

**MEDIA STATEMENT/ ADVISORY
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**APPOINTMENT OF THIRD SOLICITOR-GENERAL
MS MAVIS CHIONH SZE CHYI**

The Legal Service Commission President and Members have appointed Ms Mavis Chionh Sze Chyi (蒋诗琦) as the Third Solicitor-General of the Attorney-General's Chambers ("AGC"). Ms Chionh will hold this appointment concurrently with her current appointment as Chief Prosecutor of the Criminal Justice Division ("CJD") of AGC with effect from 1 August 2016.

2 Ms Chionh, 47, read law at the University of Oxford, graduating with a First Class Honours degree in 1991. She was also awarded the prestigious Norton Rose Prize in Company Law by Oxford University and was called to the Bar of England and Wales in the same year. She obtained a Master of Laws (LLM) degree in Chinese Law from the National University of Singapore in 2005.

3 Ms Chionh started her legal career as a Justices' Law Clerk in the Supreme Court in 1991. Since then, she has held appointments as an Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court; a Deputy Public Prosecutor in the Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC); a District Judge in the then-Subordinate Courts (now State Courts); Deputy Principal Senior State Counsel in the Civil Division of the AGC; Official Assignee and Public Trustee in the Insolvency and Public Trustee's Office; and Chief Prosecutor of the then Economic Crimes and Governance Division of the AGC (now the Financial and Technology Crime Division). Ms Chionh is presently the Chief Prosecutor of the Criminal Justice Division of the AGC which prosecutes a wide range of offences ranging from homicide and drug offences to sexual offences and public order offences.

4 Ms Chionh was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2015. In recognition of her outstanding contributions to Public Service, she was also awarded the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2015.

5 Said Attorney-General VK Rajah S.C., "My leadership team and I are pleased with the appointment of Mavis as AGC's Third Solicitor-General. Mavis has over the years made a significant difference to the AGC through her commitment to work excellence. This appointment recognises her many contributions and her potential to make a positive difference to the AGC and to the wider cause of public service. She has played a key role in significantly raising the operational standards of CJD and I am confident that her new appointment will give her a broader platform to make even more significant contributions."