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CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT: REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES

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THE GOVERNMENT IS INVITING THE VIEWS OF THE COMMUNITY ON THE ADEQUACY OF EXISTING SYSTEMS FOR THE REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES AND WHETHER, AND IN WHAT DIRECTION, CHANGES TO THESE SYSTEMS ARE THOUGHT TO BE NEEDED.

IN A CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT ON REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES PUBLISHED TODAY (WEDNESDAY), PUBLIC VIEWS ARE SOUGHT ON WHETHER CHANGES TO THESE SYSTEMS ARE REQUIRED. SUCH CHANGES COULD INCLUDE IMPROVEMENTS OF EXISTING CHANNELS BY STRENGTHENING UMEICO, THE URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS AND DISTRICT BOARDS SECRETARIATS AND BY IMPROVING AND STRENGTHENING DEPARTMENTAL COMPLAINTS UNITS. THERE COULD ALSO BE THE CREATION OF A +COMMISSIONER FOR ADMINISTRATION+ TYPE OF INSTITUTION.

IN ANNOUNCING DETAILS OF THE DOCUMENT AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, THE DEPUTY CHIEF SECRETARY, MR ALAN SCOTT, SAID VIEWS FROM ALL SECTORS OF THE POPULATION WERE WELCOME AND SHOULD BE SENT TO THE PAS(CE) GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, LOWER ALBERT ROAD BEFORE THE END OF OCTOBER. VIEWS EXPRESSED IN THE MEDIA AND IN OTHER ARENAS WOULD ALSO BE CAREFULLY MONITORED.

MR SCOTT ADDED THAT THE GOVERNOR HAD MADE A COMMITMENT TO PUBLISH THE CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT DURING HIS ADDRESS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 30, 1985.

THE DOCUMENT FIRST SETS OUT THE EXISTING SYSTEMS FOR THE REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES. THERE IS A WIDE VARIETY OF CHANNELS THROUGH WHICH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN COMPLAIN OR SEEK REDRESS AGAINST THE ACTION OR NON-ACTION OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

ALL DEPARTMENTS HAVE ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES TO INVESTIGATE AND ACT ON COMPLAINTS. THE CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT NOTES THAT +MOST COMPLAINANTS ARE SATISFIED WITH THE ACTION TAKEN, OR THE EXPLANATION GIVEN AT THIS DEPARTMENTAL LEVEL.+

WHEN A COMPLAINANT IS STILL NOT SATISFIED, HE OR SHE CAN TAKE THE COMPLAINT TO MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE INSTITUTIONS (THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS, AND THE DISTRICT BOARDS). MANY OF THE LAWS OF HONG KONG PROVIDE FOR FORMAL APPEALS TO A WIDE VARIETY OF AUTHORITIES, BOARDS AND TRIBUNALS= OTHERS PROVIDE FOR THE RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE GOVERNOR OR GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL AGAINST ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS.

A COMPLAINANT CAN ALSO PETITION THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

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THERE IS A GROWING TENDENCY TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS THROUGH THE COURTS. THE COURT CAN SET ASIDE THE DECISION ON THE GROUNDS OF ILLEGALITY, IRRATIONALITY OR PROCEDURAL IMPROPRIETY. THE COURT MAY THEN ORDER THE AUTHORITY WHICH MADE THE ORIGINAL DECISION TO REVIEW THE DECISION, BUT IT WILL NOT DICTATE TO THE AUTHORITY WHAT THAT DECISION SHOULD BE.

THE DOCUMENT DESCRIBES THE WORK OF UMELCO IN HANDLING COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS. IN INVESTIGATING THESE UMELCO CAN CALL FOR THE RELEVANT PAPERS FROM GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND CAN QUESTION THE RESPONSIBLE PUBLIC OFFICERS IN PERSON. THEY ARE ABLE TO FOLLOW UP CASES THROUGH QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, OR TO SET UP THEIR OWN ENQUIRY.

WHEN THERE ARE POLICY IMPLICATIONS, THEY CAN BE PUT BEFORE THE RELEVANT UMELCO PANEL OR AN AD HOC GROUP CAN BE ESTABLISHED. THE DOCUMENT DESCRIBES UMELCO AS +THE APEX OF A PYRAMID OF AVENUES OF APPEALS+.

MEMBERS OF THE URBAN AND REGIONAL COUNCILS AND THE DISTRICT BOARDS RECEIVE COMPLAINTS AND REPRESENTATIONS. MOST OF THESE ARE RESOLVED SATISFACTORILY AT DISTRICT LEVEL BUT MEMBERS CAN TAKE FOLLOW-UP ACTION THROUGH THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCILS OR THE BOARDS, OR BY TAKING THE CASE TO UMELCO.

OVER THE YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN STEADY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CHANNELS FOR THE REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES. THE DOCUMENT ANTICIPATES THAT THIS TREND WILL CONTINUE +ESPECIALLY AS MEMBERS OF THE REPRESENTATIVE INSTITUTIONS BECOME MORE FAMILIAR WITH THE HANDLING OF COMPLAINTS AND THE REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES+.

HOWEVER, THERE HAVE BEEN PROPOSALS OVER THE YEARS FOR ADDITIONAL CHANNELS FOR THE REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES. IN MID-1985 IT WAS THOUGHT POSSIBLE THAT THE NEW TYPE OF UMELCO MEMBERS MIGHT FACE POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BECAUSE OF THEIR IDENTIFICATION WITH PARTICULAR INTERESTS IN THEIR CONSTITUENCY.

IT WAS ALSO FEARED THAT THE INCREASING WORKLOAD OF UMELCO MEMBERS MIGHT PREVENT MEMBERS GIVING AS MUCH ATTENTION AS THEY WOULD WISH TO INDIVIDUAL CASES. IT HAS, HOWEVER, BECOME CLEAR BY THE END OF THE 1985-86 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION THAT THESE PROBLEMS HAVE NOT IN FACT BEEN REALISED.

THE DOCUMENT NEXT DESCRIBES A POSSIBLE ADDITION TO THE SYSTEM IN HONG KONG AND LOOKS AT CERTAIN ISSUES WHICH WOULD NEED TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH SUCH A CHANNEL COULD BE MADE.

THE PAPER POINTS OUT THAT WHILE COMMISSIONERS FOR ADMINISTRATION OR OMBUDSMEN EXIST ELSEWHERE, EACH INSTITUTION HAS ITS OWN DISTINCTIVE FEATURES ADAPTED TO THE COUNTRY CONCERNED, SO IT WOULD NOT BE WISE TO IMPORT SUCH A SYSTEM WHOLESALE INTO HONG KONG.

THE DOCUMENT THEN DESCRIBES THE BROAD OUTLINES OF A POSSIBLE AUTHORITY IN HONG KONG: TO BE INDEPENDENT, WITH POWERS CONFERRED BY LAW, AND APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR. HE WOULD COVER GENERALLY THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE CITIZEN WITH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND PUBLIC BODIES, EXCEPT WHERE THEY ARE WITHIN THE COMPETENCE OF THE COURTS. IF HE FOUND JUSTIFIABLE CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT, HE WOULD REPORT HIS FINDINGS TO THE RELEVANT HEAD OF DEPARTMENT AND, IF NO REMEDY WERE FORTHCOMING, TO THE GOVERNOR.

THE PAPER OBSERVES THAT THE EXISTING SYSTEMS HAVE APPARENTLY HANDLED COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES ACCEPTABLY FOR MANY YEARS. IF AN ADDITIONAL CHANNEL WERE TO BE ESTABLISHED +PEOPLE WOULD NEED TO BE SURE THAT IT WOULD ADD SIGNIFICANTLY ENOUGH THE EXISTING CHANNELS OR TO THOSE CHANNELS AS THEY MAY BE STRENGTHENED, TO JUSTIFY THE (NECESSARY) COST IN MONEY, MANPOWER, AND LEGISLATIVE TIME+.

IT WOULD ALSO BE NECESSARY TO CONSIDER THE RELATIONSHIP OF SUCH AN INSTITUTION TO THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM. THE PAPER POINTS OUT THAT THERE WILL BE A NEED TO REVIEW PETITIONS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE QUEEN AND THAT THERE MAY BE A CHANGE IN THE HANDLING OF PETITIONS TO THE GOVERNOR.

+IT MAY THEREFORE BE APPROPRIATE TO CONSIDER WHETHER THERE IS A NEED FOR A FURTHER CHANNEL OF REDRESS AT A LATER STAGE, WHEN THIS WILL BE CLEARER,+ THE DOCUMENT SAID.

COPIES OF THE CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT ON REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES ARE AVAILABLE AT DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CENTRAL.

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JUNE ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL FIGURES OUT  
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THE AVERAGE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) IN THE 200 LARGEST FIRMS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR DECREASED IN JUNE 1986 COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, ACCORDING TO THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE SITUATION IN REGARD TO DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES VARIED, HOWEVER. A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN ORDERS-ON-HAND WAS REPORTED BY THE FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY. HOWEVER, THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRY RECORDED A SIGNIFICANT DROP IN THE VOLUME OF ORDERS. SOME DECLINES WERE ALSO REPORTED BY MANUFACTURERS IN THE WEARING APPAREL AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES.

/COMPARED WITH .....

COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS MONTH, THERE WAS A GENERAL INCREASE IN EMPLOYMENT IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR DUE MAINLY TO THE RECRUITMENT OF SUMMER WORKERS.

PAYROLL IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AS A WHOLE WAS STABLE. PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN MOST INDUSTRIES HOWEVER DECREASED BECAUSE LESS OVERTIME WORK WAS PERFORMED AFTER THE RECRUITMENT OF SUMMER WORKERS WHO HAD LOWER WAGES THAN REGULAR EMPLOYEES.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE FOOD AND DRINKS INDUSTRY REPORTED INCREASES IN BOTH PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS BECAUSE MORE OVERTIME WORK WAS PERFORMED DUE TO THE HIGH SEASONAL DEMAND FOR BEVERAGES.

THE NUMBER OF OPERATIVES ENGAGED IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR DECREASED AS SOME PROJECTS WERE COMPLETED. ON THE OTHER HAND, A STABLE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION WAS REPORTED BY THE SERVICES SECTORS.

PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR DECLINED DUE TO LESS OVERTIME WORK, WHICH ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO THE DECLINE IN PAYROLL. HOWEVER, INCREASES WERE REPORTED BY RESPONDENTS IN SOME SERVICES SECTORS DUE TO THE PAYMENT OF BONUSES AND SALARY REVISION.

THE PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN ORDERS-ON-HAND, EMPLOYMENT AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS ARE SHOWN IN THE TABLES BELOW.

THE SURVEY COVERED A PANEL OF THE 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES AND THE 50 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS, CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN MARCH 1983.

AS THE SAMPLE WAS NOT DRAWN ON A RANDOM BASIS, THE DEPARTMENT CAUTIONED THAT RESULTS ON MAGNITUDE OF CHANGE MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE EXPERIENCE OF THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, ALTHOUGH THEY SHOULD GIVE A USEFUL INDICATION OF THE DIRECTION OF CHANGE FOR A QUICK ASSESSMENT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY, IN THE SHORT TERM.

THE SURVEY REPORT FOR JUNE 1986 IS ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING, AND THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT PUBLICATIONS SALES COUNTER, KAI TAI COMMERCIAL BUILDING, AT \$1.50 PER COPY.

ENQUIRIES ABOUT THE SURVEY RESULTS MAY BE MADE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AT 3-7212854.

/A. ORDERS-ON-HAND .....

A. ORDERS-ON-HAND IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

INDUSTRY	(% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)			ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) FOR JUNE 1986
	APR. 1986	MAY 1986	JUNE 1986	
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	3	3	-1	4.85
TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	-1	-3	*	2.38
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	1	-4	-8	3.60
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	4	3	4	3.90
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	2	*	-2	5.21
OTHERS	-1	*	1	4.42
ALL ABOVE INDUSTRIES	2	1	-1	4.43

B. EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY/ SERVICES	PERSONS ENGAGED BY THE COMPANIES SURVEYED			PER CAPITA EARNINGS			PER CAPITA EARNINGS FOR JUNE 1986 HK\$
	(% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)			PRECEDING MONTH)			
	APR. 1986	MAY 1986	JUNE 1986	APR. 1986	MAY 1986	JUNE 1986	
MANUFACTURING	*	2	3	1	2	-3	3 174
FOOD AND DRINKS	-1	1	3	6	2	1	3 954
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	-1	1	*	1	4	-1	2 754

/TEXTILES, .....

TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	*	*	1	-3	5	-2	3 346
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	*	8	7	-2	-3	-5	2 773
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	1	4	4	1	3	-4	2 751
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	1	2	6	3	1	-4	2 914
OTHERS	-1	1	2	5	1	-4	4 383
CONSTRUCTION	1	-1	-1	4	2	-2	4 693
<u>SERVICES</u>	*	*	*	4	-3	2	5 821
BANKS	*	*	*	3	2	3	5 497
HOTELS	-1	-1	*	17	-14	*	3 915
PUBLIC UTILITIES	*	*	*	8	-5	*	5 591
OTHERS	1	1	*	-3	-1	4	7 443

\* CHANGES WITHIN +0.5%

\*\* PERSONS ENGAGED COVER COMPANY EMPLOYEES ONLY; SITE WORKERS EMPLOYED BY LABOUR-ONLY SUB-CONTRACTORS NOT INCLUDED.

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RESTRICTED ZONE FOR AIRPORT'S ARRIVALS FORECOURT  
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THE ARRIVALS FORECOURT OF THE AIRPORT PASSENGER TERMINAL BUILDING WILL BE DESIGNATED FROM SEPTEMBER 1 AS A +24-HOUR NO STOPPING RESTRICTED ZONE+ TO VEHICLES UNLESS AUTHORISED IN WRITING.

THIS MEASURE IS TO ENHANCE TRAFFIC FLOW ALONG THE ARRIVALS FORECOURT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT SAID.

WITH ABOUT 14 000 AIR PASSENGERS ARRIVING DAILY, VEHICLE MOVEMENTS AT THE AIRPORT HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY BUSY, HE ADDED.

IN ADDITION, WITH WORK ON STAGE 5 DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERMINAL BUILDING UNDERWAY SINCE LATE LAST YEAR, TOURIST INDUSTRY-RELATED TRANSPORT HAS BEEN DISPLACED FROM ITS PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED AREA.

FOR THIS REASON, KERBSIDE LOADING IN THE ARRIVALS FORECOURT WILL BE RESTRICTED TO TOURIST INDUSTRY-RELATED TRANSPORT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

IN THIS CONNECTION, FROM NEXT MONTH PRIVATE CARS WILL BE REQUIRED TO LOAD AND EXIT DIRECT FROM THE AIRPORT MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK, WHICH WAS DESIGNED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

TAXIS WILL CONTINUE TO LOAD AT THE TRANSPORT TERMINUS AND UNLOAD AT DEPARTURE LEVEL.

NO CHANGE TO DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS IS PROPOSED FOR THE TIME BEING. UNLOADING IS NOT PERMITTED AT THE ARRIVALS LEVEL.

HOWEVER, SPACE FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING WILL BE DESIGNATED FOR DISABLED PASSENGERS AT THE ARRIVALS LEVEL.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT WITH THE COMMISSIONING OF THE STAGE 5 DEVELOPMENT IN 1988 , MORE KERBSIDE LOADING SPACE WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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CRACKDOWN ON ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKERS CONTINUES  
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ONLY HOURS AFTER HONG KONG WAS DECLARED CHOLERA FREE YESTERDAY STAFF FROM THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT MOVED INTO TEMPLE STREET IN YA MA TEI LAST NIGHT TO CONTINUE ITS CRACKDOWN ON ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKERS.

+EVEN THOUGH HONG KONG IS NOW CHOLERA FREE, WE WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS AGAINST ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKING,+ SAID A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN TODAY.

DURING LAST NIGHT'S OPERATION, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, USD STAFF ARRESTED NINE ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKERS WHO HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH CAUSING OBSTRUCTION, ILLEGAL HAWKING AND SELLING OF RESTRICTED FOOD.

IN ADDITION, THE STAFF SEIZED AND REMOVED THREE LORRY-LOADS OF HAWKING PARAPHERNALIA.

A TOTAL OF 204 KILOGRAMMES OF FOOD WERE ALSO SEIZED AND DESTROYED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

MEANWHILE, THE DEPARTMENT REITERATED ITS WARNING TO THE PUBLIC AGAINST PATRONISING ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKERS.

+PEOPLE WHO PATRONISE ILLEGAL COOKED FOOD HAWKERS ARE PUTTING THEIR HEALTH AT RISK AND RUNNING THE RISK OF CONTRACTING FOOD-BORNE DISEASES, SUCH AS FOOD POISONING, DYSENTERY, TYPHOID AND VIRAL HEPATITIS,+ SAID THE SPOKESMAN.

+IN THESE TIMES OF BETTER ENLIGHTENMENT AMONG THE PUBLIC ON FOOD HYGIENE AND SAFETY, IT IS A CIVIC IRRESPONSIBILITY TO CONTINUE PATRONISING SUCH HAWKERS.+

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ILLEGAL ROOF STRUCTURE FACES DEMOLITION  
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NOTICES WERE POSTED ON AN ILLEGAL ROOF STRUCTURE IN YUEN LONG TODAY (WEDNESDAY) INFORMING OCCUPANTS THAT THE BUILDING AUTHORITY INTENDS TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER FROM TSUEN WAN DISTRICT COURT ON OCTOBER 24.

THE BUILDING AUTHORITY WANTS TO CLOSE THE STRUCTURE, OVER FLAT +C+ ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF 25-29, KAU YUK ROAD, SO THAT IT CAN BE DEMOLISHED WITHOUT ENDANGERING THE OCCUPANTS OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

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A DEMOLITION ORDER WAS MADE ON THE STRUCTURE 20 MONTHS AGO, BUT THIS HAS BEEN IGNORED.

IT IS LIKELY THAT DEMOLITION WILL TAKE PLACE AS SOON AS THE COURT ORDER IS ISSUED.

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APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES SOUGHT

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT HAS ISSUED LETTERS TO REGISTERED EMPLOYEES' TRADE UNIONS INVITING THEM TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AS EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES TO THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD.

ONCE ELECTED, CANDIDATES WILL BE APPOINTED TO THE BOARD FOR TWO YEARS FROM 1987.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID EACH REGISTERED EMPLOYEES' TRADE UNION MAY NOMINATE NOT MORE THAN FOUR CANDIDATES WHO MUST BE FULLY PAID-UP MEMBERS OF REGISTERED EMPLOYEES' TRADE UNIONS.

+NOMINATIONS IN A SPECIFIED FORM SHOULD REACH THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 16, 1986,+ HE SAID.

+SHOULD THERE BE MORE THAN FOUR CANDIDATES NOMINATED BY THE UNIONS, AN ELECTION BY SECRET BALLOT WOULD TAKE PLACE IN LATE OCTOBER THIS YEAR,+ HE ADDED.

THE LABOUR ADVISORY BOARD IS A NON-STATUTORY BODY WHICH ADVISES THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR ON ALL LABOUR MATTERS INCLUDING LEGISLATION AND THE APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

IT COMPRISES SIX EMPLOYERS' REPRESENTATIVES AND SIX EMPLOYEES' REPRESENTATIVES, WITH THE COMMISSIONER FOR LABOUR AS EX-OFFICIO CHAIRMAN.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR VISITS HK PAVILION AT EXPO  
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THE HONG KONG CHILDREN'S CHOIR LISTENED TO THEIR OWN RECORDING OF THE THEME SONG FOR THE HONG KONG PRESENTATION YESTERDAY (TUESDAY) WHEN THEY VISITED THE HONG KONG PAVILION AT THE 1986 WORLD EXPOSITION IN VANCOUVER, CANADA.

CONSISTING OF 56 SINGERS AND FOUR DANCERS, THE CHOIR IS ON A CANADIAN CONCERT TOUR, PERFORMING IN VANCOUVER, MONTREAL, OTTAWA AND TORONTO.

THE CHOIR MEMBERS, MET ON ARRIVAL BY PAVILION STAFF, WERE TOLD THAT OVER 870 000 VISITORS HAD HEARD THE THEME SONG AND IT WAS PLAYED 48 TIMES DAILY DURING THE MULTI-MEDIA PRESENTATION.

COMPOSED BY DOMING LAM FOR HONG KONG'S PARTICIPATION IN EXPO, THE SONG DEPICTS HONG KONG AS A CITY OF WONDER, A CITY OF ACTION AND A CITY OF JOY.

IN THE AFTERNOON, THE CHOIR PRESENTED A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE AT THE PLAZA OF NATIONS.

THE PLAZA WAS PACKED WITH EXPO VISITORS - SIMILAR TO JULY 18 WHEN HONG KONG CELEBRATED ITS SPECIAL DAY AT EXPO. THEY STARTED OFF THEIR PERFORMANCE WITH THE HONG KONG THEME SONG.

THEIR ACTIVITIES AT EXPO WERE RECORDED BY THE CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION FOR RELEASE IN THEIR EXPO TELEVISION SERIES CALLED +WORLDSTAGE+.

THE CHILDREN SPENT THE REST OF THE DAY AT EXPO, VISITING OTHER PAVILIONS AND EXHIBITIONS.

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DB MEMBERS OFF TO EUROPE ON STUDY TOUR  
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MEMBERS OF THE KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT BOARD AND DISTRICT OFFICE WILL LEAVE FOR EUROPE ON A TWO-WEEK STUDY TOUR THIS SATURDAY (AUGUST 23).

LED BY KWAI CHUNG AND TSING YI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN COAK, THE 13-MEMBER GROUP WILL VISIT AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, PARIS, LONDON AND MANCHESTER.

DURING THE TOUR, THEY WILL MEET GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, COMMUNITY LEADERS AND LOCAL DIGNITARIES TO LEARN OF MATTERS RELATING TO TOWN PLANNING, COMMUNITY BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPROVEMENTS.

/THE TOUR .....

THE TOUR WILL ENABLE MEMBERS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION IN THOSE COUNTRIES.

THEY WILL VISIT WASTE DISPOSAL INSTALLATIONS IN AMSTERDAM AND RIJNSMOND, AND CONTAINER TERMINALS AT ROTTERDAM.

IN LONDON, THEY WILL CALL AT THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICE AND IN MANCHESTER WILL VISIT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER, INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AS WELL AS MEETING THE CHINESE COMMUNITY THERE.

THE GROUP WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG ON SEPTEMBER 6.

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DETAILS OF EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN FOR ELDERLY

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A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT ELDERLY EYE-CARE CAMPAIGN WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 22) AT 3 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF TUNG WAH MUSEUM AT KWONG WAH HOSPITAL, WATERLOO ROAD.

PRESENT AT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, MR ROBERT CHAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE CAMPAIGN'S ORGANISING COMMITTEE, MR YUEN CHAU, CHAIRMAN OF WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE, MR LI YUK-WA, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE HONG KONG OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION, MR TANG WAI-PONG.

THE CAMPAIGN IS ORGANISED BY THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE TUNG WAH GROUP OF HOSPITALS, AND CO-ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE AT 3 PM ON FRIDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF TUNG WAH MUSEUM AT KWONG WAH HOSPITAL, WATERLOO ROAD.

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LANTERN DESIGN COMPETITION IN KWUN TONG  
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RESIDENTS IN KWUN TONG ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN A LANTERN-DESIGN COMPETITION.

THE COMPETITION IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE AND THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT CULTURE AND RECREATION PROMOTION ASSOCIATION, AND SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD AND URBAN COUNCIL.

A DISTRICT OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID THE AIM OF THE COMPETITION WAS TO PROMOTE RESIDENTS' ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE FORTHCOMING MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL AND THEIR INTEREST IN TRADITIONAL HANDICRAFT.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE IN TWO SECTIONS - ONE FOR INDIVIDUALS AND THE OTHER FOR GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE COMPETITION ARE AVAILABLE AT THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES. DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS SEPTEMBER 15.

THE WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE DISPLAYED AT A MID-AUTUMN LANTERN CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT THE KWUN TONG RECREATION GROUND ON SEPTEMBER 19.

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BUS SERVICES ON TAI PO ROAD RESUMES  
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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (WEDNESDAY) THAT WITH THE PARTIAL COMPLETION OF ROAD WORKS, TAI PO ROAD (TAI PO KAU SECTION) WILL RE-OPEN FOR SINGLE LANE TWO-WAY TRAFFIC THIS SATURDAY (AUGUST 23).

AS A RESULT, KMB ROUTES 69, 70, 72, 72A, 72B AND 74A WILL RESUME NORMAL ROUTEINGS AT TAI PO ROAD (TAI PO KAU SECTION) THE SAME DAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SPECIAL BUS ROUTE 72S OPERATING BETWEEN SHATIN CENTRAL BUS TERMINUS AND TAI PO KAU, AND THE SPECIAL GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES 23K AND 25K RUNNING FROM TAI PO KAU TO TAI PO KCR STATION WILL BE CANCELLED.

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CLINIC SERVICES FOR THE HOLIDAY

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EIGHT GOVERNMENT OUT-PATIENT CLINICS WILL STAY OPEN ON SUNDAY (AUGUST 24) AND MONDAY (AUGUST 25) WHICH IS A PUBLIC HOLIDAY. HOWEVER, THEY WILL BE CLOSED ON SATURDAY (AUGUST 23).

THE CLINICS WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN 9 AM AND 1 PM ON THE TWO DAYS.

THE EIGHT CLINICS ARE THE VIOLET PEEL POLYCLINIC AND SHAU KEI WAN JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC ON HONG KONG ISLAND; THE KWUN TONG JOCKEY CLUB HEALTH CENTRE, ROBERT BLACK HEALTH CENTRE AND YAU MA TEI JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC IN KOWLOON; THE LADY TRENCH POLYCLINIC, YUEN LONG JOCKEY CLUB HEALTH CENTRE AND SHEK WU HUI JOCKEY CLUB CLINIC IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

OTHER OUT-PATIENT AND EVENING CLINICS WILL BE CLOSED.

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BRIEFING ON BUS ROUTE PROGRAMME

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CHAIRMAN OF THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, DR STEPHEN TANG LUNG-WAI, WILL BRIEF THE MEDIA ON THE DRAFT 1987-88 KMB ROUTE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR TAI PO DISTRICT.

THE BRIEFING WILL BE HELD AT 3 PM TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE DISTRICT BOARD SECRETARIAT ON THE THIRD FLOOR, TAI PO COMMERCIAL CENTRE, 152-172 KWONG FUK ROAD.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1986

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PROHIBITED ZONES SET UP IN WAN CHAI  
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THE PROHIBITED ZONE ON THE SECTION OF BURROWS STREET BETWEEN JOHNSTON ROAD AND WAN CHAI ROAD WILL BE EXTENDED FROM 10 AM ON FRIDAY (AUGUST 22) FOR ABOUT SIX MORE WEEKS FOR ROAD RECONSTRUCTION WORK.

VEHICLES WITH PERMITTED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT EXCEEDING FOUR TONNES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE AREA.

A NUMBER OF EXISTING PROHIBITED ZONES ON JOHNSTON ROAD WILL ALSO BE LIFTED.

THESE ARE:

- \* AN EIGHT-METRE SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH GRESSON STREET;
- \* A 14-METRE SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH LUN FAT STREET;
- \* A 12-METER SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH TAI WONG STREET EAST;
- \* A TEN-METRE SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH LEE TUNG STREET;
- \* A TEN-METRE SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH SPRING GARDEN LANE; AND
- \* A 13-METRE SECTION OF TRAM LANE AT JUNCTION WITH STONE NULLAH LANE.

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