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## GOVERNOR TO VISIT YUEN LONG

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THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL OPEN THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S YUEN LONG PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL AT 11.30 AM ON SATURDAY (APRIL 23). HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY LADY YOUDE.

BEFORE THE CEREMONY, SIR EDWARD WILL TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TOUR PART OF THE YUEN LONG DISTRICT, INCLUDING SHUI PIN WAI ESTATE, TO KEEP HIMSELF UP TO DATE ON DEVELOPMENTS AND LOCAL MATTERS.

HE WILL ALSO VISIT LUT SAU HALL WHERE MANY OF THE DISTRICT'S CULTURAL ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE.

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## NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR OF YUEN LONG AND THE SWIMMING POOL OPENING CEREMONY. TRANSPORT WILL LEAVE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER AT 8.15 AM SHARP ON SATURDAY (APRIL 23). GIS OFFICERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST.

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## CHIEF SECRETARY VISITS EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR PHILIP HADDON-CAVE, TODAY (THURSDAY) VISITED THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE IN EDUCATION (ILE) AND THE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CENTRE IN KOWLOON.

ACCOMPANIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR COLVYN HAYE, SIR PHILIP FIRST VISITED THE ILE AT PARK-IN COMMERCIAL BUILDING, 21ST FLOOR, DUNDAS STREET.

THERE HE WAS BRIEFED ON THE INSTITUTE'S ACTIVITIES AND FACILITIES BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (ILE), MR ANDREW FOK. SIR PHILIP ALSO TALKED TO THE SENIOR STAFF OF THE INSTITUTE AND SOME OF THE TEACHERS ATTENDING A COURSE THERE.

DURING HIS ONE-HOUR STAY AT THE INSTITUTE, WHICH IS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S \$350-MILLION PACKAGE TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF LANGUAGE IN SCHOOLS AND AMONG THE COMMUNITY, SIR PHILIP WAS TOLD THAT IT WILL EVENTUALLY PROVIDE LANGUAGE REFRESHER COURSES TO ALL OF HONG KONG'S TEACHERS.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY LATER WENT TO THE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CENTRE AT 6 PERTH STREET WHERE HE WAS MET BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (SERVICES), MR JOHN LEUNG.

THE CENTRE, ONE OF THREE OPERATED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, PROVIDES A FULL RANGE OF SERVICES FOR PRE-SCHOOL AND SCHOOL CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

THE PRIMARY AIM OF THESE SERVICES IS THE EARLY DETECTION OF CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM VARIOUS IMPAIRMENT SO THAT REMEDIAL MEASURES CAN BE TAKEN.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY WAS EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN THE VARIOUS METHODS OF DETECTION AND THE SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT USED BY THE SPECIALIST STAFF IN THEIR WORK.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT,  
PAYROLL AND ORDERS-ON-HAND FOR FEBRUARY  
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THE AVERAGE VOLUME OF ORDERS-ON-HAND IN TERMS OF MONTHS AS REPORTED BY THE MANUFACTURERS SURVEYED FOR FEBRUARY 1983 INCREASED SLIGHTLY OVER JANUARY, ACCORDING TO THE MONTHLY SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT, PAYROLL AND ORDERS-ON-HAND RELEASED TODAY BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THE MORE NOTABLE INCREASES OCCURRED IN THE FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, PLASTIC PRODUCTS AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES, THE SURVEY SHOWS.

THE SURVEY COVERED A PANEL OF THE 200 LARGEST MANUFACTURING COMPANIES — CHOSEN BY REFERENCE TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT SIZE IN SEPTEMBER 1979 — AS WELL AS THE 43 LARGEST COMPANIES IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND SELECTED SERVICES SECTORS.

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

PAYROLL AND PER CAPITA EARNINGS IN THE PLASTIC PRODUCTS, FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS AND ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS INDUSTRIES AS WELL AS IN THE +OTHERS+ SECTOR INCREASED FOR FEBRUARY WHEN SOME OF THE MANUFACTURERS ISSUED THEIR YEAR-END AWARDS, THE SURVEY SAYS.

BUT THEY DECREASED IN THE FOOD AND DRINKS, WEARING APPAREL AND TEXTILES INDUSTRIES PLUS THE CONSTRUCTION AND SERVICES SECTORS AS BONUSES AND DOUBLE PAY WERE GRANTED BY A NUMBER OF COMPANIES A MONTH EARLIER.

BECAUSE OF LABOUR TURNOVER FOLLOWING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, EMPLOYMENT FOR THE SURVEYED MANUFACTURERS COLLECTIVELY DECLINED SLIGHTLY IN FEBRUARY OVER JANUARY.

IN THE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR, EMPLOYMENT DROPPED AS SEVERAL COMPANIES CUT MANPOWER BECAUSE OF FEWER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ON HAND.

THE SURVEY ALSO SHOWS THAT AS MANUFACTURERS FOUND IT CONVENIENT TO GRANT THEIR EMPLOYEES HOLIDAYS AROUND THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAYS WORKED PER WEEK BY OPERATIVES DECLINED IN MOST MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN FEBRUARY.

THE SURVEY REPORT IS NOW ON SALE AT THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GENERAL POST OFFICE, AT \$1.5 PER COPY. ENQUIRIES ON THE SURVEY MAY BE MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS SECTION AT 3-7212832.

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## THE FOLLOWING IS A STATISTICAL TABLE FOR THE SURVEY:

A. EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS

<u>INDUSTRY/SERVICE</u>	<u>PERSONS ENGAGED BY THE COMPANIES SURVEYED</u>			<u>PER CAPITA EARNINGS</u>			<u>PER CAPITA EARNINGS FOR FEB. 1983 (HK\$)</u>
	<u>(% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)</u>			<u>DEC.</u>	<u>JAN.</u>	<u>FEB.</u>	
	<u>DEC.</u>	<u>JAN.</u>	<u>FEB.</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1983</u>	
	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1983</u>	
<u>MANUFACTURING</u>	-1	-1	-2	4	16	4	2 830
FOOD AND DRINKS	-1	*	*	5	54	-35	3 215
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	*	*	-1	4	12	-9	2 132
TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	-3	*	-2	12	21	-10	2 528
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	-2	-2	-2	-6	22	34	2 775
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	*	*	-2	-10	24	9	2 583
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	-2	*	-2	3	13	11	2 929
OTHERS	*	-2	-1	6	5	26	4 205
<u>CONSTRUCTION**</u>	-3	-4	-3	7	25	-27	3 481
<u>SERVICES</u>	*	*	*	27	28	-34	4 203
BANKS	*	*	-1	64	-2	-35	3 746
HOTELS	-1	-2	*	55	23	-31	3 271
PUBLIC UTILITIES	*	*	*	9	51	-39	3 864
OTHERS	*	2	-1	12	35	-20	6 699

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B. ORDERS-ON-HAND IN MANUFACTURING

INDUSTRY	(% CHANGE OVER THE PRECEDING MONTH)			ORDERS-ON-HAND (IN TERMS OF MONTHS) FOR FEBRUARY 1983
	DEC. 1982	JAN. 1983	FEB. 1983	
WEARING APPAREL, EXCEPT FOOTWEAR	4	1	*	4.80
TEXTILES, EXCEPT WEARING APPAREL	*	*	1	2.33
PLASTIC PRODUCTS	*	5	6	3.00
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	11	-2	20	2.45
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS	1	*	3	4.52
OTHERS	3	1	1	3.57
ALL ABOVE INDUSTRIES	2	1	2	3.91

\* CHANGES WITHIN + 0.5%

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

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REMINDER ON INSURANCE COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1983

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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE REGISTRAR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT TODAY DREW THE ATTENTION OF THE LOCAL INSURANCE INDUSTRY AND OTHER INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ORDINANCE 1983 WHICH WAS ENACTED ON FEBRUARY 8, AND WHICH WILL COME INTO OPERATION ON A DAY TO BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR BY NOTICE IN THE GAZETTE.

THE ORDINANCE CONTAINS PROVISIONS TO FIX THE MINIMUM FINANCIAL STANDARDS REQUIRED OF INSURANCE COMPANIES AND REQUIRES THEM TO SUBMIT CERTAIN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION TO THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY, WHICH IS ABOUT TO BE ESTABLISHED TO ADMINISTER THE ORDINANCE.

THERE ARE VARIOUS PROVISIONS DESIGNED TO SAFEGUARD THE INTERESTS OF POLICYHOLDERS.

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ONE OF THEM SEEKS TO ENSURE THAT ANY PERSON WHO IS CONSIDERED BY THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY NOT TO BE A FIT AND PROPER PERSON TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH AN AUTHORISED INSURANCE COMPANY WILL NOT FREELY ACQUIRE A POSITION OF INFLUENCE IN RELATION TO SUCH A COMPANY.

HE SAID THAT HE BELIEVED THE ORDINANCE WOULD PROVIDE A GOOD FRAMEWORK FOR INSURANCE COMPANIES, WHETHER LOCAL OR OVERSEAS, TO OPERATE IN HONG KONG AND WOULD NOT PLACE UNREASONABLE BURDENS OR CONSTRAINTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROSPERITY OF SUCH INSURANCE COMPANIES.

HE SAID THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD RECENTLY ISSUED CIRCULAR LETTERS TO ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES CARRYING ON THE PRESENTLY REGULATED CLASSES OF INSURANCE BUSINESS IN HONG KONG, NAMELY, LIFE, FIRE, MARINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE BUSINESS, ADVISING THEM OF THE FORMALITIES THEY WOULD NEED TO COMPLY WITH UPON THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ORDINANCE.

IN THE LETTERS, THE COMPANIES WERE ADVISED THAT THEIR AUTHORISATIONS TO CARRY ON THOSE CLASSES OF INSURANCE BUSINESS WOULD CONTINUE TO BE EFFECTIVE PROVIDED THAT, WITHIN A TRANSITIONAL PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE ORDINANCE, THEY FURNISHED THE INSURANCE AUTHORITY WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR DIRECTORS AND CONTROLLERS AND MET A NUMBER OF OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

THE LETTERS ALSO ADVISED THOSE COMPANIES OF THE NEED TO APPLY EARLY FOR AUTHORISATION IN RESPECT OF ALL OTHER CLASSES OF INSURANCE BUSINESS CARRIED ON BY THEM BUT NOT PREVIOUSLY REGULATED BY THE INSURANCE LEGISLATION.

THE SPOKESMAN ALSO REMINDED ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES CARRYING ON THE UNREGULATED CLASSES OF INSURANCE BUSINESS OF THE NEED TO LODGE TIMELY APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHORISATION IN ORDER THAT THEY MIGHT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE TO CARRY ON SUCH BUSINESS UNDER THE NEW ORDINANCE.

ALL ENQUIRIES IN THIS CONNECTION, HE SAID, SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE INSURANCE REGISTRY, ROOMS 1405-6, WING ON CENTRE, 111 CONNAUGHT ROAD, CENTRAL, HONG KONG (TEL. NO. 5-441711).

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#### VITAL ROLE OF IMMIGRATION OFFICERS STRESSED

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IN THE INTERESTS OF THE HONG KONG COMMUNITY, IMMIGRATION MUST BE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS REPATRIATED, THE SECRETARY FOR SECURITY, MR DAVID JEAFFRESON, STRESSED TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT THE PASSING-OUT PARADE OF IMMIGRATION OFFICERS, MR JEAFFRESON REITERATED THAT CONTRARY TO RUMOURS, THERE WOULD BE NO AMNESTY FOR ANY ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT DISCOVERED AS A RESULT OF INTRODUCING THE NEW IDENTITY CARD.

+NO ILLEGAL ENTRANTS CAN EXPECT TO BE ALLOWED TO STAY. ONCE THEY ARE FOUND AND ESTABLISHED AS ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS, THEY WILL BE SENT BACK,+ HE EMPHASISED.

/MR JEAFFRESON .....

MR JEAFFRESON COMMENDED THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT FOR ITS HIGH REPUTATION AND POINTED OUT THAT ITS SERVICE IS VITAL TO THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG.

ADDRESSING THE 79 NEW OFFICERS, HE COMMENTED ON TWO ASPECTS OF THEIR FUTURE CAREERS:

THE FIRST WAS THE PRESSURES THEY WOULD BE UNDER FROM MANY KINDS OF PEOPLE, INCLUDING VISITORS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND LOCAL RESIDENTS.

+REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE INVARIABLY THE FIRST AND LAST HONG KONG GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHOM OUR MANY VISITORS COME INTO CONTACT WITH. THEIR IMPRESSION OF HONG KONG WILL BE COLOURED BY THE IMPRESSION YOU GIVE,+ HE SAID.

HE CALLED ON THE OFFICERS TO BE HELPFUL AND COURTEOUS AND TO STAY CALM AND PATIENT AT ALL TIMES EVEN WHEN SOME OF THE PEOPLE THEY DEAL WITH MIGHT BE UNREASONABLE AND CRITICAL.

THE SECOND WAS THE DIFFICULT TASK OF KEEPING CRIMINALS AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS AWAY TO MAKE HONG KONG A MORE SECURE AND BETTER PLACE.

IN THIS CONTEXT, HE SAID, IMMIGRATION OFFICERS WOULD BE PLAYING A VITAL ROLE.

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SHA TIN BOARD TO STRESS CONSULTATION  
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THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD WILL PUT GREATER EMPHASIS ON CONSULTATION AND ADVICE ON GOVERNMENT PLANS AND ACTIVITIES, AND INTENSIFY HOUSEHOLD AND INSTITUTIONAL LIAISON IN ITS FUTURE WORK, THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR DONALD TSANG, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

+ONCE-OFF ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE DE-EMPHASISED, HOUSEHOLD AND INSTITUTIONAL LIAISON SHOULD BE LAUNCHED AT A MUCH WIDER AND PENETRATING LEVEL YIELDING MORE ACCURATE AND TRULY REPRESENTATIVE COMMUNITY INFORMATION, AND GOVERNMENT POLICIES, PLANS, SERVICES AND FACILITIES FOR THE DISTRICT SHOULD BE MORE CLOSELY MONITORED,+ HE SAID.

IN A LUNCHEON SPEECH TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG NORTH, HE SAID THIS WOULD MEAN NOT ONLY MUCH MORE WORK, WHICH THE DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE STAFF WOULD READILY DO, BUT ALSO BRINGING TO THE OPEN PREVIOUSLY DORMANT CONTROVERSIES, DISAGREEMENTS AND INADEQUACIES.

+THIS IS POTENTIALLY CONTENTIOUS. ON BALANCE, I THINK THE ADVANTAGES OUTWEIGH THE DISADVANTAGES.+

/HE SAID .....

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HE SAID THE TOLERANT CHINESE MENTALITY TENDED TO CREATE BUREAUCRATIC COMPLACENCY AND OVERSIGHT AND COULD LEAD TO VIOLENT LARGE SCALE ERUPTIONS BEYOND A CERTAIN TOLERANCE LEVEL.

+THUS PROBLEMS MUST BE IDENTIFIED EARLY, UNRAVELLED AND RESOLVED BEFORE THEY ESCALATE,+ HE SAID.

+ANOTHER IMPLICATION IS THAT THE ROLES OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN THE DISTRICT MUST CHANGE.

+THEY WILL BECOME MORE CO-OPERATIVE AND SUPPORTIVE THAN DIRECTIVE IN HANDLING DISTRICT AFFAIRS.

+THE INCREASED INVOLVEMENT OF THE DISTRICT BOARD WILL CERTAINLY MEAN A REDUCED PROMINENCE OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

+THIS DEVELOPMENT, IN MY VIEW, IS NOT A CAUSE FOR WORRY, BUT A SOURCE OF PRIDE FOR A BUREAUCRACY, MATURING WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.+

HE SAID BOTH THE BOARD AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAD BEEN INSTRUMENTAL TO MEET THE CHANGE.

FOR INSTANCE, THE CAMPAIGN CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT BOARD WAS ABOLISHED, THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE WERE COMBINED, AND THREE NEW COMMITTEES TO ADVISE ON HOUSING, NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT, INDUSTRY, COMMERCE, LAW AND ORDER WERE FORMED.

THERE WAS A BALANCE OF INFLUENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF WORK WITH THE RECENT RESHUFFLE OF THE COMMITTEES' CHAIRMANSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIPS, AND THE BOARD WAS NOW INVOLVED IN THE MORE TECHNICAL AND MORE DIFFICULT ASPECTS OF TOWN MANAGEMENT.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAD, SINCE THIS MONTH, DEPLOYED, TWO-THIRDS OF THE LIAISON OFFICERS TO HELP SET UP MORE MACS IN RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND SERVICE THEM, MAINTAIN REGULAR CONTACT WITH LOCAL INSTITUTIONS, PROMOTE MINORITY INTERESTS AND REVITALISE THOSE DORMANT ORGANISATIONS WHICH WOULD IMPROVE COMMUNITY BUILDING.

LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE, MR TSANG SAID SHOULD THE DISTRICT BOARD SET ITS PRIORITIES RIGHT AND ACT DISCRIMINATELY AND TACTFULLY, ITS ADVICE WOULD BE AS GOOD AS GOLD.

+IF MY ASSESSMENT IS CORRECT, THERE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE A MUCH GREATER INTEREST AMONG THE VOCAL OR SO-CALLED PRESSURE GROUP MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY IN DISTRICT BOARD AFFAIRS,+ HE SAID.

HE BELIEVED THE SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD ELECTION IN 1985 WOULD THUS BE FAR MORE COMPETITIVE; MORE ELECTORS WOULD COME FORWARD; AND NEW FACES AND A NEW BALANCE OF INFLUENCE WOULD EMERGE.

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## ELEGANCE ROAD FLYOVER OPENS

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TRAVELLING TIME BETWEEN HUNG HOM AND KWUN TONG WILL BE REDUCED FURTHER WITH THE OPENING TODAY OF THE ELEGANCE ROAD FLYOVER -- THE LAST SECTION OF ROUTE 3.

THE REV JOYCE BENNETT, UNOFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, WHO OFFICIATED AT THE OPENING CEREMONY, SAID ROUTE 3 WOULD NOW EXTEND RIGHT INTO KWUN TONG ENABLING TRAFFIC TO BYPASS THE HEAVILY CONGESTED INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL AREA OF NGAU TAU KOK.

IN ADDITION, SHE SAID, THE FLYOVER WOULD IMPROVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE CAPACITY OF THE KWUN TONG ROAD/LAI YIP STREET/ELEGANCE ROAD JUNCTION BY THE SEPARATION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC ALONG KWUN TONG ROAD.

MISS BENNETT SAID THAT WITH THE COMPLETION OF ROUTE 3, KWUN TONG WAS NOW SERVED BY A DIRECT HIGH CAPACITY TRAFFIC LINK, VIA THE CROSS-HARBOUR TUNNEL TO HONG KONG ISLAND AND VIA ROUTE 2 TO THE WESTERN AND NORTHERN REGIONS OF KOWLOON.

IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE BETTER ACCESS TO KOWLOON BAY DEVELOPMENT, THE AIRCARGO TERMINAL AND HUNG HOM.

MISS BENNETT RECALLED THAT IN HER MAIDEN SPEECH IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN OCTOBER 1976, SHE WAS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF THE FACT THAT THERE WAS ONLY ONE ROAD INTO KWUN TONG. NOW WITH THE COMPLETION OF THIS ROUTE 3, +WE HAVE THREE GOOD ROADS BY WHICH WE CAN GET IN AND OUT OF KWUN TONG.+

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD, SHE SAID, ROUTE 3 WOULD SERVE AS A MAJOR LINK TO JUNK BAY NEW TOWN AND ANY FUTURE LEI YUE MUN CROSSING.

MISS BENNETT CONGRATULATED THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, WHO DESIGNED THE FLYOVER AND SUPERVISED ITS CONSTRUCTION, AND KUMAGAI GUMI (H.K.) LTD., THE CONTRACTOR, FOR ITS GOOD WORK.

IN HIS SPEECH WELCOMING MISS BENNETT, THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT, MR F.E. SHORT, SAID THAT ROUTE 3 WAS CONSTRUCTED AND BROUGHT INTO USE IN STAGES.

THE ELEVATED ROAD FROM WUHU STREET IN HUNG HOM TO THE SAN SHAN INTERCHANGE IN KOWLOON CITY WAS OPENED TO TRAFFIC IN 1981 WHILE THE TUNNEL UNDER KAI TAK AIRPORT, SOME OF THE ROADS ON THE KOWLOON BAY RECLAMATION, AND THE WAI YIP STREET INTERCHANGE CAME INTO USE LAST YEAR.

MR SHORT SAID THAT THE SUBSTRUCTURE WORK FOR THE FLYOVER WAS COMPLETED IN 1980 AT A COST OF \$20 MILLION AS PART OF THE WORK ENTRUSTED TO THE MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY CORPORATION DURING THEIR CONSTRUCTION OF THE NGAU TAU KOK STATION LINE.

+THE SUPERSTRUCTURE HAS TAKEN 18 MONTHS TO COMPLETE AT A COST OF ABOUT \$25 MILLION,+ HE ADDED.

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SIGNBOARDS AND OBSTRUCTIONS TO BE REMOVED

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ABOUT 40 SIGNBOARDS AND ARTICLES CAUSING SERIOUS OBSTRUCTION ALONG CORRIDORS INSIDE TWO BUILDINGS IN YAU MA TEI WILL BE REMOVED IN A CLEARANCE OPERATION TOMORROW (FRIDAY) MORNING.

THE TWO LOCATIONS ARE HANG LOONG BUILDING AT 44-46 DUNDAS STREET AND THE NEW LUCKY HOUSE AT 300-306 NATHAN ROAD.

THE CLEARANCE, SUPPORTED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, IS PART OF A MULTI-STOREY BUILDING MANAGEMENT PILOT SCHEME INTRODUCED IN DECEMBER LAST YEAR TO IMPROVE THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT IN THESE BUILDINGS.

COORDINATED BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE, TOMORROW'S CLEARANCE WILL BE JOINTLY CARRIED OUT BY THE POLICE, THE HOUSING, THE FIRE SERVICES, AND THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENTS.

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HONG KONG - NORWAY TEXTILE TALKS BEGIN

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DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN NORWAY AND HONG KONG BEGAN TODAY (THURSDAY) CONCERNING NORWAY'S PROPOSALS FOR A NEW BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRADE DEPARTMENT SAID THE TALKS WOULD CONTINUE TOMORROW AND PROBABLY INTO NEXT WEEK ALSO.

THE TALKS WERE BEING CONDUCTED IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE BUT SO FAR WERE ONLY IN THE PRELIMINARY STAGES.

THE NORWEGIAN DELEGATION WAS LED BY MR BJORN F OESTERN, SPECIAL ADVISER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRADE, WHILE THE LOCAL TEAM WAS LED BY MR HAMISH MACLEOD, DIRECTOR OF TRADE.

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TRAINING COURSE FOR CAREERS TEACHERS  
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THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE (YEAS) OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL JOINTLY ORGANISE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, A ONE-YEAR PART-TIME TRAINING COURSE ON CAREERS EDUCATION FOR CAREERS TEACHERS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN AUGUST.

AN ORGANISING COMMITTEE COMPRISING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF CAREERS MASTERS, AND COURSE CO-ORDINATORS FROM ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS HAS BEEN SPECIALLY SET UP TO ADMINISTER THIS FIRST COURSE.

+THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, CAREERS EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS HAS BEEN A FAIRLY INFORMAL ACTIVITY AND TRAINING FOR CAREERS TEACHERS HAS ONLY BEEN CONDUCTED ON A PIECEMEAL BASIS,+ SAID A SPOKESMAN FOR THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (THURSDAY).

THIS TRAINING COURSE IS TO TIE IN WITH LIKELY INCREASE IN FREE PERIODS FOR CAREERS TEACHERS IN SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR. +IT ALSO SERVES TO DEMONSTRATE THE GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINED POLICY TO PROVIDE TRAINING TO CAREERS TEACHERS,+ THE SPOKESMAN CONTINUED.

THE COURSE IS DESIGNED FOR CAREERS TEACHERS WITH SOME TEACHING EXPERIENCE.

THE SPOKESMAN WENT ON TO SAY THAT EXPERTS IN CAREERS AND GUIDANCE WORK, UNIVERSITY LECTURERS, EXPERIENCED CAREERS TEACHERS AS WELL AS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WILL BE INVITED TO DELIVER LECTURES WHICH WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTRAMURAL STUDIES, CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, STARTING FROM AUGUST 26.

THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE WILL BE SENDING LETTERS TO SCHOOL PRINCIPALS IN MAY TO ANNOUNCE DETAILS OF THE COURSE AND TO INVITE THEM TO NOMINATE CAREERS TEACHERS TO ATTEND THE COURSE.

SCHOOLS NOT RECEIVING THE LETTER BY MAY 18 MAY CONTACT THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE THROUGH LABOUR OFFICER MR W.K. SUNG OF THE YEAS ON 5-7956212.

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