJ620	8,000
FZ136	10,000	XX517	28,000	FY299	23,000	FX8088	12,000
*ER87	70,000	*FW2	160,000	*FW11	80,000	*8911	120,000
FY1503	1,000	FY799	5,000	FY622	7,000	FX8823	6,000
FY778	28,000	FT168	140,000	XX588	75,000	FX348	14,000
FZ7897	1,000	FY9222	11,000	CH115	9,000	FY1662	8,000
FY8082	5,000	FY231	5,000	AA5111	35,000	CB309	12,000
*ES3	235,000	*8968	210,000	*FC18	170,000	*AA4000	90,000
FZ1288	21,000	BL1969	5,000	FY113	36,000	FY784	1,000
FW3899	3,000	FY6628	23,000	FY861	11,000	FY3390	1,000
CK647	3,000	AU3200	9,000	*GA8833	65,000	FY125	7,000
FY8108	3,000	FW1955	4,000	BJ1321	5,000	*GA939	22,000
FY1898	4,000	FY1861	2,000				

\* SPECIAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARK (NOT TRANSFERABLE)

THERE WERE NO BIDDERS FOR FY1603 AND FY1748. THEY WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE ORIGINAL APPLICANTS.

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION MARKS AUCTIONED WILL BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO VEHICLES REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF AUCTION.

TODAY'S SALE, THE 230TH AND 231ST ORGANISED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973, BROUGHT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY REALISED SO FAR TO \$326,587,905.

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## FRESH WATER CUT IN CENTRAL

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CENTRAL WILL BE SUSPENDED FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (JUNE 27) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY TO FACILITATE WATER MAINS LEAKAGE DETECTION.

THE SUSPENSION WILL AFFECT ALL THE PREMISES AT PIER ROAD, 13-90 CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, 19-181 AND 54-78 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, 67-85 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 3 DOUGLAS STREET, 2A-4 AND 11-31A POTTINGER STREET, 1-29 MAN YEE LANE, 2-16 QUEEN VICTORIA STREET, 17-19 JUBILEE STREET, 48-52 GILMAN STREET, RUMSEY STREET MULTI-STOREY CARPARK AND THE CENTRAL MARKET.

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HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY  
MONEY MARKET OPERATIONS  
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	<u>\$ MILLION</u>	<u>TIME (HOURS)</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE CHANGE (\$ MILLION)</u>
OPENING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	3,939	0930	NIL
CLOSING BALANCE IN THE ACCOUNT	1,699	1000	NIL
CHANGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO :		1100	NIL
MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY	NIL	1130	NIL
LAF TODAY	-2,240	1500	
		1600	
LAF RATE 2.50 BID/4.50 OFFER	TWI 123.4	**+0.0*	25.6.94

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