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JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER CALLS ON GOVERNOR

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THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER, DR TARO NAKAYAMA, HAS HAD TALKS WITH THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON A RANGE OF ISSUES.

DURING THE TALK THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING, DR NAKAYAMA REITERATED JAPAN'S CONFIDENCE IN HONG KONG AND SUPPORT FOR THE SINO-BRITISH JOINT DECLARATION. HE COMMENTED THAT THE JAPANESE PRIVATE SECTOR WAS ALSO CONFIDENT ABOUT HONG KONG'S FUTURE, AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR CONTINUING HIGH LEVEL OF INVESTMENT IN THE TERRITORY.

ON THE VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE ISSUE, HE EXPRESSED SYMPATHY FOR THE BURDEN PLACED UPON HONG KONG BY THE ARRIVALS FROM VIETNAM, AND RECONFIRMED THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT'S BELIEF IN THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FULL AND BALANCED IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL ASPECTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF ACTION ADOPTED IN GENEVA IN JUNE THIS YEAR.

DR NAKAYAMA SAID JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE TO GIVE A HIGH PRIORITY TO ASSISTING THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES WITH THE INDO-CHINESE REFUGEE PROBLEM, PARTICULARLY IN HONG KONG.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER ALSO PLEDGED JAPAN'S CONTINUAL SUPPORT FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF HONG KONG IN THE FORUM FOR ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION.

THE GOVERNOR WELCOMED WITH APPRECIATION THE CONTINUING HIGH LEVEL OF JAPANESE BUSINESS INTEREST IN HONG KONG.

HE SAID THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT WILL BE CONSIDERING MEASURES TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR JAPANESE TO COME AND WORK IN HONG KONG, INCLUDING SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCING THE TIME TAKEN TO PROCESS EMPLOYMENT VISAS.

SIR DAVID OUTLINED HONG KONG'S PLANS FOR A NEW AIRPORT AND PORT DEVELOPMENT.

HE ALSO THANKED THE FOREIGN MINISTER FOR THE MAJOR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION WHICH THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WERE MAKING TOWARDS UNHCR FOR THE VIETNAMESE PROBLEM IN HONG KONG.

HE WELCOMED THE AGREEMENT SOON TO BE SIGNED, BY WHICH THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WILL EXTEND TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG A GRANT-IN-AID TO ENABLE THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG TO PURCHASE BOOKS AND AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR ITS JAPANESE PROGRAMME.

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER LEAVES HONG KONG LATER TODAY AFTER CONCLUDING A TWO-DAY VISIT DURING WHICH HE ALSO VISITED THE ARGYLE STREET VIETNAMESE BOAT PEOPLE DETENTION CENTRE.

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TV SPECIAL ON ROYAL VISIT

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A TELEVISION SPECIAL. "HONG KONG GREETES THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES". PRODUCED BY RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG, WILL BE BROADCAST BY BOTH COMMERCIAL NETWORKS ON TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 7).

THE 15-MINUTE SPECIAL WILL COVER THE ARRIVAL OF THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES AT HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THEIR TRIP ACROSS THE HARBOUR ON BOARD THE LADY MAURINE, AND THEIR OFFICIAL WELCOME AT EDINBURGH PLACE.

THE PROGRAMME WILL BE SHOWN ON ATV'S HOME CHANNEL AT 9.15 PM, ON ATV'S WORLD CHANNEL AT 9.55 PM AND ON TVB JADE AT 11.45 PM.

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AFTER SCHOOL CARE TO BE INTRODUCED NEXT JANUARY

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A PILOT SCHEME FOR AN AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMME WILL BE INTRODUCED IN JANUARY NEXT YEAR TO PROVIDE HALF-DAY CARE TO PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT THE TARGET GROUP FOR THIS SERVICE WOULD BE FAMILIES WITH SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEEDS WHICH ARE VULNERABLE AND IN LACK OF ADEQUATE RESOURCES TO BUY THE SERVICE.

"THIS WAS DECIDED AFTER A SERIES OF MEETINGS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE," HE SAID.

"AS INFORMATION AND STATISTICS ON THE ACTUAL DEMAND FROM THESE FAMILIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE, A PILOT SCHEME WILL BE CONDUCTED TO TEST THE DEMAND AND TO SET UP A MORE SYSTEMATIC AND STANDARDISED OPERATIONAL MODEL," HE SAID.

UNDER THE \$3 MILLION PILOT SCHEME, AFTER SCHOOL CARE WILL BE PROVIDED AT A SELECTED CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE IN ONE OF THE DISTRICTS OF EACH SWD ADMINISTRATIVE REGION WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF KNOWN CASES OF SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES AND OF CHILDREN LIVING IN FOUR-PERSON HOUSEHOLDS WITH A MONTHLY INCOME AT OR BELOW THE LEVEL OF \$4,400.

IT WAS ACCEPTED THAT NOT ALL THESE FAMILIES REQUIRE THE SERVICE AS SOME MAY HAVE RELATIVES OR OTHER ARRANGEMENTS TO LOOK AFTER THE CHILDREN. AS A RESULT, THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS HAVE BEEN SELECTED:

/HONG KONG .....

HONG KONG ISLAND	--	EASTERN
EAST KOWLOON	--	KWUN TONG
WEST KOWLOON	--	SHAM SHUI PO
NEW TERRITORIES EAST	--	SHA TIN
NEW TERRITORIES WEST	--	TSUEN WAN/KWAI TSING

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT CHILDREN BETWEEN SIX AND 12 YEARS OLD FROM THE FOLLOWING FAMILY BACKGROUND ARE CLASSIFIED AS HAVING SOCIAL NEEDS:

- \* PARENTS WITH ILL HEALTH, DISABILITY, LONG TERM HOSPITALISATION;
- \* SINGLE WORKING PARENTS;
- \* PARENTS SERVING PRISON SENTENCES;
- \* PARENTS WITH DRUG ABUSE PROBLEMS;
- \* NEW IMMIGRANTS WITH ADJUSTMENT PROBLEMS;
- \* CHILDREN BEING VICTIMS OF REPORTED CHILD ABUSE CASES.

AS TO FINANCIAL NEEDS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THEY ARE DEFINED ACCORDING TO THE EXISTING SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME.

HE ADDED THAT EACH CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE WOULD HAVE THE CAPACITY OF 30 CHILDREN FOR EACH HALF-DAY SESSION, BENEFITTING A TOTAL OF 60 CHILDREN A DAY.

"IT WILL BE OPERATED FIVE TO SIX DAYS PER WEEK, WITH FOUR TO FIVE HOURS PER SESSION.

"NORMALLY THE MORNING SESSION WILL BE FROM 8 AM TO 1 PM AND THE AFTERNOON SESSION FROM 1 PM TO 6 PM," HE CONTINUED.

THE PROGRAMME FOR EACH HALF-DAY SESSION WILL INCLUDE HOME WORK GUIDANCE, MEAL AND PLAY, GROUP ACTIVITIES, INDIVIDUAL COUNSELLING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES.

"THE EXPERIMENT WILL BE TRIED OUT FOR 20 MONTHS FROM NEXT JANUARY TO AUGUST 1991 TO TIE IN WITH THE SCHOOL TERMS.

"A REVIEW OF THE EXPERIMENT WILL BE CONDUCTED AFTER 12 MONTHS OF OPERATION," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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WONG TAI SIN'S FIRST DAY CARE CENTRE FOR ELDERLY

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SERVICES PROVIDED BY DAY CARE CENTRES ENABLE ELDERLY PEOPLE TO REMAIN SOCIALLY ACTIVE, AND AT THE SAME TIME RELIEVE THEIR FAMILIES OF THE NEED TO LOOK AFTER THEM DURING THE DAY, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR ALFRED CHUI, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE SALVATION ARMY'S CHUK YUEN DAY CARE CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY IN WONG TAI SIN, MR CHUI SAID THE CENTRES AIMED AT PROVIDING ELDERLY PEOPLE IN DECLINING HEALTH WITH DAY CARE, NURSING SERVICE AS WELL AS RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

THE SERVICES PROVIDED RANGED FROM THE SERVING OF MEALS TO LAUNDRY, COUNSELLING, MEDICAL CHECKS AND GROUP ACTIVITIES.

NOTING THAT ELDERLY PEOPLE REPRESENTED 17.8 PER CENT OR 60,000 OF THE TOTAL PUBLIC HOUSING POPULATION IN WONG TAI SIN, MR CHUI SAID THE LOCAL DEMAND FOR ELDERLY SERVICES WAS VERY HIGH.

"THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT HAS CONTINUED TO IMPROVE AND STRENGTHEN THE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY IN WONG TAI SIN.

"AND THE CHUK YUEN DAY CARE CENTRE IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE DISTRICT," HE SAID.

MR CHUI COMMENDED THE SALVATION ARMY FOR PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN HONG KONG SINCE 1930.

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MALAYSIAN OFFICIALS LEARN ABOUT LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL

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THREE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS FROM THE STATE OF SELANGOR, MALAYSIA RECENTLY VISITED THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT (EPD) TO LEARN ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL PROGRAMME IN HONG KONG.

DURING THEIR THREE-DAY VISIT, THE TRIO ALSO STUDIED THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF VARIOUS LIVESTOCK WASTE TREATMENT METHODS.

THE DELEGATION WAS RECEIVED AND BRIEFED ON THE PROGRAMME BY THE DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MR JOHN BOXALL, AND PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER, DR DANIEL LAU.

DURING THE VISIT, THE DELEGATION SAW FOR THEMSELVES THE SEVERE LIVESTOCK WASTE POLLUTION PROBLEMS IN YUEN LONG, THE LIVESTOCK WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES OFFERED BY EPD, AND THE OPERATION OF THE NGAU TAM MEI MANURE COMPOSTING PLANT.

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THEY ALSO VISITED THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS BEING CONDUCTED IN PRIVATE FARMS AND THE GOVERNMENT'S DEMONSTRATION FARM IN TA KWU LING.

THE DELEGATION WAS IMPRESSED BY THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT'S POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL PROGRAMME AS WELL AS THE CONSIDERABLE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS, IN PARTICULAR TO THE WATERCOURSES, BROUGHT ABOUT BY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONTROL PROGRAMME IN TOLO HARBOUR, MUI WO AND ANGLERS' BEACH.

THE DELEGATION SHOWED PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THE PIG-ON-LITTER METHOD AND THOUGHT MORE WORK IN THIS DIRECTION SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT TO ASCERTAIN ITS APPLICATION IN MALAYSIA.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTHERN LIVING ENVIRONMENT IN PIPELINE

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THE GOVERNMENT HAS EMBARKED ON A NUMBER OF MAJOR PROJECTS AS PART OF A CONTINUOUS EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT, THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT FESTIVAL HELD AT THE WONG CHUK HANG SOCCER PITCH.

ON HOUSING, MR LAN SAID THAT A NEW PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE WILL BE BUILT ON THE KELLETT BAY RECLAMATION NEAR WAH FU.

THE DEVELOPMENT, TO BE KNOWN AS THE WAH KWAI ESTATE, WILL COMPRISE PUBLIC RENTAL AND HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME BLOCKS FOR SOME 20,000 PEOPLE IN 1991.

ON AP LEI CHAU, THE RECLAMATION WORK AT THE NORTH OF THE ISLAND WILL BE COMPLETED IN TWO STAGES IN EARLY 1990 AND MID-1991. IT WILL PROVIDE 6.5 HECTARES OF LAND FOR COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES, GOVERNMENT USE, PUBLIC LANDING POINTS, PARKING SPACES FOR GOODS VEHICLES, OPEN SPACE AND ROADS.

IN MA HANG, SQUATTER HUTS AND PIG-REARING FARMS WILL BE CLEARED TO MAKE WAY FOR A LOW-RISE PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE FOR 8,000 PEOPLE. THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT WILL ENABLE THE BLOCKS TO BLEND IN WELL WITH THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

A VILLAGE SQUARE CONTAINING SMALL SHOPS, CAFES, RESTAURANTS, A MARKET AND CRAFT WORKSHOPS WILL BE BUILT. MURRAY HOUSE, A HISTORIC BUILDING ONCE STOOD IN CENTRAL, WILL BE REBUILT IN THE AREA.

SITES FOR A PRIMARY SCHOOL AND A COMMUNITY CENTRE HAVE ALSO BEEN RESERVED FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME WHICH HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

ON GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO TACKLE WATER POLLUTION IN THE DISTRICT, MR LAN SAID BOTH SHORT AND LONG TERM MEASURES WERE BEING TAKEN TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AT THE POPULAR BEACHES.

SHORT TERM MEASURES INCLUDE INTERCEPTION AND DIVERSION OF POLLUTING DRAINS AWAY FROM MAIN SWIMMING AREAS, REPAIR TO SEWAGE OUTFALL PIPES IN REPULSE BAY, CLEARANCE OF SQUATTERS ON THE BEACH HINTERLAND AND BANNING OF LIVESTOCK-KEEPING.

THE LONG-TERM MEASURE TAKE THE FORM OF A CONSULTANCY STUDY TO FORMULATE A MASTER SEWERAGE PLAN WHICH WILL PROVIDE PROPER SEWAGE DISPOSAL FACILITIES FOR THE COASTAL AREAS FROM BIG WAVE BAY TO SHOUSON HILL.

TURNING TO THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL, MR LAN PRAISED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MRS SO CHAU YIM-PING, AND THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, WHO IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OPENING CEREMONY, MR HUI YUNG-CHUNG, FOR THE EFFORTS THEY HAD MADE IN ORGANISING THE EVENTS.

HE DESCRIBED THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL AS A BIG BOOST TO COMMUNITY BUILDING EFFORTS IN THE DISTRICT.

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RS OUTLINES MASSIVE DEVELOPMENTS IN WONG TAI SIN

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SEVERAL MAJOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE DIAMOND HILL AND TAI HOM AREAS IN WONG TAI SIN IN THE COMING YEARS. THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 1989 WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL AT THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY HALL, MR LAN SAID THE PROJECTS INCLUDED THE \$2 BILLION TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, WHICH WAS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN MID-1991 TO PROVIDE A FURTHER MUCH NEEDED LINK BETWEEN KOWLOON AND SHA TIN.

HE SAID THE TUNNEL, MEASURING 3.9 KILOMETRES, WOULD BE THE LONGEST ROAD TUNNEL IN HONG KONG AND WOULD RELIEVE TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE LION ROCK TUNNEL.

A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT ROAD PROJECTS WOULD ALSO BE COMPLETED AT THE SAME TIME TO CATER FOR THE TRAFFIC TO BE GENERATED BY THE TUNNEL. HE ADDED.

"THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL WILL THUS FORM PART OF A NEW TRUNK ROUTE LINKING QUARRY BAY ON HONG KONG ISLAND WITH MA ON SHAN IN SHA TIN VIA THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING AND THE KWUN TONG BYPASS.

"WHEN ALL THESE PROJECTS ARE COMPLETED, THE TRAVELLING TIME FROM QUARRY BAY ON THE ISLAND TO WONG TAI SIN AND SHA TIN WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED." HE SAID.

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MR LAN POINTED OUT THAT APART FROM THE TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL, THERE WOULD BE OTHER MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NEARBY AREAS.

TO THE WEST OF THE TUNNEL APPROACH ROAD AND NORTH OF LUNG CHEUNG ROAD WOULD BE A LARGE RESIDENTIAL PROJECT, TO BE COMPLETED WITH CARPARKING AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES. IT WAS SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN 1991-92 AND WOULD ACCOMMODATE 8,500 PEOPLE.

THERE WERE ALSO PLANS FOR SCHOOLS, OPEN SPACE. A PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AND A TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE IN THE AREA.

FURTHER NORTH ALONG THE HILL SLOPE, A LARGE URBAN PARK OF AN AREA OF 6.2 HECTARES, COMMANDING A PANORAMIC VIEW OVER CENTRAL KOWLOON, WOULD BE BUILT IN MID-1992.

"THERE IS ALSO A PLAN FOR BUILDING A DISTRICT HOSPITAL WITH 950 BEDS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SLOPE," HE ADDED.

MEANWHILE, MARK I AND II PUBLIC HOUSING BLOCKS IN THE DISTRICT WERE BEING REDEVELOPED TO MAKE WAY FOR NEW BLOCKS WITH MODERN FACILITIES AND A NICE ENVIRONMENT.

IT WAS EXPECTED THAT SOME 100,000 PEOPLE, MANY OF THEM FORMER MARK I AND II BLOCK RESIDENTS, WOULD BE RETURNING TO THE DISTRICT.

MR LAN SAID THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL PROVIDED RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO RELAX AND ENJOY THEMSELVES.

HE URGED RESIDENTS TO TAKE PART IN THE VARIOUS CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES.

MR LAN THANKED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR ALBERT LI SZE-BAY, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THEIR EFFORTS OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS IN ORGANISING A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS.

"I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT RESIDENTS IN WONG TAI SIN GREATLY APPRECIATE THE GOOD WORK OF THE COMMITTEE," HE ADDED.

ALSO SPEAKING AT THE CEREMONY, MR LI SAID THE AIM OF THE FESTIVAL WAS TO FOSTER A SENSE OF BELONGING AMONG DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THEM.

THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL WILL RUN UNTIL NOVEMBER 26, PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES.

THE OPENING CEREMONY WAS FOLLOWED BY A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING A CONCERT BY SINGERS JOHNNY YIP AND MAK KIT-MAN, AS WELL AS PERFORMANCES BY THE WONG TAI SIN CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND THE MIRANDA CHIN DANCING GROUP.

OTHER OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE CEREMONY INCLUDED THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, DR MICHAEL LEE; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN LAU; VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL, MR STEPHEN LAU; AND MISS ASIA PACIFIC, MISS YUNG HUNG.

WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

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A SERIES OF CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES WILL BE HELD IN WONG TAI SIN TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AS PART OF THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL.

ADMISSION TO THESE ACTIVITIES IS FREE.

MORE THAN 200 DISABLED PEOPLE WILL TAKE PART IN A TELEMATCH TO BE HELD AT THE MINIATURE FOOTBALL PITCH IN MORSE PARK BETWEEN 9 AM AND NOON.

AN EXHIBITION OF CHINESE PAINTINGS AND CALLIGRAPHY WILL BE HELD AT THE FUNG MING HALL OF WONG TAI SIN TEMPLE BEGINNING AT 2 PM.

WINNING ENTRIES IN THE FESTIVAL'S CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION WILL ALSO BE DISPLAYED. THE EXHIBITION WILL RUN UNTIL TUESDAY (NOVEMBER 7).

A NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES WILL BE HELD AT CHOI HUNG ESTATE. AN OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT 1 PM AT THE PODIUM OF CHOI HUNG ESTATE CARPARK.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, DR MICHAEL LEE; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN LAU; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR ALBERT LI.

A CHILDREN'S GAMES DAY WITH 500 YOUNGSTERS TAKING PART WILL BE HELD AFTER THE CEREMONY WHILE A VARIETY SHOW WITH PERFORMANCES BY POPULAR SINGERS WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM AT THE ST BENEDICT'S SECONDARY SCHOOL.

THE ACTIVITIES ARE JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CHOI HUNG AREA COMMITTEE, THE AREA'S MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, THE URBAN COUNCIL, THE CHOI HUNG ESTATE OFFICE AND THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE.

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TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL STARTS TODAY

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THE 11TH TSUEN WAN SPORTS FESTIVAL OFFERING OVER 40 EVENTS WAS LAUNCHED WITH A GRAND OPENING AND A MARATHON SWIMMING COMPETITION THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING.

THE 1,500-METRE SWIM, WITH THE STARTING POINT AT APPROACH BEACH AND FINISHING AT LIDO BEACH, WAS A NEW EVENT THIS YEAR.

A TOTAL OF 98 SWIMMERS TOOK PART IN TODAY'S RACE. THEY INCLUDED 61 MEN AND 37 WOMEN, WITH THE YOUNGEST BEING EIGHT YEARS OLD AND THE OLDEST 68.

THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WILLIAM SHIU, OFFICIATED AT THE STARTING CEREMONY AND THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, PRESENTED PRIZES TO WINNERS AT LIDO BEACH.

THE CHAMPION IN THE MEN'S GROUP WAS MR HUI KWOK-CHI WHILE MISS CHENG OI-YAN WON THE FIRST PRIZE IN THE WOMEN'S SECTION.

OTHER EVENTS OF THE FESTIVAL IN THE COMING WEEK INCLUDE THE TSUEN WAN KART PRIX TO BE HELD AT THE SHA TSUI ROAD SPORTS GROUND TOMORROW (SUNDAY), AND BASKETBALL, BADMINTON, TABLE TENNIS, TENNIS AND AEROBIC DANCE COMPETITIONS.

COPIES OF THE FESTIVAL PROGRAMME ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SERVICES CENTRES OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE MONTH-LONG SPORTS FESTIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT BOARD, DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE FEDERATION OF THE TSUEN WAN DISTRICT SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATIONS.

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100 CHILDREN HONOURED

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ONE HUNDRED CENTRAL AND WESTERN PRIMARY PUPILS WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATES OF MERIT AT THE DISTRICT'S GOOD CHILDREN AWARD SCHEME PRESENTATION CEREMONY HELD AT ST PAUL'S COLLEGE THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING.

THE PUPILS HAD BEEN NOMINATED BY THEIR SCHOOLS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES IN ACADEMIC WORK, CONDUCT AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DURING THE PAST YEAR.

SPEAKING AT THE PRESENTATION, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE, MR WU CHOR-NAM, TOLD THE RECIPIENTS TO KEEP UP THEIR GOOD EFFORTS.

"I HOPE YOU WILL SET A VERY GOOD EXAMPLE FOR OTHER YOUNGSTERS," MR WU SAID.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER, AND A DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, MR PETER LEE, PRESENTED CERTIFICATES TO THE OUTSTANDING PUPILS, WHO WERE ALSO TREATED TO A ONE-DAY TOUR OF THE OCEAN PARK AFTER THE CEREMONY.

AS ONE OF THE 41 ACTIVITIES OF THE THIRD DISTRICT FESTIVAL NOW IN FULL SWING, THE AWARD SCHEME HAS BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT FIGHT CRIME COMMITTEE AND THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SCHOOL HEADS, WITH SUPPORT BY MORE THAN 20 PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT.

/MEANWHILE, EVENTS .....

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MEANWHILE, EVENTS FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF THE FESTIVAL ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DATE/TIME -----	EVENT -----	VENUE -----
NOVEMBER 5 (SUNDAY) 8 PM	CHIU CHOW OPERA SHOW	CITY HALL CONCERT HALL
NOVEMBER 5 (SUNDAY) 2.30 PM	SAI YING PUN CARNIVAL	KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PARK
NOVEMBER 5 (SUNDAY) 11 AM - 5 PM	VEGETARIAN MEAL FOR THE ELDERLY	WAH PO MANSION, NEW KENNEDY TOWN PRAYA
NOVEMBER 5 - 19	DISTRICT FESTIVAL EXHIBITION	SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE EXHIBITION HALL
NOVEMBER 6 (MONDAY) 8 PM	YOUTH ARTS PARADE SINGING NITE	SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE THEATRE
NOVEMBER 8 (WEDNESDAY) 8 PM	YOUTH ARTS PARADE DANCING NITE	SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE THEATRE
NOVEMBER 8 AND 15	QUIZ CONTEST	CARITAS YOUTH CENTRE, CAINE ROAD
NOVEMBER 10 (FRIDAY) 2 PM	ARTS SHOW BY THE ELDERLY	SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE THEATRE

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#### EXHIBITION ON CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT

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A LARGE SCALE EXHIBITION ORGANISED UNDER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT FESTIVAL WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENED AT THE SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE EXHIBITION HALL TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

AMONG THE OFFICIATING GUESTS WILL BE THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR LI YUET-TING; CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR LIU LIT-FOR; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR AMBROSE LAU; DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN FISHER; AND URBAN COUNCILLOR MR CHOW WAI-KEUNG.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN DAILY FROM 11 AM TO 8.30 PM, UNTIL NOVEMBER 19.

IT WILL FEATURE DISPLAYS ON THE DISTRICT'S HISTORY, POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL FACILITIES, TRADES, STREETS AND UNIQUE BUILDINGS.

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THE EXHIBITS ARE PRODUCED BY 10 LOCAL SCHOOLS IN A DISTRICT-WIDE COMPETITION.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO VISIT THE EXHIBITION. VISITORS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO WIN ATTRACTIVE SOUVENIRS ON CORRECTLY ANSWERING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE DISTRICT.

AS ONE OF THE 40-ODD ACTIVITIES OF THE CURRENT DISTRICT FESTIVAL, THE INDOOR FUNCTION IS INTENDED TO ENHANCE KNOWLEDGE ON THE DISTRICT AMONG RESIDENTS.

IT HAS BEEN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE, THE DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT OFFICE, THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF SCHOOL HEADS AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT EXHIBITION OPENING CEREMONY WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE EXHIBITION HALL, SHEUNG WAN CIVIC CENTRE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL IN KWUN TONG  
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A ROAD SAFETY CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD IN KWUN TONG TOMORROW (SUNDAY) TO MARK THE CLOSING OF THE DISTRICT'S ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE 1989 KWUN TONG DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN ORGANISING COMMITTEE AND THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE FORCE, THE CARNIVAL WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM AT THE HONG NING ROAD PLAYGROUND.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR CHRIS WAN; KWUN TONG DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR A.W. HIGGINBOTTOM; SAU MAU PING DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR A.J. FERRIGE; SENIOR STAFF OFFICER OF TRAFFIC POLICE (KOWLOON), MR I.P. PEGGS; KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR LAM HANG-FAI; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR SETO CHAK.

A VARIETY SHOW AND ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTING THE IMPORTANCE OF OBSERVING ROAD SAFETY REGULATIONS WILL FOLLOW.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE 1989 KWUN TONG DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN CARNIVAL TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT THE HONG NING ROAD PLAYGROUND, BEGINNING AT 2 PM.

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ANCIENT POTS ON SHOW IN TUEN MUN

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HONG KONG'S FIRST ANCIENT POTS EXHIBITION WILL BE HELD IN THE EXHIBITION GALLERY OF TUEN MUN TOWN HALL, STARTING FROM TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES, MR ADOLF HSU, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE EXHIBITION WHICH IS ORGANISED AS PART OF THIS YEAR'S TUEN MUN FESTIVAL.

SELECTED FROM THE TAOIST CHING CHUNG MONASTERY'S COLLECTION OF ANCIENT POTS, THE 300 EXHIBITS REPRESENT A VARIETY OF STYLES AS WELL AS EXQUISITE CRAFTSMANSHIP. SOME OF THEM CAN BE DATED BACK TO THE SUNG DYNASTY.

THE EXHIBITION WILL BE OPEN DAILY FROM 9 AM TO 8 PM, UNTIL NOVEMBER 12.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE ANCIENT POTS EXHIBITION TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT 2.30 PM IN THE EXHIBITION GALLERY OF TUEN MUN TOWN HALL.

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FOOTBALLERS TO 'KICK OFF' SPORTS FESTIVAL IN KWAI TSING

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A SOCCER TOURNAMENT BETWEEN WOMEN TEAMS FROM CHINA, TAIWAN AND HONG KONG WILL KICK OFF THE THIRD KWAI TSING SPORTS FESTIVAL WHICH RUNS FROM NOVEMBER 11 TO DECEMBER 8 THIS YEAR.

THE FESTIVAL, ORGANISED BY THE KWAI TSING DISTRICT BOARD, THE DISTRICT SPORTS ASSOCIATION, THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE, IS AIMED AT PROMOTING RESIDENTS' INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION IN SPORTS ACTIVITIES.

THE BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL IS \$650,000, OF WHICH \$220,000 HAS BEEN ALLOCATED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, \$320,000 BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AND THE REMAINDER FROM LOCAL DONATIONS.

THE KWAI TSING SPORTS FESTIVAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE WILL ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF THE OPENING CEREMONY AND THE PROGRAMME AT A PRESS CONFERENCE ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6).

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CHAIRING THE PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MR TSUI HON-SHEUNG, KWAI TSING DISTRICT OFFICER MR PAUL TANG, AND DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN MR LEE WING-TAT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE KWAI TSING SPORTS FESTIVAL PRESS CONFERENCE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 4 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6) IN THE KWAI HING HSIN KUANG RESTAURANT (ADJACENT TO KWAI HING MTR STATION), KWAI CHUNG.

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DISTRICT LANDMARK FOR YAU TSIM

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THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE OF THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE PUTTING UP OF A DISTRICT LANDMARK AT THE JUNCTION OF FERRY STREET WITH KANSU STREET AT ITS MEETING ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6).

FLOWERS AND TURF WILL BE PLANTED AROUND THE CONCRETE LANDMARK TO BEAUTIFY THE ENVIRONMENT AND TO PROMOTE DISTRICT IDENTITY.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE ALLOCATING \$68,350 TO BEAUTIFY THE AREA UNDER THE GASCOIGNE ROAD FLYOVER AND THE REMOVAL OF 51 PLANTERS FROM THE PAVEMENT BETWEEN FERRY STREET AND TAK CHEONG STREET.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD'S ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR, 490 NATHAN ROAD.

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PEDESTRIAN ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMME ON HK ISLAND

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MOST OF THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS CAUSING INJURY TO PEDESTRIANS WERE DUE TO PEDESTRIAN NEGLIGENCE, THE POLICE REGIONAL COMMANDER, HONG KONG ISLAND, MR JOHN CLEMENCE, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE PEDESTRIAN ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMME.

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE ROAD SAFETY ASSOCIATION AND THE TRAFFIC HONG KONG ISLAND OF THE POLICE, THE EXERCISE IS AIMED AT EDUCATING PEDESTRIANS ON PROPER ROAD CROSSING BEHAVIOUR.

MR CLEMENCE SAID THAT BETWEEN 1982 AND 1987, THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS CAUSING DEATH AND INJURY ON THE ROADS OF HONG KONG STEADILY DECLINED. BUT THERE WAS A REVERSAL OF THAT TREND IN 1988.

"1989 HAS TO DATE SHOWN A MARGINAL IMPROVEMENT IN THE ACCIDENT RATE FOR THE ISLAND WITH FIGURES SHOWING A 4.7 PER CENT DECLINE," HE SAID.

BUT HE NOTED THAT 69 PER CENT OF ACCIDENTS INVOLVING INJURY TO PEDESTRIANS WERE DUE TO THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE INJURED PERSONS.

HE SAID THAT THESE FIGURES UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE AND REQUIREMENT TO CONTINUE THE PEDESTRIAN ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMME.

AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY, SOME 100 SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY PATROL MEMBERS WERE SENT TO SEVEN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT BLACKSPOTS ON HONG KONG ISLAND, WHERE THEY DISTRIBUTED ROAD SAFETY LEAFLETS TO PEDESTRIANS WHO WERE FOUND TO VIOLATE THE ROAD CROSSING CODE.

THE LOCATIONS OF THE BLACKSPOTS ARE: KING'S ROAD/SHU KUK STREET; JAVA ROAD/TONG SHUI ROAD; HENNESSY ROAD/FLEMING ROAD; HENNESSY ROAD/TONNOCHY ROAD; DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL/PEDDER STREET; DES VOEUX ROAD WEST/SUTHERLAND STREET; AND DES VOEUX ROAD WEST/EASTERN STREET.

THE EXERCISE WILL BE REPEATED TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

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BREEDING STOCK PURCHASED FOR POLICE DOG UNIT

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PREPARING TO UPGRADE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POLICE DOG UNIT IN READINESS FOR ADDITIONAL DUTIES WHEN THE ARMY RELINQUISHES BORDER PATROLS IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY FOR THE UNIT NOT ONLY TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DOG HANDLERS BUT ALSO ITS WELL-BRED DOGS.

THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE POLICE DOG UNIT, MR CHIFF LAMBURN, WENT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM RECENTLY TO PURCHASE BREEDING STOCK TO IMPROVE AND CONTINUE THE ALREADY HIGH STANDARD OF POLICE DOG SERVICE.

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HE CAME BACK WITH FOUR YOUNG GERMAN SHEPHERD DOGS, TWO MALE AND TWO FEMALE. FOLLOWING VISITS TO 19 BREEDERS AND SUPPLIERS OF DOGS FOR THE POLICE SERVICE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, THE MIDDLE EAST, EUROPE AND AUSTRALIA.

"ALL THE NEW PUPPIES ARE BRED FROM GERMAN WORKING STOCK. THEY ARE SOME OF THE BEST BRED ANIMALS EVER TO ENTER SERVICE WITH THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE," MR LAMBURN SAID.

RANGING IN AGE FROM 14 WEEKS TO SIX MONTHS, THE FOUR DOGS ORIGINATED FROM SUSSEX, DURHAM AND SOUTH WALES. THEY WERE MET ON ARRIVAL AT KAI TAK AND EXAMINED BY SPECIALISTS FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

"THE PUPPIES ARE NOW SETTTLING DOWN IN THEIR NEW ENVIRONMENT, ADAPTING TO THE CHANGE OF TEMPERATURE, THEIR HANDLERS AND COMMUNICATIONS LANGUAGE," MR LAMBURN SAID.

"EACH NEW DOG WILL HAVE ITS OWN HANDLER WHO WILL TRAIN THEM AND OBSERVE HOW THEY WILL DEVELOP INTO PROFESSIONAL POLICE DOGS.

"THEY WILL BE SET TO WORK IN POLICE STATIONS FOR A WHILE UNTIL THEY REACH 12 TO 14 MONTHS OF AGE. THEN THEY WILL RETURN TO THE DOG UNIT AT PING SHAN FOR BREEDING.

"DURING SIX YEARS WE EXPECT THAT THEY WILL PRODUCE UP TO 50 OFFSPRING, WHICH WILL ENABLE US TO ADD TO OUR STRENGTH OF DOGS AND ALSO REPLACE THOSE LOST DUE TO NATURAL WASTAGE."

THE DOG PURCHASES WAS THE SECOND UNDERTAKEN BY MR LAMBURN SINCE HE JOINED THE DOG UNIT IN 1981 WHEN HE BROUGHT WITH HIM TO HONG KONG TWO FEMALE DOGS.

"THERE WERE 81 DOGS THEN AND NOW WE HAVE 90. WE LOSE ABOUT SEVEN DOGS A YEAR THROUGH OLD AGE OR INJURY.

"IN THE YEAR UP TO THE END OF SEPTEMBER A TOTAL OF 285 ARRESTS FOR VARIOUS OFFENCES WERE MADE WITH THE HELP OF POLICE DOGS.

"THEY ARE BUSIEST DURING THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PERIODS BECAUSE OF ROBBERIES IN THE FESTIVE SEASONS.

"TWO BASIC COURSES ARE RUN EACH YEAR AND THERE ARE OTHERS TOO, SUCH AS REFRESHER AND RELOCATION COURSES HELD TO IMPROVE THE DOGS' TRACKING AND DETECTIVE SKILLS."

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BACKDROP OF TUNG CHUNG FORT FOR BEATING RETREAT SHOWS

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THE 16 DECADES OLD TUNG CHUNG FORT, A FORMER MARITIME BASE AND POLICE STATION, WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE PARADE GROUND OF THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL TO HIGHLIGHT THE MILITARY ORIGIN OF THE BEATING RETREAT CEREMONY.

THE ANNUAL EVENT, WHICH IS EVOLVED FROM THE MILITARY PRACTICE OF BEATING DRUMS TO CALL BACK TROOPS FROM BATTLES TO FORTS, IS ONE OF THE MOST COLOURFUL AND STIRRING MUSICAL FUNCTIONS IN THE POLICE CALENDAR.

THE TWO PUBLIC SHOWS, FEATURING THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE BANDS AND THE ROYAL MALAYSIA POLICE BAND IN FRONT OF A BACKDROP SHOWING THE MONUMENTAL TUNG CHUNG FORT, ON NOVEMBER 18 (SATURDAY) AND 19 (SUNDAY), BOTH SHOWS WILL BEGIN AT 7 PM. WILL BE A REMINISCENCE OF THE PAST MILITARY SPECTACLE.

BUILT IN 1832, TUNG CHUNG FORT WAS CHOSEN AS THE MARITIME HEADQUARTERS OF THE RIGHT BATTALION OF MIRS BAY IN THE QING DYNASTY BECAUSE OF ITS STRATEGIC LOCATION ON THE NORTHERN COAST OF LANTAU ISLAND WHERE IT COULD EFFECTIVELY CONTROL THE SEA PASSAGE DIVIDING LANTAU FROM THE MAINLAND.

ITS LINK WITH THE POLICE FORCE DATES BACK TO 1898 WHEN THE FORT WAS ADAPTED AS A POLICE STATION FOLLOWING THE EVACUATION OF THE QING AUTHORITIES AFTER THE NEW TERRITORIES WERE LEASED TO BRITAIN.

THE SIX CANNONS ON THE RAMPARTS FACING NORTH WERE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN MOVED TO THE FORT DURING THAT TIME.

IN 1979, THE FORT WAS DECLARED AS A MONUMENT BY THE ANTIQUITIES AUTHORITY IN REMEMBRANCE OF ITS PAST MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE. IT NOW HOUSES THE RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE AND THE PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OF TUNG CHUNG.

AMONG THE SPECTATORS ATTENDING THE BEATING RETREAT THIS YEAR WILL BE 84-YEAR-OLD MADAME TAI SIU-NGOI, WHO IS A HISTORICAL WITNESS TO THE CHANGES OF TUNG CHUNG FORT. SHE WILL BE INVITED AS A POLICE GUEST OF HONOUR TO THE EVENT.

MADAME TAI, BORN AND BROUGHT UP IN TUNG CHUNG, NOW HAS 20 GRAND AND GREAT-GRAND CHILDREN.

RECALLING HER PAST OLD DAYS, MADAME TAI SAID: "I STILL REMEMBER THOSE DAYS WHEN I USED TO SAY HELLO TO THOSE 'SAI YEN' (WESTERNERS) IN FRONT OF THE RAMPARTS EVERY MORNING."

"ALTHOUGH THEY LOOKED VERY BIG AND FOREIGN, THEY WERE ALL VERY NICE AND ALWAYS SAID 'JOE SON' (GOOD MORNING) TO ME."

"A FEW YEARS AFTER I GOT MARRIED, THOSE 'SAI YEN' LEFT THE FORT AND IT WAS TURNED INTO A SCHOOL," SHE SAID.

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"I AM, LOOKING FORWARD TO THE BEATING RETREAT. I THINK IT WILL BRING ME BACK TO MY YOUNGER DAYS WHEN I USED TO PLAY AROUND THE FORT," MADAME TAI SAID.

WHILE THE BEATING RETREAT CEREMONY COULD BE TRACED BACK TO THE 16TH CENTURY WHEN DRUMMERS WERE USED TO ORDER TROOPS TO WITHDRAW FROM THE BATTLES AND RETURN TO DEFENDED LINES, THE INNOVATIVE USE OF TUNG CHUNG FORT AS THE BACKDROP WILL CREATE AN IMPRESSIVE VISUAL IMPACT, AND AN ATMOSPHERE BEFITTING THE SOLEMN BUT GRAND MILITARY EVENT FOR VIEWERS, ESPECIALLY MADAME TAI, AN OLD FRIEND OF THE FORCE AND THE FORT.

OTHER THAN MUSICAL DISPLAYS AND PRECISION DRILLS, THE PROGRAMME WILL ALSO INCLUDE TRADITIONAL FAN DANCE PERFORMED BY THE POLICE WOMEN'S CHINESE DANCE CLUB.

TICKETS FOR THE TWO PUBLIC NIGHTS, PRICED AT \$30, \$80, \$120 AND \$250, ARE NOW ON SALE AT THE POLICE WELFARE BRANCH (5-8041111) IN WAN CHAI, POLICE SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB (3-7780258) IN SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET, NEW TERRITORIES REGIONAL WELFARE OFFICE (0-4872270) IN KWAI CHUNG AND ALL DISTRICT POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICES.

PROCEEDS OF THE SHOWS WILL GO TO THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR REHABILITATION.

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'SING AND CLEAN' SONG CONTEST FOR FILIPINOS

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A "SING AND CLEAN" SONG CONTEST FOR FILIPINOS ORGANISED BY THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE FOR FILIPINOS WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT CHATER GARDEN IN CENTRAL.

THE CONTEST REPRESENTS THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CENTRE AND THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY TO THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN. IT IS ALSO THE FOLLOW-UP TO A SERIES OF CLEAN-UP OPERATIONS HELD ON SUNDAYS SINCE OCTOBER LAST YEAR.

THE CONTEST WILL START WITH THE JUNIOR SECTION, TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE SENIOR SECTION. EACH SECTION HAS SIX CONTESTANTS.

A SOUVENIR PRESENTATION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD DURING A BREAK AFTER THE JUNIOR SECTION COMPETITION.

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PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINE CONSULATE GENERAL, MR VINCENTE REYES, AND THE LABOUR ATTACHE, MR ARTURO R. DE LIRA; CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT URBAN COUNCIL/ REGIONAL COUNCIL KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN STEERING COMMITTEE, DR PANG HOK-TUEN, AND VICE-CHAIRMAN, MR TONG KAM-BIU; ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (HONG KONG) OF THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT, MR CHAN CHI-SUM, THE DEPARTMENT'S DISTRICT HYGIENE SUPERINTENDENT (CENTRAL), MR PAU MAN-CHI; AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ORGANISER, SISTER M. ROSALINA WEE.

PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED AFTER THE CONTEST. THERE WILL BE ALSO BE A CLEAN-UP OPERATION WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF 24 FILIPINO GROUPS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE "SING AND CLEAN" SONG CONTEST FOR FILIPINOS TO BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AT CHATER GARDEN, CENTRAL. INFORMATION OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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CALL TO OBSERVE CHILD EMPLOYMENT REGULATIONS

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EMPLOYERS ARE URGED TO COMPLY STRICTLY WITH REGULATIONS ON THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN, OTHERWISE THEY MAY FACE PROSECUTION.

THE REMINDER FOLLOWS A RECENT COURT CASE IN WHICH THE PROPRIETOR OF A COMMERCIAL SCHOOL WAS FINED \$7,000 FOR EMPLOYING SEVEN CHILDREN TO DISTRIBUTE ADVERTISEMENT LEAFLETS.

OF THEM, SIX WERE AGED UNDER 13 AND ONE AGED 13, AND THE LATTER WAS EMPLOYED WITHOUT A VALID SCHOOL ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE AND WRITTEN CONSENT BY A PARENT.

A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID UNDER THE EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN REGULATIONS, NO PERSON SHOULD EMPLOY A CHILD UNDER 15 YEARS OF AGE, EXCEPT THOSE AGED 13 AND ABOVE WHO MIGHT BE EMPLOYED ON A PART-TIME BASIS IN A NON-INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS.

"THE CHILD CAN ONLY BE EMPLOYED PROVIDED THAT, AMONG OTHERS, HIS PARENT HAS AGREED IN WRITING AND PRODUCED THE CHILD'S VALID SCHOOL ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE OR EVIDENCE OF THE CHILD HAVING COMPLETED FORM 3 EDUCATION," HE ADDED.

ANYONE WHO BREACHES THESE PROVISIONS WILL BE LIABLE TO A MAXIMUM FINE OF \$20,000.

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IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

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SERVING KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS WHO ARE PROFESSIONALLY UNTRAINED ARE INVITED TO ATTEND EITHER A 12-WEEK PART-TIME DAY RELEASE OR EVENING IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE IN MARCH NEXT YEAR TO BECOME A QUALIFIED ASSISTANT KINDERGARTEN TEACHER.

THE 12-WEEK PART-TIME DAY RELEASE IN-SERVICE COURSE OF TRAINING FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS (CHINESE) WILL BE OFFERED BY THE KINDERGARTEN SECTION OF THE ADVISORY INSPECTORATE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AT ITS TEACHING CENTRE.

THE 12-WEEK PART-TIME EVENING IN-SERVICE COURSE OF TRAINING FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS (CHINESE) WILL BE RUN BY THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION.

IN ADDITION TO ATTENDING THE COURSE, A SIX-MONTH POST-COURSE SUPERVISED TEACHING WILL BE REQUIRED OF ALL TRAINEES. TRAINEES WILL BE AWARDED THE STATUS OF "QUALIFIED ASSISTANT KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS" UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF BOTH THE COURSE AND THE SUPERVISED TEACHING.

THE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION FOR THE COURSES WILL BE CHINESE. NO TUITION FEES WILL BE CHARGED.

THE COURSE CONTENT WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION BOTH THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF KINDERGARTEN EDUCATION, AS WELL AS A BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF FACTORS INFLUENCING THEIR LEARNING AND BEHAVIOUR WHICH ARE OF SIGNIFICANCE TO CLASSROOM PRACTICE.

EMPHASIS WILL BE PLACED ON THE CONTENTS OF THE KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION, INCLUDING THE GENERAL ORGANISATION OF TIME-TABLES AND ACTIVITIES. THE ROLE OF KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WILL ALSO BE REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, LEE GARDENS, THIRD FLOOR, HYSAN AVENUE, CAUSEWAY BAY; ITS KOWLOON SUB-OFFICE AT KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, SIXTH FLOOR, 405 NATHAN ROAD, YAU MA TEI; AND THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ANNEXE, NINTH FLOOR, ARGYLE CENTRE, PHASE I, 688 NATHAN ROAD, MONG KOK (ENTRANCE AT SAI YEUNG CHOI STREET).

COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ANNEXE BEFORE NOVEMBER 25.

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MORE OPEN SPACE FACILITIES FOR TUEN MUN

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THE TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT IS INVITING TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PLAYGROUND AND A REST GARDEN AT SEPARATE LOCATIONS IN AREA 39, TUEN MUN UNDER A LOCAL OPEN SPACE PROJECT.

THE PLAYGROUND WILL BE CONSTRUCTED NEAR KAM FAI GARDEN, OCCUPYING AN AREA OF ABOUT 0.5 HECTARE.

THE FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED WILL INCLUDE TWO BASKETBALL COURTS, A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, A TOILET BLOCK, SITTING-OUT AREAS, PLANTING AREAS AND A FOOTPATH LEADING TO THE MACLEHOSE TRAIL.

THE REST GARDEN, TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON A 0.2-HECTARE SITE ADJACENT TO THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER STATION AT CASTLE PEAK ROAD, WILL FEATURE A PAVILION, A PERGOLA AND PLANTING AREAS.

TENDER FORMS AND FURTHER PARTICULARS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CONSULTANT COMPANY ON THE FOURTH FLOOR, HYDE CENTRE, 221 GLOUCESTER ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING TENDERS IS NOON ON NOVEMBER 24.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN NEW TERRITORIES

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS. THE THREE LANES OF THE TSUEN WAN BOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF TUEN MUN ROAD NEAR ITS JUNCTION WITH TSUEN WAN ROAD WILL BE PARTIALLY CLOSED IN TURN FROM 8 PM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6) TO 8 PM ON NOVEMBER 14.

CLOSURE OF TWO LANES WILL ONLY BE IMPLEMENTED AT NIGHT (8 PM TO 7 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY). ONE LANE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE REST OF THE CLOSURE PERIOD.

TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF TATE'S CAIRN TUNNEL AND ITS APPROACHES IN SHA TIN. THE WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY SECTION OF SIU LEK YUEN ROAD BETWEEN KWONG SIN STREET AND SHA TIN WAI ROAD WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 10 PM AND 6 AM NEXT MORNING FROM MONDAY TO NOVEMBER 15.

DURING THE CLOSURE. MOTORISTS ON WESTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF SIU LEK YUEN ROAD HEADING FOR CITY ONE SHA TIN WILL BE DIVERTED TO USE KWONG SIN STREET. AN UNNAMED ROAD AND SHA TIN WAI ROAD BEFORE REJOINING SIU LEK YUEN ROAD.

IN ADDITION. BECAUSE OF ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK. THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF TAI PO ROAD AND TOLO HIGHWAY IN SHA TIN WILL BE PARTIALLY CLOSED FROM MONDAY:

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- \* THE OUTER-MOST LANE OF TOLO HIGHWAY AND TAI PO ROAD SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE AND FO TAN NULLAH WILL BE CLOSED FROM 8 AM ON MONDAY TO 8 PM ON WEDNESDAY (NOVEMBER 8).
- \* THE OUTER-MOST LANE OF TAI PO ROAD AND TOLO HIGHWAY NORTHBOUND BETWEEN HO TUNG LAU AND MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 8 AM ON NOVEMBER 9 TO 8 PM ON NOVEMBER 11.
- \* THE OUTER-MOST LANE OF TOLO HIGHWAY SOUTHBOUND BETWEEN MA LIU SHUI AND MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 6 AM ON NOVEMBER 13 TO 8 PM THE FOLLOWING DAY.
- \* THE OUTER-MOST LANE OF TOLO HIGHWAY NORTHBOUND BETWEEN MA LIU SHUI INTERCHANGE AND MA LIU SHUI WILL BE CLOSED 6 AM ON NOVEMBER 15 TO 8 PM THE FOLLOWING DAY.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CAPE COLLINSON RD SECTION

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT CAPE COLLINSON ROAD NEAR CAPE COLLINSON BUDDHIST CEMETERY IN CHAI WAN WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6).

THE CLOSURE WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR ABOUT FOUR DAYS FOR ROAD RESURFACING WORKS.

CAPE COLLINSON ROAD BETWEEN LIN SHING ROAD AND THE BUDDHIST CEMETERY WILL BECOME A TWO-WAY CUL-DE-SAC, WITH ACCESS FROM LIN SHING ROAD.

VEHICLES HEADING FOR CAPE COLLINSON CREMATORIUM WILL HAVE TO GAIN ACCESS FROM SHEK O ROAD.

AT THE SAME TIME, GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE 16M WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CHAI WAI ROAD AND TAI TAM ROAD.

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TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF HIP WO LANE

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6), HIP WO LANE IN HAPPY VALLEY BETWEEN CHEONG MING STREET AND SHING PING STREET WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC.

THE CLOSURE WILL LAST FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS TO FACILITATE LAYING OF GAS MAINS.

AT THE SAME TIME, CHEONG MING STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO ONE-WAY WESTBOUND WHILE HIP WO LANE BETWEEN LUN HING STREET AND SHING PING STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED TO ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND.

SOUTHBOUND VEHICLES ON HIP WO LANE WILL BE DIVERTED VIA CHEONG MING STREET AND SING WOO ROAD. THOSE HEADING FOR HIP WO LANE BETWEEN LUN HING STREET AND SHING PING STREET WILL HAVE TO GAIN ACCESS FROM LUN HING STREET.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN TO KWA WAN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT TO FACILITATE SEWER CONSTRUCTION WORKS IN TO KWA WAN, FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6) THE SECTION OF TO KWA WAN ROAD NORTHBOUND FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH LOK SHAN ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 100 METRES NORTH OF THE SAME JUNCTION WILL BE REDUCED TO TWO-LANE TRAFFIC.

THE BUS LANE ON THE SECTION OF TO KWA WAN ROAD NORTHBOUND BETWEEN CHI KIANG STREET AND SHEUNG HEUNG ROAD WILL BE CANCELLED.

THE MEASURES WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KOWLOON TONG

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6). THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED AT THE JUNCTION OF TAT CHEE AVENUE EXTENSION AND CORNWALL STREET IN CONNECTION WITH THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNALS THERE:

THE BUS ONLY LANE DESIGNATED ON THE OFFSIDE LANE OF NORTHBOUND TAT CHEE AVENUE NEAR THE JUNCTION WITH CORNWALL STREET WILL BE CANCELLED:

THE RIGHT TURN FROM TAT CHEE AVENUE NORTHBOUND INTO CORNWALL STREET EASTBOUND. AND THE RIGHT TURN FROM CORNWALL STREET EASTBOUND INTO TAT CHEE AVENUE SOUTHBOUND WILL BE OPENED.

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SPEED LIMIT ON ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 6), THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 250 METRES EAST OF THE HEALTHY STREET WEST INTERCHANGE SLIP ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 100 METRES EAST OF THE SAI WAN HO INTERCHANGE SLIP ROAD WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 70 KILOMETRES PER HOUR.

THE SPEED LIMIT ON THIS ROAD SECTION WAS REDUCED TO 50 KILOMETRES PER HOUR IN OCTOBER 1986 FOR WORKS ON THE EASTERN HARBOUR CROSSING.

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