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GOVERNOR LEAVES FOR LONDON

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, AND LADY YOUDE LEFT FOR LONDON THIS (SATURDAY) MORNING.

THEY WERE SEEN OFF AT THE AIRPORT BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE.

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FEWER COMPLAINTS ABOUT TRANSPORT REPORTED

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THERE WERE FEWER TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE YEAR, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

DURING THE PERIOD, 1 084 COMPLAINTS WERE MADE TO THE TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS UNIT, A 25 PER CENT DROP OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER'S 1 443.

THE TRANSPORT COMPLAINTS UNIT (TCU) WAS SET UP UNDER THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE AND MONITOR COMPLAINTS AND SUGGESTIONS ON TRANSPORT MATTERS.

THE PUBLIC MAY COMPLAIN TO TCU BY DIALLING 5-776866, THE UNIT'S HOTLINE, ON A 24-HOUR BASIS.

IN THE LATEST QUARTERLY REPORT RELEASED TODAY, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF TCU, MR STEPHEN PANG, ATTRIBUTED THE DOWNWARD TREND TO FEWER COMPLAINTS ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING MATTERS.

NEVERTHELESS, PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES WERE STILL THE MAIN SUBJECT OF COMPLAINTS, HE ADDED.

A TOTAL OF 509 CASES FELL INTO THIS CATEGORY, REPRESENTING 47 PER CENT OF ALL COMPLAINTS RECEIVED IN THE QUARTER.

+SERVICES BY THE TWO FRANCHISED BUS COMPANIES WERE SUBJECT TO FEWER COMPLAINTS,+ MR PANG SAID.

THERE WERE 116 COMPLAINTS CONCERNING CMB, COMPARED WITH 148 IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, AND 34 COMPLAINTS AGAINST CMB STAFF, DOWN FROM 62.

MR PANG SAID THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST KMB ALSO FELL FROM 260 TO 191, DUE MAINLY TO FEWER COMPLAINTS ABOUT INADEQUATE BUS SERVICE.

BUT COMPLAINTS IN THIS CATEGORY STILL ACCOUNTED FOR 82 CASES (42 PER CENT OF 191), WITH ONE-HALF OF THE CASELOAD BEING COMPLAINTS FROM RESIDENTS OF SHA TIN AND TUEN MUN.

+COMPLAINTS AGAINST KMB STAFF REMAINED LOW (23 CASES) AS IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER (26 CASES),+ HE SAID.

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A TOTAL OF 63 COMPLAINTS ABOUT MAXICABS WERE RECEIVED IN THE QUARTER.

ALTHOUGH THE FIGURE REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF ONLY ONE CASE OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER, IT WAS DOUBLE THE TOTAL OF 29 CASES RECORDED IN THE SAME PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.

+THE MAIN AREAS CONTRIBUTING TO THE INCREASE IN COMPLAINTS ABOUT MAXICABS OVER THE YEAR WERE INADEQUATE SERVICE, NON-ADHERENCE TO APPROVED ROUTING AND THE CONDUCT AND BEHAVIOUR OF DRIVERS,+ MR PANG SAID.

COMPLAINTS ABOUT TAXI DRIVERS' MALPRACTICES CONTINUED TO BE LOW -- 30 CASES AS AGAINST 31 RECEIVED IN THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

+NO COMPLAINT CONCERNING TAXI SERVICE WAS RECORDED. SINCE APRIL 1982, TCU HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY COMPLAINT IN THIS CATEGORY,+ HE SAID.

THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS ON TRAFFIC ENGINEERING MATTERS SHOWED A DECLINE.

OF THE 278 COMPLAINTS REGISTERED IN THE QUARTER, 139 CASES (50 PER CENT) WERE ABOUT ROAD CONGESTION, A FEW OF WHICH WERE RECEIVED AS A RESULT OF THE TRAFFIC CHAOS CAUSED BY THE TAXI STRIKE IN JANUARY.

THE OTHER 50 PER CENT WERE MAINLY COMPLAINTS ABOUT TRAFFIC AIDS, PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES AND PARKING FACILITIES.

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#### YOUTH CENTRES MUST CREATE ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT

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YOUTH CENTRES MUST CREATE AN ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT AND A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE WILL FEEL AT HOME AND WILL WANT TO SPEND THEIR LEISURE TIME, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR JOHN CHAMBERS, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

MR CHAMBERS WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE HONG KONG FEDERATION OF YOUTH GROUPS' JAT MIN YOUTH CENTRE AT JAT MIN CHUEN, SHA TIN.

+WE ARE ALL CONSCIOUS OF THE MANY ALTERNATIVE ATTRACTIONS WHICH EXIST NOWADAYS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY WITH THE INCREASING SOPHISTICATION OF THE LEISURE INDUSTRY,+ HE SAID.

MR CHAMBERS SAID THAT YOUTH CENTRES +MUST NOT ONLY ATTRACT CLIENTS TO COME IN THE FIRST PLACE, BUT ALSO ENSURE THEY CONTINUE TO ATTEND REGULARLY+.

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HE SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S AIM WAS TO PROVIDE ONE CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE FOR EVERY 20 000 POPULATION.

+OUR CURRENT PROVISION,+ HE SAID, +FALLS SOME WAY SHORT OF THIS TARGET, DUE MAINLY TO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR SETTING UP THESE CENTRES.+

HE THANKED THE HOUSING SOCIETY FOR PROVIDING SPACIOUS AND WELL DESIGNED PREMISES TO SET UP THE JAT MIN YOUTH CENTRE.

+SINCE MANY OF THE SOCIETY'S HOUSING PROJECTS ARE LOCATED IN THE OLDER URBAN AREAS, WHERE THE SHORTFALL IN CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES IS PARTICULARLY ACUTE, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THE SOCIETY WILL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MORE PREMISES SUCH AS THESE IN THE YEARS TO COME,+ HE SAID.

MR CHAMBERS PAID TRIBUTE TO THE FEDERATION OF YOUTH GROUPS FOR +A LONG AND DISTINGUISHED HISTORY OF SERVICE TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF HONG KONG+.

THE OPENING OF THE JAT MIN YOUTH CENTRE ONCE AGAIN BORE WITNESS TO +THE FEDERATION'S CONTINUED ENTHUSIASM AND DEDICATION TO THE TASK OF HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO DEVELOP THEIR CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL+, HE SAID.

WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW CENTRE, THE FEDERATION IS NOW OPERATING 26 YOUTH CENTRES THROUGHOUT HONG KONG.

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#### WORK-WITH-DISABLED SCHEME LAUNCHED

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A YOUTH AWARD SCHEME TO PROMOTE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DISABLED WAS LAUNCHED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY.

THE SCHEME, WHICH FORMS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S SERIES OF PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMMES ON REHABILITATION THIS YEAR, IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE PENINSULA JAYCEES AND THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, AND SPONSORED BY THE SHELL COMPANY.

THE AIM OF THE SCHEME IS TO ENCOURAGE BOTH ABLED AND DISABLED PEOPLE TO WORK TOGETHER IN SERVING THE COMMUNITY, THE ORGANISERS EXPLAINED.

ANY YOUTH GROUP WITH SEVEN OR MORE MEMBERS, INCLUDING ABLED AND DISABLED PEOPLE BELOW THE AGE OF 40, ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE SCHEME.

A GRANT OF UP TO \$4 000 WILL BE GIVEN TO ANY APPROVED PROJECT, WHICH SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30 THIS YEAR.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE THREE BEST PROJECTS.

/APPLICATION FORMS .....

APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PENINSULA JAYCEES AND VARIOUS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY OFFICES OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT. THE DEADLINE IS JULY 16.

A CENTRAL COMMITTEE TO CO-ORDINATE PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMMES ON REHABILITATION (COMPERE) WAS SET UP IN 1982 BY THE GOVERNMENT AND VOLUNTARY AGENCIES.

THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT ORGANISED A NUMBER OF PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMMES LAST YEAR, INCLUDING OPEN DAYS AT REHABILITATION INSTITUTIONS, A SEMINAR AND A PROJECTS AWARD SCHEME. THE RESPONSE WAS FAVOURABLE.

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### RESIDENTS' SUPPORT VITAL TO DISTRICT BOARDS

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FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT BOARDS DEPENDS GREATLY ON THE CONTINUED SUPPORT, TRUST AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE RESIDENTS, THE KOWLOON CITY ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ROGER GARCIA, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

+EVERY RESIDENT SHOULD PERFORM HIS CIVIC DUTY AND ELECT MEMBERS TO THE BOARD WHICH WILL WORK FOR THE WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

MR GARCIA WAS SPEAKING AT THE DISTRICT'S AMATEUR SINGING CONTEST HELD AT THE KO SHAN THEATRE.

TO PUBLICISE THE COMING REGISTRATION OF VOTERS AND NEXT YEAR'S DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS, THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE WILL SPEND \$155 000 ON AN ELECTION FAIR, THREE EXHIBITIONS, A PRESS CONFERENCE FOR THE CANDIDATES AND PUBLICITY LEAFLETS.

IN ADDITION, ABOUT 100 TEMPORARY COMMUNITY ORGANISERS AND VOLUNTEERS, TOGETHER WITH THE DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF, WILL PAY DOOR-TO-DOOR VISITS DURING THE REGISTRATION AND ELECTION PERIODS.

MR GARCIA SAID THAT SINCE ITS FORMATION IN DECEMBER 1981, THE DISTRICT BOARD HAD MADE CONSIDERABLE CONTRIBUTION, PARTICULAR IN IMPROVING THE WELFARE, PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES, AS WELL AS THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE DISTRICT.

A PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONY WAS ALSO HELD AT TONIGHT'S CONTEST FOR WINNERS OF A RECENT QUIZ ON DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

THE SINGING CONTEST WAS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE, RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG AND SING TAO NEWSPAPERS LIMITED.

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BOARD STRIVES FOR MORE YOUTH EFFORT  
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THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT BOARD IS WORKING HARD TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN COMMUNITY WORK, THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR EDWARD YAU, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

HE SAID THAT THE BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE WAS CONDUCTING A STUDY TO FIND OUT THE LEISURE ACTIVITIES OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT.

THE RESULTS OF THIS STUDY WOULD HELP GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS TO UNDERSTAND BETTER THE WISHES OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR RECREATIONAL NEEDS, HE SAID.

MR YAU WAS SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF A PROJECT +YOUTH - RESOURCES OF HONG KONG'S FUTURE DEVELOPMENT+ ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG JAYCEETTES.

ASIDE FROM ORGANISING ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, MR YAU SAID, THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD WOULD CONTINUE TO STUDY PROBLEMS AFFECTING THE WELL-BEING OF RESIDENTS, AND TO POOL RESOURCES TO SOLVE SUCH PROBLEMS.

DISCUSSING TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT MATTERS, HE SAID FIVE NEW BUS ROUTES WOULD BE INTRODUCED AND THE FREQUENCIES OF SIX OTHER BUS ROUTES WOULD BE INCREASED IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

IN ADDITION, A SIX-LANE COASTAL BY-PASS, RUNNING FROM THE ABERDEEN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET TO AP LEI CHAU BRIDGE WOULD BE PARTIALLY OPEN AT THE END OF THE YEAR TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW.

MR YAU SAID THE BOARD WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE 28 000 RESIDENTS IN THE DISTRICT'S 40-MORE SQUATTER AREAS.

ABOUT \$480 000 HAD BEEN SPENT LAST YEAR ON 48 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS RELATING TO ACCESS, WATER SUPPLY, REFUSE COLLECTION, SANITARY FACILITIES, POSTAL SERVICE AND AMENITY FACILITIES. AND \$560 000 HAD BEEN EARMARKED FOR SIMILAR PROJECTS THIS YEAR, HE SAID.

MR YAU SAID THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT HAD A DIVERSIFIED COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS.

+SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT, THE BOARD HAS TAKEN MEASURES, SUCH AS THE 'MEET-THE-PUBLIC' SCHEME, MONTHLY SEMINARS WITH DIFFERENT SECTORS OF THE COMMUNITY AND AN OPINION-GATHERING POSTGRAMME, TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE RESIDENTS.

+IT IS HOPED THAT THROUGH THESE STEPS, BETTER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING COULD BE FOSTERED AND BETTER FACILITIES AND SERVICES WOULD BE PROVIDED, THUS LEADING TO A STRONGER COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND DISTRICT IDENTITY,+ MR YAU SAID.

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PUBLIC WARNED OF MALARIA RISKS  
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WITH THE APPROACH OF THE HOT AND HUMID SEASON, RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE LIVING IN THE SAI KUNG AND BORDER AREAS, ARE BEING ASKED TO TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS AGAINST THE RISK OF MALARIA INFECTION.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SATURDAY) THAT CAMPERS AND PICNICKERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE PLANNING TO STAY OVERNIGHT, SHOULD WEAR LONG TROUSERS AND LONG-SLEEVED CLOTHES.

IN ADDITION, THEY SHOULD USE INSECT REPELLENTS AND MOSQUITO NETS OR SCREENS.

HE EXPLAINED THAT THESE MEASURES TO PREVENT MOSQUITO BITES ARE IMPORTANT AS MALARIA IS TRANSMITTED BY ANOPHELINE MOSQUITOES.

+BUT THE BEST PREVENTION IS TO STOP MOSQUITOES FROM BREEDING,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

AS MALARIA VECTORS BREED IN CLEAR WATER STREAMS AND STAGNANT WATER, THEY ARE MOSTLY FOUND IN IRRIGATION DITCHES, HILL STREAMS, EXCAVATION SITES AND ABANDONED PADDY FIELDS.

LAST YEAR 125 CASES OF MALARIA WERE REPORTED IN HONG KONG, 30 OF THEM OF LOCAL ORIGIN AND THE REST IMPORTED. NINETEEN OF THE LOCAL CASES OCCURRED IN SAI KUNG.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED TO THE FOLLOWING FACTORS FOR THE INCREASED RISK OF IMPORTED MALARIA INFECTION :

- \* THE LARGE NUMBERS OF HONG KONG RESIDENTS TRAVELLING TO CHINA AND OF PEOPLE COMING FROM ACROSS THE BORDER IN THE PAST FEW YEARS.
- \* THE GENERAL INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF TOURISTS FROM COUNTRIES WHERE MALARIA IS ENDEMIC.
- \* REFUGEES FROM VIETNAM.

AN EFFICIENT SYSTEM OF SURVEILLANCE, CASE DETECTION, TREATMENT, INVESTIGATION AND REMEDIAL ACTION IS THE ONLY EFFECTIVE AND PRACTICAL WAY FOR HONG KONG TO PROTECT ITSELF AGAINST THE IMPORTATION OF MALARIA, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED A NETWORK OF HOSPITALS AND CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY FOR CASE DETECTION.

/BLOOD SAMPLES .....

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BLOOD SAMPLES ARE TAKEN FROM PATIENTS WITH CLINICAL SYMPTOMS OF MALARIA, AND ALL CASES ARE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT, WITH FOLLOW-UP ACTION FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

HEALTH EDUCATION IS ALSO ESSENTIAL TO THE DEPARTMENT'S ANTI-MALARIA DRIVE.

+THIS IS USUALLY IN THE FORM OF HEALTH TALKS TO VILLAGES AND SCHOOLS, DISTRIBUTION OF POSTERS AND LEAFLETS AND SOMETIMES HOUSE-TO-HOUSE VISITS,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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#### CHURCH ROLE IN COMMUNITY STRESSED

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THE CHURCH COMMUNITY CAN TAKE AN INTEREST IN AND INFLUENCE VARIOUS GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES THROUGH ITS WORK IN EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND MEDICAL AND HEALTH CARE, THE YAU MA TEI AND MONG KOK DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WILFRED WONG, SAID THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING.

MR WONG SAID THAT CHRISTIAN CHURCHES OPERATED MORE THAN 800 SCHOOLS FROM KINDERGARTENS TO POST-SECONDARY COLLEGES AND SPECIAL EDUCATION, 11 MAJOR HOSPITALS, AND MANY CLINICS, SOCIAL CENTRES, HOSTELS, AND HOMES FOR THE AGED AND FOR THE BLIND.

ABOUT HALF A MILLION PEOPLE IN HONG KONG WERE CHRISTIANS, HE SAID.

SPEAKING AT THE MONG KOK DISTRICT CHURCHES SOCIAL CONCERN SEMINAR, MR WONG SAID THAT CHRISTIAN CHURCHES HAD BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE HONG KONG COMMUNITY AND STRONG SUPPORTERS OF IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMES IN EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND MEDICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.

+THERE ARE INDEED A LOT OF THINGS THE CHURCHES CAN DO TO SHOW CONCERN AND TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS,+ HE SAID.

HE SAID SOCIAL CONCERN AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COULD BE THE THEMES OF SUNDAY MESSAGES, SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS, RELIGIOUS PUBLICATIONS, AND INTER-CHURCH CONFERENCES.

CHRISTIAN CHURCHES COULD ORGANISE SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN ADDITION TO SPIRITUAL-ORIENTED PROGRAMMES.

THEY COULD JOIN AND TAKE PART IN MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES, OWNERS CORPORATIONS, YIN NGAI SOCIETIES FOR WOMEN, KAIFONG ASSOCIATIONS, CLANSMEN AND COUNTRYMEN ASSOCIATIONS, AREA COMMITTEES AND DISTRICT BOARDS, HE SAID.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

TUEN MUN BOARD TO DISCUSS REVIEWS  
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THE TUEN MUN DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE RECENTLY PUBLISHED REVIEWS ON TAXI OPERATIONS AND PUBLIC HOUSING ALLOCATION POLICIES AT A SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY (MAY 14).

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT, MR CHRISTOPHER WONG, AND THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HOUSING, MR HAIDER BARMA, WILL BRIEF MEMBERS ON THE TWO REVIEWS.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 2.30 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT ON THE NINTH FLOOR OF FOO YICK COMMERCIAL BUILDING AT SAN ON CIRCUIT.

A GOVERNMENT VEHICLE, AM 5797, WILL LEAVE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER AT 1.30 PM FOR TUEN MUN.

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HEALTH PRECAUTIONS IN WELDING URGED  
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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (SATURDAY) REMINDED BOTH EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS TO TAKE ADEQUATE PRECAUTIONS IN WELDING WORK, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT INVOLVES STAINLESS STEEL.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT POINTED OUT THAT WELDING FUMES MAY CONTAIN SUCH PARTICLES OF METAL AS NICKEL AND CHROMIUM WHICH, WHEN INHALED, ARE DANGEROUS TO HEALTH.

+A WORKROOM WHERE WELDING IS CONDUCTED SHOULD BE ADEQUATELY VENTILATED AND WHERE APPROPRIATE, LOCAL EXHAUST VENTILATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED,+ HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT WELDERS SHOULD USE PROPER WELDING SHIELDS AND PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT.

FACTORY PROPRIETORS AND WELDING WORKERS MAY CONSULT THE FACTORY INSPECTORATE OF THE DEPARTMENT IF THEY HAVE ANY QUERIES.

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PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

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THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING STUDENTS TO TAKE UP POSTS OF PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS DURING THEIR SUMMER VACATION.

ABOUT 100 PART-TIME LIFEGUARDS WILL BE NEEDED TO STRENGTHEN LIFE SAVING SERVICES AT PUBLIC BEACHES AND SWIMMING POOLS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.

THEY WILL BE EMPLOYED EITHER ON SHORT-CONTRACT WITH A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$2 755 OR ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS WITH A DAILY SALARY OF \$109.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE HOLDERS OF A BRONZE MEDALLION AWARDED BY THE ROYAL LIFE-SAVING SOCIETY. IN ADDITION, THEY SHOULD BE UNDER 35 YEARS OF AGE AND OF STRONG PHYSIQUE AND GOOD EYE-SIGHT WITHOUT SPECTACLES.

PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO POSSESS HIGHER QUALIFICATIONS AND GOOD EXPERIENCE, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

APPLICATION FORMS GF340 ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND THE PERSONNEL SECTION OF GOVERNMENTAL DEPARTMENTS IN BOTH THE URBAN AREA AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.

COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE NTSD HEADQUARTERS ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF SWIRE AND MACLAINE HOUSE (AUSTIN CENTRE) AT 19-23 AUSTIN AVENUE, TSIM SHA TSUI, BEFORE MAY 21 (MONDAY).

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FREQUENT RAIDS STAGED TO CATCH ILLEGAL SLAUGHTERERS

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YUEN LONG AND NORTH DISTRICT RESIDENTS WERE ADVISED TODAY NOT TO BUY MEAT FROM UNLICENSED HAWKERS.

MEAT SUPPLIED BY THESE HAWKERS ARE UNHYGIENICALLY PREPARED AND COULD POSE A HEALTH HAZARD, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN WARNED THAT UNLICENSED SLAUGHTER AND POSSESSION OF PROHIBITED FOOD FOR SALE ARE AN OFFENCE.

NTSD STAFF AND THE POLICE CONDUCT PRE-DAWN RAIDS FREQUENTLY IN NORTH DISTRICT AND YUEN LONG TO CURB ILLEGAL SLAUGHTERING IN THE TWO AREAS.

THREE OFFENDERS WERE CAUGHT FOR OPERATING UNLICENSED SLAUGHTERHOUSES AND BROUGHT BEFORE THE FANLING MAGISTRACY LAST WEEK.

TWO OF THE OFFENDERS WERE FINED A TOTAL OF \$5 750 AND THE THIRD WAS FINED \$2 250. THREE SLAUGHTERED PIGS SEIZED DURING THE RAIDS WERE CONFISCATED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

## WATCHES AND CLOCKS

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THE DIRECTOR OF TRADE, MR HAMISH MACLEOD, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE THIRD HONG KONG WATCH AND CLOCK FAIR ON MONDAY (MAY 14) AT 10.30 AM, ROOM PACIFICA, 4TH FLOOR, FURAMA HOTEL.

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## CAREERS MASTERS HEAR ABOUT INDUSTRIAL TRAINING

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SOME STUDENTS FIND LEARNING WHILE WORKING IN INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRES MORE STIMULATING AND SATISFYING THAN STUDYING IN SCHOOLS, MR MORRIS MORGAN, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL (VTC) SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

SPEAKING TO SOME 160 SECONDARY SCHOOL CAREERS MASTERS AT A SEMINAR ON INDUSTRIAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, MR MORGAN SAID THAT THE VTC TRAINING CENTRES WILL PROVIDE REAL-LIFE TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WANT TO JOIN INDUSTRY.

HE SAID THAT EIGHT TRAINING BOARDS UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE VTC WERE SETTING UP TRAINING CENTRES FOR THEIR INDUSTRIES IN TWO INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRE COMPLEXES, ONE IN KOWLOON BAY AND ONE IN KWAI CHUNG.

FIVE INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRES TO BE HOUSED IN THE \$110 MILLION KOWLOON BAY COMPLEX WILL SOON START TO TRAIN VARIOUS LEVELS OF TECHNICAL MANPOWER REQUIRED BY THE ELECTRONICS, HOTEL, METAL WORKING, PLASTICS AND PRINTING INDUSTRIES.

+THESE CENTRES WILL BE FULLY OPERATIONAL IN JANUARY 1985, BUT MOST OF THEM WILL START ADMITTING TRAINEES IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR AND SEND THEM TO TECHNICAL INSTITUTES FOR THEORETICAL TRAINING,+ MR MORGAN SAID.

THE COURSES OFFERED IN THE CENTRES WILL BE FREE, AND TRAINEES WILL BE GIVEN ALLOWANCES OF \$100 A WEEK.

A TOTAL OF 18 FULL-TIME AND TWO PART-TIME COURSES, RANGING FROM 30 HOURS TO ONE YEAR IN LENGTH, WILL BE OFFERED IN THE FIVE CENTRES.

+THERE WILL ALSO BE CAREER ADVISORY AND PLACEMENT SERVICES FOR GRADUATING TRAINEES TO ENABLE THEM TO FIND EMPLOYMENT AS PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS IN INDUSTRY.

+THE SYSTEM WHICH HAS BEEN DEvised FOR THE TRAINING CENTRES MAKES NOT ONLY ECONOMIC SENSE BY PROVIDING TRAINED MANPOWER FOR INDUSTRY, BUT ALSO MAKES GOOD SENSE SOCIALLY IN THAT THESE TRAINED WORKERS ARE PUT INTO DIRECT CONTACT WITH POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS,+ HE REMARKED.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN NORTH POINT  
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NEW MEASURES TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC WILL BE IN FORCE IN NORTH POINT FROM 5 AM ON MONDAY (MAY 14).

THE MEASURES ARE THAT :

- \* HEALTHY STREET WEST WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND,
- \* HEALTHY STREET CENTRAL WILL BE REROUTED ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND,
- \* PAK FUK ROAD BETWEEN HEALTHY STREET WEST AND HEALTHY STREET CENTRAL WILL BECOME ONE-WAY EASTBOUND, AND
- \* THE EXISTING TERMINUS FOR CMB ROUTE 10B AT HEALTHY STREET WEST WILL BE RESITED TO HEALTHY STREET CENTRAL.

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