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## PANEL DISCUSSION

## Sovereign Immunity and the Basic Law: Implications of *FG Hemisphere Associates* (the Congo Case) for Hong Kong

Chair: Simon Young, Associate Professor and CCPL Director

Panelists: Douglas Arner, Professor and AIIFL Director

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On February 10, 2010, the Court of Appeal (by majority) found that the international rule of restrictive immunity continued to apply in Hong Kong, notwithstanding that the rule of absolute immunity may be applicable to Mainland China. The Court of Final Appeal will consider the case in March 2011, and, before it can adjudicate, it may need for the first time a certifying document from the Central People's Government or an interpretation of the Basic Law from the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress. In this panel discussion, legal academics in the Centre for Comparative and Public Law will consider and debate the legal and wider implications of the case from the perspectives of constitutional law, public international law, the reception of international law in Hong Kong's domestic law, and business law.

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