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CHINESE UNIVERSITY READY FOR CHALLENGES OF THE 21ST CENTURY, SAYS VICE-CHANCELLOR

The Chinese University is ready to meet the challenges of the 21st century by assuming an active role in the social and economic developments of Hong Kong, said the Vice-Chancellor of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Prof. Charles Kao Kuen.

Speaking at the Opening of the University's 30th Anniversary Exhibition at the City Hall this morning, Prof. Kao said the university was constantly adding on new courses, such as the degree programmes on environmental science and food science, to meet the changing manpower needs of Hong Kong.

Research programmes -- especially at the doctoral level -- are also being strengthened, and inter-disciplinary collaboration encouraged, to make the university a think tank for the society.

"With a firm foundation built over the past three decades, the Chinese University stands ready to meet the challenges of the new era," the Vice-Chancellor said.

Open to the public, the exhibition features a comprehensive range of exhibits on the history of the university, the foundation colleges, programmes of studies and admission, teaching and research, students and alumni, and campus facilities.

The university's links with overseas institutions and the Hong Kong community are also featured, together with a comprehensive book display by the Chinese University Press.

There are also video and slide shows, computer demonstrations, and live stage demonstrations by various academic departments.

An important section of the exhibition deals with the future. Entitled "Towards the 21st Century", this part of the exhibition focuses on the university's role in helping to meet Hong Kong's future academic and social challenges and its expanding position in the global academic community.

To encourage the widest possible public exposure, satellite exhibitions will be held in various commercial centres around Hong Kong from May to November 1993. These venues include: MTR stations (Tai Koo, Central and Kwun Tong) May 24-31; Landmark, June 1-3; Pacific Place, July 9-11; and Ocean Terminal, July 16-18.

The exhibition at City Hall opens daily from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm. Admission is free.

Note to Editor:

A photo on this morning's opening ceremony will be available at the GIS press boxes this afternoon.

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