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TAC RECONSIDERS KMB FIVE-YEAR PLAN

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THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TODAY (TUESDAY) RECONSIDERED THE LATEST DRAFT FIVE-YEAR PLAN OF THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY IN THE LIGHT OF FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED BUS PURCHASE PROGRAMME AND DEPOT REQUIREMENT.

THE COMPANY'S FIVE-YEAR PLAN, COVERING THE PERIOD FROM 1987 TO 1991, WAS EXAMINED BY TAC MEMBERS AT THEIR LAST MEETING ON OCTOBER 28. MEMBERS AT THAT TIME REQUESTED FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLAN.

AT TODAY'S MEETING, TAC MEMBERS NOTED THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSAL TO AGREE KMB'S PLAN IN PRINCIPLE. THEY WELCOMED A REDUCTION BY THE DEPARTMENT IN KMB'S PROJECTED FLEET REQUIREMENT IN LINE WITH MODIFICATIONS TO KMB'S ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO REFLECT THE PHASED WITHDRAWAL OF LOCAL KMB BUS SERVICES FROM THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT AREA.

OTHER MODIFICATIONS WOULD ENSURE THAT ANY NEW ROUTES WERE CONSISTENT WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF PROVIDING A CO-ORDINATED NETWORK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES.

AS REGARDS KMB'S DEPOT EXPANSION PROGRAMME, THE TAC AGREED WITH THE ASSESSMENT OF THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT THAT THERE WAS DEFINITELY SCOPE TO TRIM THE RATE OF EXPENDITURE ON DEPOTS IN THE LATER YEARS OF THE PLAN, BUT APPRECIATED THE URGENT NEED TO PROCEED WITH THE PROJECTS AT KOWLOON BAY AND TSING YI AS PROPOSED BY KMB.

IT WAS THE VIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE SCOPE AND TIMING OF THE FURTHER DEPOTS PROPOSED BY KMB WOULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STUDY, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF THE PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO KMB'S PROPOSED FLEET REQUIREMENT AND THE AVAILABILITY AND CAPACITY OF ACCEPTABLE TERMINI FOR OVERNIGHT PARKING.

IN THIS REGARD, THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WOULD HOLD FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH KMB IN THE CONTEXT OF THE COMPANY'S PREPARATION EARLY IN 1987 OF THE NEXT EDITION OF THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN.

A SUB-COMMITTEE WAS FORMED WITH DR STEPHEN TANG, MR STEPHEN CHENG, DR C.K. LEUNG AND MR FAN SAI-YEE TO STUDY IN DETAIL THE FLEET EXPANSION REQUIREMENTS AND THE IMPLICATION OF THE SCHEME OF CONTROL. THEY WILL REPORT WITHIN THREE MONTHS TO THE TAC ON THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME IS SUBJECTED TO YEARLY REVIEWS AND THE TAC MAY DELIBERATE FURTHER ON THE ISSUE IN A YEAR'S TIME.

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MEMBERS ALSO NOTED THE PROGRESS AND CERTAIN CHANGES WHICH HAD BEEN MADE TO THE PROPOSED MANDATORY OFF-STREET TRAINING FOR LEARNER MOTORCYCLE RIDERS.

THE AIM OF THE PROPOSAL WOULD BE TO ENSURE THAT ALL LEARNER RIDERS HAD BEEN TAUGHT BASIC HANDLING SKILLS BEFORE RIDING ON THE ROADS IN ORDER TO BRING ABOUT AN IMPROVEMENT IN MOTORCYCLE DRIVING STANDARDS AND A REDUCTION IN ACCIDENTS INVOLVING LEARNER RIDERS.

MEMBERS NOTED THAT THE TENDER FOR THE OFF-STREET TRAINING CENTRE IN SHA TIN, WHICH WAS EXPECTED TO PROVIDE THE TRAINING FACILITIES TOGETHER WITH THE EXISTING CENTRE AT WONG CHUK HANG, WAS AWARDED TO THE HONG KONG SCHOOL OF MOTORING IN APRIL THIS YEAR AND THE CENTRE SHOULD OPEN AT THE BEGINNING OF 1987.

IT WAS PROPOSED THAT AN APPLICANT FOR A LEARNER'S LICENCE SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A CERTIFICATE CONFIRMING THAT HE HAD COMPLETED A COURSE IN OFF-STREET TRAINING.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR HARNAM GREWAL, ALSO BRIEFED MEMBERS OF THE BUS ACCIDENT IN TUEN MUN ON NOVEMBER 5 IN WHICH FIVE PEOPLE WERE KILLED AND OVER 60 WERE INJURED.

MR GREWAL SUMMARISED THE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT MEASURES IN PROMOTING BUS SAFETY AND THE FOLLOW-UP ACTION WHICH HAD BEEN TAKEN SINCE THE ACCIDENT.

HE SAID THAT AS FAR AS WELFARE ASSISTANCE WAS CONCERNED, THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HAD CONTACTED THE VICTIMS, WHETHER AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL, AND THEIR FAMILIES.

UNDER THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT VICTIMS ASSISTANCE SCHEME, 31 APPLICATIONS HAD SO FAR BEEN RECEIVED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT. OF THESE, 29 HAD RECEIVED PAYMENTS TOTALLING OVER \$75 000 AND THE OTHER TWO WERE BEING PROCESSED.

IN ADDITION, THERE WERE 17 CASES IN WHICH ASSISTANCE WAS BEING PROVIDED UNDER CHARITABLE TRUSTS AND FUNDS. THIS AMOUNTED TO OVER \$17 000.

MR GREWAL SAID THE POLICE INVESTIGATION WAS CONTINUING AND ON ITS COMPLETION A REPORT WOULD BE PREPARED AND SUBMITTED TO THE CORONER WHO WOULD DECIDE WHETHER AN INQUEST SHOULD BE HELD.

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PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES FOR OCTOBER
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THE STRONG GROWTH IN EXTERNAL TRADE CONTINUED IN OCTOBER 1986. THE VALUE OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS IN OCTOBER 1986, AT \$15 359 MILLION, GREW BY 37.6 PER CENT OR \$4 195 MILLION COMPARED WITH OCTOBER 1985, WHILE THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS GREW BY 45.7 PER CENT OR \$3 858 MILLION TO \$12 292 MILLION, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONAL TRADE FIGURES PUBLISHED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

TAKING DOMESTIC EXPORTS AND RE-EXPORTS TOGETHER, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS, AT \$27 651 MILLION, WAS 41.1 PER CENT OR \$8 053 MILLION HIGHER THAN IN OCTOBER 1985. THE VALUE OF IMPORTS GREW BY 40.3 PER CENT OR \$8 040 MILLION OVER OCTOBER 1985 TO REACH \$28 006 MILLION.

AS THE GROWTH IN THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS WAS FASTER THAN THAT OF IMPORTS, A SMALLER VISIBLE TRADE GAP (THAT IS, THE PROPORTION OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS NOT COVERED BY THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS) OF 1.3 PER CENT WAS RECORDED IN OCTOBER 1986, COMPARED WITH 1.8 PER CENT IN OCTOBER 1985.

PUTTING THE MONTH'S TRADE FIGURES INTO CONTEXT, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS FOR THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1986 WAS \$221 390 MILLION, MADE UP OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS OF \$123 746 MILLION AND RE-EXPORTS OF \$97 644 MILLION.

COMPARED WITH THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1985, THE VALUE OF TOTAL EXPORTS GREW BY \$28 202 MILLION OR 14.6 PER CENT, OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS BY \$17 639 MILLION OR 16.6 PER CENT, AND OF RE-EXPORTS BY \$10 563 MILLION OR 12.1 PER CENT.

OVER THIS PERIOD, THE VALUE OF IMPORTS GREW BY \$33 519 MILLION OR 17.7 PER CENT, TO \$222 442 MILLION.

AS THE VALUE OF IMPORTS GREW AT A FASTER RATE THAN THAT OF TOTAL EXPORTS, A VISIBLE TRADE GAP OF 0.5 PER CENT WAS RECORDED IN THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1986, COMPARED WITH A VISIBLE TRADE SURPLUS EQUIVALENT TO 2.3 PER CENT OF THE VALUE OF IMPORTS IN THE FIRST TEN MONTHS OF 1985.

COMMENTING ON THESE FIGURES, A GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DOMESTIC EXPORTS HAVE EXHIBITED STRONG GROWTH IN RECENT MONTHS. APART FROM THE IMPROVED DEMAND FOR HONG KONG'S PRODUCTS IN MOST OF THE MAJOR OVERSEAS MARKETS, THE DEPRECIATION OF THE HONG KONG DOLLAR, IN LINE WITH THAT OF THE U.S. DOLLAR UNDER THE LINKED EXCHANGE RATE SYSTEM, AGAINST MOST OTHER MAJOR CURRENCIES IN THE EARLIER PART OF THE YEAR WAS A MAJOR CONTRIBUTORY FACTOR.

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HE ADDED THAT THE VALUE OF RE-EXPORTS CONTINUED TO INCREASE SHARPLY IN OCTOBER. THIS REFLECTED, IN PART, CHINA'S EFFORTS IN PROMOTING ITS EXPORTS, RESULTING IN MORE CHINESE GOODS BEING CHANELLED THROUGH HONG KONG TO OVERSEAS MARKETS.

THE FOLLOWING TABLE PRESENTS THE PROVISIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE FIGURES FOR OCTOBER 1986:

MERCHANDISE: DOMESTIC EXPORTS	:	\$15 359 MILLION
RE-EXPORTS	:	\$12 292 MILLION
TOTAL EXPORTS	:	\$27 651 MILLION
IMPORTS	:	\$28 006 MILLION
TRADE BALANCE	:	\$355 MILLION (IN DEFICIT)

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

LATEST 3 MONTHS	AUG 86 TO	AUG 85 TO	INCREASE	
	OCT 86	OCT 85	HK\$ MN.	%
	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.		
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	44 102	34 123	9 979	29.2
RE-EXPORTS	34 048	25 527	8 521	33.4
TOTAL EXPORTS	78 150	59 650	18 500	31.0
IMPORTS	74 948	57 291	17 657	30.8
TRADE BALANCE	3 202	2 359	843	

SAME MONTH LAST YEAR	OCT 1986	OCT 1985	INCREASE	
	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	15 359	11 164	4 195	37.6
(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	(55.5%)	(57.0%)		
RE-EXPORTS	12 292	8 434	3 858	45.7
TOTAL EXPORTS	27 651	19 598	8 053	41.1
IMPORTS	28 006	19 966	8 040	40.3
TRADE BALANCE	-355	-368	13	

LAST MONTH	OCT 1986	SEPT 1986	INCREASE	
	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	15 359	13 944	1 415	10.1
(% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	(55.5%)	(55.6%)		
RE-EXPORTS	12 292	11 126	1 166	10.5
TOTAL EXPORTS	27 651	25 070	2 581	10.3
IMPORTS	28 006	23 448	4 558	19.4
TRADE BALANCE	-355	1 622	-1 977	

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CALENDAR YEAR TO-DATE	JAN-OCT 1986	JAN-OCT 1985	INCREASE	
	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS (% OF TOTAL EXPORTS)	123 746 (55.9%)	106 107 (54.9%)	17 639	16.6
RE-EXPORTS	97 644	87 081	10 563	12.1
TOTAL EXPORTS	221 390	193 188	28 202	14.6
IMPORTS	222 442	188 923	33 519	17.7
TRADE BALANCE	-1 052	4 265	-5 317	
LAST 12 MONTHS	NOV 85 TO OCT 86	NOV 84 TO OCT 85	INCREASE	
	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	HK\$ MN.	%
DOMESTIC EXPORTS	147 521	129 681	17 840	13.8
RE-EXPORTS	115 833	104 108	11 725	11.3
TOTAL EXPORTS	263 354	233 789	29 565	12.6
IMPORTS	264 938	229 601	35 337	15.4
TRADE BALANCE	-1 584	4 188	-5 772	

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FUNDS SOUGHT FOR NEW MOBILISING SYSTEM
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THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WILL BE ASKED TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) TO APPROVE AN ALLOCATION OF \$95 318 000 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A SECOND GENERATION MOBILISING SYSTEM (SGMS) WITH INTEGRATED COMPUTER FACILITIES AND ENHANCED RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT IN THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE FIRST GENERATION MOBILISING SYSTEM (FGMS) WAS COMMISSIONED IN 1979. WHILE THE EXISTING SYSTEM HAS THE CAPACITY TO MEET CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED COMMUNICATION NEEDS OF THE FIRE AND AMBULANCE SERVICES UP TO ABOUT 1990, IT CANNOT BE FURTHER EXPANDED TO MEET ANTICIPATED NEEDS BEYOND THEN.

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OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION ARE:

- * GRANT OF \$113.21 MILLION TO THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 1987-88;
- * COMMITMENTS TOTALLING \$29.21 MILLION FOR THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT AND ADDITIONAL MEDICAL EQUIPMENT BY THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT;
- * APPROVAL OF COMMITMENTS FOR ELECTRICAL REWIRING IN THE NURSES' QUARTERS OF KWONG WAH HOSPITAL AND IMPROVEMENT OF X-RAY SERVICES AT THE HOSPITAL;
- * SLOPE REPAIR WORK AT THE ALICE HO MIU LING NETHERSOLE HOSPITAL;
- * A NEW NON-RECURRENT COMMITMENT OF \$6 MILLION FOR AN INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT EXPERIMENTAL SCHEME FOR TRAINING ENGINEERS IN THE DESIGN OF SPECIFIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS;
- * APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL AND REPLACEMENT FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT;
- * ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF A FIXED, GROUND-BASED, RADIO DIRECTION FINDING SYSTEM FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS;
- * REVISION OF THE RATE OF HONORARIUM PAID TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION;
- * APPROVAL FOR RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG TO REPLACE THREE CAMERAS WITH ACCESSORIES USED WITH THE MOBILE PRODUCTION UNIT AND REPLACEMENT OF THREE VIDEO TAPE RECORDERS;
- * THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERISATION OF RECORDS IN THE ICAC'S OPERATIONS REGISTRY AND INTELLIGENCE UNIT; AND
- * THE APPROVAL OF A CAPITAL GRANT OF \$13 531 000 FROM THE LOTTERIES FUND TO THE NEW LIFE PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION TO BUILD, FURNISH AND EQUIP A LONG-STAY CARE HOME IN TUEN MUN FOR CHRONIC MENTALLY ILL PATIENTS.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO BE ASKED TO APPROVE VARIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE ESTABLISHMENT SUB-COMMITTEE AND THE PUBLIC WORKS SUB-COMMITTEE.

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DEBATE ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS RESUMES
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NINE OFFICIALS WILL BE SPEAKING WHEN DEBATE ON THE MOTION OF THANKS FOR THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS RESUMES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY) WHICH WILL BE PRESIDED OVER BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID AKERS-JONES, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DEPUTY TO THE GOVERNOR.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MR MICHAEL THOMAS, WILL START THE DEBATE AND WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR DAVID JEAFFRESON, THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO; THE SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS; THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, MR RON BRIDGE; THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, MR GRAHAM BARNES; THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR HARNAM GREWAL; THE ACTING SECRETARY FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, MR STEUART WEBB-JOHNSON, AND THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS.

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PAC HEARINGS TO CONTINUE TOMORROW
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THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE ITS OPEN HEARINGS IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT 8.30 AM TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY).

APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE TO ANSWER POINTS RAISED IN THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT'S ANNUAL REPORT WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, THE DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY, THE REGISTRAR GENERAL AND THE DIRECTOR OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES.

ANOTHER HEARINGS WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 28.

THE TIMETABLE FOR TOMORROW'S HEARINGS IS:

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| 8.30 AM | SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION, PARAGRAPHS 48-52. |
| 8.45 AM | SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND INFORMATION AND DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, PARAGRAPHS 61-66. |
| 9.30 AM | DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION, PARAGRAPHS 75-77. |

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10 AM DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY, PARAGRAPHS 90-93.
10.45 AM DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR
GENERAL, PARAGRAPHS 107-112.
11.15 AM DIRECTOR OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES,
PARAGRAPHS 136-145 AND 146-151.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES COVERING THE OPEN HEARINGS SHOULD BRING WITH THEM A COPY OF THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR REFERENCE.

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IMPORTANCE OF LABOUR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS STRESSED
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THERE WAS A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF WORK STOPPAGES AND LOSS OF WORKING DAYS THIS YEAR, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR DARWIN CHEN, SAID TODAY (TUESDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO MORE THAN 200 PARTICIPANTS OF SIX LABOUR RELATIONS COURSES ORGANISED BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, MR CHEN NOTED THAT NINE WORK STOPPAGES, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF SOME 4 900 WORKING DAYS, WERE REPORTED IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR.

+THESE COMPARED WITH THREE WORK STOPPAGES AND 1 160 WORKING DAYS LOST IN THE WHOLE OF LAST YEAR,+ HE ADDED.

HOWEVER, MR CHEN POINTED OUT THAT THE INCREASE RESULTED MAINLY FROM TRADE DISPUTES IN TWO LARGE COMPANIES.

IN ONE COMPANY WORK STOPPED FOR ONLY TWO DAYS, BUT THE NUMBER OF WORKING DAYS LOST AMOUNTED TO OVER 2 600. IN THE OTHER CASE, THE COMPANY STOPPED WORK FOR 11 DAYS WITH 1 870 WORKING DAYS LOST.

+AS THESE ARE ONLY ISOLATED CASES, THEY SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS A DETERIORATION IN LABOUR RELATIONS IN HONG KONG,+ MR CHEN SAID.

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DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW, THE DEPARTMENT HANDLED 166 TRADE DISPUTES AS AGAINST 155 IN 1985. THE MAJORITY OF DISPUTES INVOLVED THE CONSTRUCTION, CATERING AND MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

DESPITE THE INCREASE, MR CHEN SAID THAT LABOUR RELATIONS IN HONG KONG COMPARED FAVOURABLY WITH MOST OTHER INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD.

+ALTHOUGH LATEST STATISTICS ON OTHER COUNTRIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE, THE 1984 FIGURES SHOWED THAT THE NUMBER OF DAYS LOST FOR EVERY 10 000 WORKING DAYS IN THAT YEAR WAS 0.04 IN HONG KONG AS COMPARED WITH 0.19 IN JAPAN, 2.4 IN THE UNITED STATES AND 31.92 IN THE UNITED KINGDOM,+ HE SAID.

MR CHEN ALSO SPOKE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD LABOUR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS WHICH, HE FELT, +WILL NOT ONLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF WORK LIFE AND LEAD TO HIGH PRODUCTIVITY, BUT WILL ALSO ENHANCE, IN THE WIDER CONTEXT, HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND SOCIAL STABILITY+.

HE STRESSED THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO PROMOTE HARMONIOUS LABOUR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS IN HONG KONG THROUGH THE ORGANISING OF MORE COURSES ON LABOUR RELATIONS.

+IN ADDITION, WE SHALL ALSO BE ORGANISING SYMPOSIA, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS FOR SENIOR MANAGERMENTS AND TRADE UNION OFFICIALS,+ HE ADDED.

THIS YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT HAS ORGANISED SIX CERTIFICATE COURSES ON LABOUR RELATIONS GEARED FOR EMPLOYERS, MANAGEMENT STAFF, TRADE UNION OFFICIALS AND INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES. THESE COURSES ARE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE THE PARTICIPANTS WITH A COMPREHENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF LABOUR LEGISLATION AND WAYS TO IMPROVE MANAGEMENT SKILLS AND TOOLS.

ALTOGETHER, 360 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE COURSES AND 211 WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE FULL PROGRAMME WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATES AT TODAY'S CEREMONY.

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NO AGREEMENT IN HK-CANADA TALKS
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THE FOURTH ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CANADA ON A NEW TEXTILES AGREEMENT ENDED IN VANCOUVER YESTERDAY (MONDAY) WITHOUT AGREEMENT, A TRADE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

A FURTHER ROUND OF TALKS WILL BE HELD IN HONG KONG IN MID-JANUARY WITH A VIEW TO RESOLVING THE DIFFERENCES WHICH STILL REMAIN, PARTICULARLY OVER GROWTH RATES. THE EXISTING AGREEMENT EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 31, 1986.

ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO AVOID DISRUPTION TO TRADE FOLLOWING EXPIRY OF THE AGREEMENT. AN ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE SHORTLY, AFTER DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED BY THE TEXTILES ADVISORY BOARD.

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SYSTEM OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS NEEDED
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THERE IS A NEED FOR A SYSTEM OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS IN HONG KONG AS THE POPULATION IS AGING AND SOCIAL VALUES AND FAMILY STRUCTURE ARE CHANGING.

THIS WAS THE VIEW REACHED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT ITS MEETING TODAY (TUESDAY) TO DISCUSS THE CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT ON THE CENTRAL PROVIDENT FUND SCHEME.

HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE FELT THAT EVEN WITH A RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME, THE PRESENT SOCIAL SECURITY SAFETY NET IN THE FORM OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE MUST BE MAINTAINED.

IT WAS ALSO OF THE VIEW THAT THESE RETIREMENT BENEFITS COULD BE PROVIDED BY COMPULSORY PROVIDENT FUNDS RATHER THAN ONE CENTRAL FUND RUN BY THE GOVERNMENT OR A CENTRAL BODY.

IT NOTED THAT THESE PROVIDENT FUNDS COULD BE RUN BY A NUMBER OF APPROVED BODIES AND BE REGULATED BY LEGISLATION.

MINIMUM LEVELS OF CONTRIBUTION AND UNIFORM STANDARDS SHOULD BE SET TO ENSURE FULL TRANSFERABILITY.

THE COMMITTEE SUGGESTED THAT TO ENSURE THAT THE LARGEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE COULD BENEFIT, THESE PROVIDENT FUNDS SHOULD ALSO COVER THE SELF-EMPLOYED AND THE SMALL UNDERTAKINGS.

IT HOPED TO BE INVOLVED IN WORKING OUT THE TECHNICAL DETAILS SHOULD THE GOVERNMENT FIND ITS PROPOSAL ACCEPTABLE.

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\$187 MILLION CONTRACT SIGNED FOR FLYOVER CONSTRUCTION
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A TRAFFIC BOTTLENECK IN CENTRAL DISTRICT WILL BE REMOVED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FLYOVER AT RUMSEY STREET, PART OF THE UPGRADED CONNAUGHT ROAD SCHEME TO PROVIDE A FREE-FLOW THROUGH ROUTE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.

A \$187 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE FLYOVER, THE SECOND OF FOUR TO BE AWARDED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SCHEME, WAS SIGNED TODAY (TUESDAY) BY THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS, MR HAROLD BEATON, AND THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF PAUL Y CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED, MR G.C. TSO.

THE SCHEME IS ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS PUT FORWARD IN A 1984 STUDY INTO TRANSPORT REQUIREMENTS IN THE MID-LEVELS AND CENTRAL.

THE THREE-YEAR CONTRACT COVERS CONSTRUCTION OF A FLYOVER FROM WEST OF GILMAN STREET TO EAST OF SUTHERLAND STREET, SOME GROUND-LEVEL ROADS ALONG CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL AND WEST, AND A FEEDER ROAD SYSTEM ON WESTERN RECLAMATION IN THE VICINITY OF QUEEN STREET NORTH.

OTHER WORKS INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS TERMINUS WEST OF THE MACAU FERRY TERMINAL, TOGETHER WITH FOOTBRIDGES ACROSS CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST AT MORRISON STREET AND TUNG HING LANE.

A HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE RUMSEY STREET FLYOVER WOULD BE ABOUT ONE KILOMETRE LONG AND WOULD PROVIDE GRADE SEPARATION BETWEEN GILMAN STREET AND SUTHERLAND STREET.

+THIS SECTION OF THE CONNAUGHT ROAD CORRIDOR REPRESENTS A BOTTLENECK IN THAT ADDITIONAL ROAD SPACE CANNOT BE PROVIDED EITHER TO THE NORTH, BECAUSE OF THE MACAU FERRY TERMINAL, OR TO THE SOUTH BECAUSE OF DENSE URBAN DEVELOPMENT,+ HE ADDED.

THE FLYOVER WOULD THEREFORE BE BUILT TO DUAL, THREE-LANE STANDARD TO PROVIDE FOR FUTURE ADDITIONAL CAPACITY.

IT WILL BE BUILT WITH A STUB END AT EACH END TO ENABLE FUTURE CONNECTIONS TO A PROPOSED WATERFRONT ROAD AND A CONTINUATION OF ROUTE 7 WHICH WILL RUN FROM WAN CHAI TO ABERDEEN.

THE FLYOVER HAS ALSO BEEN DESIGNED TO BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE APPROACH ROADS OF A POSSIBLE WESTERN HARBOUR CROSSING TO THE WEST.

LOCAL RE-ROUTING OF TRAFFIC WILL BE NECESSARY DURING CONSTRUCTION. A PHASED SEQUENCE OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT HAS BEEN FORMULATED AND MEASURES WILL BE TAKEN TO KEEP INCONVENIENCE TO A MINIMUM.

THE FIRST CONTRACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE UPGRADED CONNAUGHT ROAD SCHEME WAS AWARDED IN SEPTEMBER. IT WAS FOR THE \$197 MILLION HARCOURT ROAD FLYOVER-PEDDER STREET UNDERPASS PROJECT.

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YAU MA TEI PLANS ENVIRONMENTAL CLEAN-UP
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A LARGE-SCALE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WILL BE LAUNCHED IN YAU MA TEI DISTRICT NEXT MONTH.

ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF THE CAMPAIGN AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY (TUESDAY), CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR WAI KIN-BONG, SAID THE CAMPAIGN WILL IMPROVE THE DISTRICT'S LIVING ENVIRONMENT AND PROMOTE RESIDENTS' INVOLVEMENT IN ACHIEVING THIS.

A VARIETY SHOW WILL BE HELD IN THE HONG KONG COLISEUM ON DECEMBER 16 TO MARK THE OPENING OF THE CAMPAIGN. THIS WILL BE BOTH ENTERTAINING AND EDUCATIONAL, AND AIM AT SPREADING THE CAMPAIGN MESSAGE.

OTHER ACTIVITIES PLANNED INCLUDE A CLEANSING DAY, A CLEANLINESS COMPETITION FOR VARIOUS MARKET STALLS IN THE DISTRICT, AND A YEAR-END CLEAN UP TO PUBLICISE THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF BULKY REFUSE.

BESIDES CLEANLINESS, THE PUBLICITY DRIVE WILL ALSO FOCUS ON SAFETY IN THE HOME AND ON IMPROVING THE DISTRICT'S APPEARANCE.

VARIOUS MANUFACTURING COMPANIES HAVE BEEN INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A +BETTER AND SAFER LIVING ENVIRONMENT+ EXHIBITION TO BE HELD AT NEW WORLD PLAZA EARLY NEXT YEAR.

A VIDEO FILM ON HOME SAFETY AND ALSO OUTLINING SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE DISTRICT WILL BE SHOWN AT THE EXHIBITION.

+TO ENHANCE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN BUILDING MANAGEMENT, A SEMINAR WILL BE CONDUCTED WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SPEAKING ON RELATED SUBJECTS,+ MR WAI SAID.

IN ADDITION, AN OPERATION TO CLEAR OBSOLETE AND ABANDONED SIGNBOARDS WILL BE MOUNTED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND OWNERS CORPORATIONS.

DURING THE CAMPAIGN, THE DISTRICT'S FIVE AREA COMMITTEES WILL BE MOBILISED TO CONDUCT AREA INSPECTIONS TO IDENTIFY PROBLEM SPOTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL NUISANCES.

THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR AUGUSTINE CHENG, DESCRIBED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AS AN ON-GOING PROCESS. ITS SUCCESS DEPENDED NOT ONLY ON THE GOVERNMENT'S PROMOTION AND ENFORCEMENT BUT ALSO ON THE INVOLVEMENT AND PARTICIPATION OF RESIDENTS, HE POINTED OUT.

HE URGED RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES AND TO SHOW RESPONSIBLE CITIZENSHIP IN MAINTAINING A SAFE AND CLEAN ENVIRONMENT.

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SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS TO BE AUCTIONED
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD ANOTHER AUCTION OF SPECIAL CAR REGISTRATION NUMBERS ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 29) AT 10 AM IN THE CITY HALL RECITAL HALL.

THIRTY-SIX SPECIAL CAR NUMBERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR BIDDING. THEY ARE:

AJ668	DK278	CL7988	DK600
AK9800	AK8787	DK500	AJ110
DK1000	DK1932	DJ9012	DK2663
DK1961	DK328	DK7228	AY111
DJ7773	DK10	BM278	DK318
DK88	DJ8328	XX1882	DK877
DK786	BY902	BB8787	1736
AY120	DK80	DK1698	DK983
DK149	CT110	DK3188	DK108

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS MUST PAY IN CASH OR BY CHEQUE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BIDDING.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REMINDED BIDDERS THAT THE VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBER WOULD BE ASSIGNED ONLY TO A VEHICLE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE AUCTION.

PROCEEDS OF THE AUCTION WILL AS USUAL GO TO THE GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES FUND.

THE COMING AUCTION WILL BE THE 109TH ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT SINCE MAY 1973.

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SOUTHERN DB TO TAKE UP HONORARIUM ISSUE
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SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR RAYMOND KWOK, WILL ASK ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT'S PERCEPTION OF THE STATUS OF DISTRICT BOARDS AND HONORARIA FOR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AT A BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 27).

ELECTED MEMBER, MISS YEUNG CHUI-CHUN, WILL PROPOSE THE FORMATION OF AN AD HOC GROUP ON THE POLITICAL SYSTEM TO PREPARE FOR THE 1987 REVIEW ON THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE EDUCATION COMMISSION'S NO 2 REPORT WHICH WAS ISSUED IN AUGUST.

THEY WILL ALSO GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON THE GOVERNMENT'S TAXI POLICY INCLUDING THE ROLE OF TAXIS IN THE TRANSPORT SYSTEM, THE SIZE OF THE FLEET, THE METHOD OF ISSUING LICENCES, THE FARE POLICY AND CLASSIFICATION OF TAXIS AND THE QUALITY AND GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF TAXI SERVICES.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE REPORTS OF THE MEETINGS OF THE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, DISTRICT BOARD COMMITTEES AND THE DISTRICT'S SIX AREA COMMITTEES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING AT 2.30 PM ON THURSDAY IN THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, NO. 7-11, NAM NING STREET, SECOND FLOOR, MEI FUNG COURT, ABERDEEN CENTRE.

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FURTHER TALKS ON SEMI-CONDUCTORS AFTER CHRISTMAS
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THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN ON THE LATTER'S EXPORTS OF SEMI-CONDUCTORS WAS THE SUBJECT OF A ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS LAST WEEK AT A MEETING UNDER THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE (GATT) IN GENEVA.

DELEGATIONS TAKING PART IN THE CONSULTATION WITH THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN WERE THE EEC, THE NORDIC COUNTRIES, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, SWITZERLAND, BRAZIL, KOREA, SINGAPORE, MALAYSIA AND HONG KONG.

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QUESTIONS REGARDING THE OVERALL EFFECTS OF THE AGREEMENT WERE PUT BY THE DELEGATIONS PRESENT AT THE CONSULTATIONS TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN. FURTHER INFORMATION FROM JAPAN ON THE MONITORING ARRANGEMENT ON EXPORTS TO THIRD MARKETS WAS ALSO SOUGHT.

NO CONCLUSION HAS BEEN REACHED DURING THE MEETING. ANOTHER ROUND OF CONSULTATION MAY BE HELD SOME TIME AFTER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

COMMENTING ON THE TALKS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRADE DEPARTMENT SAID: +THE INITIAL ROUND OF CONSULTATION HAD BEEN USEFUL.

+THE NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS PRESENT AND PARTICIPATING ACTIVELY IS AN ENCOURAGING SIGN OF GENERAL OPPOSITION IN GATT TO THE ARRANGEMENT.+

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ENTRIES SOUGHT FOR SAI KUNG ATHLETIC MEET

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SPORTS-MINDED SAI KUNG RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT ATHLETIC MEET NEXT MONTH.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND SAI KUNG SPORTS ASSOCIATION, THE ATHLETIC MEET WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 14 AT THE SAI KUNG TANG SHIU KIN SPORTS GROUND.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEN'S DIVISION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE GROUPS AND WOMEN INTO TWO, ACCORDING TO AGE. EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN THREE EVENTS. THREE PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH EVENT.

THE MEETING WILL START AT 9 AM AND END AT ABOUT 5 PM.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE OF THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (SAI KUNG OFFICE), SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, MAN NIN STREET, AND THE SAI KUNG SPORTS ASSOCIATION, 16 PO TUNG ROAD, SAI KUNG.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE TO THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (SAI KUNG OFFICE) AT 3-2814149.

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MUSIC TRAINEES TO GIVE CONCERT
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A STUDENTS' CONCERT JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE AND THE REGIONAL COUNCIL WILL BE HELD AT LUT SAU HALL IN YUEN LONG ON SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 30), STARTING AT 3 PM.

THE CONCERT WILL FEATURE PERFORMANCES BY THE MUSIC OFFICE'S NEW TERRITORIES YOUTH STRINGS AND NEW TERRITORIES YOUTH SYMPHONIC BAND AS WELL AS BY THE YUEN LONG CHILDREN'S CHOIR (JUNIOR GROUP).

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT BOARD, MR TAI KUEN, WILL ATTEND AND PRESENT SOUVENIRS TO PERFORMING TRAINEES.

THE CONCERT, INVOLVING MORE THAN 200 TRAINEES, IS AMONG ACTIVITIES REGULARLY ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE TO GIVE ITS TRAINEES THE OPPORTUNITY TO PERFORM IN PUBLIC.

AT THE SAME TIME, PARENTS AND TEACHERS CAN DETERMINE FOR THEMSELVES THE GENERAL STANDARD ATTAINED BY THE TRAINEES.

FREE ADMISSION COUPONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING MUSIC CENTRES:

- * TSUEN WAN MUSIC CENTRE, CHEUNG YIU BUILDING, 167-173 CASTLE PEAK ROAD, SECOND FLOOR, TSUEN WAN.
- * YUEN LONG MUSIC CENTRE, 55 SHAU FU STREET, THIRD FLOOR, YUEN LONG.
- * SHA TIN MUSIC CENTRE, KCR HOUSE, FOURTH FLOOR, SHA TIN.

FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM 0-750465.

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AWARDS FOR BOOKMARK DESIGN WINNERS
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THE +SAFETY IN KITE FLYING+ BOOKMARK DESIGN COMPETITION PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY (NOVEMBER 27) AT 10.45 AM AT THE KAI TAK AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 548, FIFTH FLOOR, AIR PASSENGER TERMINAL BUILDING.

THE COMPETITION WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND THE INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD ASSEMBLE IN FRONT OF THE HONGKONG BANK COUNTER AT THE DEPARTURE LEVEL, FIRST FLOOR, KAI TAK AIRPORT, BY 10.30 AM.

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OPEN DAY AT TRAINING INSTITUTE
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THE STAFF TRAINING INSTITUTE OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOLDING AN OPEN DAY ON SATURDAY (NOVEMBER 29) TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO LEARN ABOUT THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT AND ITS STAFF TRAINING PROGRAMMES.

THE INSTITUTE, AT 47 TUNG TAU WAN ROAD IN STANLEY, WILL BE DECLARED OPEN BY THE CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, DR HO KAM-FAI.

FEATURED WILL BE THE DEPARTMENT'S WORK ON THE REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS AND THE INSTITUTE'S VARIOUS TRAINING PROGRAMMES.

VISITORS MAY TOUR THE INSTITUTE'S MANY FACILITIES INCLUDING MOCK CELLS, AN INDOOR FIRING RANGE, A MUSEUM, A LIBRARY, A TRAINING COURT, A TRAINING NURSING WARD, A GYMNASIUM AND CLASSROOMS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPEN DAY FROM 9.45 AM TO 4 PM. TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD GATHER AT 32 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI, BY 8.45 AM.

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TRAFFIC CHANGES FOR OPENING OF NT CIRCULAR ROAD SECTION
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A SERIES OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FROM 2 PM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 28), FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS TO TIE IN WITH THE OPENING OF THE SECTION OF THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD IN SHEUNG SHUI.

THE ARRANGEMENTS WILL INCLUDE DESIGNATION OF RESTRICTED ZONES AND TRAFFIC REROUTINGS.

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THE SECTION, FROM A POINT ABOUT 150 METRES EAST OF SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT TO A POINT ABOUT 200 METRES EAST OF KAM TSIN VILLAGE HO TUNG SCHOOL, WILL BE DESIGNATED A 24-HOUR DAILY RESTRICTED ZONE. NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREA.

PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING THE CARRIAGEWAYS ON THIS SECTION. THE ROAD SECTION WILL ALSO BE MADE A PROHIBITED ZONE FOR LEARNER DRIVERS.

THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF THIS SECTION WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 80 KILOMETRES PER HOUR WHILE THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY WILL BE 50 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

IN ADDITION, THE SECTION OF THE CIRCULAR ROAD, FROM A POINT ABOUT 150 METRES EAST OF SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT TO A POINT ABOUT 300 METRES WEST OF THE ROUNDABOUT, WILL BE MADE A PROHIBITED ZONE FOR PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES. NO PLB WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREA.

ON TRAFFIC REROUTINGS, THE SECTION OF FAN KAM ROAD BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT AND ROAD SR 10 WILL BE REROUTED FROM ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC. TRAFFIC FROM FAN KAM ROAD WILL BE DIVERTED TO THIS SECTION OF FAN KAM ROAD FOR ACCESS TO SHEUNG SHUI.

ROAD SR 10 FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH FAN KAM ROAD WILL BE REROUTED FROM ONE-WAY WESTBOUND TO TWO-WAY TRAFFIC. AT THE SAME TIME, THE TEMPORARY ONE-WAY EASTBOUND SIDE ROAD BETWEEN ROAD SR 10 AND SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT WILL BE CLOSED.

TRAFFIC FROM CASTLE PEAK ROAD FOR ACCESS TO SHEUNG SHUI WILL BE DIVERTED TO ROAD SR 10 AND THE SECTION OF FAN KAM ROAD BETWEEN ROAD SR 10 AND SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT.

ROAD SR 9 WILL BE CLOSED OFF AT TSUNG PAK LONG AND WILL BECOME A CUL-DE-SAC EXCEPT FOR LOCAL ACCESS. TRAFFIC HEADING FOR YUEN LONG AND SHEUNG SHUI WILL BE DIVERTED TO THE SLIP ROADS OF THE CIRCULAR ROAD SECTION BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI ROUNDABOUT AND KAM TSIN VILLAGE HO TUNG SCHOOL.

KMB ROUTE 76K PLYING BETWEEN SHEUNG SHUI AND YUEN LONG WILL ALSO BE DIVERTED TO THE SLIP ROADS AND THE EXISTING BUS STOP AT TSUNG PAK LONG WILL BE SUSPENDED.

MEANWHILE, ROAD SR 10 FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH FAN KAM ROAD TO THE SECTION OF ROAD SR 9 AT TSUNG PAK LONG WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 50 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

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NEW PARKING METERS FOR WANG TAU HOM
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FIFTEEN NEW PARKING METERS IN TSING ON STREET IN WANG TAU HOM WILL BECOME OPERATIONAL FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 28) TO REGULATE THE UTILISATION OF PARKING SPACES.

THESE METERS ARE FOR TWO HOURS AND FOR VEHICLES OTHER THAN MEDIUM AND HEAVY GOODS VEHICLES, BUSES, MOTOR-CYCLES AND BICYCLES.

PARKING FEES WILL BE \$1 FOR 30 MINUTES.

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RESTRICTED ZONE IN KWAI CHUNG
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A SECTION OF THE NEW CONTAINER PORT ROAD IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE DESIGNATED A RESTRICTED ZONE FROM 7 AM TO 7 PM DAILY STARTING FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (NOVEMBER 28).

THE AFFECTED SECTION RUNS FROM THE ROUNDABOUT OUTSIDE THE MARINERS' CLUB TO THE ROUNDABOUT 620 METRES TO THE SOUTH.

NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED TO STOP FOR PASSENGERS OR GOODS WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREA.

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