Postscript

Last summer, I received a telephone call from Ms Maria Tam inviting me to take a role in the production of a book entitled "The Basic Law and Hong Kong -- 15th Anniversary of Hong Kong's Reunification with the Motherland". I was happy to have a chance to work for the promotion of the Basic Law again, as I had ceased to be a committee member of the Basic Law Promotion and Steering Committee since 2008 having served for full six years.

In 2007, I was responsible for producing the book "The Basic Law and the 10th Anniversary of Hong Kong's Reunification with the Motherland". The book shared the real experience of One Country, Two Systems; Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong with a high degree of autonomy upon the reunification for 10 years. The new book will be much enriched in contents and is expected to be perfectly produced. This new book unfolds and goes through the experience Hong Kong people have encountered in the past 15 years by way of manuscript and photographs. The readers can have a good understanding of the history and connotation of the Basic Law, which is closely linked to Hong Kong.

I felt nervous although I had the past experience of producing a book on the Basic Law. The preparation work started in last September by collecting photographs relevant to the script. A wide spectrum of contents was involved, ranging from daily life of our people to events of international interests. It was not easy to collect the photographs on such wide subjects. MS Maria Tam provided necessary support by contacting government departments, newspapers and news agencies. We highly appreciate the help rendered by the Government Information Services Department, Sing Tao Newspaper, East Week, Xinhua News Agency, China News Service, Wen Wei Po and others. Collectively, they provided a large amount of photographs for us. We got busy in selecting 268 photographs for this book, then setting the design, working on colour separation and proofreading each page of the book. Some pages were left blank for reporting important event that must be covered just before the printing of this book. Modifications and revisions on the script and photos have

been made many times even at the printing stage in order to strive for the best. We are most pleased that this book is completed on time.

I have learnt a lot by taking part in promoting the Basic Law, and must thank all of you who have given support to this book. Your advice and comments are most welcomed. I feel honoured to be involved in producing this book on the Basic Law and humbly wish that the exercise will be repeated every five years.

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