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## New Information Center Named in Honor of Local Philanthropist

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) has named its new Visitor Information Center after Mr and Mrs Ho Ting Sik, in recognition of their HK\$2.5 million donation to the University.

A naming ceremony was held on campus today (7 September 2004), officiated by Mr and Mrs Ho and Prof Paul Chu, HKUST President.

Under the Government's dollar-for-dollar Matching Grant Scheme, Mr and Mrs Ho's gift has been doubled to \$5 million, and will be applied to support the University's academic and research development.

Mr Ho is the founder and chairman of Carrier Stock Investment Company Limited, a local financial investment company. A respected philanthropist, he has donated millions of dollars to Shunde, his native village, for the building of schools, medical centers and homes for the elderly.



Unveiling the plaque: Mr and Mrs Ho (right) and Prof Chu



The Mr and Mrs Ho Ting Sik Visitor Information Center will serve as the University's first contact point with members of the public arriving on campus. It is located in the Piazza and contains exhibits that highlight the University's development through its 13-year history, including its achievements, research breakthroughs and service to the community.

The Center is scheduled to open daily from 4 October 2004, and will welcome visitors from 9 am to 5 pm.