<u>Appointments to Advisory Committee on Complaints against Judicial Conduct</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Judiciary:

The Judiciary announced today (August 10) the appointment of the new term of the Advisory Committee on Complaints against Judicial Conduct for a two-year period from August 16, 2023, to August 15, 2025. All incumbent members of the Advisory Committee have been reappointed.

The Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal, Mr Andrew Cheung Kuinung, said, "The Judiciary attaches great importance to the fair and proper handling of complaints against judicial conduct while ensuring that the principle of judicial independence is not compromised. I am most grateful to all members of the Advisory Committee for their valuable advice and suggestions during the past two years since its establishment. Their work has been conducive to enhancing the accountability and transparency of the mechanism for handling complaints against judicial conduct. I look forward to working closely with the Advisory Committee in its coming term."

Established in 2021 upon the implementation of an enhanced mechanism with a two-tier structure, the Advisory Committee comprises senior judges and members from the community with expertise and experience in judicial, professional and public services. It monitors and advises on the handling of complaints against judicial conduct, identifies problems in court practices/procedures which may lead to complaints and recommends improvements where appropriate, and makes recommendations on improvements to the complaint handling mechanism.

The membership of the Advisory Committee is as follows:

Chairman

The Honourable Chief Justice Andrew Cheung Kui-nung (Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal)

Members

The Honourable Mr Justice Johnson Lam Man-hon (Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal)

The Honourable Mr Justice Patrick Chan Siu-oi (Non-Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal)

The Honourable Mr Justice Jeremy Poon Shiu-chor (Chief Judge of the High Court)

The Honourable Madam Justice Susan Kwan Shuk-hing (Vice-President of the Court of Appeal of the High Court)

Dr Christopher Cheng Wai-chee

Mr Patrick Fung Pak-tung, SC

Ms Connie Lau Yin-hing

Professor Lee Chack-fan