<u>Government announces appointment of</u> <u>Chairman of Hong Kong Trade</u> <u>Development Council</u>

The Government today (March 1) announced the appointment of Dr Peter Lam Kin-ngok to succeed Dr Vincent Lo Hong-sui as Chairman of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) for two years from June 1, 2019, to May 31, 2021.

Commenting on the appointment, the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau, said, "With extensive commercial experience and active participation in public services, Dr Lam is well suited for taking up the HKTDC chairmanship. I am confident that he would lead the HKTDC to provide sterling support to enterprises to respond to uncertainties in the global trade environment and to explore new markets and opportunities."

Mr Yau expressed heartfelt gratitude to Dr Lo for his invaluable contribution in leading the HKTDC.

"As Chairman of the HKTDC, Dr Lo is an outstanding ambassador for Hong Kong. Under his chairmanship, the HKTDC has fully leveraged on Hong Kong's advantages in enhancing Hong Kong's business profile in the Mainland and overseas markets, with outstanding achievements particularly in promoting Hong Kong's role in the pursuit of opportunities arising from the Belt and Road Initiative," Mr Yau said.

A brief biographical note of Dr Lam is set out below:

Dr Peter Lam Kin-ngok is the Chairman of Lai Sun Group. He is currently an ex-officio member of the HKTDC (as the Chairman of the Hong Kong Tourism Board) and a member of the Trade and Industry Advisory Board.