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## CUHK Council Announcement

The Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces the following appointments:

## Lord Todd Appointed Life Member

The Rt Hon Lord Todd of Trumpington has been appointed a Life Member of the CUHK Council effective June 1, 1990 in recognition of his invaluable contribution to education and distinguished service to the University.

Lord Todd's association with CUHK began in 1977 when he became the Chairman of its Academic Advisory Board on Natural Sciences. As an Overseas Council Member since 1978, Lord Todd has been giving invaluable advice and guidance on the development of CUHK through a period of reorganisation and major expansion.

A distinguished scientist, past President of the Royal Society of the United KingCom, a Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, former Master of Christ's College, Cambridge University and former Chancellor of the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Lord Todd has been a staunch supporter of the advancement of science and technology in Hong Kong. In the past decade, Lord Todd has been actively involved in providing research funding support and training scholarships for staff and students of higher learning institutions of Hong Kong during his term of office as Trustee (since 1979), Chairman (1980-88) and President (since 1988) of the Croucher Foundation.

As a Life Member, Lord Todd will continue to give his wise counsel and guidance to The Chinese University.

## Professor S W Tam as Pro-Vice-Chancellor

Professor S W Tam has been appointed a Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University with effect from August 1, 1990.

Professor Tam was awarded the King Edward VII Scholarship to read science at the University of Hong Kong where he obtained his BSc (Hons) and MSc degrees. He was awarded a Commonwealth scholarship in 1961 to do research in organic chemistry at the University of Nottingham, where he obtained his PhD degree in 1964. He joined The Chinese University as lecturer in organic chemistry in 1965 and was promoted to professorship in 1982. From 1967 to 1980 he received several external awards and fellowships to carry out research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Cambridge University.

Over the years Professor Tam has made significant contributions to University administration. He has been president and head of Chung Chi College (1976-81; 1988-90) and is concurrently Dean of the Graduate School (since 1981) and Master of the Postgraduate Hall (since 1976). He is also a member of the University Council and many other University committees. Outside the University, he has served on the Administrative Board of the Association of Southeast Asian Institutions of Higher Learning and the Executive Committee of the Association of Christian Universities and Colleges in Asia of which he is currently the president.

Professor Tam has been active in teaching and research. His main research interests include structural studies and synthesis of natural products, mass spectrometry, particularly studies of ion structures, and organometallic chemistry. He has published many research and review articles in international journals, including chapters in two volumes of the series on <a href="#">Chemistry of Functional Groups</a> edited by S Patai.

Professor Tam has a very distinguished record of public service. He has for many years been actively involved in the work of local educational institutions and voluntary welfare agencies including the Hong Kong Examinations Authority, the Hong Kong Polytechnic, St Christopher's Home, the Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital and the United Christian Medical Services. He has also been appointed by the Government to serve as a member of the Board of Education and the Provisional Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation, and the chairman of the Supplementary Medical Professions Council.

## Dr Philip Shen as the Head of Chung Chi College

Dr Philip Shen has been appointed Head of the Chung Chi College effective August 1, 1990. Dr Shen will succeed Professor S W Tam who has been appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

Dr Philip Shen was first educated in Manila, Philippines before he went to the United States for graduate studies in philosophy and religion. He obtained an MA from Oberlin College, and a BD and a PhD in Christian Theology from the University of Chicago. Dr Shen's association with Chung Chi College dated back to 1962 when he joined the Department of Philosophy and Religion of the College as Lecturer. He was Chairman of the Department for many years and has served as Senior Lecturer since 1974. Dr Shen has been actively involved in promoting general education and is currently Chairman of the Integrative Basic Studies Committee of Chung Chi College. He was elected Dean of the Faculty of Arts of the University from 1986 to 1989. Dr Shen is also very active in community service. He is the founding President of the Hong Kong Philosophy Society and the founding Chairman of the Board of Hong Kong Christian Institute. He has also served as member of school councils and various advisory committees of postsecondary colleges.