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NOTE TO EDITORS

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The Naming Ceremony of Kao Kuen Star

The Purple Mountain Observatory, Chinese Academy of Sciences, is to name the minor planet number 3463 after the Vice-Chancellor of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Professor Charles K Kao, in recognition of the latter's contribution to communication technology.

An internationally known scholar in optic fibre communication, Professor Kao, as the principal author, published a paper on the theory and practice of optical fibre for communication applications in 1966. It heralded the beginning of a new era in telecommunications. For his pioneering work, Professor Kao is called "Father of Fibre Optics".

To honour him, the Purple Mountain Observatory is to present Professor Kao the naming certificate and a bronze plaque of "Kao Kuen Star". You are cordially invited to send a representative to cover the naming ceremony. Details are as follows:-

Date: July 24, 1996 (Wednesday)

Time: 4:00pm

Place: Penthouse, Hang Seng Bank Headquarters,
83 Des Voeux Road, Central

Speakers: Mr Zhang Zunsheng
Deputy Director, Hong Kong Branch of Xinhua News Agency

Sir Quo-wei Lee
Chairman, Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Professor Lu Yong-xiang
Vice-President, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Professor Zhang Jia-xiang
Member, Naming Committee for New Celestial Bodies in Solar System
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Professor Dai Xin
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Professor Yang Jie-xing
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Professor Wang Qi
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