

- China's party Secretary General Jiang Zemin has taken over all of China's relations with Hong Kong including the controversial airport project. It has not yet been decided when the next round of airport talks will take place.

- Hong Kong's reexports to most of its major markets recorded a modest rise in 1990. China remains the major source of reexports, accounting for 27 per cent of the territory's total 1990 reexport trade.

- Pan Zengxi, vice-directeur de l'agence Chine Nouvelle, a été relevé de sa poste à Hong Kong. Aucune explication officielle n'a été communiquée sur son départ.

- Taipei has opened a new trade office in Hong Kong to promote economic cooperation with the territory and the mainland. The office will be called the Taipei Trade Centre of Hong Kong. It is the second office established in Hong Kong by the China External Trade Development Council.

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- Les exportations de Taiwan vers l'Europe orientale se sont accrues de 24% cette année. La majorité de ces exportations est allée vers la Pologne, la Hongrie et l'URSS.

- The dyeing industry lobby in Taiwan has succeeded in relaxing the deadline for departure from Taiwan of all illegal workers. The Council of Labour Affairs has agreed to permit foreign workers to remain in Taiwan for another three months to cover the "busy season" of April to June.

- Taiwan has drafted a bill defining a 200 nautical mile "exclusive economic zone" beginning from a "baseline" which authorities claim has been marked in accordance with United Nations Law of the Sea guidelines.

ONGOING AND UPCOMING/A VENIR

-Festival Canada--Hong Kong June 18-July 1. Two week multidimensional festival (trade, public affairs, academic, cultural). For info contact Georgina Wainwright at (613) 992-8077.

-Great Canada '91--Tokyo, July 1-14. Two week cultural festival featuring Canadian visual and performing arts. For info contact Georgina Wainwright at (613)992-8077.

-Foodex -- Osaka, Japan, Sept 17-20. Contact Greg Bates at (613)995-8628.

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