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The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces that five distinguished persons will be awarded honorary degrees at the University's 27th Congregation to take place on Thursday, October 18. They are: the Hon. Lydia Dunn, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa; the Hon. Mr. Justice T.L. Yang, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa; Mr. Li Fei-kan, Doctor of Literature, honoris causa; Professor William Watson, Doctor of Literature, honoris causa; and Mr. Li Dak-sum, Doctor of Social Science, honoris causa. His Excellency the Governor and Chancellor of the University, Sir Edward Youde, will officiate at the ceremony.

The Hon. Lydia Dunn, BS (Calif.), CBE, JP, is an Unofficial Member of both the Legislative and Executive Councils. Apart from her distinguished record of public service, Miss Dunn has had an outstanding career in the highly competitive world of business. She is Director of John Swire and Sons (HK) Ltd., and Managing Director of Swire and Maclaine Ltd. Miss Dunn became associated with the University in 1978 when she joined the Council. She served as Chairman of the Appointments Board between 1979 and 1982 and was appointed University Treasurer in 1982.

The Hon. Mr. Justice T.Y. Yang, LLB (London), is a prominent public figure widely respected for his successful and outstanding achievements in the Judiciary and for his dedicated service to the community, in particular the leading role he has played in a number of public commissions of inquiry. In addition, Justice Yang has served on the governing bodies of the two universities and the Baptist College since the early 70's. First appointed to the University & Polytechnic Grants Committee in 1978, he became its Chairman in 1981.

Mr. Li Fei-kan, better known by his pen name Ba Jin, is one of the foremost Chinese authors in the twentieth century whose many novels and short stories published in the 40's and 50's were enormously popular among the younger generations of Chinese readers. publication of his two collections of critical essays in the late 70's again won him wide recognition as the leading writer in contemporary Chinese literature. He was elected Chairman of the Chinese Writers' Association in 1981.

Professor William Watson, MA (Cambridge), CBE, is President of Oriental Ceramic Society and a renowned scholar in Chinese art and archaeology. He was Professor of Chinese Art and Archaeology at the London School of Oriental and African Studies between 1966 and 1983, when he also headed London University's Percival David Foundation of Chinese Art. Professor Watson is the author of numerous scholarly works spanning such diverse subjects as Japanese sculpture and East Asia culture, many of which are considered to be of great value in enhancing the Western world's understanding of the cultural interflow between China and Central Asia.

Mr. Li Dak-sum, BA (Fudan), JP, is the Chairman and Managing Director of Roxy Electric Co. Ltd. and a chain of private companies established under the auspices of Roxy in Southeast Asia. Apart from being a successful and outstanding businessman, Mr. Li is a well-known figure in community affairs. Mr. Li became associated with the University in 1976 when he was invited to serve on the Board of Trustees of New Asia College, and has since shown great interest in the development of business administration education at the University.