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The Chinese University of Hong Kong will host an international seminar on "AIDS in Southeast Asia and the Pacific Region: Strategies for Prevention and Control - the Role of Institutions of Higher Learning" from June 28 to 30, 1989. The function is co-sponsored by the Association of Southeast Asian Institutions of Higher Learning (ASAIHL) of which CU is a founding member.

The seminar aims to gain a better understanding of the seriousness of AIDS and its prevalance in Southeast Asia and the Pacific region, to identify the various courses of action being taken to combat the disease and to evaluate their relative effectiveness, to review the current state of international and intra-national cooperation in dealing with AIDS, and to begin preliminary steps of making more in-depth studies of the social, economic, ethical, scientific, medical and educational aspects of the problem in Southeast Asia. The roles of institutions of higher learning in addressing the AIDS issue will be examined in detail.

Over 70 participants nominated by member institutions of the ASAIHL and other overseas educational organisations are expected to attend the function. They will include distinguished vice-chancellors, deans and professors from Australia, Canada, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, USA and Hong Kong. Local and internationally renowned experts on the subject including Dr M Carballo of the World Health Organisation and Dr M Essex of the Harvard University have also been invited to give plenary speeches at the seminar.

The function will be the first of its kind to be held in Hong Kong. The Chairman of the Programme Committee is Professor Joseph C K Lee, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at CUHK. Professor John Espy from the University's Office of Industrial and Business Development serves as the Organising Committee Chairman. Further details about the seminar will be announced in due course. Please direct all enquiries to the Seminar Secretariat at 0-6952359 or 0-6952893.

Attachment: Poster on the AIDS Seminar