<u>FDB responds to media enquiries on resignation of CUHK Vice-Chancellor and President</u>

In response to media enquiries regarding the resignation of Professor Rocky Tuan as the Vice-Chancellor and President of the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), a spokesman for the Education Bureau today (January 9) gave the following reply:

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government has taken note of Professor Rocky Tuan's resignation to the Council of the CUHK as the Vice-Chancellor and President of the CUHK with effect from January 2025. Since Professor Tuan assumed office as the Vice-Chancellor and President of the CUHK in 2018, the University has continuously driven innovation in scientific research and provided channels for enterprises to recruit quality talent. Furthermore, the CUHK has received a number of international and national awards, and achieved remarkable results in world university rankings.

With the commencement of the amended Chinese University of Hong Kong Ordinance in November 2023, the Council of the CUHK is working to improve its structure. The improvement of the CUHK's governance standard and effectiveness marks an important step in Hong Kong's higher education development. The Government has full confidence that the Council of the CUHK will make appropriate arrangements for the recruitment of the Vice-Chancellor and President based on its long-term interests and development needs, thereby enabling the CUHK to continue to provide quality education and nurture outstanding talent for Hong Kong and the country.