

**MEDIA STATEMENT  
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**APPOINTMENT OF SOLICITOR-GENERAL MR KWEK MEAN LUCK AND  
SECOND SOLICITOR-GENERAL MS MAVIS CHIONH SZE CHYI**

The Legal Service Commission has appointed Mr Kwek Mean Luck (郭民力) as the Solicitor-General (“SG”) and Ms Mavis Chionh Sze Chyi (蒋诗琦) as the Second Solicitor-General (“2SG”) of the Attorney-General’s Chambers (“AGC”) with effect from 14 January 2017.

2 Mr Kwek, 43, read law at the University of Cambridge on an Overseas Merit Scholarship from the Public Service Commission, graduating with a First Class Honours degree in 1995. He was also awarded the George Long Prize for Jurisprudence and Norton Rose Prize for Commercial Law by Cambridge University. He later obtained a Master of Laws from Harvard University under the Lee Kuan Yew Scholarship in 2000. Mr Kwek was awarded the Eisenhower Fellowship in 2012.

3 Mr Kwek began his career as a Legal Service Officer. He served as a Justices’ Law Clerk at the Supreme Court in 1998 and later held appointments as District Judge in the then-Subordinate Courts (now State Courts) and Senior Assistant Registrar in the Supreme Court.

4 Mr Kwek has also held several appointments in the Administrative Service, including Deputy Secretary (Industry) in the Ministry of Trade and Industry, Deputy Secretary (Development) in the Public Service Division of the Prime Minister’s Office, as well as Dean and Chief Executive of the Civil Service College. He rejoined the Legal Service and was appointed the Second Solicitor-General (“2SG”) on 1 July 2015.

5 In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the Public Service, he was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2010. Mr Kwek has served on the board of several government agencies, such as the National Heritage Board, Sentosa Development Corporation, Economic Development Board and the Civil Service College.

6 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.

7 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 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) and Chief Prosecutor of the Criminal Justice Division ("CJD") of the AGC. Ms Chionh was appointed the Third Solicitor-General ("3SG") with effect from 1 August 2016.

8 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.

9 Said Attorney-General VK Rajah S.C., "I have known and worked with both of them over a substantial period of time. Mean Luck's skills, experience and track record make him more than well qualified to take on the responsibilities of the SG. I am glad that I had a meaningful role in persuading him to rejoin the Legal Service (and AGC). Mavis' appointment as 2SG is both a recognition of her contributions as well as an affirmation that she will play a significant role in leading AGC towards institutional excellence. With these appointments, I am assured that I will be leaving AGC with a very strong leadership team in place"

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