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HK NEEDS YOUR VOTE -- LIAO  
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WITH ONLY SIX DAYS TO THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS, THE SECRETARY FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION, MR DONALD LIAO TODAY URGED REGISTERED VOTERS TO GO TO THE POLLS ON MARCH 7.

+FOR THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG, 1985 IS A YEAR OF NEW POLITICAL INITIATIVES AND REFORMS. IN SIX DAYS' TIME, THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WILL BE ELECTING THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN THE FIRST TERRITORY-WIDE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS, + MR LIAO SAID.

IN SIX MONTHS' TIME, IN SEPTEMBER, THE FIRST INDIRECT ELECTIONS TO THE CENTRAL LEGISLATIVE ORGAN OF THE GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE PLACE, HE ADDED.

+THE RESPONSIBILITY FALLS ON ALL OF US TO BUILD A REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT THAT HAS ITS ROOTS OF AUTHORITY IN THE PEOPLE OF OUR SOCIETY AND THAT WILL PRESERVE THE STABILITY AND PROSPERITY OF HONG KONG, + MR LIAO TOLD A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE LIONS CLUB.

MR LIAO NOTED THAT IT WAS SAID IN THE PAST THAT HONG KONG PEOPLE WERE NOT PARTICULARLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE IDEA OF VOTING. +BUT IF THE RECORD OF THE PREVIOUS ELECTIONS IN 1982 IS ANYTHING TO GO BY, THE AVERAGE 38 PER CENT VOTER TURNOUT RATE HAS INDICATED THAT THIS ATTITUDE IS CHANGING, + HE SAID.

+WE SHOULD, OF COURSE, TRY HARDER AND I WOULD HOPE THAT FOR THE FORTHCOMING ELECTIONS, THERE WILL BE AN EVEN HIGHER RATE OF VOTER TURNOUT.

MR LIAO SAID THAT DISTRICT BOARDS HAD CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED THEIR VALUE IN REFLECTING PUBLIC OPINION ON BOTH LOCAL AND TERRITORY-WIDE AFFAIRS, AND HAD OFFERED SOUND AND SENSIBLE ADVICE ON A WIDE RANGE OF MATTERS THAT WERE CLOSE TO THE HEART OF THE LOCAL RESIDENTS, AND THE GOVERNMENT HAD BEEN POSITIVE IN ITS RESPONSES.

+TOGETHER, DISTRICT BOARDS CONSTITUTE THE LARGEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE ORGAN IN VOICING THE VIEWS AND WORRIES OF THE MAN IN THE STREET IN HONG KONG, + HE SAID.

APART FROM THEIR ADVISORY ROLE, MR LIAO SAID DISTRICT BOARDS HAD ACHIEVED REMARKABLE RESULTS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF DISTRICT AFFAIRS AS WELL. THEIR IMPRESSIVE RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES WAS THE BEST INDICATION OF THE BOARDS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

AFTER THREE YEARS OF OPERATION, DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION HAD NOW BECOME AN INALIENABLE PART OF LIFE IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND OPENED UP FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE PUBLIC CONSULTATION, PARTICIPATION AND INVOLVEMENT.

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IT ALSO PROVIDED A SOLID FOUNDATION FOR OUR GOVERNMENT SYSTEM AND WOULD BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED BY A NUMBER OF INNOVATIVE FEATURES TO BE INTRODUCED AS FROM APRIL 1 THIS YEAR.

THESE INCLUDE DOUBLING THE NUMBER OF ELECTED SEATS ON DISTRICT BOARDS TO 237; RESTRUCTURING THE BOARDS SO THAT THEY COMPRISE SOLELY OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS; ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIRMEN AMONG UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS AND GREATER INVOLVEMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS IN THE RUNNING OF COMMUNITY CENTRES AND MANAGING RECREATION AND SPORTS FACILITIES IN THE NEW TOWNS.

+WITH THESE CHANGES, I BELIEVE THAT THE DISTRICT BOARDS WILL BE ABLE TO BROADEN THEIR SCOPE OF INITIATIVE EVEN FURTHER, AND THEY WILL BECOME MORE DYNAMIC AND FORTHRIGHT IN THEIR ROLE AS REPRESENTATIVE BODIES OF PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE,+ MR LIAO SAID.

+HONG KONG NEEDS YOUR VOTE -- VOTE FOR YOUR HONG KONG,+ MR LIAO SAID.

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PEOPLE URGED TO VOTE  
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LOCAL LEADERS WERE URGED TODAY TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO VOTE IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS SO THAT THE BOARD COULD REPRESENT AND REFLECT THE VIEWS OF ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT.

ADDRESSING REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AT A SPRING RECEPTION OF THE DISTRICT OFFICE, NORTH DISTRICT OFFICER, MR IAN WOTHERSPOON SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS DETERMINED TO DEVELOP A REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN HONG KONG.

+EVERY CITIZEN HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP REALISE THIS SYSTEM BECAUSE IT IS IMPORTANT TO PROMOTE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PUBLIC,+ HE SAID.

+THE GOVERNMENT IS ALWAYS WILLING TO LISTEN TO PUBLIC OPINION ABOUT ITS POLICIES,+ HE ADDED.

MR WOTHERSPOON SAID HE HOPED THERE WOULD BE A HIGHER TURN OUT IN THE ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7 THAN IN THE PREVIOUS ELECTION, AND THAT ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WOULD CAST THEIR VOTES.

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CANDIDATES TO SPEAK AT FORUMS  
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THE FIRST OF EIGHT FORUMS FOR SHA TIN DISTRICT BOARD CANDIDATES TO MEET THE PUBLIC WILL START TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT 2.30 PM.

THE FORUMS ARE ORGANISED BY THE SHA TIN DISTRICT OFFICE TO ENABLE RESIDENTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE 32 ELECTION CANDIDATES.

THE CANDIDATES CONTESTING THE 15 SEATS WILL PRESENT THEIR PLATFORMS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC.

ALL THE FORUMS WILL BE HELD AT THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN PLAZA, 4TH FLOOR, EXHIBITION HALL AND THE DATES, TIMES AND CONSTITUENCIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CONSTITUENCY</u>
TOMORROW (SATURDAY)	2.30 PM	CHE KUNG MIU
	3.45 PM	SHA KOK
	5.30 PM	TAI WAI
MARCH 3 (SUNDAY)	10.30 AM	SHING MUN EAST
	12.00 NOON	TOWN CENTRE
	2.00 PM	TSANG TAI UK
	3.15 PM	YUEN WO
	4.45 PM	TIN SUM

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DRIVE TO ATTRACT PEOPLE TO POLLS  
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THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE WILL LAUNCH A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO VOTE IN THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS ON MARCH 7.

TWO MARINE LAUNCHES WILL SPREAD ELECTION MESSAGES TO THE CAUSEWAY BAY AND SHAU KEI WAN TYPHOON SHELTERS AND BROADCASTING VANS WILL TRAVEL THROUGHOUT EASTERN DISTRICT WITH THE SAME MESSAGES ON POLLING DAY AND THE PREVIOUS DAY.

REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE DISTRICT WILL, BY NOW, HAVE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF ELECTION PUBLICITY MATERIALS INCLUDING AN APPEAL LETTER FROM EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MR LUI HAU-TUEN, INFORMATION PAMPHLETS INTRODUCING THE CANDIDATES, A MAP OF THE POLLING STATIONS AND NOTES ON THE VOTING PROCEDURE.

/CARTOON LEAFLETS, .....

CARTOON LEAFLETS, BOOK-MARKS AND SHOPPING BAGS, ALL PRINTED WITH THE ELECTION MESSAGE, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT ELECTION DAY.

THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ALREADY DISTRIBUTED ABOUT 5 000 TOOTHPICK CONTAINERS WITH THE ELECTION MESSAGE TO RESTAURANTS AND FAST FOOD SHOPS IN THE DISTRICT.

OPEN FORUMS HAVE BEEN ORGANISED FOR THE PUBLIC TO MEET THE CANDIDATES STANDING FOR THE ELECTIONS AND BANNERS AND POSTERS HAVE BEEN ERECTED AT PROMINENT LOCATIONS TO URGE PEOPLE TO VOTE ON MARCH 7.

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CARNIVAL TO HELP ELECTION DRIVE  
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A CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD IN KOWLOON PARK THIS SUNDAY (MARCH 3) TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN THE COMING DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS.

THE CARNIVAL, ORGANISED BY THE YAU MA TEI AND TSIM SHA TSUI CULTURE AND ARTS ASSOCIATION AND THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT BOARD, IS ALSO PART OF THE DISTRICT'S LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES.

THE DAY'S EVENT WILL START OFF WITH A VARIETY SHOW FEATURING SINGING, MAGIC PERFORMANCES AND ACROBATICS. GAMES STALLS WILL BE SET UP BY VOLUNTARY AGENCIES AND THE FOUR AREA COMMITTEES OF THE DISTRICT.

AND FREQUENT ELECTION MESSAGES WILL BE BROADCAST TO REMIND RESIDENTS TO VOTE ON MARCH 7.

THE YAU MA TEI DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BOWEN LEUNG- URBAN COUNCILLOR, DR DENNY HUANG AND THE YAU MA TEI POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER, MR B.W. MUNFORD WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CARNIVAL OPENING.

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DB ELECTIONS GALA AT VICTORIA PARK  
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A SPECIAL GALA WILL BE STAGED AT VICTORIA PARK ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3) AFTERNOON TO PROMOTE THE DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS AND TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GO TO THE POLLS ON MARCH 7.

ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE, THE GALA WILL FEATURE VARIOUS PERFORMANCES INCLUDING LION DANCES BY MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT JUNIOR POLICE CALL.

COMMUNITY LEADERS AND OFFICERS OF EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE WILL DISTRIBUTE ELECTION PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS SUCH AS BOOKMARKS, A GUIDE ON VOTING PROCEDURES, CARTOON LEAFLETS, SHOPPING BAGS AND POSTERS TO SPECTATORS AND PASSERS-BY TO REMIND THEM TO GO TO THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STEPHEN NG, WILL OFFICIATE AT A CEREMONY TO LAUNCH THE GALA.

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ELECTION FAIR IN HUNG HOM  
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A GIANT BALLOON WITH THE ELECTION MESSAGE WILL BE THE MAIN ATTRACTION OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT ELECTION FAIR TO BE HELD TOMORROW (SATURDAY) AT THE KO SHAN ROAD PARK IN HUNG HOM.

PARTICIPANTS AT THE FAIR WILL BE GREETED BY A TEAM OF ELECTION AMBASSADORS DRESSED AS ANGELS, BEES, GRASSHOPPERS AND OTHER FANCY COSTUMES, AND WILL BE TREATED TO A VARIETY OF FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT.

THE 30 CANDIDATES STANDING FOR THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS WILL SET UP INDIVIDUAL BOOTHS AT THE FAIR TO ATTRACT POTENTIAL SUPPORTERS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE PERFORMANCES BY THE ROYAL HONG KONG POLICE BAND, MIME SHOWS AND A MUSICAL BY MEMBERS OF THE ARTS FESTIVAL FRINGE AND SINGING BY FIVE LOCAL FOLK GROUPS.

VIDEO AND SLIDE SHOWS ON THE FUNCTION AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE SHOWN AND THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL EXHIBITION SET UP BY THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

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TREE-PLANTING TO MARK BOARD TERM  
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ABOUT 30 MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD WILL PLANT TREES IN ELECTRIC ROAD IN NORTH POINT THIS SUNDAY (MARCH 3) TO MARK THE CURRENT TERM OF THE DISTRICT BOARD.

EIGHT TREES WILL BE PLANTED ON THE PAVEMENT OUTSIDE THE DA DA DEPARTMENT STORE ON ELECTRIC ROAD.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID TODAY: +THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD HAS DONE MUCH TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE DISTRICT, SUCH AS CLEARANCE OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES IN BACKLANES, BUILDING OF RAINSHELTERS, PAVILIONS, SITTING-OUT AREAS, REPAIRING FOOTPATHS AND THE PROVISION OF GUARDRAILS, COMMUNAL LETTERBOXES IN SQUATTER AREAS.+

IT HAD ALSO CARRIED OUT NUMEROUS COMMUNITY BUILDING PROJECTS TO PROVIDE RECREATION AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES FOR RESIDENTS, SUCH AS ORGANISING DISTRICT ARTS AND SPORTS FESTIVALS, AND INTRODUCING A COMMUNITY SCHEME FOR THE ELDERLY.

IT HAD ALSO ADVISED THE GOVERNMENT ON EDUCATION, TRANSPORT, HAWKING AND OTHER ISSUES THAT AFFECT RESIDENTS' WELL-BEING.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DRIVE ENDING  
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A THREE-MONTH LONG ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN IN MONG KOK WILL COME TO A CLOSE AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT THE KEI CHUEN PRIMARY SCHOOL ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3).

THE ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER, MR STANLEY WONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE CEREMONY WHICH WILL FEATURE A LION DANCE AND SINGING PERFORMANCES.

A PHOTO DISPLAY OF THE WORK OF THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD WILL BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY'S EVENT.

THE WINNING ENTRIES OF VARIOUS PAINTING, ESSAY AND HOME BEAUTIFICATION COMPETITIONS ORGANISED DURING THE CAMPAIGN WILL ALSO BE ON DISPLAY.

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BILL PROVIDES CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL CRIME TRIALS  
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A BILL BASED ON EARLIER PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE THE ARRANGEMENT FOR THE TRIAL OF COMPLEX COMMERCIAL CRIMES IS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY AND WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON MARCH 13.

THE BILL TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE VIEWS OF THE PUBLIC AND IN PARTICULAR THOSE OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND THE COMMERCIAL, FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SECTORS ON THE PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN THE PUBLIC DISCUSSION PAPER PUBLISHED IN JULY LAST YEAR.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID, GENERALLY, THE PUBLIC AGREED THAT THE PRESENT SYSTEM WAS NOT SATISFACTORY AND RECOGNISED THAT LAY JURORS AND JUDGES WITHOUT COMMERCIAL EXPERIENCE DID NOT HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE NECESSARY TO ASSESS THE EVIDENCE IN COMPLEX BUSINESS CRIMES.

THERE WERE DIFFERENT DEGREES OF SUPPORT FOR THE WAYS IN WHICH THE PROBLEM SHOULD BE TACKLED, BUT ON THE WHOLE THE PROPOSALS ADVANCED IN THE DISCUSSION PAPER FOR A COURT CONSISTING OF A JUDGE AND COMMERCIAL ADJUDICATORS, APPOINTED BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE, WERE STILL CONSIDERED THE BEST SOLUTION.

THERE WERE SOME CRITICISMS OF THE DETAILS OF THE DRAFT LEGISLATION ATTACHED TO THE PAPER, WHICH HAD NOW BEEN MODIFIED TO FORM THE PRESENT BILL, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

THE ORIGINAL DRAFT PROVIDED FOR TWO ADJUDICATORS TO SIT WITH THE JUDGE, A UNANIMOUS VERDICT, AND DID NOT PROVIDE FOR THE JUDGE TO SUM UP OR TO GIVE REASONS FOR THE VERDICT. THE NUMBER OF ADJUDICATORS IS NOW PROPOSED TO BE THREE, PROVISION IS MADE FOR A MAJORITY VERDICT, AND THE JUDGE WILL HAVE TO SUM UP THE EVIDENCE BEFORE THE COURT RETIRES TO CONSIDER THE VERDICT.

THE PRESENT BILL ALSO PROVIDES FOR A SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN AN ORDER FOR TRIAL BY JUDGE AND COMMERCIAL ADJUDICATORS WHERE ALL THE PARTIES CONSENT.

INSTEAD OF ALLOWING UNRESTRICTED QUESTIONS BY THE ADJUDICATORS, WHO MIGHT BE IGNORANT OF LEGAL PROCEDURE, THE BILL NOW GIVES THE JUDGE DISCRETION TO DISALLOW QUESTIONS.

THE TRIAL OF COMMERCIAL CRIMES BILL 1985 IS SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE ITS THIRD READING ON MAY 15, 1985. ANYONE WHO WISHES TO COMMENT ON ITS PROVISIONS MAY WRITE TO UMELCO, AT SWIRE HOUSE, 12TH FLOOR, OR TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S CHAMBERS, AT THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, HONG KONG.

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### ECONOMICS BRANCH OFFICERS VISIT SHENZHEN

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SIX OFFICERS FROM THE ECONOMIC SERVICES BRANCH OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, LED BY THE SECRETARY, MR PIERS JACOBS, LEFT THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING FOR A DAY-TOUR OF THE SHENZHEN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE TO FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA.

THEY TRAVELLED THERE BY TRAIN AND WILL RETURN TO HONG KONG THIS AFTERNOON BY HOVERFERRY FROM SHEKOU.

WITH MR JACOBS ARE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS DIVISION, DR ALAN MCLEAN, THREE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND AN ECONOMIST.

THE GROUP WILL BE BRIEFED ON GENERAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ZONE BY OFFICERS OF THE SHENZHEN FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE, WILL TOUR THE SHEKOU INDUSTRIAL ZONE AND WILL VISIT THE OIL AND HELICOPTER BASE, ALSO IN THE SHEKOU REGION.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY'S FAMILIARISATION VISIT WOULD BE FOLLOWED UP BY ANOTHER GROUP, TO BE LED BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE ECONOMIC SERVICES DIVISION, MR GERRY HIGGINSON, IN ABOUT A WEEK.

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### REFUGEE CAMP COMES INTO USE

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THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT TODAY (FRIDAY) OPENED A NEW REFUGEE CLOSED CENTRE IN TUEN MUN TO RELIEVE OVERCROWDING IN EXISTING CLOSED CENTRES.

THE BOWRING CLOSED CENTRE, WHICH HAS A SITE AREA OF 1.43 HECTARES AND WHICH COST THE GOVERNMENT \$10 MILLION TO BUILD, WAS CONVERTED FROM AN EX-ARMY CAMP.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE CENTRE CAN ACCOMMODATE UP TO 1 400 PERSONS. HOWEVER, ONLY 1 100 REFUGEES, SELECTED FROM BOTH CAPE COLLINSON AND CHI MA WAN CLOSED CENTRES, WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW CENTRE.

THIS INITIAL INTAKE WILL COMPRISE MAINLY FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN, SINGLE FEMALES AND UNACCOMPANIED MINORS, ALL OF WHOM HAVE ESTABLISHED A GOOD RECORD OF DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOUR IN CLOSED CENTRES.

THE ENTIRE CENTRE IS ENCLOSED BY A DOUBLE PERIMETER FENCE AND IS VERY SECURE.

/THE CENTRE .....

THE CENTRE WILL BE MANAGED, AS ARE ALL OTHER CLOSED CENTRES, BY THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND A VOLUNTARY AGENCY. IN BOWRING, THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND WILL PROVIDE SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL AND RECREATIONAL SERVICES TO THE REFUGEES.

REFUGEES ARE ALLOWED TO MOVE FREELY WITHIN THE CENTRE, BUT THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE, UNLESS ESCORTED BY CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT STAFF.

UNDER EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR) CONTRIBUTES TOWARDS THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL VIETNAMESE REFUGEES IN HONG KONG. THE UNHCR ALSO PROVIDES FUNDS FOR VOLUNTARY AGENCIES RUNNING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN THE CENTRES.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT 2 230 REFUGEES HAD ARRIVED IN 1984 AND A FURTHER 129 THIS YEAR. IT IS ENVISAGED THAT IF THE ARRIVAL RATE CONTINUES AT ITS PRESENT PACE, THE BOWRING CLOSED CENTRE MAY HAVE TO BE FULLY UTILISED EARLY NEXT YEAR.

HONG KONG HAS ACCEPTED ITS INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE PEOPLE BY OFFERING THEM TEMPORARY ASYLUM, THE SPOKESMAN SAID. IT IS UP TO THE RESETTLEMENT COUNTRIES TO HELP ENSURE THAT THE REFUGEES IN HONG KONG DO NOT BECOME THE FORGOTTEN PEOPLE.

HE ADDED, THE INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF REFUGEES IS RESETTLEMENT IN A THIRD COUNTRY.

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#### NEW ID CARDS FOR MEN BORN 1945-47

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MEN BORN IN 1945, 1946 AND 1947 WILL BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR NEW IDENTITY CARDS FROM MARCH 11 TO APRIL 13 THIS YEAR, THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THEY ARE THE FIRST AGE-GROUP TO BE AFFECTED BY THE SECOND CYCLE OF THE NEW ID CARD ISSUE SCHEME FOR MEN.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID 100 000 APPLICATIONS WERE EXPECTED DURING THIS PHASE.

APPLICANTS MAY CALL AT ANY ONE OF THE EIGHT ISSUE OFFICES BETWEEN 8 AM AND 9.30 PM, MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS, WITHIN THE FIVE-WEEK PERIOD.

FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO USE THE MAIL-IN APPOINTMENT SERVICE, APPLICATION FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM DISTRICT OFFICES AND IMMIGRATION OFFICES.

THE SPOKESMAN REITERATED THAT NO AMNESTY WOULD BE GRANTED TO ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS.

+ONCE DETECTED, THEY WILL BE REPATRIATED,+ HE SAID.

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SITE SOLD FOR TWICE UPSET PRICE  
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A PIECE OF CROWN LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF WATERLOO, LANCASHIRE AND CAMBRIDGE ROADS, KOWLOON, WAS SOLD FOR \$20 MILLION AT AN AUCTION TODAY (FRIDAY) -- TWICE THE UPSET PRICE.

KNOWN AS NEW KOWLOON INLAND LOT NO. 6004, THE 2 843-SQUARE-METRE SITE WAS SOLD TO LAI SUN GARMENT CO. LTD.

THE DEVELOPER WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE NOT LESS THAN 2 814.57 SQUARE METRES OF GROSS FLOOR AREA FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 1988.

COMMENTING ON THE SALE, THE AUCTIONEER, MR C.M. MO SAID THE PRICE FETCHED INDICATED HONG KONG'S DEVELOPERS CONFIDENCE IN THE PROPERTY MARKET.

MEANWHILE, THE SALE OF A SITE AT STANLEY MARKET ROAD, WHICH WAS SCHEDULED FOR AUCTION TODAY, HAS BEEN DEFERRED.

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JAPANESE BANK GETS LICENCE  
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AN APPLICATION FROM A JAPANESE BANK, THE YASUDA TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED, FOR A BANKING LICENCE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR-IN-COUNCIL.

THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENSED BANKS IN HONG KONG TO 141, OF WHICH 18 ARE JAPANESE BANKS, A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

INCORPORATED IN JAPAN, THE YASUDA TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED HAS AT PRESENT A REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE AND A WHOLLY OWNED REGISTERED DEPOSIT-TAKING COMPANY SUBSIDIARY IN HONG KONG.

+THE CONTINUING INTEREST BY FOREIGN BANKS IN ESTABLISHING BRANCHES IN HONG KONG IS A DEMONSTRATION OF OVERSEAS CONFIDENCE IN HONG KONG'S FUTURE, PARTICULARLY AS A MAJOR FINANCIAL CENTRE.

+A TOTAL OF 27 BANK LICENCES HAVE BEEN GRANTED SINCE MAY 1981 WHEN THE MORATORIUM ON NEW LICENCES WAS LIFTED,+ THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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GOVERNOR TO PRESENT 'GOOD CITIZEN' AWARD  
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THE FIRST PRESENTATION CEREMONY OF THE NEW GOOD CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD WILL BE HELD AT THE JADE BALLROOM OF FURAMA HOTEL TOMORROW (SATURDAY) MORNING.

THE GOVERNOR, SIR EDWARD YOUDE, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

RECEIVING THE AWARD WILL BE 11 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE ACTED WITH EXCEPTIONAL BRAVERY OR INITIATIVE WHICH LED TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE CULPRITS IN SIX CRIME CASES.

THE SPECIAL AWARD IS GIVEN BY THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE POLICE AND ASIA TELEVISION LIMITED.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE PRESENTATION CEREMONY. THEY ARE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN 9.30 AM.

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NEW AIRPORT POLICE STATION OPENED  
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THE GROWING IMPORTANCE OF HONG KONG'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE ROLE OF THE FORCE IN ITS POLICING HAS NECESSITATED THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LARGE, MODERN AND WELL EQUIPPED STATION TO HOUSE THE UNITS THAT COLLECTIVELY MAKE UP THE AIRPORT POLICE DISTRICT.

SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE AIRPORT DISTRICT POLICE STATION TODAY (FRIDAY), THE REGIONAL COMMANDER, KOWLOON, MR JOHN SHEPPARD SAID THE NEW ACCOMMODATION WILL PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLIC, AIRPORT USERS AND POLICE ALL NECESSARY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND AMENITIES.

THESE INCLUDE A REPORT ROOM, INTERVIEW ROOMS, COMMUNITY AND STAFF RELATIONS OFFICES, SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION, FACILITIES FOR CATERING AND RECREATION AND A FULLY EQUIPPED FITNESS TRAINING ROOM. THERE ARE ALSO SOME CELLS.

MR SHEPPARD SAID WHEN THE BUILDING IS FULLY OCCUPIED IT WILL ALSO HOUSE THREE OF THE KOWLOON REGIONAL CRIME UNITS, A COMPANY OF THE POLICE TACTICAL UNIT AND A RADIO WORKSHOP.

"I DO HOPE THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL MAKE FULL USE OF THE REPORTING FACILITIES SITUATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE STATION".

"BUT LET ME AT THE SAME TIME MAKE IT CLEAR THAT WE SHALL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A FULL SERVICE FROM THE REPORT ROOM IN THE TERMINAL BUILDING," HE SAID.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE NEW DEVELOPMENT IS IN FACT ONLY ONE OF THE THREE PROJECTS AT THE AIRPORT IN WHICH THE POLICE FORCE IS INVOLVED.

NEXT MONTH THE JOINT POLICE/CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY ROOM WILL BE READY, AND EARLY NEXT YEAR THE AIRPORT POLICE COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTRE WITH ITS OWN SOPHISTICATED COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK WILL BE FINISHED.

THESE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS CLEARLY IDENTIFY THE IMPORTANCE WITH WHICH POLICE VIEW THEIR ROLE AT THE AIRPORT, MR SHEPPARD SAID.

THE AIRPORT DIVISION IS RE-ORGANISED AS AIRPORT DISTRICT TO FOLLOW THE GENERAL FORCE PATTERN. IT IS A RESULT OF A REVIEW ON POLICE COMMAND STRUCTURES AND THE DEPLOYMENT OF UNIFORMED BRANCH PERSONNEL AND CID.

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#### COVERED MOTORCYCLES CAUSE CONCERN \* \* \* \* \*

A TRAFFIC POLICE SPOKESMAN TODAY (FRIDAY) EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE PRACTICE ADOPTED BY MANY MOTORCYCLISTS OF COVERING THEIR PARKED MACHINES IN SUCH A WAY THAT THE VEHICLE LICENCE AND THE REGISTRATION PLATE ARE OBSCURED.

HE SAID THAT SUCH A PRACTICE HAD PRESENTED CONSIDERABLE PROBLEMS TO POLICE OFFICERS WHO ENFORCE ROAD TRAFFIC LAW. IT IS ALSO A HINDRANCE TO OFFICERS SEEKING TO LOCATE MISSING VEHICLES.

"WHILE IT IS APPRECIATED THAT THE CYCLISTS WISH TO PROTECT THEIR MACHINES FROM THE SUN AND THE RAIN, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THERE IS A REQUIREMENT UNDER THE ROAD TRAFFIC (REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF VEHICLES) REGULATIONS THAT THE VEHICLE LICENCE AND REGISTRATION PLATE BE DISPLAYED", HE POINTED OUT.

REGULATION 25 REQUIRES THAT THE LICENCE MUST BE DISPLAYED "IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE OF THE VEHICLE IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT IS CLEARLY VISIBLE FROM THAT SIDE OF THE VEHICLE". THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR THIS OFFENCE IS A FINE OF \$2,000 AND 3 MONTHS IMPRISONMENT ON FIRST CONVICTION.

/LIKEWISE REGULATION .....

LIKEWISE REGULATION 8(3) REQUIRES THAT NO PERSON SHALL "USE OR KEEP A VEHICLE ON WHICH THE REGISTRATION MARK IS IN ANY WAY OBSCURED OR NOT EASILY DISTINGUISHABLE." THE MAXIMUM PENALTY FOR THIS OFFENCE IS A FINE OF \$2,000.

"BOTH REGULATIONS APPLY WHETHER THE VEHICLE IS MOVING OR PARKED," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

HE STRESSED THAT IF MOTORCYCLISTS WANT TO COVER THEIR MACHINES, THE DESIGN OF THE COVER SHOULD BE SUCH THAT THE LICENCE AND REGISTRATION PLATE ARE CLEARLY VISIBLE.

"ONE SUGGESTION IS TO FIT CLEAR WINDOWS IN THE APPROPRIATE PARTS OF THE COVER SO THAT THE VEHICLE LICENCE AND REGISTRATION PLATE CAN BE SEEN FROM THE OUTSIDE," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

ENFORCEMENT ACTION FOR THE ABOVE OFFENCES WILL COMMENCE ON APRIL 2, 1985. IF A VEHICLE CANNOT BE IDENTIFIED SUCH ACTION MAY INCLUDE ITS REMOVAL TO A POLICE POUND, WHICH WILL RENDER THE OWNER LIABLE TO REMOVAL CHARGES IN ADDITION TO ANY FINES INCURRED.

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#### STUDY OF BUILDING INDUSTRY MANPOWER DUE

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A TWO-WEEK SURVEY TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE MANPOWER SITUATION IN THE BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING INDUSTRY WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL STARTING MARCH 14.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE COUNCIL SAID QUESTIONNAIRES, EXPLANATORY NOTES AND JOB DESCRIPTION HAD BEEN SENT OUT TO OVER 2 000 EMPLOYERS IN THE INDUSTRY.

INTERVIEWERS OF THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT WILL VISIT BUILDING SITES, OFFICES OF MAJOR GENERAL CONTRACTORS, ESTATE DEVELOPERS, OFFICES OF CONSULTANTS, PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES, TRAINING INSTITUTIONS AND CENTRES TO HELP WITH THE QUESTIONNAIRES.

EMPLOYERS IN THE INDUSTRY ARE ASKED TO CO-OPERATE BY SUPPLYING ACCURATE INFORMATION INCLUDING THE NUMBER OF PERMANENT AND CASUAL EMPLOYEES, THE NUMBER OF TRAINEES AND VACANCIES.

INFORMATION COLLECTED WILL BE HANDLED IN STRICT CONFIDENCE AND PUBLISHED ONLY IN THE FORM OF STATISTICAL SUMMARIES WITHOUT REFERENCE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL ESTABLISHMENT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

DATA OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY WOULD BE OF VITAL IMPORTANCE FOR THE BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD FOR FORMULATING MANPOWER TRAINING PLANS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE INDUSTRY, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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TUEN MUN FAST BECOMING POPULAR AMONG HOME-SEEKERS  
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THE HOUSING AUTHORITY WILL CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO PROVIDE MODERN HOMES IN THE TUEN MUN NEW TOWN TO KEEP PACE WITH THE POPULATION, WHICH WILL GROW TO 500 000 IN THE MID-1990'S.

THIS WAS SAID TODAY BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S HOME OWNERSHIP COMMITTEE, MR CHARLES C.C. SIN, AT A TOPPING-OUT CEREMONY AT THE PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME PRIME VIEW GARDEN IN TUEN MUN.

UNDER THE RECENT SPATE OF DEVELOPMENT, HE SAID, THE POPULATION IN TUEN MUN HAD JUMPED FROM 20 000 PEOPLE IN 1971 TO 100 000 PEOPLE IN 1981, AND AGAIN TO THE PRESENT'S 270 000 PEOPLE.

+THE POPULATION GROWTH, ESPECIALLY DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS, CLEARLY INDICATES THE GREAT POPULARITY OF THE NEW TOWN AS AN IDEAL HOME FOR MANY PEOPLE,+ HE ADDED.

MR SIN ALSO POINTED OUT THAT MORE THAN 160 000 PEOPLE, OR 60 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL POPULATION IN TUEN MUN, WERE LIVING IN EIGHT RENTAL PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES WHILE ANOTHER 45 000 PEOPLE WERE WELL SETTLED IN THREE HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME ESTATES AND TWO PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION SCHEME DEVELOPMENTS.

+AMONG ALL THE NEW TOWNS, TUEN MUN ALSO HAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF HOS FLATS -- MORE THAN 11 000 UNITS ALTOGETHER.

+THE RELATIVE EASE WITH WHICH HOS FLATS WERE MARKETED IN TUEN MUN SHATTERED TO PIECES PREVIOUS RUMOURS OF SLUGGISH HOS FLAT SALES THERE.

+EVEN WITH SIU HONG COURT IN NORTHERN TUEN MUN, THE LARGEST HOS PROJECT EVER DEVELOPED, ITS SOME 4 600 FLATS WERE ALL SOLD OUT WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. A RECORD OF 196 FLATS SOLD IN A SINGLE DAY WAS ONCE CHARTED.

+PLANS ARE ALREADY IN HAND FOR A NUMBER OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS WHICH INCLUDE A CIVIC AND CULTURAL COMPLEX, TOWN SQUARE AND TUEN MUN REGIONAL HOSPITAL. WORKS ON THE PROPOSED LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM WILL ALSO COMMENCE TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR.

+ALL THESE MODERN FACILITIES WILL SURELY BRING GREATER CONVENIENCE AND ENJOYMENT TO RESIDENTS IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOUSING IN TUEN MUN WHICH WILL HAVE A NEW LOOK IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS.+

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PRIME VIEW GARDEN, THE THIRD PSPS PROJECT IN THE TUEN MUN NEW TOWN, IS SITUATED AT TUEN MUN SAN HUI AND IS CLOSE TO CASTLE PEAK ROAD WHERE BUS AND MINIBUS SERVICES TO VARIOUS PARTS OF KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES ARE READILY AVAILABLE.

THE ESTATE COMPRISES FIVE 30/31-STOREY RESIDENTIAL BLOCKS CONTAINING ALTOGETHER 1 520 TWO-BEDROOM FLATS. FLAT SIZES RANGE FROM 42.4 TO 52.9 SQUARE METRES.

IT WILL ALSO HAVE ITS OWN KINDERGARTEN, SHOPPING CENTRE, MULTI-STOREY CARPARK, REST GARDENS, CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUNDS AND MULTI-PURPOSE RECREATIONAL GROUNDS TO PROVIDE A COMFORTABLE LIVING ENVIRONMENT FOR THE RESIDENTS.

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REMINDER ON RATEABLE VALUES  
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A NOTICE REMINDING THOSE WHO WISH TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO THE RATEABLE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR TO DO SO THIS MONTH IS PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE TODAY (FRIDAY).

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT SAID RATEABLE VALUES FOR NEXT YEAR WOULD BE THE SAME AS FOR THIS YEAR.

+ANY ALTERATIONS MADE TO THE RATEABLE VALUE AS A RESULT OF A PROPOSAL LODGED IN 1984 WILL APPLY NEXT YEAR AND NO FURTHER PROPOSAL IS NECESSARY,+ HE SAID.

FORMS FOR MAKING PROPOSALS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE RATING AND VALUATION DEPARTMENT AT HENNESSY CENTRE, 500 HENNESSY ROAD, CAUSEWAY BAY, HONG KONG AND THE VARIOUS DISTRICT OFFICES.

PROPOSALS MUST BE LODGED WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE MARCH 30.

THE SPOKESMAN EMPHASISED THAT NOTWITHSTANDING THE LODGING OF A PROPOSAL OR APPEAL, RATES MUST STILL BE PAID BY THE DUE DATE.

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## LECTURERS WANTED FOR EVENING COURSES

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QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND PEOPLE SKILLED IN SPECIAL HOBBIES CAN APPLY FOR A NUMBER OF LECTURER POSTS IN EVENING COURSES RUN BY THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN 1985/86.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID APPLICANTS FOR TEACHING POSTS IN THE EVENING SCHOOL OF HIGHER CHINESE STUDIES, TEACHERS' COURSE, ENGLISH COURSE, THE SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES AND ADULT EDUCATION COURSE (GENERAL BACKGROUND) SHOULD BE QUALIFIED TEACHERS.

THOSE APPLYING FOR TEACHING POSTS IN DRESSMAKING, SEWING AND KNITTING, COOKERY AND WOODWORK OF THE ADULT EDUCATION COURSES (PRACTICAL BACKGROUND) SHOULD BE QUALIFIED TEACHERS WITH SPECIAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN THE RESPECTIVE SUBJECT, HE SAID.

APPLICANTS FOR POSTS OF HOBBY INSTRUCTORS IN SINGING, MUSICAL INSTRUMENT PLAYING, FOLK DANCE, PAINTING, DRAMA, JAPANESE, PUTONGHUA AND HANDICRAFTS IN THE ADULT EDUCATION AND RECREATION CENTRES SHOULD BE AT LEAST FORM 5 GRADUATES OR EQUIVALENT, WITH SPECIAL SKILLS IN THE RESPECTIVE SUBJECT OR HOBBY, HE ADDED.

FINAL YEAR STUDENTS OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES MAY ALSO APPLY BUT THEIR APPOINTMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THEIR DEGREE COURSES.

EXISTING REMUNERATION FOR PART-TIME LECTURING ARE \$120 PER HOUR FOR POST-SECONDARY LEVEL COURSES; \$100 PER HOUR FOR SENIOR SECONDARY LEVEL COURSES; \$80 PER HOUR FOR JUNIOR SECONDARY LEVEL COURSES; \$70 PER HOUR FOR PRIMARY LEVEL COURSES AND \$65 PER HOUR FOR HOBBY INSTRUCTORS.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE OBTAINABLE FROM THE ADULT EDUCATION SECTION AT 1 HENNESSY ROAD, 12TH FLOOR, ASIAN HOUSE, WAN CHAI, HONG KONG. COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE SECTION ON OR BEFORE MARCH 30. ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE AT THE SECTION ON 5-295708.

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## TRAINING DANCE INSTRUCTORS FOR HANDICAPPED

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PEOPLE WITH EXPERIENCE IN WESTERN FOLK DANCE ARE INVITED TO JOIN A COURSE TO BECOME DANCE INSTRUCTORS FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED.

THE COURSE, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE RECREATION AND SPORTS SERVICE OF THE RECREATION AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT, THE HONG KONG REHAB AID AND HONG KONG PHAB ASSOCIATION, WILL BE HELD AT LADY MACLEHOSE POKFULAM PHAB CENTRE ON MARCH 9 AND 16 FROM 2 TO 4 PM.

APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE RSS HEAD OFFICE IN WING ON CENTRE / CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL OR ITS 19 DISTRICT OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY. PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO PEOPLE SERVING THE HANDICAPPED.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 5-415037.

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WELFARE HELPERS THANKED  
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TWENTY-NINE CITIZENS WHO VOLUNTARILY HELPED THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT PROBATION OFFICERS IN REHABILITATING PROBATIONERS, WILL BE THANKED AT A CEREMONY TOMORROW (SATURDAY).

SEVENTEEN OF THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN THE DEPARTMENT'S VOLUNTEER SCHEME FOR PROBATIONERS FOR THE FIRST TIME WILL RECEIVE CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION FROM SIR ALAN HUGGINS, VICE-PRESIDENT, COURT OF APPEAL.

THE 12 OTHERS, WHO SERVED MORE THAN ONCE, WILL RECEIVE SOUVENIRS FROM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE (OPERATIONS), MRS EVELYN DOE.

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ZONING PLAN NOTES REVISED  
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NOTES ATTACHED TO THE DRAFT MA TAU KOK OUTLINE ZONING PLAN HAVE BEEN REVISED, THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD ANNOUNCED TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE AMENDED PLAN AND THE REVISED NOTES MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE TOWN PLANNING DIVISION, 4TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD- THE DISTRICT OFFICE (CENTRAL AND WESTERN) PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING ENTRANCE- AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE (KOWLOON CITY), 141-143 KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, 1ST FLOOR, KOWLOON.

ANY PERSON AFFECTED BY THE CHANGE MAY SUBMIT AN OBJECTION IN WRITING TO THE SECRETARY, TOWN PLANNING BOARD, C/O LANDS DEPARTMENT, 4TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG ON OR BEFORE MARCH 21, 1985.

THE DRAFT AMENDMENT PLAN, AT \$10 PER COPY, IS ON SALE AT THE SURVEY DIVISION, LANDS DEPARTMENT, 5TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, GARDEN ROAD, HONG KONG.

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MOVE TO CLOSE ILLEGAL ROOF STRUCTURES  
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THE BUILDING AUTHORITY WILL BE APPLYING FOR CLOSURE OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES ON THE ROOF AREA OF TWO PREMISES IN KOWLOON TO ENABLE DEMOLITION WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT DANGER TO THE OCCUPIERS OR THE PUBLIC.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER IN THE KOWLOON DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON MARCH 18, WAS POSTED ON THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURE ON THE ROOF OF THE 5TH FLOOR OF NO. 631 FUK WA STREET, KOWLOON TODAY (FRIDAY).

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ANOTHER NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A CLOSURE ORDER IN THE KOWLOON DISTRICT COURT AT 9.30 AM ON MARCH 19 WAS POSTED ON THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURE ON THE ROOF OF THE 5TH FLOOR OF NO. 1078 CANTON ROAD IN KOWLOON TODAY (FRIDAY).

THE CLOSURE APPLICATIONS ARE PART OF THE EXERCISE TO ENFORCE ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE BUILDINGS ORDINANCE IN APRIL AND AUGUST LAST YEAR, REQUIRING THE DEMOLITION OF THE ILLEGAL STRUCTURES AS A RESULT OF THE OWNERS' FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ORDER.

THE DEMOLITION WORK WILL BE CARRIED OUT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CLOSURE ORDERS ARE MADE.

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### RADIO CAR RACING IN TUEN MUN \* \* \*

THIS YEAR'S RADIO CONTROLLED ELECTRIC RACING CAR COMPETITION WILL BE HELD AT THE TUEN MUN PLAYGROUND AT HEUNG SZE WUI ROAD ON SUNDAY (MARCH 3).

ABOUT 120 PARTICIPANTS WILL JOIN IN THE COMPETITION WHICH IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE HONG KONG RADIO MODEL ASSOCIATION AND THE NEW TERRITORIES SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE COMPETITION WILL BE DIVIDED INTO FIVE SECTIONS AND THREE WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED FROM EACH SECTION.

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### MECHANICAL MOPPER A BOON TO FRUSTRATED TENNIS PLAYERS \* \* \* \*

FOR TENNIS PLAYERS, THERE IS NOTHING MORE FRUSTRATING THAN HAVING A GAME SPOILT BY WET WEATHER.

BUT THEIR FRUSTRATION WILL SOON BE PARTLY ALLEVIATED WHEN THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT PUTS A SPECIALLY-DESIGNED MOPPING MACHINE INTO SERVICE THIS COMING SUMMER.

THE MOPPER CAN SOP UP A WATERLOGGED TENNIS COURT IN MINUTES, AT A MOP-UP RATE OF 3 000 GALLONS OF WATER PER HOUR.

RESEMBLING A LARGE LAWN-MOWER, THE BRITISH-MADE MOPPER IS POWERED BY A FIVE HORSE-POWER MOTOR, SERVING A BUILT-IN PUMP AND A SYPHON SYSTEM.

WITH A LARGE SPONGE ROLLER IN THE FRONT, THE MOPPER SOAKS UP THE SURFACE WATER WHICH GOES INTO A HOLDING TANK. WHEN THE TANK IS FULL, THE WATER IS PUMPED INTO NEARBY DRAINAGE HOLES.

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+WE ARE VERY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THIS MACHINE, WHICH IS WIDELY AND SUCCESSFULLY USED OVERSEAS,+ SAID A USD SPOKESMAN TODAY. +IT WILL SAVE A LOT OF TIME AND MANPOWER IN THE MOPPING PROCESS, WHICH AT PRESENT IS PERFORMED MANUALLY.

+WHEN SHOWERS PASS, IT IS HOPED THAT DRENCHED TENNIS COURTS CAN BE MADE READY FOR PLAY IN A SHORT TIME, THUS IN TURN MAXIMISING THE USAGE OF THESE POPULAR SPORTING FACILITIES.+

IF THE \$30,000 MACHINE PROVES SUCCESSFUL, AND FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE, OTHERS WILL BE PURCHASED TO PROVIDE MOPPING-UP SERVICES AT THE MAIN TENNIS COURTS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE HARBOUR.

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## TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ON TSING YI BRIDGE AND TAI PO ROAD FROM MONDAY (MARCH 4) TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION WORK.

THE TSING YI BRIDGE WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 12 MIDNIGHT AND 5.30 AM FROM MONDAY (MARCH 4) TO WEDNESDAY (MARCH 6).

IN ADDITION, THE BRIDGE WILL BE OPEN TO TRAFFIC AT FIVE-MINUTE INTERVALS FOR THREE ONE-HOUR PERIODS ON MARCH 24 (SUNDAY). THESE ONE-HOUR PERIODS WILL START FROM 12 MIDNIGHT, 6.30 AM AND 3 PM.

THE NORTHBOUND SECTION OF TAI PO ROAD BETWEEN WO HOP SHEK CONNECTION AND SOUTH WEST LOOP ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FOR 30 MINUTES FROM 10 AM ON MONDAY (MARCH 4).

DURING THE CLOSURE, MOTORISTS ARE ADVISED TO DIVERT VIA WO HOP SHEK MINI-ROUNDBOUT AND WO HOP SHEK CONNECTION.

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## MAXICAB SERVICE EXTENDED

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MAXICAB ROUTE NO. 64K OPERATING BETWEEN TAI WAI KCR TEMPORARY STATION AND LOWER SHING MUN TEMPORARY HOUSING AREA IN SHA TIN WILL BE EXTENDED TO LOWER SHING MUN ROAD TO REACH FU SHAN CREMATORIUM FROM MONDAY (MARCH 4).

THE FARE WILL REMAIN AT \$1.

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SHARE DISCLOSURES  
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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON TAKEOVERS AND MERGERS UNDER RULE 29 OF THE HONG KONG CODE ON TAKEOVERS AND MERGERS ADVISES THAT, IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERS TO BE MADE TO ACQUIRE THE WHOLE OF THE ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL OF WHEELOCK MARDEN AND CO. LTD. ('WHEELOCK MARDEN'), THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES HAVE BEEN MADE TO HIM:

- (1) N M ROTHSCHILD AND SONS (HONG KONG) LIMITED HAVE PURCHASED 79 721 'B' SHARES AT \$0.60 PER SHARE.
- (2) WARDLEY LTD ADVISES THAT A TOTAL OF 5 423 000 'A' SHARES AND 599 625 'B' SHARES IN WHEELOCK MARDEN WERE PURCHASED ON FEBRUARY 28, 1985 ON BEHALF OF THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO. LTD. AT PRICE RANGES OF \$7.10 - 7.15 PER 'A' SHARE AND \$0.73 PER 'B' SHARE.

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