



Mr. Ronnie C CHAN

Leader of the Delegation

*Executive Committee Chairman, The Better Hong Kong Foundation
Chairman, Hang Lung Properties Ltd*

Mr. Ronnie C. Chan is Chairman of Hang Lung Group Limited and its subsidiary Hang Lung Properties Limited. Both are publicly listed companies in Hong Kong. Hang Lung has been a leader in Hong Kong's property market for over 50 years, and has been expanding into mainland China since 1992. Following successes in Shanghai, Hang Lung has been investing US\$11 billion and building a number of world-class commercial complexes in Tianjin, Shenyang, Jinan, Wuxi, Dalian, Kunming and Wuhan. Mr. Chan co-founded the privately held Morningside group. In addition, he is Chairman of the Executive Committees of One Country Two Systems Research Institute and of Better Hong Kong Foundation. He founded and chairs China Heritage Fund, is a co-founding director of The Forbidden City Cultural Heritage Conservation Foundation, Beijing, and is an Advisor and former Vice President of China Development Research Foundation in Beijing. Internationally, Mr. Chan is Co-Chair of Asia Society and Chairman of its Hong Kong Center, a Director of the Board of Peter G. Peterson Institute for International Economics and a member of Council on Foreign Relations, National Committee on United States-China Relations, and Committee of 100. He is Founding Chairman Emeritus of Asia Business Council, a former Chairman of Hong Kong-United States Business Council, and a former member of the governing board of World Economic Forum. He serves or has served on the governing or advisory bodies of several think tanks and universities, including Tsinghua University, Fudan University, University of Southern California, East-West Center, Pacific Council on International Policy, Eisenhower Fellowships, and The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation.



Mr. Johnny MOK SC

Invited Expert of the Delegation

*Member, Basic Law Committee of the Hong Kong SAR
Senior Counsel, Hong Kong SAR*

Mr. Johnny Mok is a leading senior counsel in Hong Kong specialising in constitutional, public and administrative law and cases with a public dimension. He is member of the Basic Law Committee under the National People's Congress of the People Republic of China advising the Chinese Government on matters relating to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. He is also a member of Des Voeux Chambers in Hong Kong and Brick Court Chambers in London. He frequently represents the Hong Kong Government, Government ministers and officials as well as private litigants in cases ranging from constitutional, public and administrative law to public inquiries and hearings before regulatory, tax, disciplinary and administrative appeal bodies. He also conducts cases for and regularly advises a variety of public authorities including the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, the Communications Authority, the Town Planning Board, the Housing Authority and the Office of Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data. Mr. Mok is a Justice of the Peace and a co-author of the book *Judicial Review in Hong Kong*.



Mr. Philip MA

*Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation
Deputy Chairman & CEO, The Sincere Company Ltd*

Mr. Philip was born in Hong Kong and holds a MBA degree from Canada. Sincere is a public listed company in Hong Kong and is the first Chinese owned and operated department store since 1900. Today, Sincere is a well-known retail brand in Hong Kong which operates seven department stores. The focus is on imported ladies wear and men's wear, shoes, accessories and household items. Other operations include advertising agency, master franchisor in the travel industry and property holdings in China, Hong Kong and the U.K. Mr. Ma is also active in his community services which cover, Member of the Shanghai Committee of Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), Member of the Zhongshan, Guangdong CPPCC, Vice-Chairman of the China Chamber of Tourism, Member of the Hong Kong Chief Executive Election Committee and Chairman of the Hong Kong Retail Management Association.



Mr. John LEE

*Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation
Managing Director, Bank of America Merrill Lynch*

Mr. John Lee is Managing Director, Head of Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan and Vice Chairman of China Investment Banking for Bank of America Merrill Lynch. Mr. Lee joined Bank of America Merrill Lynch in 1996 and is currently responsible for origination efforts for M&A and equity and debt capital markets origination efforts in Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan and China. He has approximately 20 years of investment banking experience with transactions across the Greater China region in a wide range of product areas. Prior to joining Bank of America Merrill Lynch, John worked at Bear Stearns Asia Limited for 2 years. Mr. Lee holds a BBA degree from Southern Methodist University in the U.S., with a concentration in Finance and Real Estate.



Mr. Andrew YAO

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Hong Kong Deputy to the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
Chairman, Van Shung Chong Holdings Ltd*

Mr. Andrew Yao is the Chairman and was the chief executive officer of Van Shung Chong Holdings Ltd (VSC). VSC, founded in 1961, is a leading distributor of quality construction and industrial materials, playing a significant role in the building, infrastructure development and manufacturing industries in Hong Kong and Mainland China. Mr. Yao graduated from the University of California, Berkeley and Harvard Graduate School of Business. He serves as the Vice Chairman of Shanghai Federation of Industry and Commerce, Standing Committee Member of All-China Youth Federation, Chairman of Hongkong-Shanghai Economic Development Association, Board Member of Fudan University in Shanghai, Court Member of The University of Hong Kong, Council Member of The Lingnan University and Member of the Barristers Disciplinary Tribunal Panel, HKSAR. In December 2012, he was elected as the Hong Kong Deputy to the 12th National People's Congress (NPC) of PRC. He was also the Standing Committee Member of China People's Political Consultative Conference of Shanghai (CPPCC), Vice Chairman of Youth Federation of State-owned Enterprises and Shanghai Youth Federation. He was the Chairman of the HBS Global Alumni Conference 2004 in Shanghai, former member of the Central Policy Unit of the HKSAR in 2008, former Chairman of the Hong Kong United Youth Association (2007 – 2008), founder of the Young President Organization (YPO) Shanghai Chapter, former Member of Harvard Business School International Alumni Board (2005 – 2010), and former (2005 – 2011). He was awarded "Young Industrialist Awards of Hong Kong" in 2004 and was awarded Justice of Peace by HKSAR in 2008.



Mr. Dario PONG

*Council Member, The Better Hong Kong Foundation
Managing Director, Ferro Resources Ltd*

Mr. Dario Pong is the Founder and Managing Director of Ferro Resources Ltd. Ferro produces ferrite magnets and iron oxide in its Shanghai and Wuhan operations. It is one of the top five automotive ferrite manufacturers in the world, with products being shipped to all major automotive markets. Ferro's La-Co (rare-earth) ferrite enhances motor performance and has received various quality awards in Germany and Japan. He is also an Executive Director of family-owned Shiu Wing Steel Ltd. Shiu Wing was founded in 1958 by the late Mr. Pong Ding Yuen. For over 50 years, Shiu Wing has operated the only steel mill in Hong Kong, first in Junk Bay and now at Tap Shek Kok, Tuen Mun. Its high-quality steel bars are used by most infrastructure and private developments in Hong Kong, including projects such as the MTR, cross-harbour tunnels, Chek Lap Kok Airport, Tsing-Ma Bridge and numerous residential, office and industrial buildings. In addition, Mr. Pong is a non-executive director of ASX-listed Bisalloy Steel Group. Mr. Pong graduated with an AB in Economics, *magna cum laude*, from Princeton University. His senior thesis was awarded the William C. Sauer Prize of the World Bank. Upon graduation, he also received an Advanced Certificate in Economic Studies from Peking University. Since 1995, Mr. Pong had resided in Beijing and Shanghai for 17 years. In 2012, he relocated with his family back to Hong Kong.



Ms. Karen TANG

Executive Director, The Better Hong Kong Foundation

Ms. Karen Tang was appointed as the Executive Director of the Better Hong Kong Foundation in 2006. Upon graduation, she joined the Basic Law Consultative Committee of the Hong Kong SAR as the Administration Officer. After completing the consultation work, she developed her career in the media and multimedia industries, including worked as Deputy General Manager of Magazines Division of Ming Pao Group, General Manager of Yazhou Zhoukan, Deputy General Manager of the Chinese Television Network, General Manager of the Hongkong Telecom IMS, Director of Multimedia Services and Director of E-commerce under the Hutchison Whampoa Group. Ms. Tang worked for the Tung Chee-Hwa Election Office in 2001 and the Leung Chun-Ying Election Campaign Office in 2012 (for the election of Chief Executive of the HKSAR). Both candidates won. Ms. Tang holds a BA in Social Science and an MA in Public Administration. Ms. Tang is Council Member of the Hong Kong Baptist University, Member of the Antiquities Advisory Board, Member of the History Museum Advisory Panel of Hong Kong Government, and Council Member of the Hong Kong Macau Research Centre of the Shanghai Academy of Social Science.

The Better Hong Kong Foundation

The Foundation is a privately-funded, non-profit organization with no political affiliation. It was formed in 1995 by influential Hong Kong business and community leaders who were committed to the territory and wanted to share their confidence in its future with the corporate and political leadership overseas and was the local private organization to celebrate the return of Hong Kong to her Motherland.

The Foundation's principal objective is to help build a better Hong Kong. We regularly work with local and international academic institutions and research institutes in conducting surveys and studies, and in organizing forums and conferences. Additionally, the Foundation organizes frequent high-level delegation visits to overseas countries to update the international community on the latest developments in Hong Kong affairs, and to encourage exchanges between leaders in Hong Kong, Mainland China and the West. The Foundation also receives overseas delegations and visiting journalists who are here to learn more about Mainland China and Hong Kong first hand.

Mission of the Delegation

The Foundation's annual visit serves to update American opinion-leaders and interest groups on key developments in Hong Kong as well as sharing our observation on the developments in the Mainland China. The visit is also a networking mission allowing our Foundation to continue exchanges and further cooperation between Hong Kong and the U.S. This helps us consolidate our network, broaden our horizons, and break new ground. We will be meeting important leaders from government, Congress, academia, business, media, think-tanks, and related NGOs.