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PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

NEW DOCKLANDS MINISTER COUNTS DOWN TO TUNNEL OPENING

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During his visit, the Minister will unveil a 50ft high 'countdown board' which will provide a visual reminder to Docklands' commuters of the number of weeks to go before the opening of the Limehouse Link tunnel.

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DATE: Tuesday, 12 May 1992

TIME: 11.00am to don hard hats and boots, for 11.25am

VENUE: Western Portal of the Limehouse Link

At the entrance to Narrow Street, off The Highway,

Limehouse London, E14

NOTE TO EDITORS:

The Limehouse Link is a 1.8 km, £240 million dual-carriageway linking Canary Wharf on the Isle of Dogs to the City of London. Due for completion in 1993, 90 per cent of the road is contained in a tunnel.

The London Docklands Development Corporation appointed Sir Alexander Gibb & Partners Ltd to design the Link in 1987.

In 1989, Balfour Beatty/ Fairclough in joint venture were contracted to construct the route.

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Says the Minister: "This is one of my first duties as Minister of State at the Department and one in which I take particular pleasure. The Limehouse Link is a superb example of British engineering at work and will be one more vital step in bringing the huge potential offered by London Docklands closer to the West End and the City".

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