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## UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN RETURNS HOME FOR SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

After thirty years abroad, Dr Michael Min-song Lee, a veteran in library management, is back in Hong Kong to take up the post of University Librarian at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) -- a typical example of overseas Chinese intellectuals returning home to serve the community.

"Hong Kong is a place of opportunities and advantages for developing library science," said Dr Lee. "In the years to come, Hong Kong will expand its role as a centre of cultural interchange in Asia-Pacific region, in particular, as a gateway to China," he added.

CUHK has had inter-library cooperations with major universities in China. The Zhongshan University, for example, cooperates with CUHK in staff training and resource sharing, according to the new University Librarian. "One of my tasks will be to enhance and further these linkages," he said.

CUHK has also developed an extensive inter-library loan system which enables local library users to access collections throughout the world. Its subscription to database vendors in the US, England and Japan facilitates online searching for overseas databases.

Born in Guangzhou, Dr Lee received his secondary and university education in Taiwan. After graduating from National Taiwan University with a B.A. in Western languages and literature, he furthered his studies in the United States, obtaining from Western Michigan University his master degree in library science (M.A.L.S.) in 1965, and from Loyola University of Chicago his Ph.D. degree in education in 1979. Before joining CUHK, Dr Lee has been serving for over twenty years as library director at Texas A & M University, Kingsville; University of Houston-Clear Lake; Central Missouri State University and other institutions.

Dr Lee is member of the American Library Association and founder of the Bay Area Library Association in Texas. He has also served on many professional and advisory committees.

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