Biodata of Mr. Anthony S K Wong

Mr. Anthony S K **Wong** is the Director-General of Telecommunications and the Telecommunications Authority of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China.

Mr. **Wong** joined the Telecommunications Branch of the Hong Kong Post Office in 1974, after graduating from the University of Hong Kong. In the 14 years that followed, Mr. **Wong** was responsible for a wide range of activities of the then telecom regulator, including the modernization of spectrum management, the design of broadcasting plans, the introduction of new technologies and the liberalization of the telecommunications market. In 1988, he was appointed Assistant Postmaster General (Telecommunications), head of the Telecommunications Branch.

With the establishment of the Office of the Telecommunications Authority (OFTA) in July 1993 as an independent government agency, Mr. **Wong** was appointed Senior Assistant Director of Telecommunications in charge of the Regulatory Affairs Branch. In March 1997, he was promoted to the post of Director-General of Telecommunications and was appointed the Telecommunications Authority.

One of the most significant achievements of Mr. **Wong** is spearheading the liberalization of the telecom services and facilities markets in Hong Kong in the past decade. Mr. **Wong** has also contributed towards the development and promotion of the information infrastructure in Hong Kong and the convergence of the computing, broadcasting and telecommunications industries. Mr. **Wong** was the Chairman of the Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee from 1997 to 1998. He is also a member of the Broadcasting Authority in Hong Kong.

In the international arena, Mr. **Wong** has been representing Hong Kong for years in various international and regional telecom conferences and events. He was elected to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Focus Group, Study Group 3 of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in 1998. He chaired a number of Workshops and Expert Group Meetings of the ITU in 2000 on the subject of IP Telephony. He was elected Chairman of the third World Telecommunication Policy Forum of the ITU held in Geneva in March 2001 and Chairman of the second Annual Global Symposium for Regulators organised by ITU in December of the same year. Mr. **Wong** also helped to promote the telecom achievements of Hong Kong to the global community as speaker in various occasions both locally and internationally.

Mr. **Wong** holds a Bachelor of Science Honours degree in Electrical Engineering, a Master of Philosophy degree and a Master of Social Science degree.