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HK TRANSPORT DELEGATION HAS USEFUL DISCUSSIONS IN GUANGZHOU  
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A DELEGATION OF SEVEN LED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORT, MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT PAID A VISIT TO GUANGZHOU FROM APRIL 8 TO APRIL 10 AT THE INVITATION OF THE GUANGDONG TRANSPORT AUTHORITIES.

THE DELEGATION HAD VERY USEFUL AND INFORMATIVE DISCUSSIONS.

THE OFFICIALS IN GUANGZHOU DESCRIBED THE TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT CONDITIONS IN GUANGZHOU AND EXPLAINED THEIR DRIVER LICENSING AND VEHICLE REGULATIONS. THE HONG KONG DELEGATION SIMILARLY EXPLAINED THE SITUATION IN HONG KONG.

MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID TODAY (FRIDAY) BOTH SIDES AGREED TO CO-OPERATE IN ALL ASPECTS OF ANTICIPATED INCREASED COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC BETWEEN HONG KONG AND GUANGDONG.

+ON THE GUANGDONG SIDE THE AUTHORITIES EXPLAINED THEIR PLANS TO WIDEN AND UPGRADE THE EXISTING ROUTE BETWEEN GUANGZHOU AND SHENZHEN,+ SAID MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT.

THE PROJECT WOULD INCLUDE BRIDGES TO REPLACE THE TWO PRESENT FERRY CROSSINGS WHICH HOLD UP TRAFFIC.

ON THE HONG KONG SIDE, MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID, THE CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION FACILITIES AT MAN KAM TO WERE BEING EXPANDED AND THE NEW TERRITORIES CIRCULAR ROAD WAS BEING IMPROVED.

HE SAID IT WAS EXPLAINED TO THE GUANGZHOU AUTHORITIES THAT PHYSICAL RESTRAINTS AND THE PRESENT LIMITATION ON THE HOURS OF USE WERE FACTORS LIMITING THE POSSIBILITIES OF A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE CAPACITY TO HANDLE TRAFFIC AT THE MAN KAM TO CROSSING.

+THE POSSIBILITY OF AN ADDITIONAL ROAD LINK AT LOK MA CHAU WAS DISCUSSED BRIEFLY, BUT IT WAS AGREED THAT IT WAS TOO EARLY TO DECIDE WHETHER ANOTHER ROAD CROSSING WAS NECESSARY AND WHERE ONE MIGHT BE,+ MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID.

BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE EXISTING LICENSING REGULATIONS.

MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID: +WE AGREED TO CO-OPERATE IN MAINTAINING STANDARDS OF SAFETY TO WHICH BOTH SIDES ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE.+

THE GUANGZHOU AUTHORITIES RAISED THE QUESTION OF SIZE, WEIGHT AND SAFETY OF THE LARGE CONTAINER TRUCKS NOW PLYING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND GUANGZHOU, AND IT WAS AGREED THAT THE REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE GIVEN CLOSE ATTENTION BY THE HONG KONG AUTHORITIES.

WITH REGARD TO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES AND PASSENGER BUSES TRAVELLING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND GUANGZHOU THE HONG KONG DELEGATION EXPLAINED THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM IN DEALING WITH THESE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EXISTING REGULATIONS.

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WITH LIMITED CAPACITY FOR DEALING WITH VEHICLES AND PASSENGERS AT THE BORDER IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO STRIKE THE CORRECT BALANCE BETWEEN GOODS VEHICLES AND BUSES.

THE HONG KONG DELEGATION INVITED THEIR HOSTS IN GUANGZHOU TO PAY A RETURN VISIT TO HONG KONG FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

MR ARMSTRONG-WRIGHT SAID: +PART OF THE HONG KONG DELEGATION RETURNED FROM GUANGZHOU BY ROAD TO OBTAIN FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF THE ROUTE BETWEEN GUANGZHOU AND HONG KONG.+

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HIGHER INTEREST RATE FOR TAX RESERVE CERTIFICATES  
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THE ANNUAL INTEREST RATE PAYABLE ON TAX RESERVE CERTIFICATES HAS BEEN INCREASED FROM 8.4 PER CENT TO 10.5 PER CENT, TAX FREE.

THE NEW RATE WILL APPLY TO ALL CERTIFICATES ISSUED FROM TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE INCREASE WAS AUTHORISED BY THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

INTEREST ON TAX RESERVE CERTIFICATES IS CALCULATED IN MONTHLY STEPS AND THE NEW RATE WILL BE 87.5 CENTS A MONTH PER \$100. INTEREST WILL BE CREDITED AS BEFORE FOR COMPLETED MONTHS BETWEEN PURCHASE AND SURRENDER IN PAYMENT OF TAX.

INTEREST IS ONLY CREDITED WHEN CERTIFICATES ARE USED TO PAY TAX AND NO INTEREST IS DUE WHERE THE PRINCIPAL VALUE OF A CERTIFICATE IS REPAID IN CASH.

CERTIFICATES ISSUED BEFORE TODAY WILL CONTINUE TO EARN INTEREST AT THE FOLLOWING RATES:

<u>ISSUE DATE</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u>
OCTOBER 26, 1979 - APRIL 10, 1980	8.4%
MAY 4, 1979 - OCTOBER 25, 1979	8.04%
FEBRUARY 16, 1979 - MAY 3, 1979	5.76%
NOVEMBER 24, 1978 - FEBRUARY 15, 1979	5.04%
SEPTEMBER 22, 1978 - NOVEMBER 23, 1978	3.24%
FEBRUARY 17, 1977 - SEPTEMBER 21, 1978	3%
SEPTEMBER 19, 1975 - FEBRUARY 16, 1977	4.2%

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HOWEVER INTEREST WILL CEASE TO ACCRUE AFTER 36 COMPLETED MONTHS IF A CERTIFICATE IS NOT SURRENDERED FOR PAYMENT OF TAX.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXAMPLE OF CALCULATION:

\$1 000 CERTIFICATES BOUGHT ON APRIL 14, 1980, MAY 14, 1980 AND JUNE 14, 1980 RESPECTIVELY, SURRENDERED IN PAYMENT OF TAX DUE ON JULY 16, 1980, WILL HAVE INTEREST CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:-

ON \$1 000, APRIL 14, 1980 TO JULY 16, 1980, 3 COMPLETE MONTHS AT \$8.75 PER MONTH	= \$26.25
ON \$1 000, MAY 14, 1980 TO JULY 16, 1980, 2 COMPLETE MONTHS AT \$8.75 PER MONTH	= \$17.50
ON \$1 000, JUNE 14, 1980 TO JULY 16, 1980, 1 COMPLETE MONTH AT \$8.75 PER MONTH	= \$ 8.75
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INTEREST ACCRUED	\$52.50 -----

THE INTEREST ACCRUED IS ROUNDED OFF TO \$53.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TAX RESERVE CERTIFICATES (FOURTH SERIES) RULES.

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#### PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL \* \* \* \* \*

THE PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980, DESIGNED TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT A PLACE OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT MAY BE LOCATED WITHIN A BUILDING USED ALSO FOR OTHER PURPOSES, WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SHORTLY.

THE BILL ALSO AIMS TO ENSURE THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THIS IS DONE CAN BE REGULATED AND APPROPRIATE RESTRICTIONS AND CONDITIONS IMPOSED.

IF PASSED, IT WILL ENABLE REGULATIONS TO BE MADE TO PERMIT SMALL PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT, INCLUDING THOSE COMMONLY KNOWN AS +MINI-CINEMAS+, IN BUILDINGS OF TWO OR MORE STOREYS SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE RESTRICTIONS.

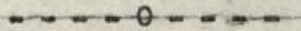
UNDER THE AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, SUCH IMPORTANT SAFETY MEASURES AS FIRE SERVICE INSTALLATIONS AND EQUIPMENT AS WELL AS VENTILATION IN AN ENCLOSURE FOR PROJECTING APPARATUS WILL HAVE TO BE PROVIDED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR OF FIRE SERVICES AND THE BUILDING AUTHORITY RESPECTIVELY.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID: +THE PRESENT REGULATIONS CAME INTO FORCE IN 1934 AND HAVE UNDERGONE LITTLE AMENDMENT SINCE THEIR ENACTMENT.

+THEY ARE IN MANY RESPECTS OBSOLETE AND DO NOT CATER FOR MODERN DEVELOPMENT TRENDS SUCH AS THE INTRODUCTION OF SMALL 'NEWS THEATRE' TYPE CINEMAS ABOVE GROUND FLOOR LEVEL IN MULTI-STOREY, NON-DOMESTIC OR COMPOSITE BUILDINGS.+

THE SPOKESMAN STRESSED THAT THE NEW TYPE OF CINEMAS WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO INTERFERE WITH DOMESTIC TENANCIES IN MULTI-USER BUILDINGS. IN GENERAL, THEY WOULD FORM PART OF EXISTING COMMERCIAL COMPLEXES. BUT ENTRANCES AND EXITS TO RESIDENTIAL AREAS WOULD BE STRICTLY SEPARATED.

HE ADDED THAT THE BILL WOULD NOT AFFECT THE CONTINUING VIGILANCE OF THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE THAT OBJECTIONABLE FILMS WOULD NOT BE SCREENED.



#### COMPANY STRUCK OFF FROM REGISTER

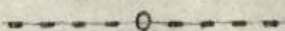
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THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES ON THE ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL HAS STRUCK OFF KWONG LUEN MARTIAL ARTS AND SPORTS GENERAL ASSOCIATION LTD FROM THE REGISTER OF COMPANIES.

CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF THE ASSOCIATION IS MADE ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE UNDER SECTION 4(1) OF THE COMPANIES (PREVENTION OF EVASION OF THE SOCIETIES ORDINANCE) ORDINANCE. NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE TODAY.

UNDER THIS SECTION OF THE ORDINANCE, THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL MAY ORDER THAT A COMPANY SHOULD BE STRUCK OFF FROM THE REGISTER OF COMPANIES IF HE IS SATISFIED THAT, WERE IT REGISTERED UNDER THE SOCIETIES ORDINANCE, IT WOULD BE LIABLE TO HAVE ITS REGISTRATION UNDER THAT ORDINANCE CANCELLED ON ANY OF THE GROUNDS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 10 THEREIN.

NOTICE OF THE CANCELLATION WAS SERVED ON KWONG LUEN MARITAL ARTS AND SPORTS GENERAL ASSOCIATION LTD TODAY.



#### WATER SUPPLY TO YUEN LONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

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A \$7.8 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE LAYING OF A SYSTEM OF PIPELINES IN AND ADJACENT TO THE YUEN LONG INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AT WANG CHAU WAS LET BY THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE CONTRACT FORMS PART OF THE WORK ON SUPPLYING WATER TO THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE AND THE INDUSTRIAL AREA NORTH-EAST OF YUEN LONG.

IT WAS OFFICIALLY SIGNED THIS MORNING BY MR LEE GUN-CHEUNG, CHIEF ENGINEER (CONSTRUCTION) OF THE WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT AND REPRESENTATIVES OF WO HING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED.

THE WORK, COMPRISING THE LAYING OF SOME 14 700 METRES OF ASBESTOS CEMENT PIPES AND MILD STEEL PIPES, RANGING FROM 150 MM TO 900 MM IN DIAMETER, WILL ALSO INCREASE WATER SUPPLY TO YUEN LONG.

IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 19 MONTHS TO COMPLETE.

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YOUNG PEOPLE URGED TO JOIN CRAFT COURSES

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR, MR CHEN SHOU-LUM, TODAY (FRIDAY) URGED SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVERS, PARTICULARLY WHO HAVE COMPLETED FORM THREE, TO CONSIDER SERIOUSLY JOINING CRAFT LEVEL COURSES AT TECHNICAL INSTITUTES DIRECTLY OR THROUGH APPRENTICE TRAINING SCHEMES.

HE SAID THAT A CRAFTSMAN OR TECHNICIAN HAD EVERY RIGHT TO FEEL PROUD IN THE CONTRIBUTION HE WAS MAKING TO THE PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG AS THE TERRITORY'S ECONOMIC WELL-BEING DEPENDED TO A LARGE EXTENT ON ITS INDUSTRIES, WHICH, IN TURN, DEPENDED ON AN EFFICIENT WORK FORCE.

MR CHEN WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL WAS SPEAKING AT THE GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR GOVERNMENT APPRENTICES AT THE MORRISON HILL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

HE SAID, +VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE OF GREAT IMPORTANCE FOR HONG KONG'S ECONOMIC FUTURE.

+IN ORDER TO FULLY EXPLOIT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR DIVERSIFICATION OF HONG KONG'S INDUSTRIES, OUR LABOUR FORCE MUST BE ADEQUATELY TRAINED SO AS TO RAISE ITS LEVEL OF SKILLS AND ABILITY TO ABSORB AND USE TECHNOLOGY.+

MR CHEN POINTED OUT THAT BOTH THE GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRIES WERE NOW ABLE TO PROVIDE GOOD TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING FACILITIES AND GOOD CAREER PROSPECTS TO ATTRACT YOUNG PEOPLE TO INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT.

HE RECALLED THAT SINCE THE START OF THE GOVERNMENT APPRENTICE TRAINING SCHEME SOME 10 YEARS AGO, ABOUT 700 APPRENTICES HAD GRADUATED UNDER THE SCHEME.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE 556 APPRENTICES UNDER TRAINING -- 412 ON CRAFT AND 144 ON TECHNICIAN COURSES.

MR CHEN SAID THE OUTPUT OF TECHNICAL MANPOWER OF SIGNIFICANTLY HIGH STANDARD REFLECTED THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION OF TRAINING PERSONNEL, THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL OFFICE APPRENTICE TRAINING CENTRE IN PARTICULAR.

DURING THE CEREMONY, MR CHEN PRESENTED GRADUATION CERTIFICATES TO 25 CRAFT AND 16 TECHNICIAN APPRENTICES.

HE ALSO PRESENTED THE +LAISHLEY CUP+ TO THE BEST CRAFT APPRENTICE, MR WONG CHUNG-LING, AND THE +BROWN CUP+ TO THE BEST TECHNICIAN APPRENTICE, MR KONG KWONG-SIN.

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ART TEACHERS TO LEARN POTTERY TECHNIQUES

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ART TEACHERS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A WORKSHOP ON BASIC POTTERY TECHNIQUES.

THE WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD IN THE CULTURAL CRAFTS CENTRE OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE SATURDAY MORNINGS, STARTING ON MAY 3, BETWEEN 9.30 AM AND 12 NOON.

ATTENDANCE WILL BE LIMITED TO 20, AND ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS WILL BE ON A FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

THE SESSIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CANTONESE.

APPLICATION FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE INSPECTOR (ART) AT THE CULTURAL CRAFTS CENTRE, 4 PAK FUK ROAD, NORTH POINT.

A CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE WILL BE PRESENTED TO THOSE WHO COMPLETE THE FIVE SESSIONS OF THE WORKSHOP.

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NEW GOVERNMENT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY ON SALE

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A NEW EDITION OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY IS NOW ON SALE.

THE DIRECTORY AT \$12 EACH IS AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE.

COMPILED BY THE GOVERNMENT PRINTER, THE DIRECTORY PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND ALSO GIVES NAMES OF POST-HOLDERS AND THEIR TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

THE LATEST EDITION HAS GROWN TO 298 PAGES REFLECTING THE GROWTH OF ACTIVITIES IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

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STUDENTS TO VIE FOR TOP HONOURS IN MUSIC QUIZ

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SIX STUDENTS WILL TAKE PART IN THE FINALS OF A MUSIC QUIZ ORGANISED BY THE MUSIC OFFICE ON SUNDAY (APRIL 13).

THE COMPETITION IS AIMED AT INSTILLING MORE MUSICAL KNOWLEDGE INTO TRAINEES OF THE MUSIC OFFICE.

AT THE FINALS, THE SIX STUDENTS WILL ANSWER QUESTIONS ON A WIDE RANGE OF MUSICAL SUBJECTS INCLUDING MUSIC THEORY, ORCHESTRAS, TYPES OF MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, MUSIC HISTORY AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUSIC.

SOME MUSICAL GAMES HAVE BEEN ARRANGED AND A FILM WILL BE SHOWN. PERFORMANCES ON PIPA, ER-HU AND CELLO WILL ALSO BE GIVEN.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE FINALS OF THE MUSIC QUIZ WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE MUSIC OFFICE, NINTH FLOOR, HONG KONG ARTS CENTRE AT 3 PM ON SUNDAY (APRIL 13).

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