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LONDON'S LARGEST PUBLIC SCULPTURE NOW IN PLACE
IN DOCKLANDS

London's largest piece of public sculpture, commissioned by the London Docklands Development Corporation (LDDC), is now in place above the Eastern Services Building of the new Limehouse Link dual carriageway at Westferry Road on the Isle of Dogs.

Weighing more than 70 tons, and more than six metres high at its highest point, the massive sculpture is the final piece of art to adorn the new Limehouse Link services buildings commissioned by the LDDC at a total cost of £250,000.

Created by Stepney-based artist, Michael Kenny, the dramatic stone triptych, entitled "On Strange and Distant Islands", is made from Kilkenny marble, with linear stainless steel elements. Constructed from 27 separate pieces of stone the sculpture is bound to become a familiar new landmark on the London Docklands landscape.

The other two sculptures commissioned by the LDDC, in what is believed to be the largest pieces of public art installed in the capital over the last decade, are already in place.

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The first, made at the "Sculpture Factory" in East London by Nigel Hall, was hoisted into place on the North Quay Services Building. The abstract, deep maroon painted steel sculpture is nine metres high and weighs approximately eight tons.

"Restless Dream" by Zadok Ben-David, is now in situ above the new road's Western portal. The massive nine metre disc is made up of black silhouetted figures joined together to make a web which floats in front of a giant sleeping two dimensional man.

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## ATTENTION PICTURE EDITORS:

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WHAT: LONDON'S LARGEST PUBLIC SCULPTURE CRANED INTO

PLACE IN LONDON DOCKLANDS.

WHEN: East London based artist Michael Kenny will be available

for photographs between 10.00am and 4.00pm on

Thursday 22 April 1993.

WHERE: Eastern Services Building, Westferry Road, London E14.

The London Docklands Development Corporation has commissioned, what is believed to be the largest pieces of public art installed in London over the last ten years.

At a total cost of £250,000 the three sculptures are being placed above the three service buildings of the new Limehouse Link dual carriageway road.

The final work of art, "On Strange and Distant Islands", by Stepney-based artist Michael Kenny, will be hoisted above the Eastern Services Building between 21 and 23 April.

Weighing 70 tons, and more than six metres at its highest point, this massive piece of art is made from 27 pieces of Kilkenny marble and stainless steel.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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