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Competition Commission welcomes the appointment of new Chairperson Mr Jat Sew-tong, S.C. and expresses gratitude to incumbent Chairperson Mr Samuel Chan

The Competition Commission (Commission) welcomes the appointment of Mr Jat Sew-tong, S.C. as the new Chairperson, and Ms Kelly Cheng Hui-kiu, Professor Terence Chong Tai-leung, Mr Kwok Yin-lun, Mr Michael Lai Cheuk-pun, Mr Eric Sun Yung-tson, Ms Winnie Tung Mei-yee and Ms Judith Yu as new Members for a term of two years, effective from 1 May 2026.

The Commission also expresses its profound gratitude to the incumbent Chairperson Mr Samuel Chan Ka-yan for his leadership and guidance throughout his tenure. Mr Chan has been a Member of the Commission since May 2016 and was appointed as the Chairperson in May 2020. During his Chairmanship, the Commission has made significant strides in all aspects of its work, including laying down its three enforcement priorities¹; bringing 10 cases before the Competition Tribunal which encompassed a variety of sectors and issues of substantial public concern and thereby helping to set important precedents for Hong Kong's competition law regime; and launching innovative advocacy initiatives that aimed at enhancing awareness and understanding of the Competition Ordinance across the community.

Mr. Samuel Chan said, "It has been ten years since I first joined the Commission in 2016. Over the past decade, I have had the privilege to witness every step of the Commission's progression from its nascent stage to where it stands now as a mature and robust law enforcement agency. Throughout this journey, we have inevitably encountered many challenges, but with the combined efforts of our Members and an outstanding executive team, we overcame many challenges and achieved multiple milestones along the way. To this end, I am extremely proud of and grateful to the team's efforts and support all these years."

"Competition is one of the cornerstones upon which Hong Kong's economy prospers. It is also capable of fostering a dynamic and sustainable future for our society. I am pleased to see that awareness and recognition of the value of competition among the general public, businesses, as well as the public sector has continued to grow day by day. I have full confidence that under the leadership of Mr. Jat Sew-tong, S.C., the Commission will go from strength to strength and continue to ensure that the full benefits of fair competition are felt throughout the Hong Kong economy."

The Commission would also like to thank its outgoing Members, Ms Jennifer Chan Pui-kwan, Professor Vincent Lau Kin-nang, Mr Patrick Law Fu-yuen, Mr Roy Ng Chun-tat, the Hon Jimmy Ng Wing-ka, Professor Anna Wong Wai-kwan and Mr Eric Xin Yue-sheng, for their invaluable contributions and unwavering support over the years, and wishes them all the best in their future endeavours.

¹ The Commission's three enforcement priorities are: (1) anti-competitive conduct affecting people's livelihood, (2) cartels that aim to exploit public funding and (3) anti-competitive conduct impacting digital markets.