Appointments to Betting and Lotteries Commission

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The Chief Executive has made appointments to the Betting and Lotteries Commission for the term August 1, 2011, to July 31, 2013, pursuant to the Betting Duty Ordinance.

Dr Samuel Yung Wing-ki is re-appointed as the Chairman of the Commission. Nine members have been re-appointed and one new member is appointed. The non-official members of the Commission are:

Chairman

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Dr Samuel Yung Wing-ki

Newly appointed member

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Mrs Tung Ng Ling-ling

Re-appointed members

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Rev Chan Yut-wah

Dr Edwin Cheng Kwok-kit

Mr Lawrence Cheung Wai-kou

Dr Chiu Cheung-ki

Mrs Grace Lam Wong Pik-har

Mr William Tsang Chi-hung

Mr Stephen Yau How-boa

Mr Adrian Yip Chun-to

Mr Yu Pang-chun

The three public officers re-appointed to the Commission are the Commissioner of Police or representative, Permanent Secretary for Education or representative, and Director of Home Affairs or representative.

"The Commission comprises a balanced composition of individuals from different fields, including the education, religion and social work sectors. We will continue to work closely with the Commission to facilitate the latter in discharging its statutory functions effectively," a spokesman for the Home Affairs Bureau said today (July 29).

According to the Betting Duty Ordinance, the function of the Commission is to advise the Secretary for Home Affairs on matters relating to:

- (a) regulation of the conduct of horse race betting, football betting and lotteries;
- (b) issuance and revocation of licences in respect of (a) above and the variation of the licensing conditions;
- (c) compliance with the licensing conditions by the licensees and the handling of complaints that relate to non-compliance with the conditions of the licence; and
- (d) imposition of financial penalties on the licensees.

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