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Chinese University to Confer Honorary Degrees

The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces that four distinguished persons will be awarded honorary degrees at the University's 44th Congregation to be held on October 15, 1992 on the University campus. His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Christopher Patten, Chancellor of the University, will officiate at the ceremony.

Mrs Alice Kiu-yue Lam (林李翹如), J.P. and Mr Wilson T.S. Wang (王澤森), O.B.E., J.P. will each be awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa. Professor Tsui Lap-Chee (徐立之) will receive the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa. The degree of Doctor of Social Science, honoris causa, will be conferred on Professor Ezra F. Vogel (傅高義).

Mrs Alice Kiu-yue Lam, a staunch supporter of local tertiary education, has given invaluable advice on the development of the University in her capacity as Treasurer of the University and member of its various committees. She has been serving as the University's Treasurer, Chairman of its Finance Committee, Alternate Chairman and Member of the Universities Joint Salaries Committee, and Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Two-year MBA Programme. She also holds key finance and development-related positions in the Council of the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology. A solicitor by training, Mrs Lam is Director and General Manager of the Hang Seng Bank Limited. She is Director of the Hong Kong Telephone Company Limited and Executive Director of the Wing On Bank Limited. Mrs Lam has served on many boards and committees of public and voluntary bodies, including the Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service and the Securities and Futures Appeals Panel. Mrs Lam is also active in the Hong Kong Kidney Foundation Ltd. and has been its Vice-Chairman since 1989.

An educationalist and veteran in public service, Mr Wilson T.S. Wang has rendered distinguished service to the community since the fifties, notably in the promotion of sports, education, recreational activities and medical services. Mr Wang is Proprietor and Supervisor of the New Method College. He has made donations to help the University establish several professorships and the Conference Fund for the Department of Surgery. He served as a Legislative Councillor from 1968 to 1975 and was Vice-chairman of the United College Board of Trustees until 1972. Mr Wang has also made significant contribution in promoting sports in Hong Kong as Founder President of both the Hong Kong Cycling Association and the Hong Kong Amateur Gymnastic Association. He is also Past Chairman of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Board of Directors and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Council.

Prof Tsui Lap-Chee, a renowned geneticist, is Professor of the Department of Genetics at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto and Departments of Medical Genetics and Medical Biophysics of the University of Toronto. His research team identified the

gene that causes cystic fibrosis, a common genetic disorder among Caucasians. The discovery could help scientists improve diagnosis and devise better screening tests for people who carry a defective gene and run the risk of having children with the disease. The discovery gives hope of an eventual cure for sufferers of cystic fibrosis. Many awards have been bestowed on him in recognition of his scientific contribution, including the Royal Society of Canada Centennial Award, the Genetic Society of Canada's Award of Excellence, the Gold Medal of Honour of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association of Canada. Prof Tsui is an alumnus of the Chinese University and has maintained a close association with his alma mater.

Prof Ezra F. Vogel, Dillon Professor of International Affairs of the Harvard University, is a prominent scholar in East Asian Studies. He has held several major appointments at the Harvard University, ranging from chairmanship of its Council on East Asian Studies to directorship of the Programme on US-Japan Relations. Prof Vogel is recognised as a key player in the improvement of American relationship with China and Japan. A prolific writer, Prof Vogel was awarded the Harvard Faculty Prize for Book of the Year in 1970. He is the author of numerous books and articles, including Japan as Number One, The Impact of Japan on a Changing World, and One Step Ahead in China: Reform in Guangdong. Prof Vogel visited the University as the Distinguished Visiting Scholar to the United College in 1983 and spoke at the University's "Li & Fung Lecture Programme on Commerce and Industry" in April last year. He is also Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Universities Service Centre, the world-renowned library in contemporary Chinese studies at the University.

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Attachment: Photographs of the four honorary degree graduands