The Government announced today (October 10) appointments to the Travel Industry Compensation Fund Management Board (TICFMB).

Mr Ignatius Chan Tze-ching and Mr Gordon Kwong Che-keung have been re-appointed respectively as Chairman and a member of the TICFMB for two years with effect from October 15.

"We are grateful to Mr Chan and Mr Kwong for their devotion and contribution to the work of the TICFMB in the past two years. We thank Mr Chan and Mr Kwong for agreeing to continue their service in the TICFMB," a Government spokesman said.

"We are confident that under Mr Chan's able leadership, the TICFMB will continue to discharge effectively its statutory duties in protecting outbound travellers," a Government spokesman added.

The TICFMB is a statutory body established under the Travel Agents Ordinance (Cap. 218). It holds, manages and applies the Travel Industry Compensation Fund which provides ex gratia payment to outbound group/package travellers who suffer losses in the event of default of travel agents and those who sustain injuries/death in accidents whilst travelling abroad.

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