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## PRESS RELEASE SCHOLAR ON MARXISM TODAY

Is Marxism dead? Or could this century-old ideology and some of its concepts such as "alienation" and "exploitation" be applicable in this day and age? What has remained of Marxism after the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union?

Prof. Jon Elster, one of the founding scholars of the School of Analytical Marxism and the Director (with others) of the Centre for the Study of Constitutionalism in Eastern Europe, University of Chicago Law School, will deliver two public lectures entitled "Marxism Today" and "The Constitution-Making Process" this week at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Prof. Elster, who has arrived in Hong Kong for a week-long visit on Sunday (November 13), is currently the Edward L. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science and Philosophy at the University of Chicago. He has also held teaching and research positions in various prestigious academic institutions in Norway, France, America and the United Kingdom.

Prof. Elster is best known for his unique multi-disciplinary perspective and his unusual breadth of knowledge - which crosses the fields of philosophy, political science, history, technical economics, sociology and law.

All are welcome to attend the two lectures by Prof. Elster.

Lecture One: Marxism Today

: Tomorrow (November 15, Tuesday)

Time : 4:30 p.m.

: Shaw College Lecture Theatre, CUHK

Lecture Two: The Constitution-Making Process

: November 17 (Thursday) Date

Time : 4:30 p.m.

: Auditorium, 5/F, Ho Sin Hang Venue

Engineering Building, CUHK

Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a

representative to cover the lecture.

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