<u>Appointment to two appeal panels on</u> civil service retirement benefits

The Government announced today (July 26) that the Chief Executive (CE) has appointed Ms Eva Kwong Pui-han as a member of the Pensions Appeal Panel (PAP) and the Appeal Panel on Government's Voluntary Contributions under the Civil Service Provident Fund Scheme (APGVC) for a term of three years with effect from August 4, 2024.

The Government also expressed gratitude to the outgoing member, Ms Connie Lam Tsui-wa, for her dedicated service and contribution to the two appeal panels.

The PAP is a statutory body established under the Pension Benefits Ordinance (Cap. 99) responsible for advising the CE on petitions made by civil servants against decisions to cancel, suspend, reduce or refuse to grant pension benefits. The APGVC is an administrative panel set up to tender advice to the CE on representations made by civil servants against decisions to forfeit or recover their accrued benefits attributable to government voluntary contributions under the Civil Service Provident Fund Scheme.

Ms Teresa Ko Yuk-yin is convenor-cum-member, while Professor Wong Szechun is the other serving member of the two appeal panels.