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The Chinese Government aims to achieve full liberalisation of trade in service between the Mainland and Hong Kong by the end of the 12th Five-Year Plan period. A delegation led by the Deputy Director General of the Department of Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao Affairs of the Ministry of Commerce, Mr Sun Tong, visited Hong Kong. A discussion forum was organised for the delegation to meet representatives of Hong Kong's professional institutes and trade organisations. I attended the forum and exchanged views with the delegation on the difficulties encountered by Hong Kong surveyors who operate in China. To further liberalise services, the Mainland authorities are exploring ways to allow more service industries to operate there without prior approval. The proposed arrangement operates under a system of "Negative Listing," which means any business can freely operate in China except for those trades specified on the "not-to-be-liberalised list". I also proposed that surveying be classified as a business that is allowed to operate in China without prior approval from the Mainland authorities.

The delegation from the Authority of Qianhai Shenzhen – Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone also visited Hong Kong recently. The Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Services arranged for the delegation to meet representatives of local professional institutes. I attended

the meeting to learn about the latest developments to promote cooperation between Hong Kong and Shenzhen for Qianhai's infrastructure development. China has considered lowering the entrance barrier for Hong Kong professional services to operate in Qianhai. I proposed that more flexibility be provided to surveyors with recognised Hong Kong qualifications to work in Qianhai.

We organised a series of meetings with government officials to share our views on public policies. We met the Director of Home Affairs, Mrs Pamela Tan, on 5 May. She thanked the HKIS for supporting the "AP-Easy" Building Maintenance Advisory Service Scheme, which has attracted an overwhelming response from building owners' corporations. HAD had requested that the HKIS increase the number of cases to be covered under the pilot scheme. We also discussed the proposed statutory framework for regulating the property management industry.

On 8 May, we met the Secretary for Transport and Housing, Prof Anthony Cheung, and then the Secretary for Development, Mr Paul Chan, on 15 May. We discussed the various policies on increasing land and housing supplies and management of major infrastructure projects. Concerning the Pilot Scheme for Arbitration on Land Premiums, the HKIS submitted its proposal for the arbitration mechanism. In

order to support the operation of the arbitration process, the HKIS will prepare a list of valuation experts who will be appointed to serve on the arbitration panel. On the management of major infrastructure projects, we proposed appointing independent cost consultant to enhance the checks-and-balances of the project management system.

The HKIS 30th Anniversary Bandshow was held on 24 May. It was a signature social event to celebrate the achievements of the institute. The Surveyors Band (S!R) composed several new songs especially for the show. The audience was entertained by its lively performance and passion for music.

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中國政府致力推動「十二五」規劃末期全面落實內地與香港服務貿易自由化，商務部台港澳司副司長孫彤率領代表團到訪香港，並出席論壇與香港的專業學會及貿易組織代表會面。我出席了是次論壇，與代表團就香港測量師在國內執業所遇到的困難交換意見。為實現服務貿易自由化，內地當局正探討讓一些服務行業，無須通過政府部門審批便可在內地經營，這建議將採用「負面清單」管理模式，即除列明禁止開放的項目外，其餘服務領域均可以自由開拓業務。在論壇上，我提出了測量專業應列入為無須通過政府部門審批便可在內地經營之服務行業。

最近，深圳市前海深港現代服務業合作區管理局代表團亦到訪香港，香港專業聯盟安排代表團與本地專業團體會面。我出席了有關會議，了解推動香港與深圳之間的合作及前海基礎設施建設的最新發展。內地現正考慮降低香港專業服務在前海之准入門檻，我在會議上提出當局應更靈活地讓擁有香港執業資格的測量師可於前海執業。

我們與政府官員安排了一連串的會議，交換學會對公共政策的意見。於5月5日，我們與民政事務總署署長陳甘美華女士會面，署長感謝學會對「顧問易」大廈維修諮詢服務計劃的支持，業主立案法團對計劃反應熱烈，民政事務總署已要求香港測量師學會，增加試驗計劃的個案數目，我們亦就物業管理行業的規管制度的立法安排提出意見。

於5月8日和15日，我們分別會見運輸及房屋局局長張炳良教授及發展局局長陳茂波先生，我們就增加土地及房屋供應，以及管理大型基建項目的各項政策上，進行討論。學會就補地價仲裁先導計劃，向政府提交了建議。為向先導計劃提供服務，學會將會擬備一份合資格擔任仲裁小組成員的估值專家（產業測量師）名單。此外，學會亦就大型基建項目的監察機制上，提交了意見，建議項目成本的監察及控制機制，應委任獨立顧問機構負責，使成本監察機制更具獨立性。

於5月24日，學會舉辦了一個音樂會－30週年紀念Bandshow，以慶祝學會成立30週年。測量師組成的樂隊(S!R)為是次表演特別編寫了多首新的歌曲。參與的觀眾深深感受到樂隊對音樂的熱誠，各歌手和觀眾共同歡渡了一個難忘的晚上。

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