

CE congratulates Sam Hou-fai on election as Chief Executive-elect of Macao SAR

â€‹The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, today (October 13) congratulated Mr Sam Hou-fai on being elected as the sixth-term Chief Executive-elect of the Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR).

Mr Lee said, "Mr Sam has been serving as the President of the Court of Final Appeal of Macao since the establishment of the Macao SAR, leading the courts of Macao in performing judicial functions and contributing significantly to the long-term prosperity and stability of Macao. He has remained committed to serving Macao over the years and made immense contributions. I congratulate Mr Sam on being elected as the sixth-term Chief Executive-elect of the Macao SAR and on leading Macao to new heights again.

"Hong Kong and Macao enjoy close geographical ties and share the same cultural roots. Our two places share deep bonds and affinity with frequent people-to-people and cultural exchanges, alongside solid economic and trade relations. As the country's SARs, both Hong Kong and Macao firmly uphold the principle of 'one country' and leverage the benefits of 'two systems'. As participants and beneficiaries of the country's reform and opening up, Hong Kong and Macao enjoy the advantages of 'one country, two systems', and can directly tap into the huge markets of the Mainland, whilst staying connected to the world. On the other hand, Hong Kong and Macao are both core cities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and are engines for regional development. I have every confidence in working closely with Mr Sam in the future to achieve complementarity and mutual benefits for Hong Kong and Macao, giving full play to the cities' strengths to serve the country's needs and making new and greater contributions to building a great country and moving towards national rejuvenation through Chinese modernisation."