

Government announces appointment and removal of Director of Audit (with photos)

The Central People's Government, on the recommendation and nomination of the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, has approved the appointment of Mr John Chu Nai-cheung as Director of Audit and the removal of Mr David Sun Tak-kei from the post of Director of Audit with effect from today (December 31).

"Mr Sun served the public with devotion during the past six and a half years as Director of Audit. Under his able leadership, the Audit Commission carried out auditing of accounts and value-for-money studies in a highly professional manner, and supported the work of the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislative Council. This has assisted government bureaux and departments as well as public sector organisations in pursuing continuous improvement of their governance and performance," Mrs Lam said.

"I respect Mr Sun's wish to retire and thank him for his efforts in nurturing departmental talents for a seamless succession. On behalf of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, I convey my heartfelt appreciation to Mr Sun for his contribution to the HKSAR and I wish him a happy retirement," she added.

On the appointment of Mr Chu, Mrs Lam said, "Mr Chu has served in the Audit Commission for over 30 years. He is familiar with the work of the department, and has solid professional auditing expertise as well as sound leadership skills. I am confident that Mr Chu is capable of leading the Audit Commission to scale new heights."

Following are the biographical notes on Mr Sun and Mr Chu.

Mr David Sun Tak-kei

Aged 65. Mr Sun was appointed to the post of Director of Audit in July 2012. Before joining the Government, he was Far East Area Chairman of Ernst & Young until he retired in 2010. He is a former President of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a former Chairman of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee and a former Chairman of the Council of the City University of Hong Kong. He is a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr John Chu Nai-cheung

Aged 58. Mr Chu joined the Accounting Officer Grade in the Treasury in January 1984. He transferred to the Audit Commission in September 1988 for

appointment as an Auditor. He was promoted to Principal Auditor in July 2006 and to Assistant Director of Audit in October 2010. He was promoted to Deputy Director of Audit in July 2015.

