<u>Appointment of Director of Immigration</u> (with photo)

The Central People's Government, on the recommendation and nomination of the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, has approved the appointment of Mr Au Ka-wang, Deputy Director of Immigration, as Director of Immigration with effect from today (July 2).

Commenting on the appointment of Mr Au Ka-wang, Mrs Lam said, "Mr Au has served in the Immigration Department for over 30 years and has extensive experience in departmental operations. He possesses proven leadership and management skills. I am confident that he will lead the Immigration Department in meeting the challenges ahead."

The following is the biographical note on Mr Au Ka-wang:

Mr Au Ka-wang joined the Immigration Department as an Assistant Immigration Officer in November 1988. He was promoted to Immigration Officer in 1992, to Senior Immigration Officer in 2003, to Chief Immigration Officer in 2009, to Assistant Principal Immigration Officer in 2014 and to Principal Immigration Officer in 2015. He was promoted to Assistant Director of Immigration in 2018 and to Deputy Director of Immigration in 2019.

Mr Au Ka-wang was awarded the Hong Kong Immigration Service Long Service Medal in 2007, with the first and second clasps in 2014 and 2019 respectively.

