

\$4m project at new naval base site

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WORK is due to start this month on Stonecutters Island to clear the way for the shifting of the HMS Tamar naval base.

A Works Branch spokesman said a new entrance and boat hoist jetty would be built and the existing breakwater extended.

The improvements, expected to cost \$4 million, are due to be completed by March 1993 but when the base will actually occupy the site is still unknown.

The Joint Liaison Group endorsed at its September meeting the controversial shift from Tamar's present site on the Wan Chai waterfront to Stonecutters.

The agreement followed talks between British Prime Minister John Major and his Chinese counterpart Li Peng in Beijing.