

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

1. “Tuesdays with Morrie” is back to Stage in Vancouver

Hong Kong-based performing group, Chung Ying Theatre Company (Chung Ying), will present two drama performances of “Tuesdays with Morrie” and a “Meet-the-Artist” seminar at the Gateway Theatre in Vancouver from August 31 to September 2. The performances are part of the HKETO’s programme to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR in Canada with the aim of facilitating cultural exchanges between Hong Kong and Canada.

Since its premiere in 2007, the play had toured nine cities around the world with over 150 shows. Countless awards had been received by the performance over the past ten years. This is the third time Chung Ying’s Artistic Director Ko Tin Lung teams up with Edmond Lo, Assistant Artistic Director and Mitch the first generation to present the drama to the audience.

[Click here to read the details.](#)

For more information, please visit Chung Ying Theatre Company’s official website at:
<http://www.chungying.com/tours/details/52>

2. The performance of "Noodle of Love" in Vancouver

Vancouver-based performing group DramaOneVan will stage two drama performances of "Noodle of Love" on September 3 at Michael J Fox Theatre in Vancouver. HKETO sponsored this performance as part of the programme to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR in Canada.

More details are available at the fanpage of DramaOneVan below:
<https://www.facebook.com/dramaonevan/>

3. Business seminar on “Succeeding in Asia and beyond through Hong Kong” in Toronto

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the HKSAR, HKETO will organise a business seminar on “Succeeding in Asia and beyond through Hong Kong” on **October 19** at the Four Seasons Hotel Toronto. Business elites, industry leaders and Government representatives across Canada and from Hong Kong will share with the participants on how Canadian companies can tap into the vast opportunities presented by the rapid-growing Asian market through Hong Kong at this free half-day event. HKETO will announce details of the event and invite

registrations soon. Please save the date for now.

<http://new.hketo.ca/assets/HKETO-20A-Business-seminar-save-the-date.pdf>

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The Court of Appeal's decision on the case on sentence review concerning Joshua Wong, Alex Chow and Nathan Law

On August 17, the Court of Appeal delivered its judgment concerning the application to review the sentences involving Joshua Wong, Alex Chow and Nathan Law.

The Government reiterated that it all along respects the freedom of speech, and the right to demonstration, assembly, etc. However, one must also respect the law when exercising such rights, and should not over-step the boundary allowed under the law.

The HKSAR Government notices that certain people in the community allege that the prosecution in this case was politically motivated, or that this case is a case of political persecution. Such kind of allegations are utterly groundless. The decisions to prosecute and appeal of sentence were made in accordance with the Prosecution Code, applicable laws and relevant evidence. The Court's acceptance of the Department of Justice's application to review the sentence meant that the application is well founded on legal grounds.

The above-named three defendants were convicted not because they exercised their civil liberties, but because their conduct during the protest contravened the law. It can also be seen from the reasoning contained in the judgment that the Court of Appeal dealt with this case solely from the legal perspective, and that there cannot be any suggestion of political motivation whatsoever.

The HKSAR Chief Executive made it clear that there is absolutely no political interference, both in the prosecution, in the review of sentence and in the judgments and rulings handed down by the Court of Appeal.

Please find below a number of documents that set out the basic facts of the case, Hong Kong's legal system, the HKSAR Government's position as well as that of the Law Society and Bar Association in Hong Kong.

24 August

Article by the Secretary for Justice on the Court of Appeal decision concerning Joshua Wong, Alex Chow and Nathan Law: A Factual Account

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22 August

Transcript of remarks by Acting CE at media session

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21 August

CE comments on the court case

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Department of Justice's response to queries on two court cases

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20 August

Government's response to procession on sentence review case

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18 August

Joint Statement of The Hong Kong Bar Association and The Law Society of Hong Kong in Response to Criticisms of Judicial Independence in Hong Kong

[Click here to read the details.](#)

17 August

Statement by Department of Justice

[Click here to read the details.](#)

Qingdao business and commerce centre opens in Hong Kong

The city of Qingdao opened the Qingdao (China) Centre for Business and Commerce on August 17 as its representative office in Hong Kong, leveraging Hong Kong's international status to assist Qingdao companies to "go global" and attract overseas companies to Qingdao, Shandong. With the centre, Hong Kong will serve as Qingdao's international window to the world. The centre is also tasked with the mission to strengthen bilateral economic, trade and investment co-operation between Hong Kong and Qingdao.

[Click here to read the details.](#)

Recruitment of medical doctors

The Department of Health of the HKSAR Government is recruiting medical doctors to work in Hong Kong. The appointees would be mainly deployed on clinical and non-clinical duties in the

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following programme areas: (a) statutory functions; (b) disease prevention; (c) health promotion; (d) curative care; and (e) rehabilitation. The application deadline for the post is September 14, 2017. Please refer to the following link for details -

http://www.dh.gov.hk/english/vacancies/files/Eng_Ct_Dr_SF_62.pdf

New online photo sales system launched by ISD

A new online photo sales system has been launched by the Information Services Department (ISD). The Government Photo Records and Sales system (www.photostore.gov.hk) makes it easier for members of the public to access the ISD's substantial archive of historical and topical photos. The new system provides global audience with access to more than 200 000 digitised photos, some of which date back to the mid-1800s.

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