Press Release

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology announces today the following senior-level appointments.

Director of Public Affairs - Dr Priscilla Chung CHUNG (曹家德)

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, Dr Chung holds a BA in Oriental Studies and a PhD in History. She has taught at the University of Pennsylvania, City College of New York, and the University of Hawaii. In 1980, she was appointed Special Assistant to the President for International Programmes at the University of Hawaii. She later served as Director of the Office of Public Affairs, an office she helped plan and establish.

Leaving the academic world in 1984, she accepted a position with the Wang Computer China Ltd, a subsidiary of Wang Laboratories, Inc. an American computer manufacturer. She currently holds the position of Assistant General Manager of the company's joint venture in China.

While in the United States, Dr Chung was active in community affairs. She served as President of the Asian American Council of Greater Philadelphia. She was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to his presidential Commission on Foreign Language and International Studies. When she relocated to Honolulu, she was appointed by the Governor of Hawaii as a member of two Governor's Advisory Councils, and served as a consultant to the Hawaii-Guangdong Sister State Committee.

Born in Hong Kong, Dr. Chung is a graduate of Sacred Heart School. She speaks fluent Cantonese, Shanghai dialect, and Mandarin. She is married and has two sons, both in their twenties, living in Honolulu.

The Office of Public Affairs is responsible for the University's external relations including its international relations with other institutions and agencies. The Office will handle media relations and publications, and provide support to the University in fund raising.
Mr. Michael Hudson joins HKUST following 7 years at the University of Hong Kong where he was responsible for the capital building programme.

"I see the Estates Management Office playing an active role in the design, construction, and commissioning of the HKUST buildings and in the longer term being responsible for the efficient management of the facilities which will serve academics, administrators, and students alike."

Mr. Hudson was born in York, England, in 1948 and obtained a Higher National Diploma in Building at Leeds Polytechnic. He is a Fellow of both the Chartered Institute of Building in the UK and the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers. He is currently completing a part-time MSc at the University of Reading, UK. He brings with him 20 years of construction and management experience gained with contractors, consultants, and client organizations in the UK, Africa, and the Far East.

He married Jean in 1974 after a six-month overland trip from Europe to Southern Africa and they have lived in Hong Kong since 1980. He plays tennis and attempts golf.