

CE expresses sorrow over passing of Mr Wong Po-yan

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, today (July 23) expressed deep sorrow over the passing of Mr Wong Po-yan.

"A successful entrepreneur, Mr Wong was committed to promoting the advancement of the plastics industry in Hong Kong in earlier years and made significant contributions to the economic development of the city. He loved the country and Hong Kong and had been taking an active part in public and community service for a long time. He was a member of the Legislative Council and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Basic Law Drafting Committee before Hong Kong's return to the motherland, and was later the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the Basic Law of the HKSAR under the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) and a Hong Kong Deputy to the NPC, playing an important role in the development of Hong Kong as well as the nation. Renowned for his leadership, he was appointed as the first Chairman of the Airport Authority Hong Kong, laying a solid foundation for the development of Hong Kong International Airport as the global aviation hub that it is today. He was awarded the Grand Bauhinia Medal in 1998.

"I am saddened by the passing of Mr Wong. On behalf of the HKSAR Government, I would like to extend my deepest condolences to his family," Mrs Lam said.