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4th World Congress of Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Surgery

Sir David Ford formally opened the 4th World Congress of Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary (HPB) Surgery today at the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre. This is the first time that the World Association of HPB Surgery holds its World Congress in Asia and Professor Arthur Li Kwok Cheung said that it is a great honour for his Department of Surgery at the Chinese University of Hong Kong to be chosen to host this important event in the surgical calendar.

In recognition of the importance of diseases of the liver, pancreas and biliary system in Asia and the important contributions that have been made particularly by the Chinese University of Hong Kong, over 1,000 doctors from 78 countries attended this World Congress.

In the past decade the Chinese University of Hong Kong has introduced many new techniques in the treatment of liver cancer. Not only have there been innovative procedures in diagnosis by Professor Joseph LEE Chuen Kwun and Professor Con Metreweli and new surgical operations but also pioneering work of selective internal radiation therapy for inoperable cases by Dr. LAU Wan Yee and Dr. Thomas LEUNG Wai Tong.

Moreover the Department of Surgery has introduced laparoscopic surgery to Hong Kong and Dr. Sydney CHUNG Sheung Chee performed the first laparoscopic cholecystectomy in China and has held regular workshops in most major cities in China.

Over 100 leading experts from China is attending this World Congress since HPB diseases are extremely common there. An international renowned liver cancer expert Professor TANG Zhao You will deliver one of the keynote lectures as he is one of the most experienced doctors in the world in treating this disease.

At this World Congress there are ample opportunities for Chinese experts to share their invaluable experience with acknowledged leaders from every Western countries who have the know-how of advance technology. Such exchange between East and West will no doubt produce stimuli for all concern to excel further in this important field of HPB Surgery.

Professor TANG Zhao You commented that this is very exciting Congress with over 500 papers to be presented. These papers are selected by an international grading panel of experts under the Chairmanship of Dr. Henry Pitt, Vice Chairman, Department of Surgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, U.S.A.

Dr. Russell Strong from Brisbane Australia who has helped Hong Kong with his liver transplantation programme will also be presenting his experience. Altogether there will be 6 keynote lectures and 9 update lectures for the delegates.

The venue of the next World Congress will be in Boston, U.S.A. in 1994.

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