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The First Legislative Council Election of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region



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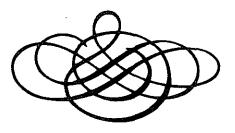
Two souvenir cards have been produced by the Electoral Affairs Commission to commemorate the first Legislative Council Election of the HKSAR.

The first souvenir card, along with a poll card, will be sent to registered voters about 10 days before election day – May 24, 1998.

The second card, and a card holder for both cards, will be issued to voters after they have voted on May 24.







Vote on 24 May

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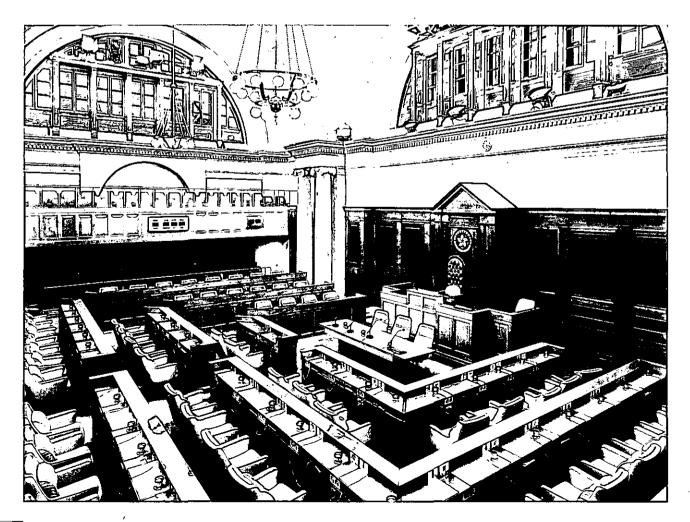
On May 24, 1998, the first Legislative Council (LegCo) election of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) will be held.

The objective of the Government for this historic election is to produce a legislature which is credible and representative. The Government is committed to ensuring that the electoral arrangements are fair, open and honest and acceptable to the people of Hong Kong.

The first LegCo election of the HKSAR will be conducted in accordance with the provisions in the Basic Law and the Legislative Council Ordinance. The entire electoral process will be supervised by an independent statutory body, the Electoral Affairs Commission. The Independent Commission Against Corruption will also help to ensure a clean election.

The '1998 Election Special' is intended as a general reference and a commemorative publication on this important election. It is also intended to promote participation by all sectors of the community in an election which will have a significant bearing on the future of the HKSAR - our home.

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with Hong Kong's electoral system and the candidates for whom you will be voting to be your representatives in the LegCo.



⁶⁶ Democracy is the hallmark of a new era for Hong Kong. The Special Administrative Region Government will resolutely move forward to a more democratic form of government in accordance with the provisions in the Basic Law. We will provide opportunities for every stratum of society and legitimate political organisations, and people with different shades of opinion, to participate in the political process. The Special Administrative Region Government will adopt an open attitude and be accountable to the public. **99**



The Chief Executive, Mr Tung Chee Hwa,

speaking at the ceremony to mark the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on July 1, 1997.



⁶⁶ The coming election is particularly meaningful as it is the first Legislative Council election after the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. You can vote to elect your Legislative Council representatives. The active participation of the public and the candidates in the election will mark an important step towards the realisation of 'Hong Kong people running Hong Kong'. **99**

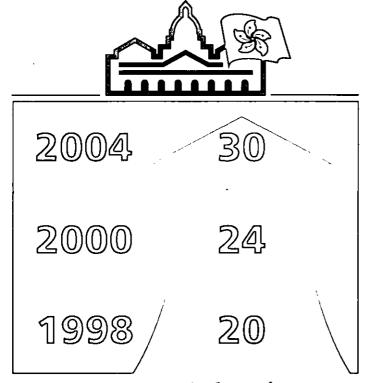
The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mrs Anson Chan, speaking at the opening ceremony of the 'Election Carnival' held on April 4, 1998

⁶⁶ The work of the Legislative Council is closely related to the life of Hong Kong people. As a voter, you can vote in the coming election and elect your representatives to the Legislative Council. Don't give up your chance to vote. In fact, the voting procedures are very simple and easy. It will only take you a few minutes to cast your vote. Why not go ahead with it? **99**

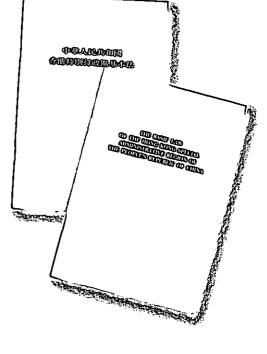
The Secretary for Constitutional Affairs, Mr Michael Suen, speaking at the opening ceremony of the 'Roving Exhibition for the 1998 Legislative Council Election' on March 12, 1998



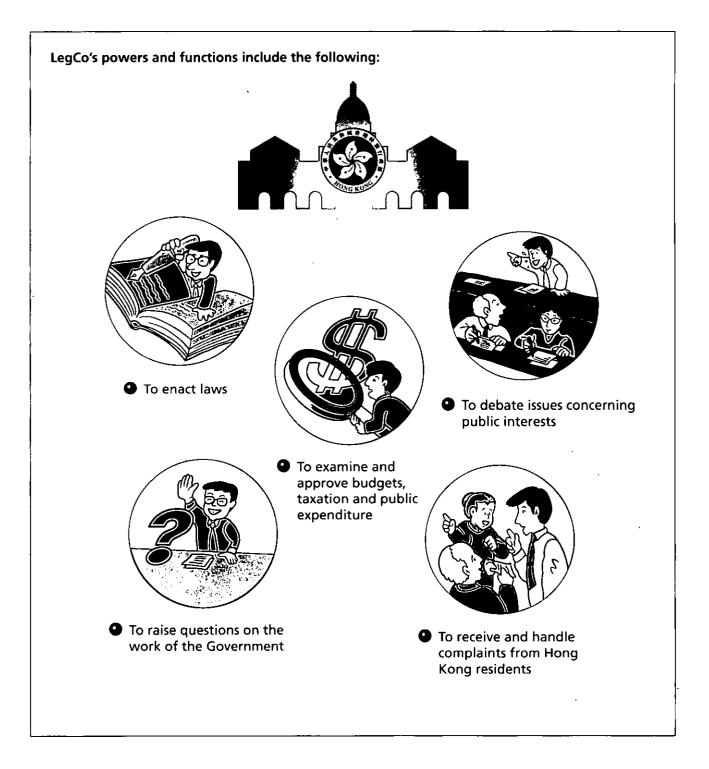
- Hong Kong's Legislative Council has had direct elections by universal suffrage in geographical constituencies since 1991.
- The Basic Law sets out the blueprint for Hong Kong's democratic development.
 It provides for a steady increase in the number of geographical seats in the immediate future: 20 for the first term of LegCo in 1998; 24 for the second term in 2000; and 30 for the third term in 2004.
- According to the Basic Law (Article 68), the method for forming the Legislative Council shall be specified in the light of the actual situation in the HKSAR and in accordance with the principle of gradual and orderly progress. The ultimate aim is to elect all 60 LegCo members by universal suffrage. The Basic Law provides a mechanism for Hong Kong people to decide how best to achieve that aim after 2007.



LegCo seats from Geographical Constituencies



Powers and Functions of the Legislative Council



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First LegCo Election of the HKSAR

- The first LegCo election of the HKSAR will be held on May 24, 1998.
- All 60 LegCo members will be returned by elections as follows:
 - 20 from geographical constituencies
 - 30 from functional constituencies
 - 10 from an Election Committee



How much do you know about the election?

- (1) How many seats will be returned through the Geographical Constituency, Functional Constituency and Election Committee elections respectively?
 - A. 30,20,10
 - B. 10,20,30
 - C) 20,30,10
- Which voting system will be adopted in the Geographical Constituency elections?
 (A) List Voting System
 - B. Preferential Elimination Voting System
 - C. 'First-past-the post' System
- (3) How do you cast your vote in the Geographical Constituency elections?
 - A. Mark a ' \checkmark ' next to the name of one candidate.
 - B. Mark a ' \checkmark ' next to the names of more than one candidates.
 - \bigcirc Mark a ' \checkmark ' inside the circle opposite the list of your choice.
- (4) The Election Hotline number is:
 - A 2588 1212
 - B. 1234 5678
 - C. 8765 4321

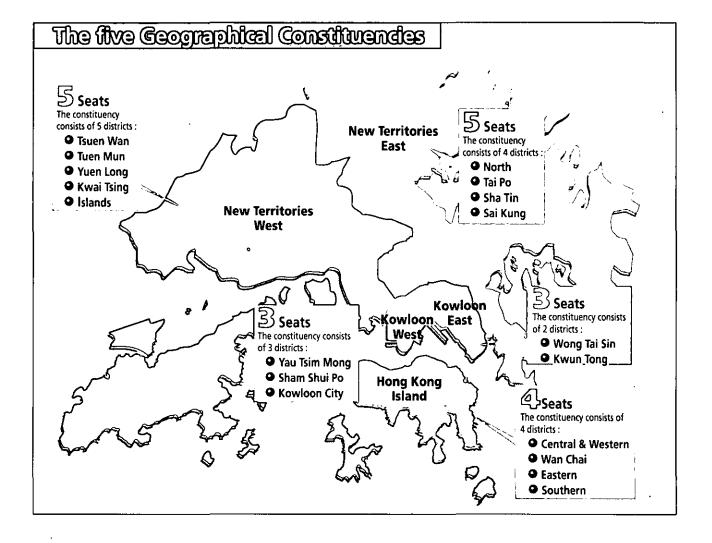
Geographical Constituency Elections

20 LegCo members will be returned from five geographical constituencies (GCs):

Hong Kong Island	:	4 seats
Kowloon East	:	3 seats
Kowloon West	:	3 seats
New Territories East	:	5 seats
New Territories West	:	5 seats
Total	:	20 seats

 Geographical Constituency elections will be by universal suffrage. All the 2.8 million registered voters have the right to vote.

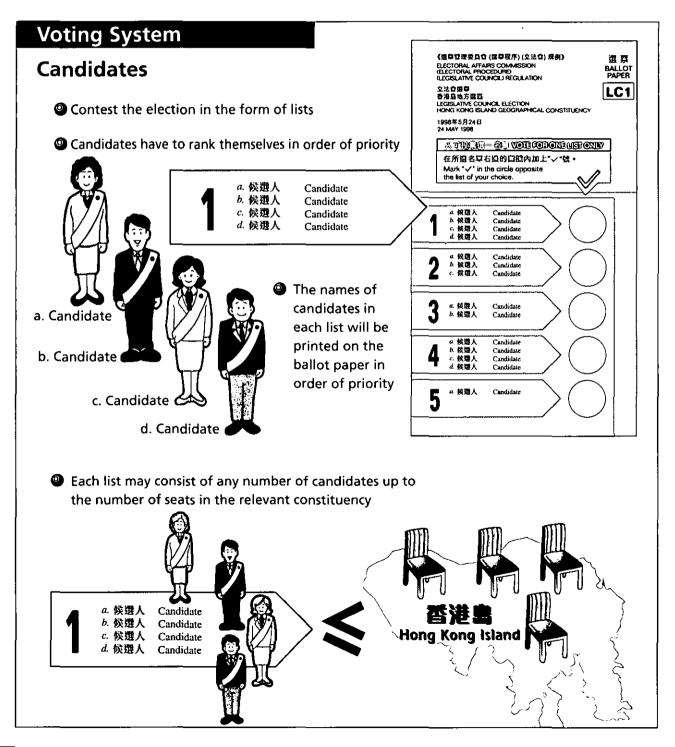
- The List Voting System operating under the Largest Remainder Formula - a form of proportional representation voting system - will be used.
- Each voter can cast one vote in his or her constituency.
- □ Voting is simple and easy. All a voter has to do is to choose one of the lists printed on the ballot paper and mark a tick '√' in the circle next to it.



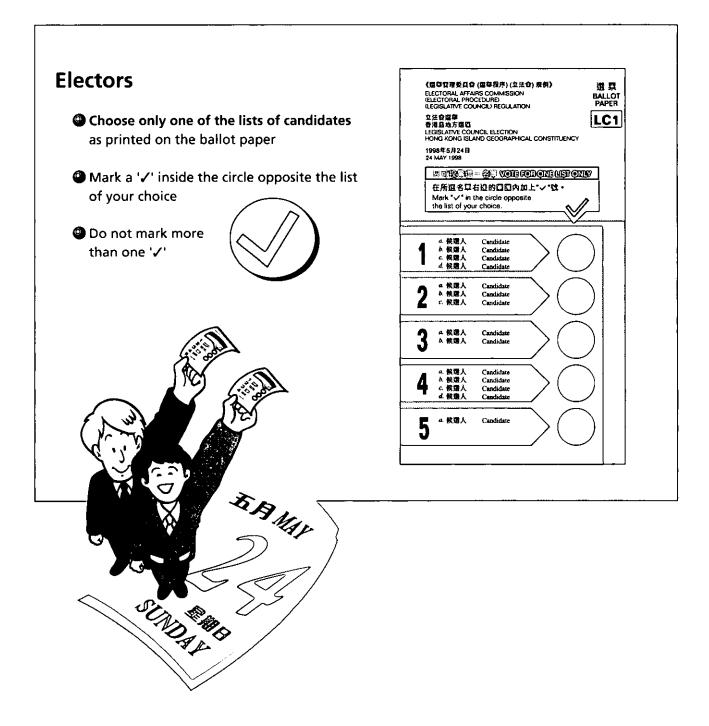
Geographical Constituency Elections

The List Voting System

- Is open and fair and is commonly used in many countries
- Can produce a result which more accurately reflects voter preference
- Can accommodate future increases in geographical seats as envisaged in the Basic Law

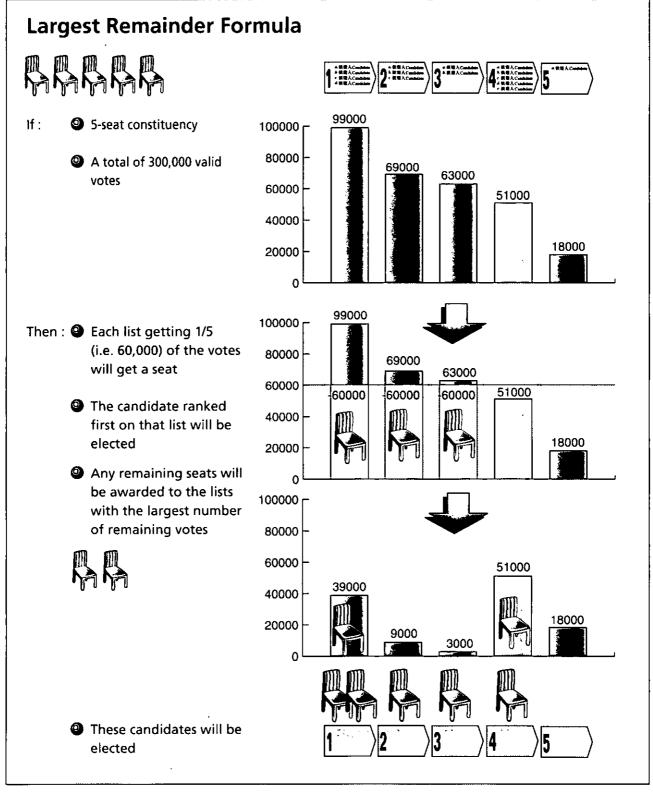


Geographical Constituency Elections



List Voting System Hotline 187 8877

Distribution of seats under the List Voting System



Functional Constituency Elections

- 30 LegCo members will be returned by 28 functional constituencies (FCs)
- The FCs represent various sectors of the community - for example the professions, commerce, industry, labour and social welfare
 which play a crucial role in the development of Hong Kong.
- The 30 LegCo members will be returned through the following FCs:
 - 1 Urban Council
 - 2 Regional Council
 - 3 Heung Yee Kuk
 - 4 Agriculture and Fisheries
 - 5 Insurance
 - 6 Transport
 - 7 Education
 - 8 Legal
 - 9 Accountancy
 - 10 Medical

- 11 Health Services
- 12 Engineering
- 13 Architectural, Surveying and Planning
- 14 Labour (3 seats)
- 15 Social Welfare
- 16 Real Estate and Construction
- 17 Tourism
- 18 Commercial (First)
- 19 Commercial (Second)



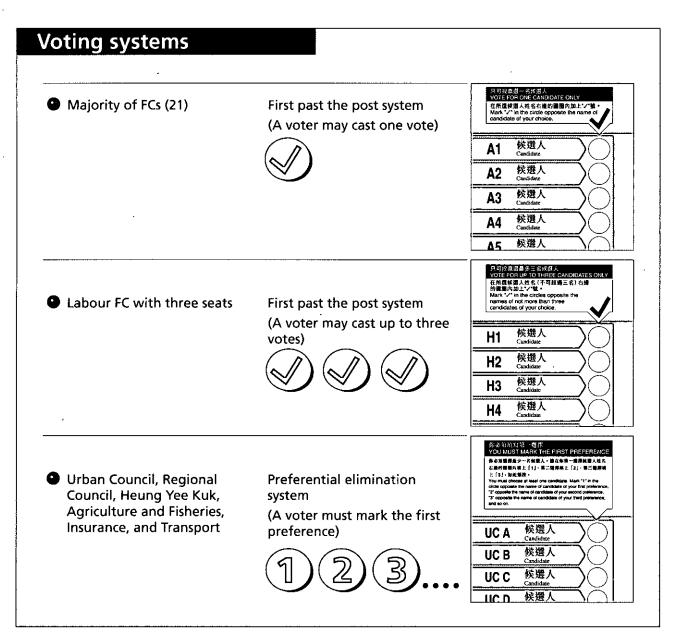
- 20 Industrial (First)
- 21 Industrial (Second)
- 22 Finance
- 23 Financial Services
- 24 Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication
- 25 Import and Export
- 26 Textiles and Garment
- 27 Wholesale and Retail
- 28 Information Technology



Vote on May 24

Voting systems for the FCs

- For 21 of the FCs, the first past the post system will be used, and each voter may cast one vote.
- For the Labour FC with three seats, the first past the post system will be used, and each voter may cast up to three votes.
- For the six FCs with a small number of voters (i.e. Urban Council, Regional Council, Heung Yee Kuk, Agriculture and Fisheries, Insurance, and Transport), the preferential elimination system will be used. Under the system, a candidate needs an absolute majority of votes to get elected.



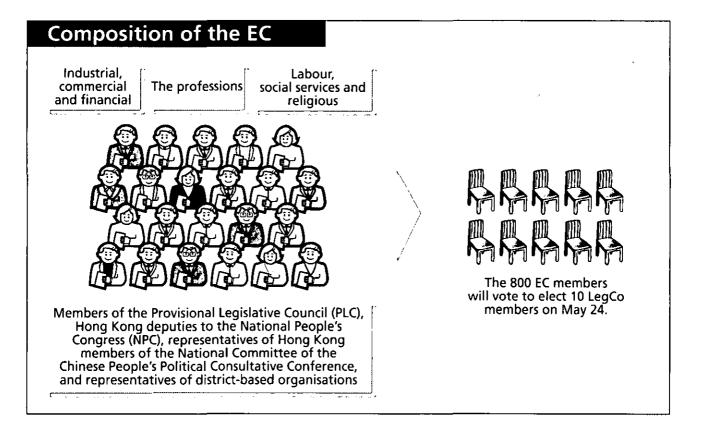
10 LegCo members will be returned by the Election Committee (EC).

Composition of the EC

- The EC has 800 members, all of whom are HKSAR permanent residents. They come from four sectors, each with 200 members, namely:
 - (i) Industrial, commercial and financial
 - (ii) The professions
 - (iii) Labour, social services and religious
 - (iv) Members of the Provisional Legislative Council (PLC),

Hong Kong deputies to the National People's Congress (NPC), representatives of Hong Kong members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, and representatives of district-based organisations.

The majority of the 800 EC members were returned by sub-sector elections on April 2, 1998, with the exception of the *ex officio* members (PLC members and Hong Kong deputies to the NPC), and nominees from the religious sub-sector.



Election Committee Election

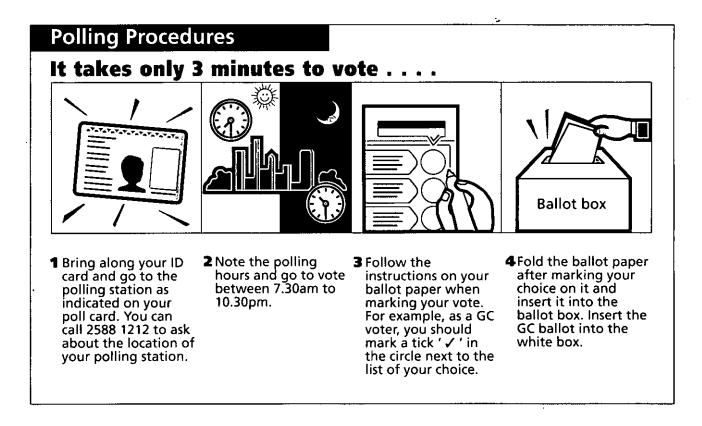
Voting system

- The block vote system will be used for the election of 10 LegCo members by the EC.
- Each EC member is required to choose 10 candidates, no more and no less, by shading in black the ovals against the names of the 10 candidates of his/her choice.
- The election result will be determined by first past the post.



YOU MUST MARK YOUR 請用黑色華填滿你所選	(不能多過或少過10名)於進入 C10 CHOICES, NO MORE AND LESS 抑的10名校进人姓名法迈的猜测阅 is the names of the 10 candidates of your choice.
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22 候選人	35. 合 候選人
Candidate	Candidate
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24. co 候選人	37. co 候週人
Candidate	Candidate
25. G 候選人 Candidate	38. G
26. G 候週人	39. c> 候選人
Candidate	Candidate
27. 。 候選人	40. co 候翅人
Candidate	Candidate
28. G 候選人 Candidate	41. G
29. 。 候選人	42. G 候週入
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Polling Procedures - DOS and DONTIS



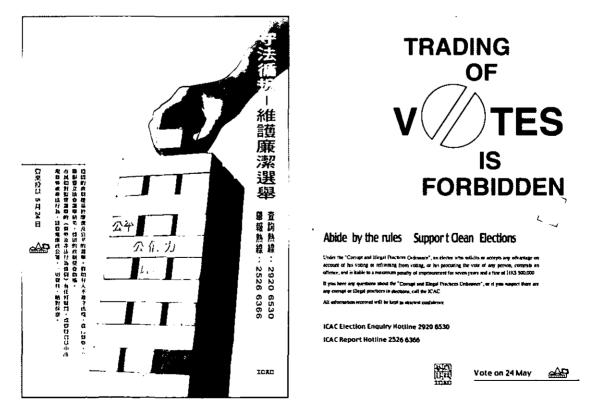
DO

- DO vote on election day: Sunday, May 24, 1998
- DO note your designated polling station as indicated on your poll card
- DO go to vote during the polling hours: 7.30am to 10.30pm
- DO take your ID card to the polling station
 - DO take your poll card to help polling staff verify your information
- DO report any corrupt or illegal electioneering practices to the ICAC Hotline on 2526-6366 (24 hours)

DON'T

- DON'T accept money, gifts or any advantage in return for voting for any particular candidate or list
- DON'T make false statements about any candidate
- DON'T vote if you have knowingly provided false or misleading information while registering as a voter
- DON'T put any extra marks on the ballot paper your vote may become invalid if this happens
- DON'T wait until the last moment to go to the polling station you may miss out

DON'T forget to vote!



ICAC posters promoting clean and fair elections

Election Theme Song – It's My Home



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Singer Alan Tam performs the election theme song, encouraging all registered voters in Hong Kong to vote on May 24.



It's My Home

(Translation)

It's my home that keeps my dreams, my heart and everything I love. This will not change throughout my life.

For this home, I put in happiness. I will care for you every day. Let your beauty stay.

I will do whatever I can. Hope you can feel: all my attention and love.

All that I do is especially for you. Hope you know: all my care is good for you.

For my home's future, our beautiful future, let's build our bright future together.

For our home, our future, show your concern and cast your vote.



Facts and Figures

Number of registered voters in geographical constituencies ...

Total:	2 795 371
Male:	1 460 579
Female:	1 334 792

Number of registered voters in the geographical constituencies of ...

596 244

483 876

411 466

595 341

Hong Kong Island:

New Territories East:

New Territories West: 708 444

Kowloon East:

Kowloon West:

Number of registered voters in the FCs: 138 984

Number of members in the Election Committee: 800

Highest number of voters by age group ...

36-40 years: 415 520 (14.86 per cent of registered voters) Male: 211 877 Female: 203 643

> Number of working staff on election day ... Around 13,000, including polling and counting staff Number of polling stations ... Around 500 No of ballot boxes ... About 1 700

Budget for the 1998 election ... \$496 million

of which ... \$117 million spent

\$117 million spent on publicity \$152 million spent on postage **Central Counting Station:** Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Extension Level 2, Hall 1

Area of the Central Counting Station: 12 636 square metres

Electoral Affairs Commission

The Electoral Affairs Commission (EAC) is an independent, impartial and apolitical statutory body established in September 1997. It is responsible for overseeing the first Legislative Council election of the HKSAR. It comprises three members, all of whom were appointed by the Chief Executive.



From left to right Mr Justice Woo Kwok-hing, Mr Norman Leung Nai-pang and Ms Elizabeth Shing Shiu-ching.

The EAC is responsible for:

- Ensuring the elections are conducted fairly, openly and honestly;
- Making recommendations on the delineation of geographical constituencies;
- Making regulations, guidelines and arrangements for the conduct of elections, including the supervision of the registration of electors.

The EAC is chaired by a High Court Judge, Mr Justice Woo Kwok-hing. The two other members are Mr Norman Leung Nai-pang and Ms Elizabeth Shing Shiu-ching.

Important Dates

September 29:	Establishment of the Electoral Affairs Commission (EAC)
October 3:	Commencement of the Legislative Council Ordinance
October 11-24:	Public consultation on EAC's recommendations on geographical constituency boundaries
October 31:	Submission of EAC's final recommendations on geographical constituency boundaries to the Chief Executive
November 5:	Commencement of the voter registration campaign for geographical constituencies
November 11:	Chief Executive in Council's endorsement of EAC's final recommendations on geographical constituency boundaries
November 12:	Commencement of the voter registration campaign for functional constituencies and Election Committee sub-sectors
December 6-12:	Voter Registration Week
December 18-31:	Consultation period for EAC's draft election guidelines

February 13:	Publication of provisional registers for public inspection
February 28:	Publication of EAC's finalised election guidelines
March 13:	Publication of final registers
March 13-20:	Nomination period for Election Committee sub-sector elections
April 2:	Polling day for Election Committee sub-sector elections
April 9-24:	Nomination period for LegCo election
May 24:	LegCo election day
June 5:	Gazettal of election results



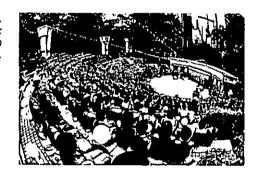




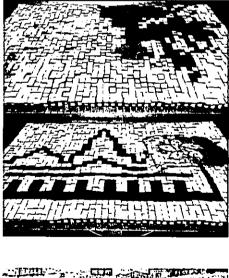


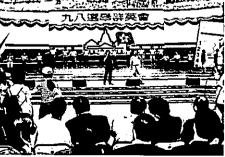
The Chief Executive, Mr Tung Chee Hwa, officiates at the ceremony in Hong Kong Park to launch Voter Registration Week from December 6-12, 1997.

The 1998 LegCo Election Carnival at Victoria Park is opened by Chief Secretary for Administration Anson Chan who is joined by (left to rignt) Acting Director of Broadcasting Chu Pui-hing, Director of Home Affairs Shelley Lau, Secretary for Constitutional Affairs Michael Suen, Secretary for Home Affairs David Lan and Director of Information Services Thomas Chan.

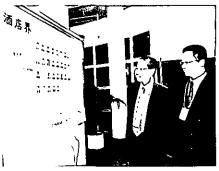




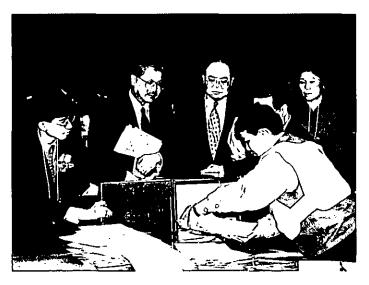








The Chief Secretary for Administration Anson Chan, accompanied by Secretary for Constitutional Affairs Michael Suen, visits polling stations during the EC sub-sector elections on April 2, 1998.





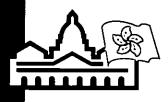
Electronic counting (above): A computer vote counting system, the optical mark reader, was used in the Election Committee sub-sector elections on April 2. The same system will be used for counting the votes in the Election Committee election on May 24.

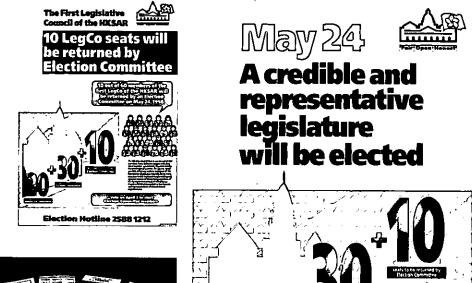




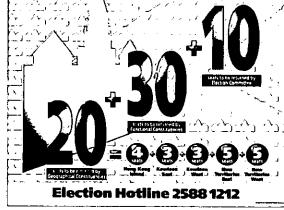


The Election Committee sub-sector elections were held on April 2, 1998. The 800 members of the Election Committee will elect 10 legislators in the May 24 polls.











A wide range of publicity material has been published to promote the LegCo election on May 24, as well as to highlight the need for fair, open and clean elections.

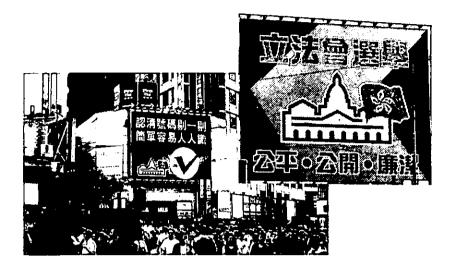




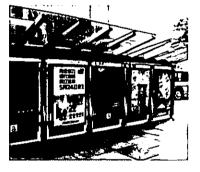
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sort Clean Elections

Vote on 24 May



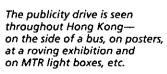




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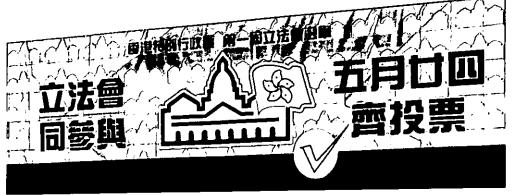




First Day Covers to be issued by Hongkong Post to commemorate the first LegCo election of the HKSAR.



The HKSAR Government Internet Home Page promoting the LegCo election on May 24.





Street light bunting and signage all over Hong Kong promotes fair, open and honest elections.









Film stars, singers and well-known personalities are enlisted as 'District Election Stars' to promote participation in the May 24 polls. The 'Stars' make use of brightly decorated buses to spread the message.

Voters, young and old, take part in a mock voting exercise to promote the May 24 polls.



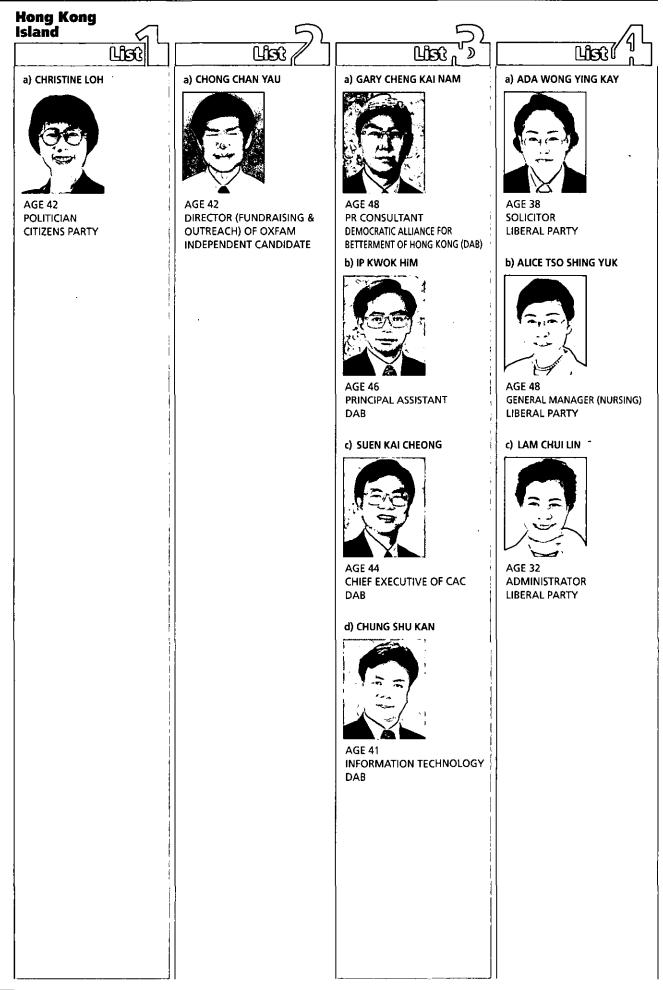
Deputy Director of Home Affairs Augustine Cheng (centre) casts his 'ballot' in a mock voting exercise with Wong Tai Sin Election Star Benny Cheung, while Wong Tai Sin District Officer Diane Wong looks on.

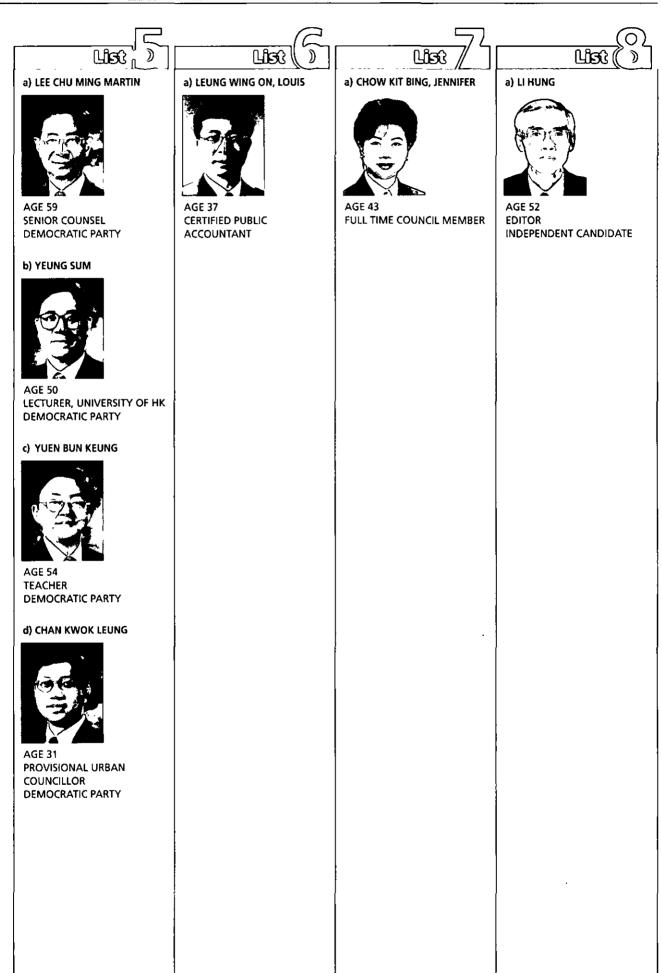


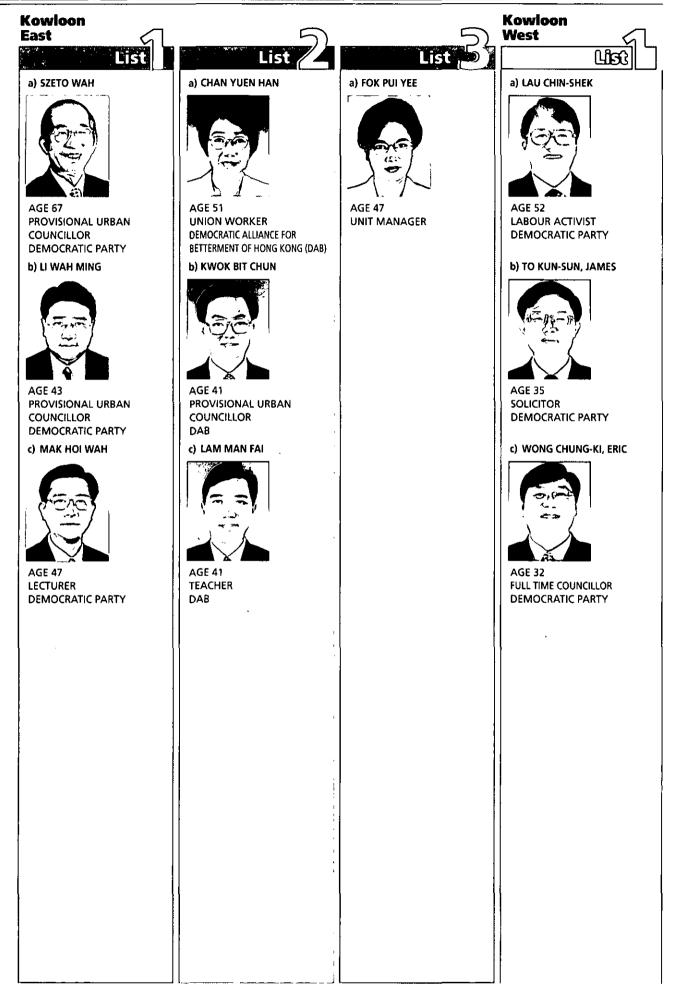
Deputy Secretary for Constitutional Affairs Robin Ip explains voting methods for the May 24 polls during one of the 40 briefing sessions.

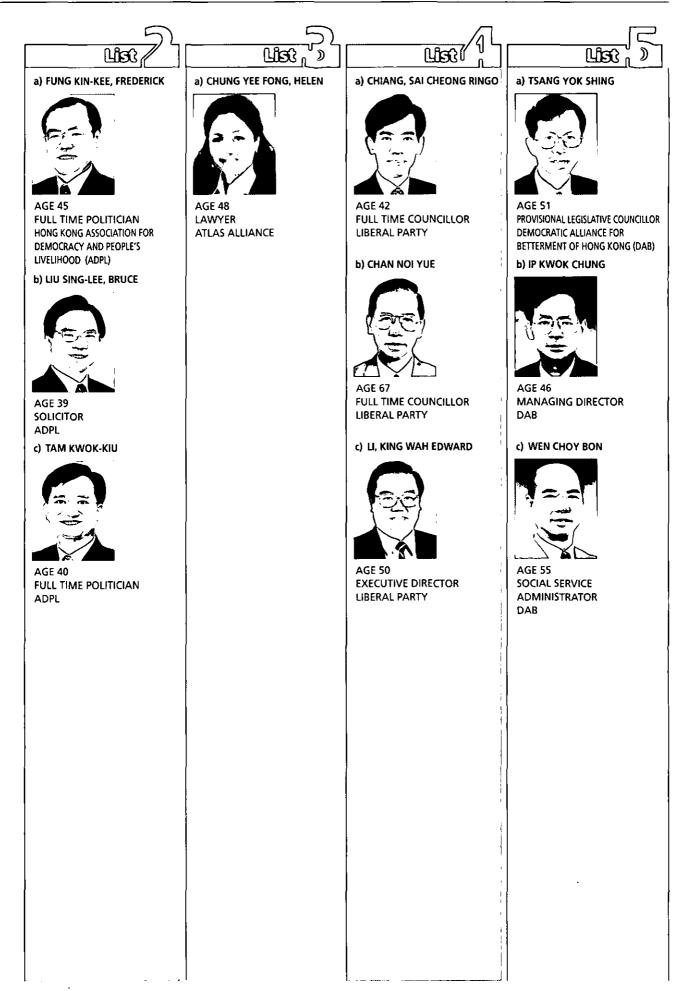


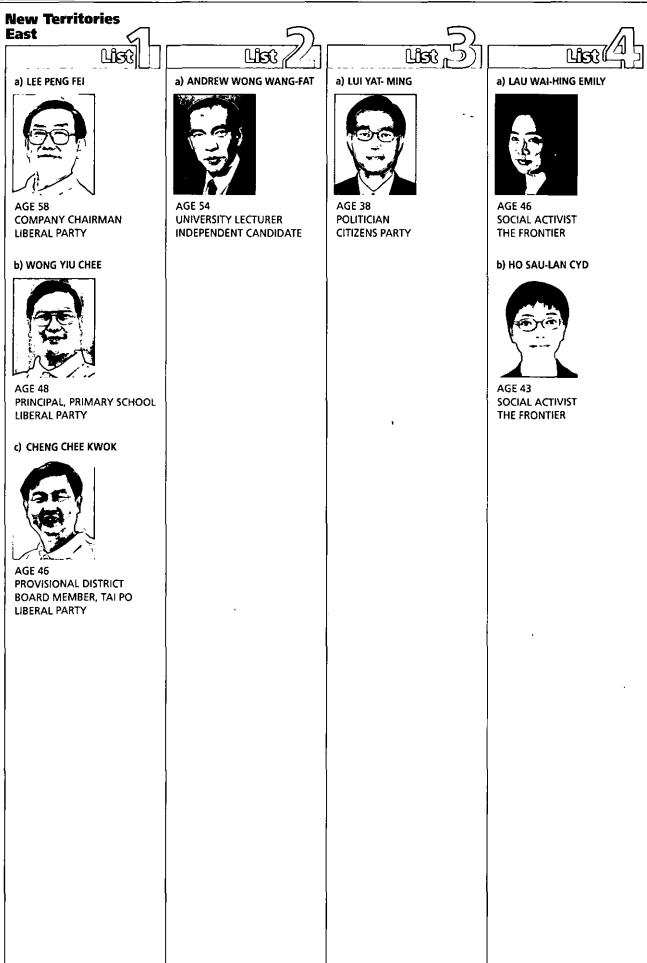
Secretary for Home Affairs David Lan joins Director of Home Affairs Shelley Lau to look over the wide selection of souvenir items promoting the May 24 LegCo election.

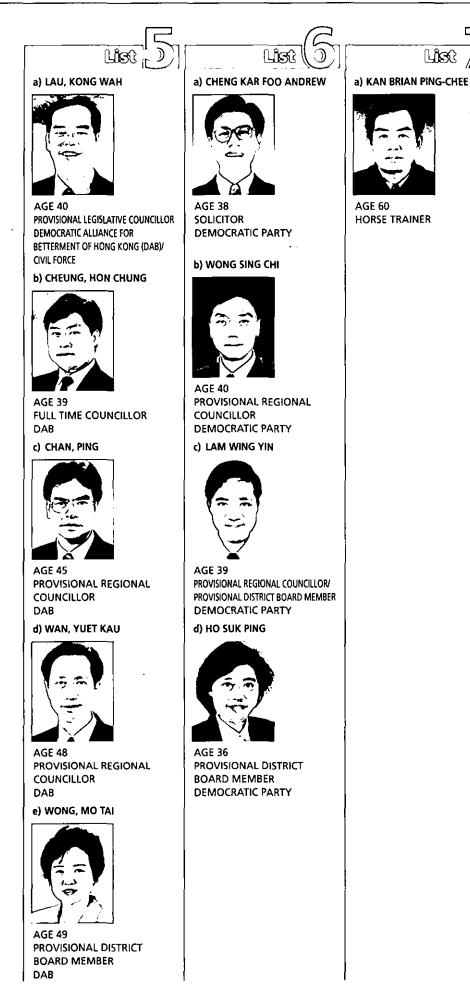


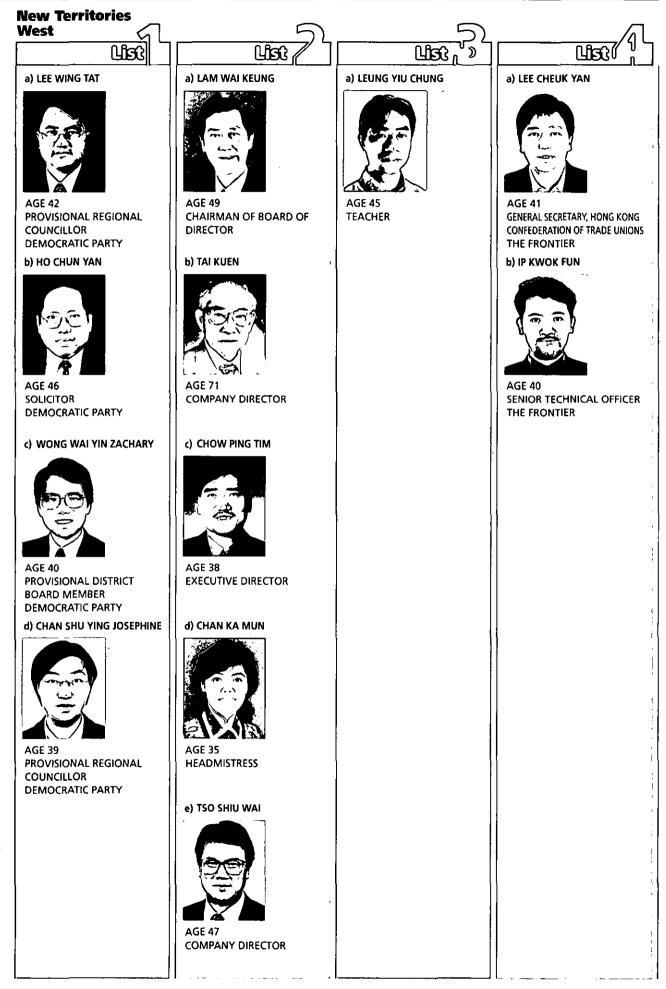


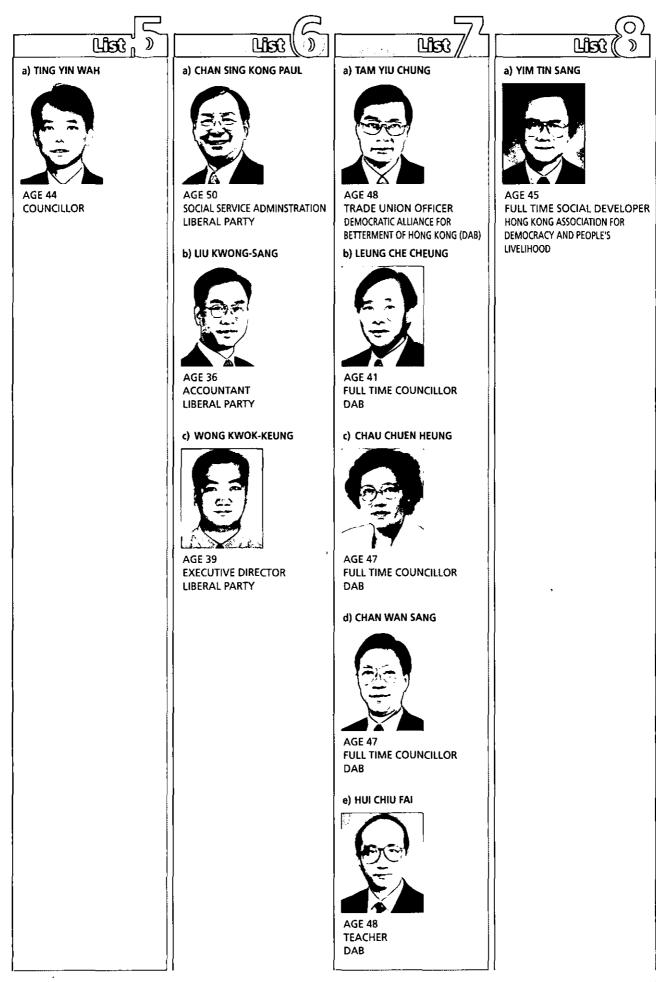




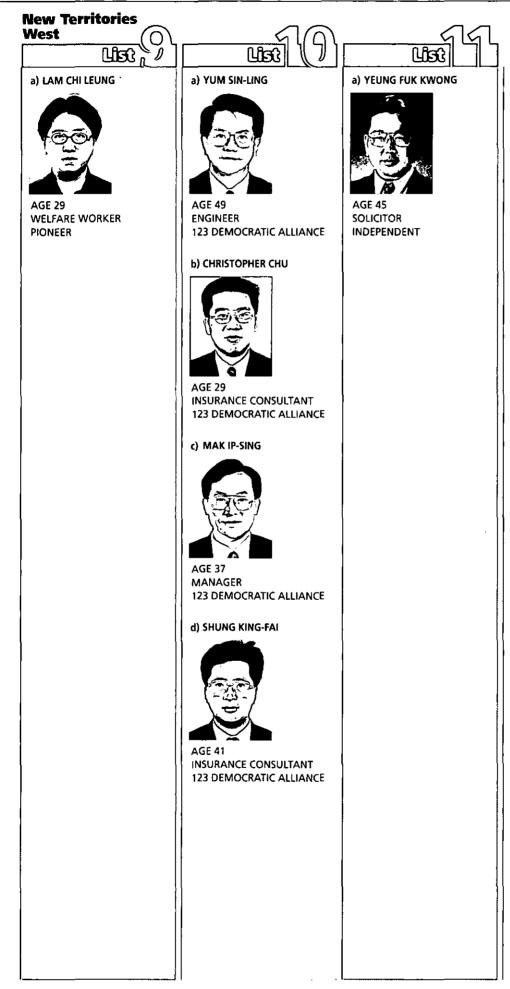




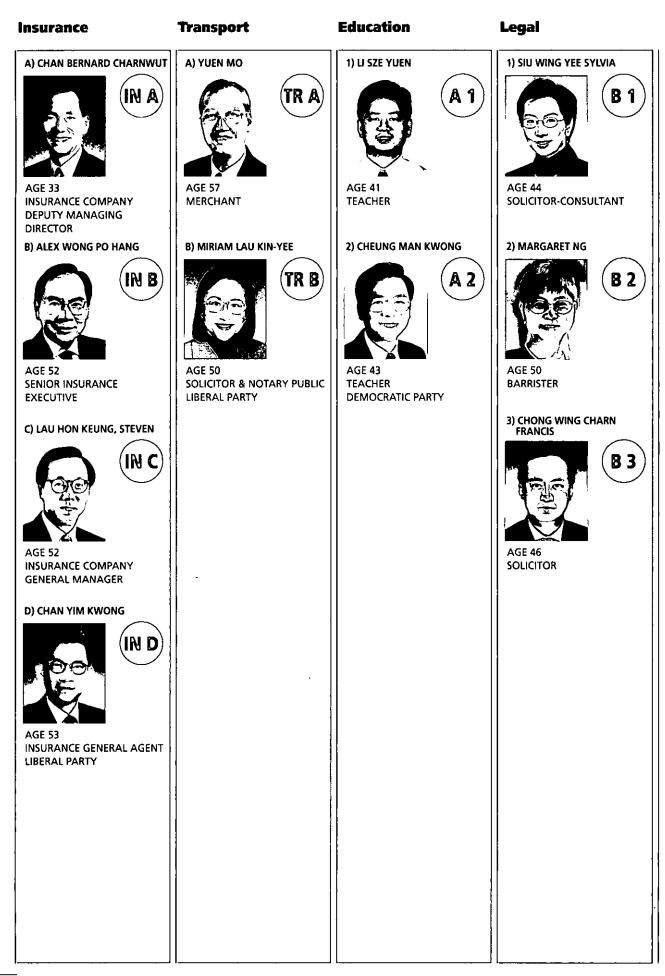


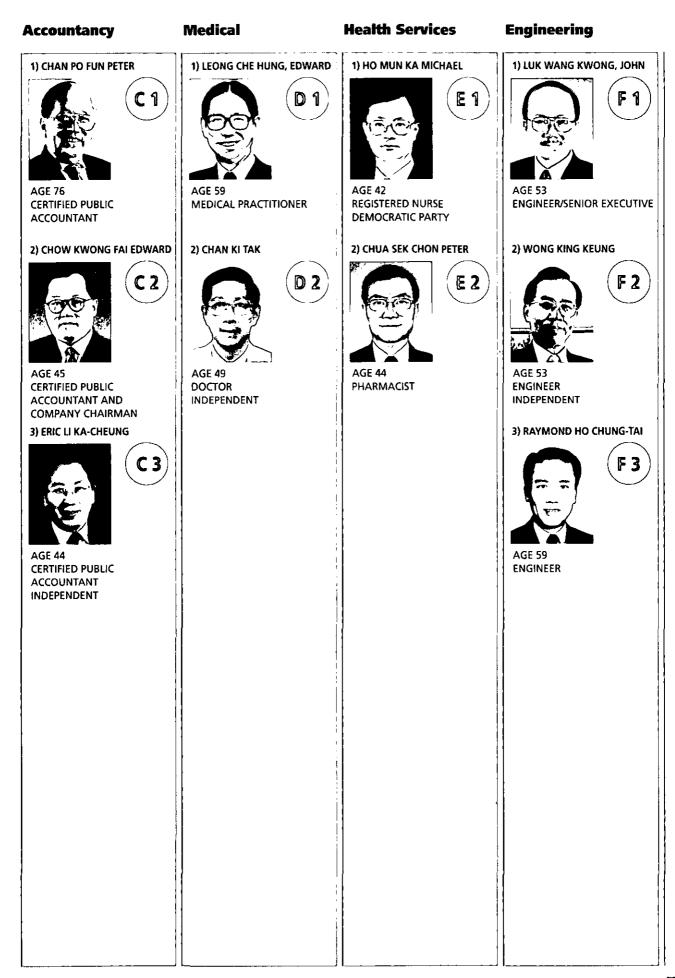


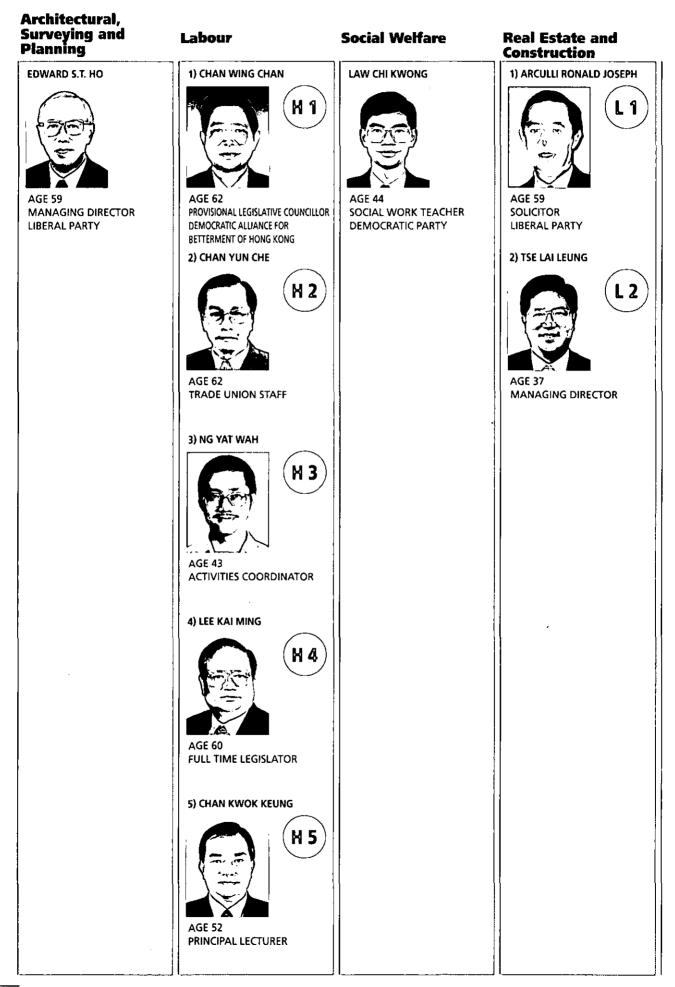
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Urban Council	Regional Council	Heung Yee Kuk	Agriculture and Fisheries
A) WONG MAN CHIU, RONNIE A) WONG MAN CHIU, RONNIE UC A AGE 46 COMPANY DIRECTOR B) CHEUNG WING SUM, AMBROSE B) CHEUNG WING SUM, AMBROSE UC B C AGE 47 LAWYER/COMPANY DIRECTOR INDEPENDENT C) MOK YING-FAN UC C AGE 47 HERBALIST HONG KONG ASSOCIATION FOR DEMOCRACY AND PEOPLE'S LIVELIHOOD	A) CHIANG LAI WAN RC A AGE 42 DIRECTOR B) TANG SIU TONG B) TANG SIU TONG C) TANG SIU TONG AGE 55 MEDICAL PRACTITIONER C) NGAN KAM CHUEN C) NGAN KAM CHUEN RC C AGE 51 SENIOR MANAGER DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE FOR BETTERMENT OF HONG KONG	AGE 62 BUSINESSMAN	A) LEE HAY YUE LAWRENCE A) LEE HAY YUE LAWREN







Tourism

Commercial (First)

Commercial (Second) Industrial (First)



AGE 50 TOURISM EXECUTIVE LIBERAL PARTY

JAMES P.C. TIEN

AGE 51 COMPANY CHAIRMAN LIBERAL PARTY



AGE 59 MANAGING DIRECTOR



AGE 55 COMPANY CHAIRMAN LIBERAL PARTY

Industrial (Second)



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AGE 60 BUSINESSMAN

2) NGAI SHIU KIT



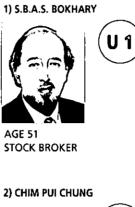
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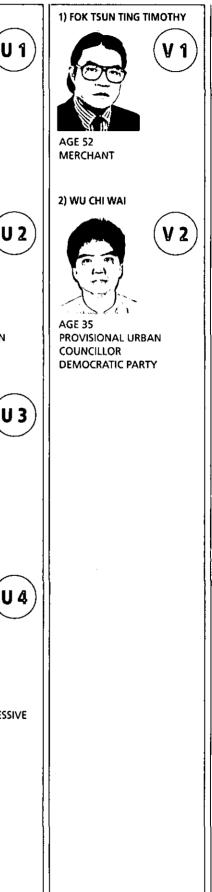
AGE 49 DEALING DIRECTOR, GENERAL MANAGER

4) WU KING CHEONG



AGE 47 MERCHANT HONG KONG PROGRESSIVE ALLIANCE

Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication



Import and Export

HUI CHEUNG CHING

Textiles and Garment Wholesale and Retail Information Technology



AGE 55 COMPANY DIRECTOR HONG KONG PROGRESSIVE ALLIANCE

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COMPANY DIRECTOR LIBERAL PARTY



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2) CHAN CHOI-HI



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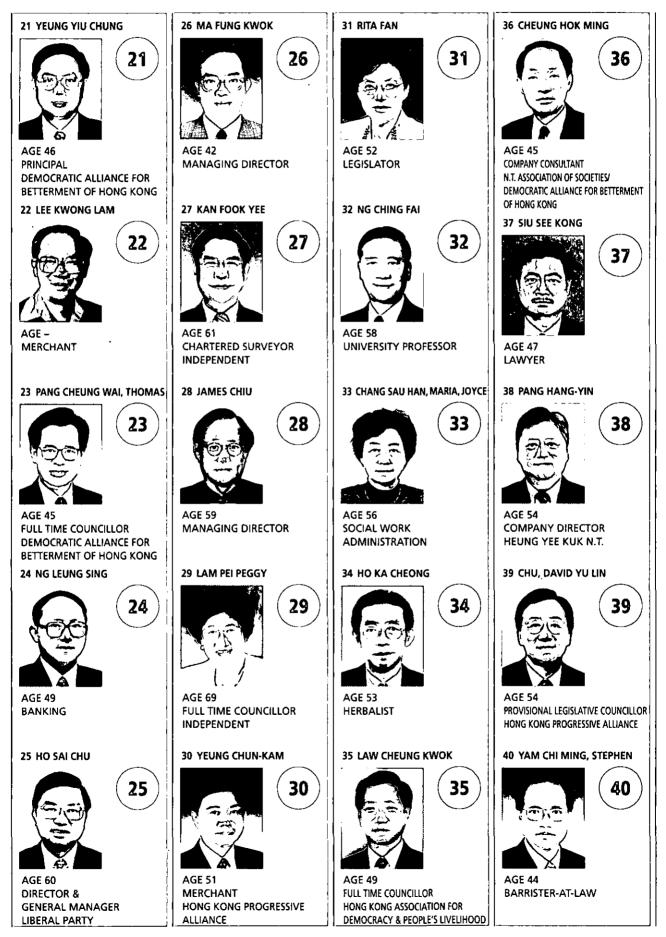
3) WONG SIU YEE



AGE 45 FULL TIME COUNCILLOR HONG KONG PROGRESSIVE ALLIANCE



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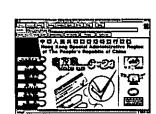
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