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SIR DAVID TOURS COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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THE DEPUTY TO THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, TODAY (THURSDAY) PAID A VISIT TO THE PROVISIONAL REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN TSUEN WAN.

HE WAS MET ON ARRIVAL BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, MR CHEUNG YAN-LUNG; VICE-CHAIRMAN, MR NATHAN MA; THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL SERVICES, MR TONY HAMMOND AND THE SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL, MRS PAMELA TAN.

SIR DAVID THEN MET MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL BEFORE TOURING THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND SAW A PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAY ON THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

AT THE END OF THE VISIT, MR CHEUNG PRESENTED A SOUVENIR TO SIR DAVID.

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SECURITIES FIRMS' BOOKS TO BE EXAMINED
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REGISTERED DEALERS AND DEALING PARTNERSHIPS IN SECURITIES WILL BE REQUIRED TO MEET A REVISED SET OF REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE SECURITIES (ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT)(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1986 GAZETTED TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE AMENDED REGULATIONS, MADE CONSEQUENT TO THE ENACTMENT OF THE SECURITIES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1985, WERE DRAWN UP IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMITTEE OF THE UNIFIED EXCHANGE AND THE HONG KONG SOCIETY OF ACCOUNTANTS AND WILL BE IMPLEMENTED WHEN THE UNIFIED EXCHANGE COMMENCES OPERATION.

DEALERS AND DEALING PARTNERSHIPS, UNDER THE AMENDED REGULATIONS, WILL HAVE TO SUBMIT PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REVISED SCHEDULE TO THE REGULATIONS.

THEY WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED TO PREPARE A COMPUTATION OF THEIR NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT AND LIQUIDITY MARGIN FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 65B OF THE SECURITIES ORDINANCE WHICH DEALS WITH CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTERED DEALERS AND DEALING PARTNERSHIPS.

IN ADDITION, THE AUDITOR OF A REGISTERED DEALER OR DEALING PARTNERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO EXPRESS AN OPINION AS TO WHETHER THE COMPUTATION IS CORRECTLY COMPILED AND TO STATE WHETHER THERE APPEARS TO BE ANY CONTRAVENTION BY THE DEALER OR DEALING PARTNERSHIP OF THE NEW FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 65B OF THE ORDINANCE.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES FOR FOOTBRIDGE WORK
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT FROM 12 MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY (FEBRUARY 15) TO 7 AM THE NEXT DAY, THE JUNCTION OF KING'S ROAD, NORTH POINT ROAD AND NORTH VIEW STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE.

DURING THE CLOSURE, THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED:

- * EASTBOUND VEHICLES ON KING'S ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED VIA ELECTRIC ROAD, JAVA ROAD, TONG SHUI ROAD AND KING'S ROAD.
- * WESTBOUND VEHICLES ON KING'S ROAD WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL VIA KAM HONG STREET, TSAT TSZ MUI ROAD, SHU KUK STREET, JAVA ROAD, POWER STREET AND KING'S ROAD.
- * NORTHBOUND VEHICLES ON FORTRESS HILL ROAD WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TURN RIGHT TO KING'S ROAD.
- * THREE ROAD SECTIONS WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM ONE-WAY TRAFFIC TO TWO-WAY. THESE INCLUDE THE SECTION OF JAVA ROAD BETWEEN SHU KUK STREET AND POWER STREET, THE SECTION OF CHEUNG HONG STREET BETWEEN KING'S ROAD AND FORT STREET AND THE SECTION OF FORT STREET BETWEEN CHEUNG HONG STREET AND NORTH VIEW STREET.

TO FACILITATE ROAD WORK, THE SLIP ROAD FROM CANAL ROAD FLYOVER TO VICTORIA PARK ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 PM ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 16) TO 6 AM THE NEXT MORNING.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES ON CANAL ROAD FLYOVER NORTHBOUND HEADING FOR CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE DIVERTED VIA THE SLIP ROAD TO GLOUCESTER ROAD WESTBOUND, FENWICK STREET, LOCKHART ROAD, ARSENAL STREET FLYOVER AND GLOUCESTER ROAD EASTBOUND TO JOIN VICTORIA PARK ROAD.

THE MEASURE WILL BE REPEATED FROM 10 PM TO 6 AM ON FEBRUARY 17 AND 18.

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KWUN TONG ROAD CLOSURE
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CHOI HA ROAD IN KWUN TONG WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 17) FOR ABOUT 18 MONTHS TO FACILITATE ROAD WIDENING WORK.

NO VEHICLES OTHER THAN THOSE FOR ACCESS TO MARYKNOLL TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL OR THE CAR PARK OF AMOY GARDENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE CLOSED SECTION.

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JANUARY 1986 SECOND DRIEST SINCE 1884
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LAST MONTH WAS THE SECOND DRIEST JANUARY SINCE RECORDS BEGAN IN 1884 AND THE MONTHLY MEAN CLOUDINESS OF 32 PER CENT RANKED FOURTH LOWEST ON RECORD FOR JANUARY, THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY REPORTS.

OVER THE WHOLE MONTH, THE WEATHER WAS FINE, SUNNY AND VERY DRY WITH NO MEASURABLE RAINFALL AND ONLY TRACES OF RAIN RECORDED ON THREE DAYS.

BECAUSE THE EXCEPTIONALLY DRY WEATHER CONTRIBUTED TO THE HIGH RISK OF FIRE, THE FIRE DANGER WARNING WAS IN EFFECT EVERY DAY.

DURING THE MONTH 266 HILL FIRES WERE REPORTED, THE MOST SERIOUS ONE RAGED IN SHING MUN COUNTRY PARK ON JANUARY 8, AND LASTED FOR 34 HOURS, DESTROYING MORE THAN 130 000 TREES AND 900 HECTARES OF PLANTATION LAND.

THE WEATHER WAS FINE AND SUNNY BETWEEN JANUARY 1 AND 16.

AN INTENSE WINTER MONSOON BROUGHT STRONG NORTHERLY WINDS OFFSHORE AND IN EXPOSED PLACES ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 1.

FURTHER REPLENISHMENT OF COLD AIR REACHED HONG KONG DURING THE EVENING ON JANUARY 3 AND STRONG NORTHERLY WINDS WERE AGAIN EXPERIENCED OFFSHORE THE NEXT MORNING AND ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 5.

DURING THE COLD SPELL FROM JANUARY 1 TO 9, TEMPERATURES FELL TO A MINIMUM OF 8.6 DEGREES CELSIUS AT THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY ON JANUARY 6, THE LOWEST OF THE MONTH, AND TEMPERATURES OF 0.9 DEGREE CELSIUS AND 1.5 DEGREES CELSIUS WERE RECORDED AT TA KWU LING AND TAI MO SHAN RESPECTIVELY, HOWEVER, NO REPORTS OF HOAR FROST WERE RECORDED.

A Milder and more humid easterly airstream brought cloudy weather and a trace of rain on January 17.

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THE WEATHER TURNED FINE, SUNNY AND WARM ON JANUARY 18 WHEN TEMPERATURES ROSE TO A MAXIMUM OF 23.4 DEGREES CELSIUS, THE HIGHEST OF THE MONTH, AND REMAINED FINE AND MILD UP TO JANUARY 21.

A SURGE OF THE WINTER MONSOON ARRIVED ON JANUARY 22 AND THE WEATHER BECAME COOLER AND CLOUDY WITH A TRACE OF RAIN AND THE CLOUDY AND COOL WEATHER CONTINUED FOR THE NEXT TWO DAYS.

ANOTHER SURGE OF THE WINTER MONSOON ARRIVED ON JANUARY 25, MAINTAINING THE CLOUDY AND COOL WEATHER UP TO JANUARY 26 WHEN A TRACE OF RAIN WAS AGAIN RECORDED.

THE WEATHER WAS FINE AND SUNNY FROM JANUARY 27 TO 31 AND TEMPERATURES ROSE TO A MAXIMUM OF 23.4 DEGREES CELSIUS ONCE AGAIN ON JANUARY 30.

THERE WERE NO TROPICAL CYCLONES OVER THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC OR THE SOUTH CHINA SEA DURING THE MONTH.

DURING THE MONTH NO AIRCRAFT WAS DIVERTED FROM HONG KONG DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER.

THE RED FIRE DANGER WARNING WAS IN EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2, FROM 4 TO 15, 18, 19, 26 AND 27.

THE YELLOW FIRE DANGER WARNING WAS ISSUED ON JANUARY 2, 3, 16, 17, FROM 20 TO 25, AND FROM 27 TO 31.

SIGNALS HOISTED DURING THE MONTH WERE AS FOLLOWS:

| <u>WEATHER SYSTEM</u> | <u>SIGNAL</u> | <u>DATE AND TIME OF HOISTING</u> | <u>DATE AND TIME OF LOWERING</u> |
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| WINTER MONSOON | STRONG MONSOON | JAN 1, 5.30 AM | JAN 1, 12 NOON |
| WINTER MONSOON | STRONG MONSOON | JAN 4, 4.10 AM | JAN 4, 10.05 AM |
| WINTER MONSOON | STRONG MONSOON | JAN 4, 9.50 PM | JAN 5, 10.10 AM |

THE MONTH'S FIGURES AND DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL WERE:

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| SUNSHINE | 230.2 HOURS - 76.7 HOURS ABOVE NORMAL |
| RAINFALL | TRACE - 26.9 MM BELOW NORMAL |
| CLOUDINESS | 32 % - 27 % LESS THAN NORMAL |
| RELATIVE HUMIDITY | 65 % - 6 % LOWER THAN NORMAL |
| MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE | 18.8 DEG. C. - 0.1 DEG. C. ABOVE NORMAL |
| MEAN TEMPERATURE | 15.9 DEG. C. - 0.3 DEG. C. ABOVE NORMAL |
| MEAN MINIMUM TEMPERATURE | 13.6 DEG. C. - 0.4 DEG. C. ABOVE NORMAL |
| MEAN DEW POINT | 9.0 DEG. C. - 0.8 DEG. C. BELOW NORMAL |
| TOTAL EVAPORATION | 94.3 MM - 9.1 MM BELOW NORMAL |

THE MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 23.4 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS RECORDED ON JANUARY 18 AND 30 WHILE THE MINIMUM TEMPERATURE OF 8.6 DEGREES CELSIUS WAS RECORDED ON JANUARY 6.

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MARATHON KICKS OFF SAI KUNG FESTIVAL
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THE SAI KUNG NEW YEAR MARATHON WAS HELD TODAY (THURSDAY) AT LADY MACLEHOSE HOLIDAY VILLAGE AS THE FIRST PROGRAMME OF THE 1986 SAI KUNG FESTIVAL.

THE FASTEST RUNNER, MR LEUNG SHUE-MING, TOOK ONLY 34 MINUTES AND 25 SECONDS TO FINISH THE 10 KILOMETRE RACE BACK TO TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND, SAI KUNG TOWN.

THE WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S EVENT WAS MISS KWOK PUI-YIN WHO COMPLETED THE RACE IN 46 MINUTES AND 27 SECONDS.

MR CHEUNG NGAI-WAH, 73 YEARS OLD, WAS THE OLDEST PARTICIPANT IN TODAY'S RACE. HE FINISHED THE RACE IN 1 HOUR AND 53 SECONDS.

IT WAS THE SEVENTH TIME FOR HIM TO TAKE PART IN THE SAI KUNG NEW YEAR MARATHON.

THE MARATHON WAS FOLLOWED BY THE OPENING OF THE 1986 SAI KUNG DISTRICT FESTIVAL AND A SPRING RECEPTION, WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN HO.

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MONG KOK CARNIVAL
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A CARNIVAL FEATURING ENTERTAINMENT AND GAMES STALLS WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 22 (SATURDAY) FOR MORE THAN 10 000 MONG KOK RESIDENTS IN MACPHERSON PLAYGROUND.

THE +KNOW YOUR POLICE CARNIVAL+ IS AIMED AT ENHANCING RESIDENTS' UNDERSTANDING ABOUT THE DUTIES OF THE POLICE AND FOSTERING A BETTER RELATIONSHIP AND CLOSER CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE FORCE AND THE PUBLIC.

IT IS ORGANISED BY THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE OF THE MONG KOK POLICE STATION AND SPONSORED BY THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL RESTAURANTS, SHOPS, COMPANIES AND FACTORIES.

ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMMES INCLUDE PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR SINGERS, MOVIE STARS, AS WELL AS POLICE BAND, CHOIR AND DOG UNIT.

THE MAIN ATTRACTION OF THE DAY WILL BE A LUCKY DRAW IN WHICH PARTICIPANTS CAN WIN PRIZES INCLUDING A SHARK'S FIN MEAL FOR 12 PEOPLE AND A TRIP TO GUILIN.

FREE ADMISSION AND LUCKY DRAW TICKETS CAN BE OBTAINED NOW FROM THE MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE OF MONG KOK POLICE STATION.

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SPRING RECEPTION
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THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE WILL HOLD A SPRING RECEPTION AT THE TAI PO COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 4 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

THE DEPUTY REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR PETER NG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE FUNCTION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE SPRING RECEPTION.

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TAXI TENDER RESULTS ANNOUNCED
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS COMPLETED PROCESSING THE LATEST TENDERS FOR 100 URBAN TAXI LICENCES.

A TOTAL OF 531 TENDERS HAD BEEN RECEIVED WHEN THE OFFER CLOSED ON JANUARY 10 THIS YEAR. THE HIGHEST TENDER ACCEPTED WAS \$293 000 AND THE LOWEST \$291 000.

THE AVERAGE PREMIUM OF \$292 140 MARKED AN INCREASE OF 32.9 PER CENT COMPARED WITH THE LAST TENDER EXERCISE IN JUNE 1985.

DETAILS OF SUCCESSFUL TENDERERS AND THE AMOUNTS OFFERED WILL BE PUBLISHED IN TOMORROW'S (FRIDAY) GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

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JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT NEXT MONTH
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JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS PLAYERS ARE INVITED TO TEAM UP FOR ENTRY IN THE ELEMENTARY TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD IN MARCH.

TO QUALIFY FOR THE EVENT, EACH MEMBER OF A TEAM WILL BE ALLOTTED POINTS ACCORDING TO THEIR COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCE. EACH TEAM MAY COMPRISE THREE TO FIVE MEMBERS.

INTERESTED PLAYERS ARE ADVISED TO APPLY EARLY, AT THE HONG KONG TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION AT 59-63, WAN CHAI ROAD. ENTRIES WILL CLOSE ON FEBRUARY 15.

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ENTRY FEES ARE \$10 PER TEAM FOR MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND \$20 FOR NON-MEMBERS.

THE TOURNAMENT IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND HONG KONG TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

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VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT IN MARCH AND APRIL
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VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS ARE INVITED TO TEAM UP AND VIE FOR TITLES IN THE 7TH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD OVER MARCH AND APRIL.

COMPETITORS WILL BE GRADED INTO THREE CATEGORIES ACCORDING TO AGE AND EXPERIENCE, AND EACH CATEGORY WILL BE FURTHDED INTO MEN'S AND WOMEN'S DIVISIONS. WINNERS WILL BE AWARDED TROPHIES.

ENTRY FEES ARE \$30 PER TEAM AND THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS FEBRUARY 20 (THURSDAY).

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AND HONG KONG AND KOWLOON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION (WRITE TO P.O. BOX 73836, KOWLOON CENTRAL POST OFFICE).

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE TOURNAMENT, WHICH IS BEING JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE URBAN COUNCIL AND HONG KONG AND KOWLOON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION, CAN BE OBTAINED ON 3-310293.

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