The Home Affairs Bureau today (April 30) announced the re-appointment of Prof John Leong Chi-yan as Chairman of the Public Libraries Advisory Committee (PLAC). The appointment of three new members and re-appointment of 11 serving non-official members were also announced.

The advisory committee is appointed for a two-year term, effective from May 1, 2010, to April 30, 2012.

The advisory committee advises the Government on the development of public libraries in Hong Kong, including the formulation of strategies and measures for the development of library facilities and services; the role, functions and management of the Hong Kong Central Library as well as the encouragement of community support and partnership with different sectors in promoting reading, lifelong learning and literary arts. The Home Affairs Bureau thanked the three outgoing members (Dr Chan Man-hung, Dr Kan Lai-bing and Mr Lee Wai-kwong) for their contributions to the work of the advisory committee and looked forward to the new PLAC's valuable advice on the development of public libraries.

The membership list of the advisory committee is as follows:

Chairman:        Prof John Leong Chi-yan
Vice-chairman:   Mr Cheung Chi-kong
Members:         Dr Chan Kin-wai
                      Prof Leonard Chan Kwok-kou
                      Ms Yolanda Chiu Wai-kan
                      Mr Holden Chow Ho-ding
                      Dr John Fung Yat-chu
                      Ms Kwan Sau-king
                      Prof Lee Kam-keung
                      Prof Lo Wai-luen
                      Mr Gerry Ma Kwai-yung
                      Dr Johnny Ng Kit-chong
                      Ms Ng Mei-mei
                      Mrs Grace Tam Cheung Kit-ying
                      Mr Dennis Tin Ding-sin
Representative of the Education Bureau
Representative of the Government Records Service
Representative of the Home Affairs Bureau
Representative of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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