**FRONT PLACKET III**

Transfer pattern markings for placket on front panel and sew guide stitching around marked placket opening along dashed line. Cut button bands and stitch placket with even 10 mm seam allowances. The terms "inner"/"outer" and "left"/"right" refer to the garment when worn.

1. Slash placket opening along center-front line to within 10 mm from bottom of placket. Clip diagonally into corners of guide stitching to form a triangle at bottom of placket.

2. Fuse interfacing to wrong side of outer halves of button bands. Fold button bands in half lengthwise and press creases.

3. Pin right side of non-interfaced half of left button band to wrong side of left placket edge on front panel. Stitch button band to placket edge, ending stitching 10 mm above bottom end of button band.

4a. Fold button band right way up. Turn seam allowance at edge of outer (= interfaced) half of button band to wrong side, pin edge to right side of placket edge and stitch it in place close to edge. Note that bottom end of button band is left unstitched at this stage.

4b. Stitch right button band to right placket edge in the same way.

5. Fold front panel crosswise along bottom of placket, folding left (= outer) placket edge onto right side and right (= inner) placket edge onto wrong side of lower portion of front panel, then sandwich triangle at bottom of placket between bottom ends of button bands and stitch it to button bands. Press bottom of placket.

6. Fold button bands right way up, pin them in position and stitch a square at bottom of placket from right side.