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CHANGES PROPOSED TO INLAND REVENUE LAW
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THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO AMEND A NUMBER OF PROVISIONS OF THE INLAND REVENUE ORDINANCE, AS SET OUT IN THE INLAND REVENUE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1985, PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY.

THE PROPOSALS ARE:

- * TO AMEND SECTION 23(2), WHICH REFERS TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE ASSESSABLE PROFITS OF LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES, TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF AMENDMENTS MADE TO OTHER STATUTORY PROVISIONS, RELATING TO LIFE INSURANCE BOTH IN HONG KONG AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.
- * TO AMEND SECTION 51(4B) BY INCREASING FROM \$2 000 TO \$5 000 THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR ANY PERSON WHO, WITHOUT REASONABLE EXCUSE, FAILS TO COMPLY WITH A NOTICE TO SUPPLY INFORMATION CALLED FOR BY AN ASSESSOR OR INSPECTOR OR TO ATTEND FOR EXAMINATION BY AN ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE PRESENT MAXIMUM PENALTY WAS FIXED IN 1965 AND INFLATION HAD GREATLY REDUCED ITS DETERRENT EFFECT.

- * TO AMEND SECTION 65(1), TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DEPUTY CHAIRMEN OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW FROM TWO TO SIX AND TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE PANEL OF MEMBERS FROM 75 TO 100.

THE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THIS PROPOSAL RELATES TO APPOINTMENTS TO THE INLAND REVENUE BOARD OF REVIEW WHICH HEARS APPEALS FROM TAXPAYERS DISSATISFIED WITH DETERMINATIONS MADE BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INLAND REVENUE OF OBJECTIONS LODGED AGAINST ASSESSMENTS.

THE NUMBER OF APPEALS TO THE BOARD HAS CONTINUED TO RISE AND CURRENTLY OVER 300 CASES, INVOLVING A TOTAL OF MORE THAN \$500 MILLION IN TAX HELD OVER AWAITED HEARING. THE PROPOSAL IS TO REDUCE THE WAITING TIME FOR THE HEARING OF TAX APPEALS.

- * TO AMEND SECTION 68(9), TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM LEVEL OF COSTS WHICH AN UNSUCCESSFUL APPELLANT MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY TO \$1 000, FROM THE PRESENT \$100.

THIS SECTION NOW PROVIDES THAT WHERE THE BOARD OF REVIEW, HAVING HEARD AN APPEAL, DECIDES NOT TO REDUCE OR ANNUL THE ASSESSMENT, IT MAY ORDER THE UNSUCCESSFUL APPELLANT TO PAY AS COSTS OF THE BOARD A SUM NOT EXCEEDING \$100.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THIS FIGURE WAS FIXED IN 1947 AND WAS NOW FAR TOO LOW TO HAVE A DETERRENT EFFECT ON APPEALS WHICH ARE FRIVOLOUS OR WITHOUT MERIT, PARTICULARLY WHERE THE APPELLANT SEES THE APPEAL PROCESS AS AN EFFECTIVE DEVICE FOR DEFERRING PAYMENT OF TAX.

- * TO AMEND SECTION 69(1) WHICH PROVIDES FOR EITHER THE APPELLANT OR THE COMMISSIONER TO MAKE AN APPLICATION REQUIRING THE BOARD OF REVIEW TO STATE A CASE ON A QUESTION OF LAW FOR THE OPINION OF THE HIGH COURT. THE FEE HAS REMAINED FIXED AT \$50 SINCE THE INLAND REVENUE ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED IN 1947 AND NOW BEARS NO RELATION TO PRESENT DAY VALUES. FOR THIS REASON, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, IT IS PROPOSED TO INCREASE THE FEE TO \$400.

THE BILL WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 6), AND IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE ITS THIRD READING ON MARCH 13.

ANYONE WHO WISHES TO COMMENT ON THE PROVISIONS OF THE BILL MAY WRITE TO UMEICO AT SWIRE HOUSE, 12TH FLOOR, CHATER ROAD, CENTRAL OR TO THE COMMISSIONER OF INLAND REVENUE AT WINDSOR HOUSE, 311 GLOUCESTER ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG.

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NEW AIR SERVICE RULES PUBLISHED

NEW REGULATIONS PROVIDING FOR AIR SERVICE LICENSING ARRANGEMENTS FOR ROUTES BETWEEN LONDON AND HONG KONG TO BE RATIONALISED, ARE GAZETTED TODAY.

THE AIR TRANSPORT (LICENSING OF AIR SERVICES)(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1985 PROVIDE THAT IN FUTURE, BRITISH AIRWAYS AND BRITISH CALEDONIAN, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO BE LICENSED BY THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY IN LONDON, WILL REQUIRE PERMITS ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION IN HONG KONG. ADDITIONALLY, CATHAY PACIFIC AIRWAYS, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO BE LICENSED BY THE HONG KONG AIR TRANSPORT LICENSING AUTHORITY, WILL RECEIVE A PERMIT FROM THE UK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS ARE REFLECTED IN THE CHANGES TO THE REGULATIONS.

THESE WERE AMONG AIR SERVICES MATTERS, REVIEWED THIS WEEK, IN DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN MR J.T. THORPE, THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MR H.M.G. STEVENS OF THE UK DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT. THE DISCUSSIONS FORMED PART OF THE REGULAR CONSULTATIONS ON AVIATION MATTERS BETWEEN THE HONG KONG AND UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENTS.

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POINTS SET OUT TO HELP DISCUSSION
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THE BROADCASTING REVIEW BOARD HAD COMPILED A LIST OF POINTS TO HELP STIMULATE DISCUSSION BY THE BROADCASTING LICENSEES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF HONG KONG'S BROADCASTING SERVICES.

THE LIST OF 37 POINTS COVERS A WIDE RANGE OF LIKELY CHANGES TO RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING.

+ALTHOUGH THE LIST IS QUITE COMPREHENSIVE, IT IS BY NO MEANS MEANT TO BE EXHAUSTIVE. THE IDEA IS TO PROVIDE STARTING POINTS FOR DISCUSSION AND SUGGESTIONS BY PEOPLE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE BROADCASTING BUSINESS,+ THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD, MR ANTHONY COOPER SAID.

THE LIST MENTIONS INNOVATIONS, SUCH AS THE INTRODUCTION OF AM STEREO RADIO SERVICES AND RADIO DATA SERVICES, AND THE USE OF MULTIPLEX IN TELEVISION BROADCASTING.

+THERE ARE ALSO IDEAS, SUCH AS THE SETTING UP OF A BODY CHARGED WITH THE CONTROL OF ALL BROADCASTING TRANSMISSIONS, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ACADEMY OF RADIO AND TELEVISION ARTS FOR GRANTING ANNUAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE.

+OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION INCLUDE SPECIFIC PROVISION FOR LINGUISTIC MINORITIES, GUIDELINES ON THE BROADCASTING OF RELIGIOUS PROGRAMMES, AND THE SETTING UP OF A RADIO AND TELEVISION TRIBUNAL TO DEAL WITH COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS,+ MR COOPER ADDED.

THE RADIO AND TELEVISION LICENSEES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED WITH THE LIST TO HELP THEM IN THEIR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD AT ITS PUBLIC HEARINGS.

PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL RESUME AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 4) WITH HK-TVBS REPRESENTATIVES APPEARING.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY OBTAIN COPIES OF THE LIST OF POINTS FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD AT ROOM 135, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EAST WING, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

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TWO CANDIDATES WITHDRAW FROM ELECTIONS

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TWO CANDIDATES HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7.

THEY ARE MISS YEUNG WING-KAN OF KWUN TONG'S LAM TIN NORTH CONSTITUENCY, AND MR YU FU-HONG FROM EASTERN'S QUARRY BAY SOUTH CONSTITUENCY.

WITH THE WITHDRAWAL OF MR YU, THE TWO OTHER CANDIDATES CONTESTING THE TWO SEATS IN THE QUARRY BAY SOUTH CONSTITUENCY WILL BE UNOPPOSED AND WILL THEREFORE BE DECLARED AUTOMATICALLY ELECTED.

THE FINAL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS IS 501.

MEANWHILE, THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HAS ORGANISED A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY TO INTRODUCE THE CANDIDATES TO THE PUBLIC IN THEIR RESPECTIVE CONSTITUENCIES.

THESE INCLUDE +MEET THE PRESS+ SESSIONS, +CONSTITUENCY NIGHTS+ AND NUMEROUS OPEN FORUMS WHERE CANDIDATES WILL BE ABLE TO PRESENT THEIR POLITICAL PLATFORMS.

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DB MEMBERS GO VISITING

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UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE WILL PAY COURTESY VISITS TO MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS CORPORATIONS IN THE DISTRICT STARTING FROM MONDAY (FEBRUARY 4).

INITIATED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT'S COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE, THE VISITS ON FIVE CONSECUTIVE NIGHTS, ARE AIMED AT STRENGTHENING LINKS BETWEEN THE BOARD, MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND OWNERS CORPORATIONS.

THE VISITS WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS TO UNDERSTANDING BETTER THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF THE FIVE SUB-DISTRICTS, CAUSEWAY BAY, NORTH POINT, SHAU KEI WAN, QUARRY BAY AND CHAI WAN.

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DB CANDIDATES TO MEET PRESS

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CANDIDATES CONTESTING THE 20 ELECTED SEATS IN THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WILL BE INTRODUCED TO THE MEDIA AT A +MEET THE PRESS+ SESSION TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE, THE SESSION WILL ENABLE THE MEDIA TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CANDIDATES AND THEIR PLATFORMS.

BEFORE THE CANDIDATES ARE INTRODUCED, THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN MAK, WILL GIVE A BRIEFING ON THE DB ELECTIONS PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN TO BE LAUNCHED THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.

AND AT 10 AM ON SUNDAY, 35 CANDIDATES FROM EIGHT CONSTITUENCIES IN TUEN MUN WILL MEET THE PRESS AT THE YAN OI TONG COMMUNITY AND INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE.

CANDIDATES WILL BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO PRESENT THEIR PLATFORMS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PRESS.

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FEWER DIE FROM INDUSTRIAL MISHAPS

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IT WAS ENCOURAGING TO NOTE THE BIG DROP IN THE NUMBER OF FATAL INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS LAST YEAR, THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR, MR DARWIN CHEN SAID TODAY (FRIDAY).

LAST YEAR THERE WERE 71 FATAL INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS, AS AGAINST 92 CASES IN 1983, HE SAID.

THIS WAS DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE NUMBER OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS HAD INCREASED FROM 44 139 IN 1983 TO 50 615 LAST YEAR, HE ADDED.

MR CHEN WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH EXHIBITION AT THE SHATIN NEW TOWN PLAZA.

THE INCREASE IN INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS HAD BEEN LARGELY DUE TO INJURIES RECEIVED BY WORKERS WHEN STEPPING ON OR STRIKING AGAINST OBJECTS, MANUAL HANDLING OF GOODS AND IN THE USE OF HAND TOOLS, HE SAID.

+IN FACT, THERE WAS NO SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SERIOUS INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS LAST YEAR,+ MR CHEN ADDED.

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HE FELT THAT THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY OF REDUCING INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS WAS TO PROMOTE INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, AMONG WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS.

THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, HE SAID, HAD DONE A GREAT DEAL IN THIS RESPECT, AND THE EXHIBITION WAS JUST ONE OF THE MANY SAFETY PROMOTION PROJECTS ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

THE EXHIBITION COMPRISED A 15-MINUTE SOUND-ON-SLIDE SHOW, SAFETY FILMS, STATIC DISPLAYS AS WELL AS SIX SPECIALISED AUDIO-VISUAL SERIES ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS ON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY.

ON FEBRUARY 10 (SUNDAY), THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES' MOBILE STREET THEATRE WILL PRESENT A VARIETY SHOW AT THE AMPHI-THEATRE, FROM 2.30 PM TO 4.30 PM.

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ID CARD SERVICE GOES TO ISLANDS

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A VISITING SERVICE FOR THE ISSUE OF NEW IDENTITY CARD TO WOMEN WILL BE PROVIDED IN SAI KUNG, CHEUNG CHAU, LAMMA AND LANTAU ISLANDS FROM FEBRUARY 4 TO 16.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS DURING THE SPECIFIED PERIODS BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM, MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS, WITH A LUNCH BREAK BETWEEN 1 PM AND 2 PM.

FEBRUARY 4 TO 16	SAI KUNG GOVERNMENT OFFICES 2ND FLOOR SAI KUNG
	CHEUNG CHAU FIELD OFFICE KWAN YAM WAN ROAD CHEUNG CHAU
FEBRUARY 4 TO 9	NORTH LAMMA RURAL COMMITTEE OFFICE YUNG SHU WAN MAIN STREET NORTH LAMMA
FEBRUARY 11 TO 16	MUI WO COMMUNITY AFFAIRS BRANCH OFFICES SOUTH LANTAU ROAD MUI WO LANTAU ISLAND

AN IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT WOMEN IN THE 1947 TO 1954 AGE GROUP, WHO ARE REQUIRED TO RENEW THEIR CARDS UNDER THE CURRENT PHASE OF THE NEW ID CARD SCHEME, OR THOSE WHO MISSED THEIR TURNS IN PREVIOUS PHASES, MAY USE THIS SERVICE.

WOMEN WITH CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 1970 AND 1972 WHO ARE STILL HOLDING THE OLD TYPE OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS MAY BRING THEM ALONG FOR CARD REPLACEMENT.

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PUPILS JOIN VEGETABLE GROWING CONTEST

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THE JUDGING OF THIS YEAR'S URBAN PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN VEGETABLE GROWING COMPETITION WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY (FEBRUARY 5) AT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S TEACHING CENTRE IN NORTH POINT.

AN HORTICULTURIST FROM THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT, MR K.Y. HO, WILL HEAD A PANEL OF ADJUDICATORS AT THE JUDGING, TO BE HELD AT 12 NOON. THE PRIZE-GIVING WILL FOLLOW AT 2.30 PM.

EIGHTY-EIGHT URBAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS ARE TAKING PART IN THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION, AND PARTICIPATING STUDENTS HAVE GROWN TOMATO, PEA, CABBAGE AND LEAF-MUSTARD IN POTS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE COMPETITION HAD BEEN ORGANISED TO GIVE STUDENTS A CHANCE TO PRACTISE WHAT THEY HAD LEARNED FROM TEXTBOOKS AND TO AROUSE THEIR AWARENESS OF THE NEED TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

AN EXHIBITION OF SELECTED ENTRIES WILL BE HELD AT THE TEACHING CENTRE AT 4 PAK FUK ROAD, NORTH POINT FROM 2.30 PM ON TUESDAY TO 5 PM ON FEBRUARY 7, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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SPORTS BENEFITS STRESSED

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SPORTS GAVE STUDENTS A SENSE OF ACHIEVEMENT AND CONFIDENCE WHICH OFTEN HELPED IMPROVE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, SAID MR DICKEN YUNG, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER (RECREATION AND SPORT) OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT TODAY.

HE URGED YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE MORE ACTIVE IN SPORTS AND TO MAKE PURPOSEFUL USE OF LEISURE BY ENGAGING IN WHOLESOME ACTIVITIES.

MR YUNG WAS SPEAKING AT THE PRESENTATION OF PRIZES AT AN ATHLETIC MEET FOR THE SOCIETY FOR THE BOYS' CENTRE AT MONG KOK STADIUM THIS AFTERNOON.

MORE THAN 600 BOYS FROM FIVE CENTRES AND SCHOOLS, TOOK PART IN THE ATHLETIC MEET, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, AND THE SOCIETY OF BOYS' CENTRES.

THERE WERE 12 EVENTS, AND ABOUT 40 OF THEM RECEIVED THEIR PRIZES FROM MR YUNG AT THE PRIZE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

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KWUN TONG YOUTH FESTIVAL STARTS SUNDAY

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HUNDREDS OF YOUTHS WILL STAGE A MASS PERFORMANCE AT THE HONG NING ROAD PLAYGROUND ON SUNDAY (FEBRUARY 3) TO START OFF THE KWUN TONG YOUTH FESTIVAL DANCING AND SINGING CARNIVAL.

AFTER THE PERFORMANCE, DANCE INSTRUCTORS WILL LEAD THE YOUTHS IN VARIOUS FOLK DANCES. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A CHORUS OF POPULAR SONGS PERFORMED BY THE PARTICIPANTS AND CONDUCTED BY RTHK DISC JOCKEY RONALD TANG.

THE TWO-HOUR EVENT IS ORGANISED BY THE FESTIVAL'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE AND SPONSORED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD.

BEFORE THE PERFORMANCES, A YOUTH REPRESENTING 300 PARTICIPANTS OF A DAY CAMP ON CIVIC EDUCATION, WILL PRESENT THEIR VIEWS ON THE POLITICAL SYSTEM IN HONG KONG.

THE DAY CAMP, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE SAME DAY, IS ANOTHER ACTIVITY OF THE TWO-WEEK YOUTH FESTIVAL.

SUNDAY'S CARNIVAL WILL BE HOSTED BY RTHK DISC JOCKEY ERIC NG, AND WILL START AT 2.30 PM.

OFFICIATING AT THE CARNIVAL WILL BE THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICER, MR KEVIN MAK= THE POLICE DEPUTY DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR S.C. WU= THE DISTRICT SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR CHENG KWAN-KUEN= THE SENIOR RECREATION AND SPORTS OFFICER, MR LIU WING-KWONG= AND THE ICAC REPRESENTATIVE OF FOO YUE OFFICE, MADAM ROSALINE CHEUNG.

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FACELIFT FOR ABERDEEN POLICE STATION

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ALTERATION AND IMPROVEMENT WORKS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON ABERDEEN POLICE STATION, WHICH HAS BEEN IN USE SINCE 1969.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE POLICE STATION, LOCATED ON WONG CHUK HANG ROAD NEXT TO THE AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE, ARE NEEDED DUE TO THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT AND THE POPULATION INCREASE IN ABERDEEN.

TENDERS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION AND TO IMPROVE THE BUILDING ITSELF ARE BEING INVITED BY THE ARCHITECTURAL OFFICE OF THE BUILDING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

WORK WILL INVOLVE THE CONVERSION OF EXISTING ACCOMMODATION INTO OFFICES, PROVIDING A MESS AND BARRACK ACCOMMODATION, PLASTERING AND REPAINTING THE BUILDING AND IMPROVING FACILITIES IN THE CANTEEN AND TOILETS.

A DANGEROUS GOODS STORE, TWO DOG KENNELS AND A FITNESS ROOM WILL ALSO BE PROVIDED.

WORK ON THE PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO START IN APRIL AND BE COMPLETED IN SIX MONTHS.

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CSD DRIVERS GET ACCIDENT-FREE CERTIFICATES

SOME 147 DRIVERS OF THE CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT WHO HAVE ACCIDENT-FREE RECORDS OF THREE TO FIVE YEARS WERE AWARDED ACCIDENT-FREE CERTIFICATES TODAY (FRIDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY AT THE KO SHAN THEATRE, THE DIRECTOR OF CITY SERVICES, MR JOHN HEYWOOD, REMINDED THE AWARD RECIPIENTS THAT +PREPARATION FOR SAFETY REALLY BEGINS EVEN BEFORE THE VEHICLE LEAVES THE DEPOT.+

+THIS PREPARATION TAKES THE FORM OF CAREFULLY EXAMINING THE VEHICLE EVERY DAY TO ENSURE THAT ITS MAIN PARTS ARE FUNCTIONING CORRECTLY AND THAT ITS CONDITION DOES NOT PRESENT A HAZARD TO THE DRIVER, TO OTHER ROAD USERS AND TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC,+ MR HEYWOOD SAID.

+YOU SHOULD NEVER FORGET THAT YOUR OWN SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS MAY ULTIMATELY DEPEND ON YOU AND THE MECHANICAL SOUNDNESS OF YOUR VEHICLE.

+A FEW MINUTES SPENT CHECKING DAILY, AND THE TIMELY REPORTING OF ANY POSSIBLE FAULTS, DAMAGE AND DEFICIENCIES MAY SAVE LIVES, INCLUDING YOUR OWN.+

MR HEYWOOD ALSO CALLED ON THE AWARD RECIPIENTS TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE TO THEIR YOUNGER AND LESS EXPERIENCED COLLEAGUES.

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ROADS PLANNED TO SERVE NEW POLYTECHNIC

THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO EXTEND TAT CHEE AVENUE IN KOWLOON TONG TO LINK UP WITH CORNWALL STREET, TO FORM PART OF A ROAD NETWORK THAT WILL SERVE THE FUTURE CITY POLYTECHNIC, AND DEVELOPMENT TO ITS NORTH-EAST.

IT ALSO PROPOSES TO WIDEN TO YUEN STREET FROM TO YUEN STREET PLAYGROUND TO TAT CHEE AVENUE AND TO CONSTRUCT A NEW ROAD TO THE NORTH AND WEST OF NAM SHAN ESTATE THAT WILL LINK TAI HANG SAI STREET AND TAI HANG TUNG ROAD.

THESE PROPOSALS ARE PUBLISHED IN TODAY'S GAZETTE UNDER THE ROADS (WORKS, USE AND COMPENSATION) ORDINANCE.

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WORK ON THE PROJECT, INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF ASSOCIATED FOOTPATHS AND ANCILLARY DRAINAGE WORKS, IS TO START NEXT JANUARY AND BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER, 1987.

A PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED WORKS CAN BE SEEN AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG= THE WEST KOWLOON DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250, SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON= AND AT THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, 37-39 TONKIN STREET, KOWLOON.

ANY OBJECTION IN WRITING SHOULD BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS, AT MURRAY BUILDING, 20TH FLOOR, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG, NOT LATER THAN APRIL 2, 1985.

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STREETS TO BE CLOSED FOR ESTATE WORK
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THE GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO CLOSE PERMANENTLY CERTAIN STREETS IN WONG TAI SIN, TO FACILITATE THE REDEVELOPMENT OF LOWER WONG TAI SIN ESTATE.

THE AFFECTED STREETS INCLUDE PORTIONS OF MING TAK STREET AND SHEUNG TAK STREET, BOTH BETWEEN LUNG CHEUNG ROAD AND CHING TAK STREET.

THE CLOSURE OF MING TAK STREET IS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH PHASE IA OF THE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME FOR LOWER WONG TAI SIN ESTATE, WHILE THE PORTION OF SHEUNG TAK STREET WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HOUSING BLOCK AND AUXILIARY WORKS FOR THE PHASE III OF THE REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS WILL BE MAINTAINED IN THESE TWO AREAS EVEN AFTER THE CLOSURES.

THE PLAN AND SCHEME MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, CENTRAL ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING, MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, HONG KONG, THE DISTRICT LANDS OFFICE, KOWLOON EAST, YAU MA TEI CAR PARK BUILDING, 10TH FLOOR, 250 SHANGHAI STREET, KOWLOON AND WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT OFFICE, SAN PO KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICES BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR, KING FUK STREET, SAN PO KONG, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO OBJECT TO THE WORKS OR THE USE, OR BOTH, IS REQUIRED TO ADDRESS HIS OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND WORKS NOT LATER THAN APRIL 2, 1985.

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NORTH POINT TRAFFIC CHANGES

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NEW MEASURES TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW WILL BE IN FORCE IN NORTH POINT FROM 10 AM TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

THEY ARE:

- * ONLY TRAMS WILL BE PERMITTED TO USE THE TRAFFIC LANE ON THE TRAM TRACK AT TONG SHUI ROAD BETWEEN CHUN YEUNG STREET AND KING'S ROAD.
- * THE WESTERN KERBSIDE LANE OF TONG SHUI ROAD, BETWEEN CHUN YEUNG STREET AND JAVA ROAD WILL BECOME ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND.

THE ABOVE MEASURES MEAN THAT MOTOR VEHICLES LEAVING CHUN YEUNG STREET EASTBOUND MUST TURN LEFT INTO TONG SHUI ROAD NORTHBOUND.

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CAUSEWAY BAY TAPS OFF

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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN CAUSEWAY BAY WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON MONDAY (FEBRUARY 4) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TESTS.

AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY LOCKHART ROAD, CANAL ROAD EAST, HENNESSY ROAD AND EAST POINT ROAD.

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