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BILL GIVING RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW TO UNBORN CHILDREN GAZETTED

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A BILL PROPOSING TO GIVE UNBORN CHILDREN RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW FOLLOWING BIRTH IS GAZETTED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE BILL, KNOWN AS THE LAW AMENDMENT AND REFORM (CONSOLIDATION) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1978, IS BASED ON A UNITED KINGDOM ACT PASSED IN 1976 WHICH IMPLEMENTED RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN A LAW COMMISSION REPORT ON INJURIES TO UNBORN CHILDREN.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROPOSED LAW WOULD NOT CREATE ENTIRELY NEW LIABILITIES, BUT WOULD ENSURE THAT A CHILD BORN ALIVE WOULD HAVE A RIGHT OF ACTION ACCRUING AT BIRTH IN RESPECT OF INJURY EITHER SUSTAINED BY THE CHILD AFTER CONCEPTION AND BEFORE BIRTH, OR RESULTING FROM INJURY SUSTAINED BY ITS MOTHER DURING PREGNANCY DUE TO THE FAULT OF A THIRD PARTY.

+OF COURSE, IT WILL STILL BE NECESSARY FOR FAULT OR NEGLIGENCE TO BE PROVED,+ HE EMPHASISED.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM ACT WAS PASSED AS A RESULT OF THE LENGTHY AND OFTEN EXPENSIVE LITIGATION INVOLVING THE THALIDOMIDE BIRTH CASES. IN THESE CASES, HE SAID, A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AND MONEY WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN MORE PROPERLY DEVOTED TO COMPENSATING THALIDOMIDE VICTIMS, WAS SPENT IN DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT UNBORN CHILDREN HAD RIGHTS, BEFORE GIVING ANY ATTENTION TO WHETHER MANUFACTURING THALIDOMIDE AND SUPPLYING IT TO PREGNANT WOMEN, WAS WRONG.

IN THE EVENT, THE COURTS HELD THAT A CHILD DID HAVE RIGHTS IN RESPECT OF INJURIES OR WRONGS CAUSED TO ITS MOTHER WHEN IT WAS STILL UNBORN.

IN HONG KONG, HOWEVER, THERE WAS SOME DOUBT WHETHER UNBORN CHILDREN HAD THESE SAME RIGHTS AND IT WAS NECESSARY THAT THEIR STATUS BE CLARIFIED WHICH THIS PROPOSED BILL WILL NOW DO.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT CHILDREN BORN DISABLED AS A RESULT OF NO ATTRIBUTABLE FAULT - THROUGH DISEASE FOR EXAMPLE - WERE NOT AFFECTED BY THE BILL.

THERE WAS NO LIABILITY FOR INJURIES IF PARENTS KNEW OF OR WERE WARNED ABOUT PARTICULAR RISKS AND WENT AHEAD AND ACCEPTED THEM ANYWAY.

NEITHER WERE PROFESSIONAL MEN SUCH AS DOCTORS LIABLE IF THEY GAVE TREATMENT OR ADVICE ACCORDING TO ORDINARY AND ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF PRACTICE AND CARE.

FINALLY, A CHILD HAD TO SURVIVE FOR 48 HOURS BEFORE ANY RIGHT OF ACTION AROSE.

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TWO FIREMEN RECEIVE QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVERY

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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN HAS AWARDED THE QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT TO TWO FIREMEN FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY ACTION IN A FIRE RESCUE OPERATION IN APRIL LAST YEAR.

THE AWARDS TO SENIOR FIREMAN NG CHOI-LEUNG AND FIREMAN CHEUNG CHING WERE PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

MR. NG AND MR. CHEUNG, IN DISREGARD OF THEIR PERSONAL RISKS, HAD LEAD SOME 37 PEOPLE WHO WERE TRAPPED INSIDE A BURNING BUILDING TO A PLACE OF SAFETY DURING A FIRE THAT OCCURRED ON APRIL 14 LAST YEAR FOLLOWING AN EXPLOSION IN A SUPERMARKET WHICH OCCUPIED THE GROUND FLOOR AND THE COCKLOFT OF A FOUR-STOREY BUILDING AT NO. 176 PRATAS STREET, KOWLOON.

THE FIRE IMMEDIATELY SPREAD THROUGH THE STAIRCASES TO THE UPPER FLOORS.

MR. NG AND MR. CHEUNG WERE AMONG THE FIRST CREWS TO ARRIVE AT THE SCENE.

ON RECEIVING AN ORDER FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER, THEY MADE A DETERMINED EFFORT TO ENTER THE BURNING BUILDING BY THE MAIN STAIRCASE TO THE UPPER FLOORS WHERE A LARGE NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN TRAPPED. THEIR FIRST ATTEMPT WAS STOPPED BY THE INTENSIVE HEAT.

THEY THEN SOAKED THEIR CLOTHING IN WATER AND MADE A SECOND ATTEMPT. THIS TIME THEY SUCCEEDED IN REACHING THE OCCUPANTS WHO WERE IN A STATE OF PANIC.

MR. NG AND MR. CHEUNG MANAGED TO LEAD THE PEOPLE THROUGH THE SMOKE-LOGGED STAIRCASES TO THE SAFETY OF THE ROOF BY COVERING THEIR FACES WITH WET CLOTH. LATER THE PEOPLE WERE BROUGHT DOWN FROM THE ROOF BY A TURNTABLE LADDER.

FIREMEN NG AND CHEUNG THEN RETURNED TO THE BUILDING TO MAKE THEIR FINAL SEARCH BUT FOUND NO OTHER PERSONS IN IT.

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HUNG HOM STADIUM TAKES ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS COMPLETION

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HONG KONG'S +INVERTED PYRAMID+ SPORTS STADIUM IN HUNG HOM TOOK ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS COMPLETION TODAY, WITH THE SIGNING OF A $44 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ITS SUPERSTRUCTURE.

THE CONTRACT WAS AWARDED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO TECHNIC CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD. AND WAS SIGNED BY MR. JACK STEAN, P.W.D.'S DIRECTOR OF BUILDING DEVELOPMENT, AND MR. CHIU SZE-DUEN, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY.

THIS CONTRACT WAS THE SECOND OF ITS KIND SIGNED BY THE P.W.D. THIS WEEK. THE OTHER WAS FOR THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM AT MORRISON HILL.

AT THE SIGNING CEREMORY, MR. STEAN SAID THAT WORK ON THE HUNG HOM STADIUM WOULD BEGIN LATER THIS MONTH AND TAKE ABOUT 33 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

HE SAID THAT THE SPECTATOR STAND OF THE STADIUM, WHICH COST A TOTAL OF $93 MILLION, COULD SEAT ABOUT 12,500 PEOPLE.

AND, ONE OF THE FEATURES OF THE STADIUM WOULD BE A FOUR-SIDED VIDEO SCREEN, SUSPENDED ABOVE THE CENTRE OF THE ARENA AND INCORPORATING SCOREBOARD AND CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION FACILITIES.

+WITH SUCH AN EQUIPMENT, LARGER-THAN-LIFE CLOSE-UPS AND INSTANT REPLAYS, ALL IN COLOUR, ARE POSSIBLE,+ HE SAID.

THE STADIUM, WHICH WOULD BE FULLY AIR-CONDITIONED, WOULD HAVE FACILITIES FOR EVENTS RANGING FROM GYMNASTICS AND BASKETBALL TO THEATRICAL PERFORMANCES AND MAJOR EXHIBITIONS.

+ THREE-QUARTERS OF THE SEATS IN THE UPPER SECTIONS OF THE SPECTATOR STAND WILL BE OF REINFORCED MOULDED SHELL, WHILE THOSE IN THE LOWER TIERS AND ON THE RETRACTABLE STANDS WHICH EXTEND ONTO THE ARENA FLOOR WILL BE UPHOLSTERED,+ HE ADDED.

THERE WOULD BE SPECIAL SECTIONS FOR VIP'S AND THE PRESS.

+SEATING ON THE ARENA FLOOR WOULD BE VARIABLE AND DIFFERENT CONFIGURATIONS ARE POSSIBLE, DEPENDING ON THE PARTICULAR EVENT,+ MR. STEAN SAID.

ALL SEATS ON THE SPECTATOR STAND WOULD BE ARRANGED IN SMOOTH CONTOURS, OFFERING A COMPLETE VIEW OF THE 1,600 SQUARE METRE ARENA.

THE ARENA ITSELF WOULD BE LARGE ENOUGH FOR TWO BASKETBALL COURTS, VOLLEYBALL COURTS OR TENNIS COURTS, OR FOR EIGHT BADMINTON COURTS OR 24 TABLE-TENNIS TABLES AT ONE TIME.

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OTHER FACILITIES WOULD INCLUDE CHANGING ROOMS, MEETING ROOMS, GENERAL OFFICES, A LARGE EQUIPMENT STORE, FURNITURE STORE, CONTROL BOOTHS, BOOKING OFFICES AND TOILETS.

MR. STEAN SAID THAT THE STADIUM TO BE BUILT ON THE PODIUM ABOVE THE TRACK OF THE HUNG HOM RAILWAY TERMINUS WOULD BE IN THE SHAPE OF AN INVERTED PYRAMID BUILT BELOW THE ROOF STRUCTURE.

WORK ON THE 10,000 SQUARE METRE ROOF FRAME HAS BEEN COMPLETED. THE FRAME, WEIGHING ABOUT 1,300 TONNES, WAS RECENTLY LIFTED FROM GROUND LEVEL TO A HEIGHT OF 23 METRES TO REST ON TEMPORARY STEEL TOWERS.

MR. STEAN SAID THAT THE SPECTATOR STAND AND INTERIOR OF THE STADIUM WOULD BE BUILT BENEATH IT.

ONCE THIS WORK WAS COMPLETED, HE ADDED, THE ROOF WOULD THEN BE LOWERED ONTO THE CONCRETE RIM OF THE SPECTATOR STAND, AND THE TEMPORARY STEEL TOWERS SUPPORTS CUT AWAY.

THE STADIUM SHOULD BE READY BY THE BEGINNING OF 1981 WHEN IT WILL BE HANDED OVER TO URBAN COUNCIL FOR MANAGEMENT.

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NEW SCHOOL FORMS PART OF TSING YI'S DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENT

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THE NEW CHAN LAI SO CHUN MEMORIAL SCHOOL FORMS PART OF THE DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENTS OF TSING YI AND SYMBOLISES THE GOVERNMENT'S HOPES AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE, SAID THE SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR. DAVID AKERS-JONES TODAY (FRIDAY).

ADDRESSING THE GATHERING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SCHOOL, MR. AKERS-JONES SAID: +THE YOUNG CHILDREN WHO GO TO THIS SCHOOL WILL GROW UP TO SEE THE DEVELOPMENT OF TSING YI INTO A TOWN OF 180,000 PEOPLE.+

+THEY WILL PROBABLY SEE, BEFORE THEY LEAVE SECONDARY SCHOOL, AN ADDITIONAL BRIDGE TO TSING YI AND THE ROAD FROM THE BRIDGE SWEEPING ACROSS TSING YI AND ON OVER ANOTHER BRIDGE TO LANTAU. IT IS AN EXCITING PROSPECT.+

MR. AKERS-JONES REMINDED THE GATHERING THAT THE BRIDGE TO TSING YI WAS OPENED FOUR YEARS AGO ON FEBRUARY 28, AND REITERATED WHAT THE GOVERNOR HAD SAID AT THE BRIDGE'S OPENING CEREMONY — +TO LIVE, HONG KONG MUST CONTINUE TO GROW. GROWTH REQUIRES NEW LAND FOR INDUSTRY AND FOR THOSE WHO WORK IN INDUSTRY TO LIVE ON AND ENJOY.+

THE GROWTH OF TSING YI SINCE THEN HAS BEEN REMARKABLE, A NUMBER OF MAJOR FACTORIES FOR SPECIAL INDUSTRIES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AND ARE IN PRODUCTION. TWO MAJOR SHIPYARDS ARE BEING CONSTRUCTED, AND ARE ALREADY PARTLY IN OPERATION.

A HOUSING ESTATE FOR 67,000 PEOPLE IS BEING BUILT AND 12,000 PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY MOVED INTO THE ESTATE.

+WITHOUT THE BRIDGE AND THE INITIATIVE AND ENTERPRISE OF THOSE PRIVATE COMPANIES WHO SAW TO ITS CONSTRUCTION, NONE OF THIS ASTONISHING GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE,+ SAID MR. AKERS-JONES.

HE SAID THE SCHOOL WAS A REMINDER OF TWO FUNDAMENTAL ASPECTS OF OUR SOCIETY. +FIRSTLY, RESPECT AND VENERATION FOR THOSE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROGRESS OF HONG KONG, AND SECONDLY, THE PERSONAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE LIVING TO THE FUTURE WELL-BEING OF THE PEOPLE.+

MR. AKERS-JONES PRAISED MR. CHAN PAK-KEUNG WHO HAS GENEROUSLY DONATED MONEY TO BUILD THE SCHOOL IN MEMORY OF HIS LATE MOTHER AND THE SZE YAP COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION WHICH MANAGES THE NEW SCHOOL.

+MR. CHAN PAK-KEUNG AND MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION HAVE CONTRIBUTED NOT ONLY TO THE MATERIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHOOL, BUT ALSO BY THEIR INVOLVEMENT AND CONCERN WILL HELP IN FUTURE TO SHAPE THE GROWTH, AND PROMOTE THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF THE NEW COMMUNITY ON TSING YI,+ SAID MR. AKERS-JONES.

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PARALLEL BETWEEN GROWTH OF TELEPHONE SERVICES
AND DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG

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IT WAS NOT FANCIFUL TO SEE A PARALLEL BETWEEN THE GROWTH IN TELEPHONE SERVICES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG FROM A MODERATELY SUCCESSFUL TRADING CENTRE OF LARGELY REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE INTO ONE OF THE MAJOR FINANCIAL, BANKING AND INDUSTRIAL CENTRES OF THE WORLD.

THIS WAS SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DENYS ROBERTS, AT A CEREMONY MARKING THE INSTALLATION IN HONG KONG OF THE ONE MILLIONTH TELEPHONE EXCHANGE LINE.

SIR DENYS SAID THAT, AS HONG KONG HAD GROWN, SO HAD THE IMPORTANCE TO US OF FIRST CLASS COMMUNICATIONS, BOTH INTERNAL AND INTERNATIONAL.

+AND WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT THIS NEED HAS BEEN FULLY RECOGNISED, AND SUCCESSFULLY MET, BY THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, WHICH HAS DEVELOPED A TELEPHONE SYSTEM OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY,+ HE SAID.

THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY, SIR DENYS SAID, WERE AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE (OF WHICH HONG KONG HAD MANY) OF THE ADVANTAGES OF ENTRUSTING THE PROVISION OF UTILITY SERVICES TO PRIVATE COMPANIES WHICH INVARIABLY RAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES WITH MORE SKILL AND EFFICIENCY THAN A BUREAUCRATIC ORGANISATION.

HE ADDED: +THE COMPANY HAS ALSO SHOWN, AS ANY PUBLIC UTILITY ENTERPRISE WHICH ENJOYS A MONOPOLY OUGHT TO DO, THAT IT RECOGNISES THAT SOCIAL CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD SOMETIMES BE GIVEN MORE WEIGHT THAN PROFITS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBLIGATION, THE COMPANY HAS IN RECENT YEARS CARRIED THROUGH AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME IN THE MORE REMOTE PARTS OF HONG KONG, BRINGING TO MANY ISOLATED VILLAGES THE CONVENIENCE, THE FEELING OF SECURITY AND THE SOCIAL AND BUSINESS CONTACTS WHICH ARE AMONG THE MAJOR BENEFITS OF THE TELEPHONE.+

THE NUMBER OF TELEPHONES HAD DOUBLED IN THE PAST SEVEN YEARS. THIS NUMBER WOULD DOUBLE AGAIN, TO TWO MILLION LINES, IN LESS THAN 15 YEARS, IF HONG KONG CONTINUED, AS HE BELIEVED IT WOULD, TO DEVELOP IN THE SAME EXCITING AND REMARKABLE WAY AS IT HAD IN THE LAST FEW YEARS.

+WHATEVER THE DEMANDS WHICH THE FUTURE MAY MAKE UPON IT, I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE COMPANY WILL MEET THEM WITH THE SAME GOOD SENSE AND SKILL AS HAVE GUIDED ITS FORTUNES IN RECENT YEARS.+

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NEW COMMUNITY HALL OPENS IN TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN

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THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY HALL AT KWAI SHING ESTATE WAS OFFICIALLY OPENED TODAY -- THE THIRD IN TSUEN WAN. TWO MORE FOR KWAI FONG AND SHEK YAM ESTATES WILL SOON BE READY TO SERVE AS A FOCUS FOR LOCAL COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, A TSUEN WAN COMMUNITY LEADER, MR. DEACON CHIU, DESCRIBED THE SETTING UP OF COMMUNITY HALLS IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES AS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUOUS EFFORTS TO PROVIDE BETTER RECREATIONAL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR THE FAST-DEVELOPING NEW TOWN OF TSUEN WAN.

MR. CHIU SAID THESE COMMUNITY HALLS, APART FROM PROVIDING A FOCAL POINT OF SOCIAL GATHERING FOR ESTATE RESIDENTS, WOULD GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS PROMOTING A SENSE OF LOCAL IDENTITY.

+FOR THE 50,000 PEOPLE LIVING IN THESE 19 MAMMOTH HOUSING BLOCKS OF KWAI SHING ESTATE, THE COMMUNITY HALL IS A CONVENIENT MEDIUM THROUGH WHICH NEIGHBOURLY CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL CONCERNS COULD BE ACHIEVED,+ HE SAID.

THE KWAI SHING COMMUNITY HALL PROVIDES DIRECT SERVICES SUCH AS GUIDANCE TO VOLUNTEERS, TUITION CLASSES FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS AND SPECIAL GROUPS AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMES.

STAFF OF THE HALL ARE ALSO ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN LIAISON WORK WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

MR. CHIU SAID: +WITH VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS GOING ON IN THE TSUEN WAN NEW TOWN, PARTICULARLY ON PUBLIC HOUSING, THE PROVISION OF THIS KIND OF SOCIAL FACILITY IS INDEED INSTRUMENTAL IN THE BETTERMENT OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.+

HE PRAISED THE GOVERNMENT FOR INITIATING THIS PROJECT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES OF 20,000 TO 50,000 RESIDENTS, AS THE +NEED FOR SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES BECOMES MORE EVIDENT WITH THE RAPID URBANISATION WITNESSED IN THE LAST 20 YEARS.+

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TWO SENIOR PWD STAFF RETIRE

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TODAY BID FAREWELL TO TWO OF ITS SENIOR STAFF WHO HAVE A COMBINED TOTAL OF 40 YEARS SERVICE WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

THEY ARE MR. ALEX MEYERS, PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT TOWN PLANNER, AND MR. WILLIE MACDONALD, HIGHWAYS SUPERINTENDENT.

AT A CEREMONY HELD THIS AFTERNOON, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MR. DAVID MCDONALD, SAID THAT THE TOWN PLANNING OFFICE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF MR. MEYER HAD MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF THE DEPARTMENT, THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD AND TO TOWN PLANNING IN HONG KONG IN GENERAL.

MR. MEYERS FIRST JOINED THE GOVERNMENT IN SEPTEMBER 1959 AND WAS PROMOTED TO HIS PRESENT POST IN AUGUST 1973.

+AS A VERY KEEN SAILOR HE HAS TAKEN PART IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA RACE AND HAS THE DISTINCTION OF HAVING WON THE RACE IN 1968,+ SAID MR. MCDONALD.

+HE WILL AGAIN BE PARTICIPATING IN THE RACE NEXT WEEK, THIS TIME SAILING HIS OWN YACHT.

+AFTER THE RACE, HE WILL GO BACK TO NEW ZEALAND FOR A SHORT HOLIDAY AND WILL PROBABLY RETURN TO HONG KONG TO WORK WITH A CONSULTANTS FIRM OR MIGHT EVEN SET UP HIS OWN PRACTICE.+

MR. MCDONALD PRESENTED MR. MEYERS WITH A SOUVENIR ON BEHALF OF HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE DEPARTMENT.

AT ANOTHER CEREMONY, MR. NICKY CHAN, PRINCIPAL GOVERNMENT HIGHWAY ENGINEER, PRESENTED A GIFT TO MR. WILLIE MACDONALD, HIGHWAYS SUPERINTENDENT, WHO HAS SERVED THE DEPARTMENT FOR 26 YEARS.

MR. MACDONALD WAS AWARDED THE M.B.E. IN JUNE 1974 FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN DEALING WITH THE AFTERMATH OF THE RAINSTORMS IN 1966 AND 1972 AND HIS UNFAILING ENTHUSIASM IN HIS WORK.

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TYPHOON EXERCISE BY CAS

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MORE THAN 800 CIVIL AID SERVICES PERSONNEL IN KOWLOON AND NEW TERRITORIES WILL TAKE PART IN AN OPERATIONAL EXERCISE ON TYPHOON EMERGENCY ON SUNDAY (MARCH 12).

THE EXERCISE IS AIMED AT TESTING OUT THE PREPAREDNESS OF ALL C.A.S. PERSONNEL IN KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES BEFORE THE START OF THE TYPHOON SEASON.

DURING THE EXERCISE, THE REGIONAL COMMAND HEADQUARTERS FOR KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SITUATED IN THE C.A.S. KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE AT 204 ARGYLE STREET WILL BE FULLY MANNED AND CONTROLLING DEPLOYMENT OF C.A.S. PERSONNEL AT FIVE OPERATIONAL +DISASTER SITE.+

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE EXERCISE BY THE C.A.S. PRESS MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO ASSEMBLE AT THE C.A.S. KOWLOON TRAINING CENTRE AT 204 ARGYLE STREET AT 10.30 A.M. ON SUNDAY (MARCH 12). THEY WILL BE BRIEFED BY A C.A.S. OFFICER AND LATER TAKEN AROUND THE +DISASTER SITES.+

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

OPENING OF KWAI CHUNG'S FOURTH PUBLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE

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ANOTHER PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICE CENTRE IN KWAI CHUNG WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 10 A.M. TO SERVE THE RESIDENTS OF THE LAI KING ESTATE AND IN NEIGHBOURING AREAS.

THE CENTRE - THE FOURTH IN KWAI CHUNG AND THE SEVENTH IN THE ENTIRE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT - IS ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF YAT KING HOUSE, LAI KING ESTATE, KWAI CHUNG.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LOK SIN TONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, MR. FOK TZE= TWO UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, MR. CHAU HAU-CHEN AND MRS. LAM MOK SAU-HING= AND THE HOUSING MANAGER OF LAI KING ESTATE, MR. LEE CHUN-HO.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. A GOVERNMENT VAN (AM 2088) WILL LEAVE FROM BEHIND THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE AT 9.20 A.M. TO TAKE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES TO AND LATER BACK FROM KWAI CHUNG.

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